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Dublin City Council

**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA
COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2 ON
MONDAY 08th JULY 2013
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 08th July 2013 at 3pm** to deal with the items on the agenda attached herewith.

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Dated this 3rd July 2013

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1280. Election of Chair.
1281. Election of Vice Chair.
1282. Presentation on Dublin – Ethna Murphy, Fáilte Ireland.
1283. Presentation with reference to the creation of a Flood Forum for the South East Area – Sharon McMahon, Project Manager, Environment & Engineering Department, DCC.
1284. Minutes from the meeting held on the 10th June 2013 (pages 6 – 26).
1285. Questions to the City Manager (pages 46 – 51).
1286. Roads & Traffic Department Matters.
- i. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 27th June 2013 (enclosed).
 - ii. Traffic Service Requests, Status Report at 15th June 2013 (enclosed).
 - iii. Request for additional pedestrian crossing in Rathgar village.
1287. Planning Department Matters.
- i. Word River (pages 27 – 28).
 - ii. **Planning Application No.:** 2703/13
Application Type: Permission
Applicant: Board of the Royal Hospital Donnybrook
Location: Royal Hospital, Bloomfield Avenue, Donnybrook, Dublin 4.
Proposal: Planning permission for (i) The change of use the former Nurses Home Building (901 sq.m.) including renovation and internal alterations and the construction of part single, part two and part three storey extensions (739 sq.m.) to the side and rear of the former Nurses Home Building to create a Primary Care Centre (total gross floor area 1640 sq.m.) including an independently accessible pharmacy (72 sq.m.) at ground floor level; (ii) 41 no. additional surface level car parking spaces with 6 metre high lighting; (iii) The demolition of a greenhouse (74 sq.m.) and a pavilion (77 sq.m.); (iv) The construction of a new vehicular and pedestrian access at Cullenswood Park, a 5.5 metre wide internal access road with a footpath and 4 metre high lighting, and 4 no. traffic control barriers; (v) A new ESB substation to replace an existing ESB substation at Cullenswood park; and (vi) All associated site development works including upgrading part of the existing fire tender access road to a 5.5 metre wide road with a 4 metre high lighting, landscaping along the boundary to Woodstock Court and Bushfield Place.
1288. Development Department Matters.
- i. Derelict Sites Quarterly Report (pages 29 - 31).
 - ii. Proposed grant of a seven year licence to The Little Museum of Dublin Ltd. (pages 32 - 33).

- iii. Proposed grant of a Lease of a retail unit at Holles Street / Fenian Street, Dublin 2 (pages 34 - 35).

1289. Housing & Residential Services Department Matters.

- i. Housing voids reports (pages 36 - 38).

1290. Culture, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters.

- i. Report on the removal of a tree at Adelaide Road (page 39).

1291. South East Area Matters.

- i. Area Manager's Report (pages 40 - 43).
- ii. Sandymount Street Conversations Report, May 2013 – The Studio, Dublin City Council (enclosed).
- iii. Taking-In-Charge – Meadowbank, Rathgar (pages 44 - 45).

Motions

1292. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager to report on how progress can be made on the suggestions contained in the submission attached to this motion and not reply with a simple it has been referred to the TAG.

1293. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

The problems emanating from the joint Terenure Cross junctions are having a very serious impact on the local habitat and general quality of life. Back in the 1970's the challenges of these junctions was acknowledged when traffic was less challenging and residents could park on the main road. The Council at that time had a plan which included funding from Dept. of Environment. This plan was shelved and since then the only focus has been on the movement of commuter traffic and public transport. This problem requires a more holistic approach.

Therefore it is agreed to establish a working group, made up of councillors, City Officials and Traffic Engineers to examine and provide solutions to the movement of traffic at Terenure Cross especially the impact on the south west axis, Terenure Rd West and Templeogue Road. It is also agreed that the design of the area be re-examined and consideration be given to the need for Dept of Environment funding and possibility design engineers to solve this problem.

1294. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager what if any are the immediate plans for the depot at Bloom's Lane, off Mulberry Lane, Donnybrook which is owned by Dublin City Council and has been unoccupied for approximately four years. Could it be used for storage purposes, for example to facilitate local residents with cleaning equipment and storage of planters etc?

1295. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to add two new bicycle stands, no.1 opposite Kiely's in Donnybrook no. 2 an additional stand opposite the AIB Bank in the main street in Donnybrook. Also to remove the bicycle stand from the Garda Station in Donnybrook because it is not in use.

1296. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to check with Eircom to ascertain if the two telephone boxes outside Kiely's in Donnybrook are in regular use of if it would be advisable to have them removed.

1297. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That the Manager will report on what action can and will be taken to deal with the traffic issues on Baggot Lane as detailed in the three emails submitted with this motion.

1298. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

The absence of public toilets is an issue regularly debated on the city council but no action has been taken. I therefore propose that Public toilets be included in the Grafton Street renewal scheme. Furthermore that this committee agrees to pursue the issue of provision of public toilets in the city.

1299. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

The boundary wall between Greenfield Place Mount Drummond and the Army barracks is in a dangerous condition, quite a lot of cracks has appeared in the wall.

Assuming that the wall is the responsibility of the Army. It is agreed therefore that the Council contact Cathal Brugha barracks and request them to repair this wall or alternatively that the Council make it.

1300. Motion from Councillor Eddie Wynne

That this Area Committee calls on the Manager to review traffic management in Rathgar Village to reflect the *Design Manual for Urban Roads* requirement to put pedestrians at the top of the hierarchy on urban road, and address the need for a pedestrian crossing from the Bijou to the 108 which will provide a safe crossing to pedestrians crossing the road at this point.

1301. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

This Committee calls upon the Roads and Traffic Department to have a meeting with residents of Whitton Road and Brighton Gardens, Terenure, in the context of the forthcoming works to be carried out for the installation of the water meters, to establish whether the footpaths on Whitton Road can be narrowed by the necessary six inches in order to facilitate parking on both sides of the road.

1302. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That this committee agree to urgently prepare an upgrade maintenance plan for Dodder Park and Orwell Parks and that sufficient amount of money is budgeted for in 2014 to carry out the necessary work.

1303. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Rathmines Library will be 100 years old in October of this year, it is fitting therefore that the Council provide a special programme to mark the occasion. That this programme address the interests of all the different age groups and diversity of interests of the Rathmines community.

**SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
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1253. Presentation Grafton Street Quarter Draft Public Realm Plan.

Order: Noted.

1254. Minutes from the meeting held on the 13th May 2013.

Order: Noted.

1255. Questions to the City Manager.

Order: Circulated and Noted.

1256. Roads & Traffic Matters.

i. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 23rd May 2013.

Order: Noted.

ii. Traffic Service Requests, Status Report at 15th May 2013.

Order: Noted.

1257. Planning Department Matters.

i. **Application number:** 2576/13

Application type: Permission.

Applicant: Quinby Properties.

Location: Haddington House, 1-2 Haddington Road, Dublin 4

Change of use of the existing 5995sqm five storey over basement car park office, plant rooms, safety railings and external plant area at roof level to provide for 6056sqm Medical facility with associated offices which will be subdivided into a 1744sqm Primary Care Unit located at ground and first floor levels with a new stepped and ramped entrance with projecting canopy off Percy Place including the infill of the 50sqm recess in the existing Percy Place facade in addition to an associated ambulance / bus set-down area; glazed pedestrian bus shelter for patient drop off and collection set within the public foot path and a 4188sqm private Medical Clinic with associated offices and general office use located on part of the ground floor and all of the 2nd-4th floors, including existing office at roof level and a 124sqm coffee shop at ground level with outdoor sitting area and modified ramp and stepped entrance approach off Haddington road and other associated works consisting of a revised basement car park layout, repointing works to the facades; replacement of the existing external glazed windows, doors, roof covering, external mechanical roof plant and safety railings and the provision of satellite dish at roof level in addition to hard and soft landscaping and other ancillary works.

Order: Councillors considered that further information should be sought.

iii. Quarterly Enforcement Report January to March 2013.

Order: Noted.

- iv. dublinbikes Expansion.
Order: Noted.

1258. Development Department Matters.

- i. Proposed grant of a temporary convenience letting of a site at Beggar's Bush, Shelbourne Road, Dublin 4
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
- ii. Deletion of '1-16 & 41-50 Elmwood Avenue Lower & 17-40 Elmwood Avenue Upper, Dublin 6' and '1-34 Elmpark Avenue, Dublin 6' from the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. Once the deletion procedure is completed it is proposed to designate these buildings an Architectural Conservation Area
Order: Noted.

1259. Culture, Recreation and Amenity Matters.

- i. Sport and Leisure Services Area Report.
Order: Noted.
- ii. Survey of street trees in the South East Area.
Order: Noted.
- iii. Removal of street trees on Desmond Street.
Order: Noted. Councillors asked if replacement trees can be planted when a tree has to be cut down.
- iv. Refurbishment and Extension of existing Changing Rooms at Herbert Park.
Order: Noted.

1260 South East Area Matters.

- i. Area Mangers Report.
Order: Noted.

Flood Relief Works.

Cllr Lacey asked for a meeting with Councillors before next decision is made.

Docklands SDZ.

Councillors expressed concern at the possible demolition of four houses on Martins Terrace, Hanover Street East.

Public Domain.

Councillors asked if particular attention could be paid to emptying bins and litter awareness on Sandymount Strand at weekends during periods of warm weather.

Palmerston Park.

Councillors asked that the plan include the Pavilion and the barrier on Palmerston Road. Cllr. Quinn asked for a contact name for Howley Hayse Architects.

Studio conversations on play in Sandymount.

Report to be circulated when finalised.

Any Other Business.

Cllrs. asked for a meeting is arranged for Councillors from the South East area, the South Central area and the Traffic Department to discuss issues at Terenure Cross Roads. Councillors agreed that a letter be sent to the Temple Bar Cultural Trust outlining the problems caused by the Exchange venue on Smock Alley. Cllr. Flynn welcomed Paddy Brennan as the new Project Estate Officer in the SEA.

Motions

1261. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey (carried over from last month)

This Committee agrees to discuss the proposals submitted with this motion in relation to College Green and circulated to Councillors.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1262. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That the small number of modern lampposts on Chelmsford Road be replaced with Victorian style ones in keeping with the majority of same on the Road.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1263 Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests a report on what plans are in train for the Iron Bridge at Brookvale Road / Beaver Row, Donnybrook and when it is intended to consult with Councillors and residents on what appear to be significant intentions regarding same.

Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr. Lacey asked for a full report before any action is taken.

1264. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee requests an update on what measures have been taken or will be taken on foot of the allocation of funds in the City Council Budget to deal with the flooding problems in St. Alban's Park.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1265. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if she would make a statement (if such is possible) on the death of a resident of the Beggars Bush complex who was tragically found on May 7th 2013 and if measures can be identified to reduce the possibility of such incidents in the future.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1266. Motion from Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to review the footpath on Oakley Road as wheelchair-scooters users find it narrow and are scared that of toppling off the kerb and, for that reason, use the road.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1267. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have a proper sign erected at Elmpark Green on the Merrion Road. Presently this development is being confused with Elm Park, Donnybrook by delivery vans, postal services and more seriously, ambulances and fire brigades.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1268. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have the pay and display times on Northbrook Road, Ranelagh which are currently 7am to 7pm Monday to Saturday, altered to 9.30am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1269. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to liaise with the Bord of Works and request that they clean the stonework on the Garda Station building in Donnybrook. It would greatly enhance the visual aspect of the village if this was done.

Order: Agreed. Cllr Lacy asked for the Stock Exchange be requested to clean the arch over the graveyard at Donnybrook also.

1270. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That this LAC agrees to the request to have Ranelagh Village closed off on Sunday 29th September to facilitate the Ranelagh Arts Festival **Closing**. By giving the street back to the people of Ranelagh for the day will do a lot for the community spirit and the Arts Festival. It is therefore agreed that the Traffic Engineers discuss the issue with the Organisers of the Festival and that the Local Representatives be kept informed of progress.

Order: Moved by Cllr. Lacey. Report to Councillor.

1271. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager please state what is the legal position regarding the installation of the charge points for electric cars. Does the licence from the council to open a hole in the ground give ESB power to erect these charge points often in inappropriate areas? Has ESB consulted with the Council regarding the appropriateness of these locations and if so what steps did the Council take to inform Elected Representatives. Furthermore that the ESB be invited to the next meeting of the LAC to discuss their policy and to try and develop a working relationship with them in this regard.

Order: Moved by Cllr. Lacey. Report to Councillor.

1272. Motion from Councillor Kieran Binchy

That this committee calls on all sections of the Council to agree that no trees in public spaces will be cut down without prior consultation with local residents and with the local councillors.

Order: Agreed.

1273. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

This Committee calls upon the City Council to take whatever steps are necessary to preserve and protect the existence of the four houses on Martins Terrace, Hanover Street East, Dublin 2, which appear to be threatened by the North Lotts and Grand Canal Docks Strategic Development Zone draft planning scheme.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1274. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

This Committee calls upon the City Manager to facilitate the Ranelagh Arts Festival in converting Ranelagh into a pedestrian only zone for the last day of the Ranelagh Arts Festival on 29 September 2013.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1275. Motion from Councillor Edie Wynne

That this Committee agrees to the request of Ranelagh Arts Festival committee that Ranelagh Village is closed to traffic on Sunday 29th September to facilitate the whole village participation in the major events closing on Sun 29th September.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1276. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee, in light of the winding down of the Dublin Docklands Development authority and the inclusion of all functions of the Docklands area to come under the DCC remit, that the strategic policy group on planning and economic development create a sub-committee to deal with the emerging issues and legacy issues of the Docklands area. That this committee would comprise of the relevant community and business stakeholders. Further, that this committee would have a

very clear task with regard to contributions to the future development of all aspects of the Dublin Port area, the Docklands, and the surrounding Docklands area.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1277. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the city manager issue a full report in relation to the recent decisions by the courts regarding rates owed to the BIDS Company? The Dublin District Court recently threw out a series of claims by the BID company against a number of retailers on Capel Street as the court ruled that the BID company did not have the legal standing to collect the charges which are effectively rates and only DCC can sue for such charges, Can the City Manager Confirm that the BID company does not have the authority to collect such rates and will Dublin City Council sue individual business for this second rate if they fail to pay the Dublin BID company?

Order: Report to Councillor.

1278. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the city manager initiate a process for the extinguishing of the public right of way at Camden Court, Camden Street? This particular laneway has become a hotspot for criminal activity and gross anti social behaviour. It is in constant use for intravenous drug takers, it is in constant use as a public lavatory and it is also being used for drug dealing. There are a number of residents in this particular laneway who have suffered attempted break-ins, threats etc. I have been contact by residents in the area who are at their wits end and are about to vacate this vibrant neighbourhood as they are finding the situation unbearable.

Order: Report to Councillor.

1279. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to facilitate the Irish Model Boat Club and their 14 members in Herbert Park by providing the vacant office for their use. This office is located behind the Park Keeper's Clubhouse. This would facilitate the storage of trolleys and allow members to use the vacant premises during the winter months and they are prepared to pay for electricity.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Councillor Kieran Binchy

Chairperson

Dated 10th June 2013

Attendance

Members

Councillor K. Binchy (in the chair).

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

Officials

- E. Quinlivan, Area Manager, South East Area.
- F. Lambe, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area.
- G. Geoghegan, Housing Manager, South East Area
- P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area.
- S. Dunne, Administrative Officer, South East Area
- K. McGlynn, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads & Traffic Dept.
- D. Brennan, Assistant Engineer, Roads & Traffic.
- M. Conway, Senior Planner, Planning Dept.
- J. Frehill, Executive Planner, Planning Dept
- F. Worrall, Assistant Enforcement Officer, Planning Dept
- E. O'Callaghan, A/Senior Development Planner, Development Dept.
- B. Brady, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, Parks Dept,
- E. Byrne, Community and Social Development Officer, CRA.
- F. O'Brien, Staff Officer, South East Area.
- J. Nugent, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area.

Q1. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager if any conditions regarding colour co-ordination apply to the exterior decor of Terenure Town Houses.

Reply:

By Plan No. 3203/11, planning permission was granted for the re-instatement of fire damaged elements comprising (a) roofs (b) mansards (c) localised repairs to brickwork (d) windows & external doors of the existing terraced three storey dwellings known as 4,4,6,7,8 and 9 the Townhouses, Terenure Road East. As stated above this allowed for repairs to roof (blue –black thrutone slates), external brick work and the provision of new hardwood windows and doors.

Q2. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to address the dangerous conditions which prevail on Merton Drive, Dublin 6, on the short stretch between Sandford Road and the Cullenswood Gardens intersection, which a very narrow but very heavily used stretch of roadway **which has a footpath on one side only** (further details).

Reply:

The ramps on Merton Drive are listed for resurfacing in 2013. Red asphalt will not be used for their resurfacing; the ramps will instead be resurfaced with longer lasting 10mm aggregate stone mastic asphalt. The contract for ramp resurfacing in the south east area recently went to tender. No further details are available at present. Following the tendering process the work will be programmed by the Road Maintenance Division who will be able to give you further details when that stage is reached.

Q3. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to survey the trees in Temple Gardens in the interest of safety following the recent tree fall on Cowper Road and that the residents be involved and consulted on the outcome of any such review.

Reply:

The trees on Temple Gardens have been inspected and considered not to require works at this time. However, considering the age profile of these trees they will be reviewed regularly. If a particular tree is of concern to a resident or a member of the public they may contact the undersigned and a meeting will be arranged.

Q4. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to undertake inspection/repairs to the footpath outside the AM/PM shop, close to Harold's Cross Bridge, Harold's Cross. Footpath in very poor condition and requires work to be carried out.

Reply:

There is one trip hazard immediately outside the AM/PM shop. This will be repaired within 8 weeks. The rest of the footpath is in reasonable condition and does not require reconstruction. Please note that the missing glass panels from the Hayward Lights adjacent to this footpath are on private property.

Q5. Councillor Dermot Lacey
To ask the Manager to include an upgrade to Simmonscourt Road in the works programme.

Reply:

Simmonscourt Road has recently been resurfaced.

Q6. Councillor Edie Wynne
To ask the Manager when the lampposts beside the bridge over the River Dodder on Orwell Road will be painted following a commitment, in response to a question from this Councillor last year, that they would be in this year's budget for painting.

Reply:

Painting of the public lighting poles at the bridge will be carried out within the month of June.

Q7. Councillor Edie Wynne
To ask the Manager to have the pavements adjacent to the bridge over the River Dodder on Orwell Road repaired as some have cracked up due to cars and trucks using them to turn.

Reply:

The footpath adjacent to the Dodder Bridge on Orwell Road is old and worn, but not, generally speaking, in a dangerous condition. If the Councillor has specific locations that require attention, perhaps she could contact Road Maintenance Services with details of same.

Q8. Councillor Gerry Ashe
To ask the manager if the property *details supplied is registered as a derelict unit and to outline the actions that have been taken to secure and restore the site."

Reply:

This property was entered on the Derelict Sites Register on May 29, 2013. If it remains derelict by January 2014 a levy of 3% of its value will be imposed.

On 31/05/2013 Housing Maintenance entered the property (details attached) and re-secured the door ope of the flank wall and also the front window ope. The property is now secured against entry.

Q9. Councillor Dermot Lacey
To ask the Manager if it would be possible to locate some public lighting on the lane leading to St. Mary's Tennis Club, Belmont Villas, Donnybrook as requested in the email submitted with this question. Would it be possible for the Lighting Department to put one or two lights on the laneway up to the entrance of the club? Seeing as we have local schools using the facility.

Reply:

The provision of lighting here will be assessed and considered as part of a future programme of improvement works subject to finances made available.

Q10. Councillor Dermot Lacey
To ask the Manager if there is any progress on developing plans for the former Public Toilet block on Anglesea Road.

Reply:

A brief is currently being prepared for this site and it is intended to go to the market to seek expressions of interest in the near future.

Q11. Councillor Dermot Lacey

Will the manager arrange to meet with the Milltown residents association to discuss their integrated traffic plan for Ramleh.

Reply:

Please forward the residents' proposed plan to traffic@dublincity.ie for examination and processing by the Traffic Advisory Group. The area engineer will investigate the issues raised on-site, if the area engineer is unclear as to the issues raised, he will request a meeting to clarify matters on-site as required. The Councillor will be advised of any recommendations in due course.

Q12. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to make the following improvements to the following junction (details supplied).

Reply:

ITS section will monitor this junction. As an interim measure we can increase the all red time to improve safety for children while crossing on the green man.

Q13. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager urgently arrange to have the road markings replaced on Ontario Terrace? Recently this road was resurfaced and the road markings have not been replaced which is causing a lot of difficulty for the residents especially the lack of Double Yellow Lines.

Reply:

Repainting of the road markings at Ontario Terrace has been referred to the Traffic Officer and will be carried out at the next available opportunity when renewals are scheduled for the above area.

Q14. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager provide an update on the necessary footpath improvement works to be carried out on Oakley Road beside Lios na nOg as to the likely timescale and consultations.

Reply:

The local resident has been extensively consulted and the matter has been thoroughly reviewed. In addition to resident's concerns about access and egress, DCC has also been advised about the school authorities' concerns about safety for school children. DCC has already consulted with the most relevant parties on this matter, and would intend to engage all relevant parties in any further consultations. Further information will be provided at the South East Area Committee Meeting

Q15. Councillor Gerry Ashe

To ask the Area Manager following local objections can DCC arrange to have an audit carried out regarding the safety of the tree outside 37 Williams Place, Dublin 8.

Reply:

The Area Housing manager will arrange to have the brickwork that surrounds the tree removed and arrange with the Parks and Landscape Services Division to carry out an inspection with a view to ascertaining the condition of the tree and making a recommendation. When this process is complete and a report is prepared, a decision will be made in relation to the tree.

Q16. Councillor Gerry Ashe

To ask the Area Manager if DCC Housing can arrange to check out 7C Bishop Street. According to residents the tenant has not lived here for 2yrs. The front door is broken, furniture strewn around and they have concerns re the continuing dereliction.

Reply:

The tenant of no 7C Bishop Street is up to date with his rent payments. The broken door is the responsibility of the tenant to replace. The Project Estate Officer is aware of the issues at this location and is monitoring the situation.

Q17. Councillor Gerry Ashe

To ask the Area Manager when this man's (*details supplied) much needed Housing Adaptation might get the go ahead. This man has end stage chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, is on 24hr oxygen and has to crawl up stairs to bathroom, which necessitates a stop half way up.

Reply:

An application for adaptations to his dwelling was received from this tenant in March 2013. Unfortunately due to the volume of applications on our waiting list there is a delay from receipt of application to the works being carried out. Before approval can be given in any case, it is necessary for a surveyor to call to the applicant and ensure the proposed works are feasible.

Our surveyor will call to this property as soon as possible to assess the works and when a decision has been made in this case the tenant will be notified of the outcome by letter.

It should be noted, however, that due to the amount of approved, high priority cases on our waiting list for adaptations already in the system, and the fact that the entirety of the 2013 budget has already been allocated it is unlikely that this case will be considered until 2014.

Q18. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to have the red ramps in Moyne Road renewed as they have large chunks missing that could be dangerous to cyclists and also for users of mobility scooters who use the road because the hedges in front of some of the houses block their view of anything exiting houses.

Reply:

The defective ramps on Moyne Road will be repaired in the 3rd Quarter of 2013 as part of a South City Ramps Contract.

Q19. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to have a ramp installed at the garden / rear exit of Rathmines Flats because of the potentially dangerous drop for wheelchairs in case of emergency.

Reply:

The flats in this complex have a separate garden leading onto a pathway. There is a step down, however there are also railings onto this path. If an individual tenant requires this step to be ramped from their garden, contact should be made with Housing Maintenance, Disabled Persons Adaptations Section, 2223678, where the application process will be explained and discussed with the tenant.

Q20. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have double yellow lines installed on the road across from house no. 36 Wilfield Park, Sandymount. This is the only part of the road where there are no double yellow lines. The owners of no. 36 have great difficulty exiting their premises when there are cars parked either side of their entrance and across the road from their house.

Reply:

This request has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q21. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have the street nameplate replaced at the entrance to St. Alban's Park Sandymount.

Reply:

A nameplate has been ordered for St. Albans Park and will be installed once it has been received from our suppliers.

Q22. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to repair or replace the street nameplate at the entrance to Gilford Park, Sandymount.

Reply:

A new sign for Gilford Park has already been installed at the entrance to the Cul de Sac.

Q23. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have the graffiti removed from the wall adjacent to the bus stop at Bloomfield Avenue on Morehampton Road.

Reply:

This request has been forwarded to our graffiti contractor for removal.

Q24. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to further highlight the fact that it is illegal for people to cycle on the Strand Pathway in Sandymount, as currently it is unsafe for walkers, in particular, for the elderly and young children.

Reply:

The Traffic Department will review the signage and provide additional signage prohibiting cycling when required.

Q25. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager if it is possible to have a facility for recycling cardboard installed at Lansdowne Rugby Club / Aviva Stadium. People who take their bottles in cardboard boxes for recycling sometimes either discard the cardboard boxes or leave them on top of the bottle bins.

Reply:

The local Recycling Supervisor advises that this site is not suitable for a cardboard recycling container due to the confined space, proximity to the Aviva Stadium, traffic issues and such containers may present a fire hazard. We do not in general place litter bins at Bring Centres because they are prone to abuse. We encourage people to recycle as much as possible however we would ask the public not to discard cardboard boxes at Bring Centres but to place such material in their green bins.

Q26. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager please state what progress has been made on my request for residents of Rathmines Rd to have disc parking facilities in Observatory Lane, which I proposed to the March LAC meeting.

Reply:

The Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 23rd May, 2013, reported that is not recommended to re-designate the pay and display parking on Observatory Lane to include permit parking for the following reasons:

- The residents on Observatory Lane have off-street parking.
- Side street parking in Rathmines is vital for local businesses.
- Observatory Lane is one of the last remaining side streets off Rathmines Road Lower designated solely to pay and display.
- Due to the small number of spaces available, the inclusion of pay and display and permit parking would hinder the high turnover of short term parking witnessed by vehicle owners accessing local businesses.

This recommendation is included in the Traffic Advisory Group's Minutes submitted to the South East Area Committee meeting of 10th June, 2013.

A written reply will be forwarded to the Councillor following the South East Area Committee meeting.

Q27. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to investigate the following report of dumping / illegal storage of waste (details supplied):

Reply:

The Waste Enforcement Office will carry out a waste audit in relation to all waste held and or produced by restaurants in this vicinity.

Q28. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager whether, in light of the fact that the congestion between Kelly's Corner and Leonard's Corner is getting worse, as is the congestion on Clanbrassil St., and in light of my earlier question on this topic a number of months ago, in which I was told that the Traffic Section wanted to let matters "settle down" before seeing what further action was needed, whether measures will be introduced the serious congestion in this area caused by the recent introduction of the bus lane

Reply:

Dublin City Council Traffic Section has requested that the NTA Design Office examine measures to improve efficiency of operation of Clanbrassil Street QBC. Design work is currently underway.

Q29. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager whether she has considered the submissions of the Creighton Street and Pearse Square residents associations, and whether she will support the proposal for works to change the drainage system in the area.

Reply:

The Drainage Division has received proposals from the residents association. We have installed extra flow monitors and a level monitor along Cardiff Lane and Hanover Street, and will use this information, together with other flow monitor results to model the residents' proposals. I would hope to be able to report back in the very near future.

Q30. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager when the road markings referred to in my December question, (details supplied), which I had told would be put down in the first quarter of this year.

Reply:

The Traffic Officer reports that the road markings referred to at (details supplied) have been renewed.

Q31. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to coordinate the following pedestrian crossing and traffic signal (details supplied) as they are currently causing a danger for both cars and pedestrians.

Reply:

The pedestrian crossing in question is coordinated with the main junction. Public transport priority is maintained at this junction, with Dean Street being kept clear for buses. The distance of the pedestrian crossing from the junction has been designed to allow for some stacking of traffic.

Q32. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to have Irishtown Strand cleaned of dog poo and debris on a more frequent basis and to reinstate the litter barrels along the walkway by Irishtown Nature Park to assist dog owners in depositing of their dog faeces

Reply:

The strand at Irishtown is cleaned approximately 2 to 3 times per week during the summer months and more regularly when there are incidents of heavy littering or accumulation of tidal debris. Park Services is currently liaising with our colleagues in Waste Management to install a large bin specifically to facilitate dog walkers who dispose of dog faeces. It is proposed to have this bin in place over the coming weeks and in the interim Parks will put a temporary bin in place.

Q33. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to arrange to have two large potholes on Kennilworth Square East and one large pothole at the junction of Effra Road and Grosvenor Place filled in.

Reply:

These potholes have all been filled; and will be permanently repaired within 8 weeks.

Q34. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to arrange to have Castlewood Park, Rathmines swept on a more regular basis and to have the concrete kerbing reinstated as it was put back in place using tarmacadam which is unsightly.

Reply:

Under the Litter Management Plan, residential areas like Castlewood Park are cleaned on a twelve week cycle. We monitor this area on a regular basis and have some additional cleaning carried out when necessary to deal with torn refuse bags.

The footpath outside No. 10 Castlewood Park was temporarily reinstated in asphalt by Dublin City Council Water Division after the installation of a water meter at this address. The reinstatement has since been returned to Road Maintenance Services and will be permanently reinstated within 6 weeks.

Q35. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to make arrangements to have the footpaths in Herbert Park, Dublin 4 repaired.

Reply:

The footpaths located in the vicinity of the grassed pitches form part of the extensive works programme for Herbert Park. However, there is no budget allocation for this work in the current estimates and it will therefore be considered in the context of the 2014 budget estimates.

Q36. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the person whose details are attached can be offered a transfer from her current accommodation to accommodation in Rathmines, Dublin 6.

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) is currently on the Transfer List with a total of 72 points for Area N (Ranelagh / Rathmines). Unfortunately these points would be insufficient for an offer of alternative accommodation in the applicant's area of choice. Dublin City Council would have a limited number of properties within the Rathmines area and applicants would expect to be waiting a considerable period of time for an offer of accommodation in this area.

Q37. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to increase the amount of lights on Hollybank Avenue, Ranelagh, to make it brighter for residents at night-time.

Reply:

The installation of an additional light here will be considered for inclusion in our 2014 programme of improvements works, subject to finances available.

Q38. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the bicycle lanes in Ranelagh can be properly policed so that people can cycle on the cycle lane without interruption (particularly outside Tesco).

Reply:

This request will be forwarded to the Gardaí for their attention.

Q39. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether there are any proposals to abolish or reduce the Contribution Schemes for developments in Dublin in light of the new funding being received from the Council on foot of the local property tax.

Reply:

The Council's Financial Contributions Scheme was made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000. The contributions paid under the scheme are to facilitate the provision of physical infrastructure and facilities benefitting development in the area. It is considered appropriate that developers benefitting from the provision of infrastructure such as roads, drainage, etc should contribute towards the cost of providing that infrastructure.

Any proposals to abolish the existing Section 48 financial contribution scheme is a matter for the Oireachtas. The current scheme was introduced on 1st January, 2013 and followed a review of the then existing scheme and took into account guidelines published by the minister to reflect the current economic situation.

Q40. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the gates into Sandymount Green can be replaced with gates that automatically close after entrance or exit so as to prevent young children in the park from running out.

Reply:

When this matter was previously investigated it was noted that the 'spring' required to close the gate were not of sufficient strength to operate the gate over an extended time frame. A lighter gate was not acceptable as it was not in keeping with the heritage style of the existing railing. The matter will continue to be kept under review.

Q41. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager please provide a map of ESB charge points both installed and proposed in the DSE area. Furthermore would the manager comment on whether the ESB engaged with the Council on the rationale of locating these points in heavy demand disc parking areas, which means that potential customers would be unable to access them. Finally were the personnel in the Traffic Dept. contacted to give advice on appropriate locations.

Reply:

ESB have advised that the most current map is available on www.esb.ie/ecars.

Representatives from Traffic and Planning met with ESB in January this year to discuss the issues surrounding installation of EV charge points. In addition to the installation requirements specified by Road Maintenance Division the response from Traffic Department to ESB was as follows:

- Parking controls pertaining to a particular location will apply to all vehicles
- Designated parking bays should be avoided i.e. loading bays, disabled bays
- Areas of P&D that become clearways/bus lanes at certain times should be avoided
- If there is a requirement in the future to remove a parking bay, ESB will be responsible for removal of EV charge point

The Planning Department, in response to ESB's proposed locations, raised a number of concerns and concluded that '*locations other than outside residential properties are preferable; locations outside or in the vicinity of protected structures are not acceptable. Planning Department are happy to engage with the ESB on future locations.*'

To date, ESB have not consulted with us further in relation to EV charge point locations however we will seek another meeting, as a matter of urgency, to discuss their proposed locations and the issues arising from installing charge points in areas where parking is already a concern for residents.

Q42. Councillor Mary Freehill

Due to the demise of Dublin Tourism and CERT. Would the Manager please state (City Manager is the City's only representative on Fáilte Ireland) which Body is now responsible for training standards in the hospitality industry?

Reply:

This request has been forwarded to Fáilte Ireland for their attention. The Councillor will be notified when a reply is available.

Q43. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to tackle the potholes on Lombard Street West, Portobello.

Reply:

Potholes at the junction with Oakfield Place and outside 21/22 Lombard Street West have been put on the works list for permanent reinstatement at our earliest convenience. This will take place within 8 weeks. The ramps on Lombard Street West are due to be resurfaced in the 3rd Quarter of 2013.

Q44. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to introduce measures to tackle the speeding traffic on Seafort Avenue, Sandymount.

Reply:

This request was examined recently by the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 21st March, 2013. Traffic calming measures were not recommended on Seafort Avenue as the road in question does not have a straight run of at least 200 metres, which does not meet the warrant for the provision of traffic calming measures.

The criteria for traffic calming measures require that (i) the road should have a straight run of approximately 200 metres, (ii) The 85th percentile speed (speed exceeded by 15% of vehicles) should exceed 50km/h (iii) Traffic volumes should exceed 60 vehicles per hour (iv) There should be genuine road safety concerns based on accident statistics or observed road safety patterns or a written report from an Inspector in the Garda Traffic Division, Dublin Castle, relating to an issue of safety.

Q45. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager what funding is available for maintenance and upgrades to Canon Mooney gardens.

Reply:

Repair requests are dealt with on an individual basis as requests are received. There is currently no programme of cyclical repairs, or specific allocation of maintenance

funding for this complex. However this complex has been included in our draft schedule of external painting for 2013.

Q46. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the city manager issue a full report with regards the ongoing works and refurbishment of the old civic museum building, assembly hall, in South William Street.

Reply:

Phase 1 works is dealing solely with the upgrading of 58 South William Street and substantially excludes the basement and Octagonal Room. Consarc Design Group, who prepared the Feasibility Study, were appointed by the Irish Georgian Society to provide full architectural services including design, planning, preparation of tender documentation with Daughton Associates QS. Planning permission was received by the Irish Georgian Society in March 2012. The Irish Georgian Society appointed a contractor in October 2012 following a competitive tender process. The construction phase is now approaching completion and the Irish Georgian Society is currently in the process of moving into 58 South William Street. The ground floor has been fitted up with a reception room and library. The first floor (formerly the City Archives) will now house a meeting room and temporary lecture facility. The top floor has been refurbished as working offices for the Irish Georgian Society.

The works completed thus far include the following:

- Fire separation between floor levels including between basement and ground floor level;
- Structural up-grading of floor structures and where significant defects were identified to internal structural walls and beams;
- Repair/conservation of windows, and also internal and external doors;
- Repairs/structural consolidation of staircase;
- Repair and cleaning of plasterwork: entrance hall ceiling rose; coved cornice in stairhall, and first floor front room ceiling ornament;
- Repairs, sanding and waxing of floor boards;
- Full electrical upgrading;
- Installation of a fire detection system;
- Full plumbing upgrading including heating and new w/c and kitchen facilities;
- Insertion of historic chimneypieces to previously blocked-up fireplaces;
- Reinstatement of entrance hall floor;
- Preparation of all wall surfaces and repainting throughout;
- Opening up works in the Octagonal Room;
- Installation of carpets in most rooms.

Phase II

Design of Phase II works is underway. It will deal with disabled access and fire and will see the restoration of the octagonal Exhibition Room which was built in the 1760s for the display of works by major Irish artists of the time. Phase II will also see the conservation of the exterior of the City Assembly House including its windows, ironwork and brickwork.

Q47. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the city manager examine the possibility of clear signage for City Hall?

Reply:

It is considered that ample Wayfinding signage to City Hall has been erected around the city centre. In this respect, signs to City Hall have been erected at 20 locations

around the city centre including Barnardo's Square, Central Bank, College Green, Christchurch Place, Winetavern Street, Parliament Street, Capel Street, Grafton Street and Ship Street. The City Hall is also highlighted in a 3 dimensional form on all the map panels located within a 10 minutes walking distance of City Hall including College Green Grafton Street / St. Stephen's Green and Capel Street Bridge, which draws further attention to the building.

It is suggested that additional information pertaining to the City Hall could be contained on a free standing 'heritage plaque' erected to one side of the City Hall and which could provide essential information on its history as well as on access and opening hours. The provision of such a structure could be considered in the context of the development of the Dublin Route and could form part of a heritage trail.

Q48. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report as to how many pram sheds Dublin City Council has in its property portfolio? How many of the pram-sheds are in use? How many are boarded up? And what is the legal / management situation with regards these pram sheds?

Reply:

Over recent years, "pram sheds", where they existed, have been removed from many City Council flat complexes as part of regeneration works. Accordingly, many complexes no longer have "pram shed" but they do remain in a number of complexes.

An examination will be carried out of flat complexes where "pram sheds" remain and a report will issue to the Councillor in due course.

It should be noted, however, that "pram sheds" do not form part of the letting agreement for social housing.

Q49. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager issue a full report with regards the community gain contributions that derived from the York Street rejuvenation process and the redevelopment of that site by the Royal College of Surgeons Ireland. This report to include – all social and community amenities that were part of the community gain process and all revisions to the original planning application on that site.

Reply:

By Plan No. 5616/05, planning permission was granted to the RCSI for the construction of a new building 25 to 31 York Street & Proud's Lane, Dublin 2. The proposed building is to be 4 stories below ground level and 5 stories above ground level with a landscaped terrace on 4th floor facing north. An **all-weather sports facility**, mechanical plant and housings for an access stairs and lifts are proposed **at roof level**. The accommodation **below ground level** will include the National Surgical Training Centre and a **multi-purpose sports hall with related activities**. This permission has been extended to 22nd February 2016.

By Plan No. 3813/07, planning permission was granted for amendments to the previously permitted development, ref 5616/05, including change of use of the roof top all weather sports facility to a enclosed structure containing a chemistry laboratory.

As part of the assessment of this application, the applicant was requested to submit the following information:

1. The attention of the applicant is drawn to the proposed loss of part of the recreational element of the development as permitted under Register Ref. 5616/05 and to the comments of objectors to the proposed development. In this regard, the applicant is requested to clarify the following:

- (a) The applicant be requested to submit further information regarding discussions and / or agreement reached prior to the determination of the original application (Register Ref. 5616/05) relating to the provision of rooftop sports facility and the provision of public access to same.
- (b) Proposals, if any, for the provision of a similar replacement sports facility in the general area which would be available for public use.

In response to this request, the applicant stated that there was no verbal agreement between the RCSI and the local community regarding access to the rooftop sports area, granted planning permission by Plan No. 5616/05. The RCSI also indicated that the development as permitted under Plan No. 5616/05 included provision for a large multi-purpose sports hall at lower basement level and that the College was willing to make this facility available to residents from the local area at agreed times. The RCSI further noted that the College has a proven track record in this regard as illustrated in their making available the existing sports hall in the main building on the opposite side of York Street to the facilitate local community activities.

Finally, the RCSI highlighted the terms of the disposal agreement between Dublin City Council and the RCSI which placed no obligation on the College to make sports facilities in the new building available to the local community. It was also noted that €500,000 of the sale proceeds were to be set aside for 'the supply of a community facility in the Mercer Street / York Street area' and that the College is therefore indirectly contributing a significant amount of money to the facilitation of local community activities.

On foot of the additional information, planning permission was granted for the omission of the all weather roof top sports facility, but was granted for the multi-purpose sports hall. Based on the additional information, no planning condition was included regarding access to the sports hall.

The community gain contribution that derived from this development was used to provide a playing pitch at Digges Street and to fit out the community facilities in the York Street Complex.

Q50. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager issue a full report of all paid staff and their qualifications, who are currently employed by the South East Area Drug Task Force?

Reply:

The South Inner City Drugs Task Force do not employ any staff themselves.

The Task Force have full-time paid member of Health Service Executive who is the Co-ordinator of the Task Force.

The South Inner City Drugs Task Force do a needs analysis of the area on an annual basis from the outcomes the Task Force then employ / contract the work out to the relevant organisation to deliver on programmes listed below:

- 1. Care and Case Management Pilot Project
- 2. The website www.southinnercityldtf.ie

3. Training for services providers in South Inner City Drugs Task Force Area

Q51. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report as to the budget breakdown and costs for the refurbishment of Grafton Street. This breakdown to include, - promotional costs, street furniture costs etc.

Reply:

The Project Budget for the Grafton Street Improvement Scheme is €4 million. This figure includes the “main contract” and enabling works contract costs of €2.9 million, which were established following the completion of the tender process in April 2013. The figure also includes an amount of €400,000 associated with all of the investigative and other surveys carried out to date in respect of the project, costs associated with the project design and technical work and project administration and other costs. Finally, the project budget figure includes an amount of €350,000 for street furniture and associated costs and a further €350,000 for public lighting and associated costs.

Q52. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report as to how many advertising panels, sites belonging to DCC are currently being used by the IPA company. Also can the manager supply information on any procurement or public tendering process for these sites. Also what planning permissions, if any, were granted on these sites. Also to supply a full copy of the contractual arrangements that are in operation at present with the IPA company.

Reply:

The IPA is using a number of sites throughout the city. The matter is currently being examined and a more detailed report will be forwarded to the Councillor as soon as available.

Q53. Councillor Mannix Flynn

That the manager issue a full report with regards the recent traffic arrangements and changes on Arnott street. This report to include a full report from the Dublin Fire brigade and their views on the issue. A full report from the traffic management point of view and the relevant qualifications of the individuals and criteria that led to these decisions. Also, what steps are to be taken to remedy this situation to the satisfaction of the residents concerned.

Reply:

The Area Engineer will provide an update regarding the traffic arrangements on Arnott Street at the South East Area Committee meeting.

To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee

WORD RIVER

A Public Art Project by Fergal McCarthy

In association with Dublin Unesco City of Literature, Dublin Fringe Festival & Dublin City Council

See images enclosed.

1. Overview

- Word River takes the form of a site specific, public art project on the Liffey quays in Dublin. Following on from Liffeytown and No Man's Land, two enormously successful interventions on the river in 2010 and 2011 artist Fergal McCarthy now plans to complete his Liffey Trilogy with Word River. This project celebrates Dublin's unique status as a Unesco City of Literature and pays homage to the river that has inspired many of its' writers, especially Joyce. Word River involves the washing of a 1.5km long sentence of words taken randomly from Joyce's *Dubliners* into the patina of the quay walls. The words will be washed using stencils and a powerhose operated from a boat on the river.

2. Timetable

- The project will commence in late August/early September, 2013.
- It will take ten days to wash the words into the quay walls.
- It will take up to twelve months for the words to fade and disappear.

3. Location

- The words will be stencilled on the south quay walls (riverside) between O'Connell Bridge and James Joyce Bridge.

4. Text

- Each stencilled letter will be 1.2 metres high.
- The line of text will extend in a straight line along the quays from one bridge to the next.
- The line of text will be positioned a metre above the high water mark.
- The text will be comprised of interesting, individual words taken from James Joyce's *Dubliners*.

5. Powerhose

- The words will be power washed using as low a psi (at least 1500 psi) as possible to guarantee that the quay walls will not be damaged by the process in any way.

6. Dublin Fringe Festival

- Word River will be presented as part of the Dublin Fringe Festival 2013.

7. Media Campaign

- Christine Monk PR (a specialist in cultural communications) will devise and implement a strategic media strategy to promote Word River..
- Dublin City Council's involvement and support of Word River will be acknowledged in all media interviews.

8. Visitor Numbers

- Over 1.1 million people witnessed Liffeytown and No Man's Land over a 4 week period in 2010 and 2011. Many more interacted with the projects through the media. Word River will enjoy an exponentially larger audience given that it will remain visible on the quay walls for up to 12 months.
- An extensive media campaign will provide an awareness of the project and attract locals and visitors to the quays and the river.

9. Budget and Funding

- It will cost in the region of €8000 to produce Word River excluding an artist's fee and insurance.
- Dublin Unesco City of Literature and Failte Ireland are willing to grant the project €5000 in funding.
- Dublin Fringe Festival will cover the costs of insurance costs and their role as co producers.
- The short fall in funding for production costs and an artist's fee need to be sourced. This will be addressed through through a Fund-it campaign and sponsorship.

Mary Conway
Senior Planner

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

**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, together with a list of sites in the Area which are currently entered on the Derelict Sites Register.

**J. Keogan
Executive Manager**

DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT SOUTH EAST AREA

Location

South Circular Road 33, D8

Beach Road 21, D4

Kildare Street 19/20, D2

Chapel Avenue 5, Irishtown, D4

Clanbrassil Street Lower 43, D8

Merrion Road 155-157, D4

Pembroke Lane 63, D4

Pembroke Road 11, D4

Sandymount Avenue site adj. 80, D4

Clanbrassil Street Upper 64, D8

Ranelagh 2, D6

Ranelagh 3, D6

Rathgar Road 47, D6

Sandymount Avenue 69, D4

Current Position

Entered on Derelict Sites Register on 29/05/2013.

Owner's solicitor requested to carry out works.

Improvement work commenced following service of Notices.

Derelict Sites Notices re-served.

Update requested from owner's solicitors.

Derelict Sites Notices served. Partial compliance. Further inspection required.

Derelict Sites Notices served.

Warning letter issued.

Derelict Sites Notices served. Further inspection required.

Receivers requested to repair shop front.

Letter issued re front door and side window.

Some work carried out as requested.

Ownership details requested.

Warning letter issued.

APPENDIX 2

Sites on Derelict Sites Register in South East Area

Location	Owner	Position
7 Adelaide Road	David Grant 61 Haddington Road	Entered on DSR 20/1/09
13/14 Exchange Street Lower	Fergal Herbert, 48 North Great George's Street/Edward Kenny, 16 North Great George's Street, D1	Entered on DSR 12/3/09
30 Merlyn Road	Eamonn Hassett / Blaithin Murphy, 10 Brooklands, Clane, Co. Kildare	Entered on DSR 5/4/11
36 Harcourt Street	Paul Tiernan, 3 Belleville Avenue, D6	Entered on DSR 19/4/11
33 South Circular Road	Tom McDonnell, 42 Union Street, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, England	Entered on DSR 29/05/2013

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

With reference to the proposed grant of a seven year licence to The Little Museum of Dublin Limited in the Ground, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Floors of No. 15 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.

By way of Licence Agreement dated the 22nd August 2012, the Council granted a licence in the Ground, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Floors of No. 15 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2 to The Little Museum of Dublin Limited for a term of 12 months from the 7th February 2012.

It is proposed to grant a further licence in the Ground, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Floors of No. 15 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, more particularly delineated on Map Index No. SM2012-0061, to The Little Museum of Dublin Limited, subject to the following terms and conditions.

1. That the term of the licence shall be for a period of seven years commencing on the 7th February 2013.
2. That the licence shall contain a one year break option, at no cost, at the end of year five, in favour of the Council, subject to the Council giving at least six months prior written notice to the licensee of it's intention to exercise same.
3. That the licence fee shall be the full open market rent of the property of €65,000 (sixty five thousand euro) per annum plus VAT (if applicable).
4. That the licence fee shall be exclusive of all other outgoings, including utilities, waste disposal, municipal rates, taxes and all ancillary outgoings including repairs and maintenance of the property which shall be the responsibility of the licensee.
5. That notwithstanding Term No. 3 above, the licence fee shall be abated to €1,000 (one thousand euro) per annum plus VAT (if applicable) payable yearly in advance so long as the property is used solely for tourism and associated purposes more particularly in connection with The Little Museum of Dublin and The City of a Thousand Welcomes Project.
6. That the licensee shall use the premises for the permitted uses only as set out in Term No. 5 above, and shall at a minimum; open the premises with regard to same for seven days per week, 9.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m., or such other hours as may be agreed with the licensor.
7. That the licence shall be terminated if any other business, separate to Term No. 6 above, is found to be run from this address or if the premises is found to be used as a place for dwelling, accommodation, lodging or sleeping.
8. That the licence is personal to the licensee and shall not be capable of transfer, sub-licence, assignment, mortgage or charge.

9. That the Board of Directors of The Little Museum of Dublin Limited shall include an official and an elected member on behalf of Dublin City Council.
10. That the licensee shall renounce any renewal rights under Landlord & Tenant legislation and shall sign an appropriate deed of renunciation.
11. That the licensee shall submit annual management accounts and a detailed report on usage of the premises.
12. That the licensor shall retain the right to grant easements to any third parties in respect of the future use of the basement.
13. That the Council shall insure the building on its block policy of insurance for all its buildings in respect of fire damage, damage through storm or tempest in accordance with the normal fire insurance policy. The licensee shall be responsible for insuring their own contents.
14. That the licensee shall obtain Public Liability Insurance indemnifying Dublin City Council in the sum of €6.4M for any one incident and Employers Liability Insurance of €13M if applicable and shall provide proof of such insurance to Dublin City Council.
15. That the licensee shall not erect or exhibit any sign, board, placard, poster or advertising matter or any flag or banner on or outside the facility without first obtaining the written consent of the licensor.
16. That the licensee shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the property during the term of the licence but shall not carry out any works to the premises without the express permission in writing of the licensor.
17. That with regard to Term No. 14 please note that the subject property is a Protected Structure, RPS Ref. No. 7773 (Volume 3 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2011 – 2017), and accordingly the licensee shall comply fully with Part IV of the Planning & Development Act 2000, Sections 57 & 58.
 - I. Section 57(1) of the act states that . . .the carrying out of work to a protected structure. . .shall be exempted development only if those works would not materially affect the character of (a) the structure, or (b) any element of the structure which contributes to its special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest . . .
 - II. Section 58 (1) of the Act states that “Each owner and each occupier shall . . . ensure that the structure or any element of it which contributes to its special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest is not endangered”.
18. That the licence shall be subject to any other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Council’s Law Agent.
19. That each party shall be responsible for their own fees and costs in this matter.

Jim Keogan
Acting Assistant City Manager

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

**With reference to the proposed grant of a Lease of a retail unit at Holles Street /
Fenian Street, Dublin 2.**

Following public advertisement it is now proposed to grant a lease of a retail unit located at Fenian Street / Holles Street, Dublin 2 as shown on the attached map PD 2008-0220.

The Licence shall be subject to the following agreed terms and conditions:

1. That the demised premises is the Ground Floor Retail Unit, Corner of Holles Street & Fenian Street, Dublin 2, extending to a total net internal floor area of approximately 68 sq.m. (730 sq.ft.).
2. That the proposed lessees Maurice Geraghty and Kevin O'Hanlon set up a New Limited Company with Maurice Geraghty and Kevin O'Hanlon as directors.
3. That the lease will be for a term of 20 years on a full repairing and insuring basis, incorporating a rent review at the expiration of each 5 year period. The rent will be reviewed to open market, that is on an upwards or downwards basis.
4. That the lease will commence on a date to be agreed between the parties.
5. That the proposed rent shall be exclusive of all outgoings, is set out as follows:

Years 1 & 2:	€14,000 per annum (Fourteen Thousand Euro)
Year 3:	€15,000 per annum (Fifteen Thousand Hundred Euro)
Years 4 & 5	€15,500 per annum (Fifteen Thousand Five Euro)

The rent shall be paid quarterly in advance by standing order.

6. That the lease will incorporate an option for the proposed tenant to terminate the agreement at the expiration of 12 years and 6 months of the term, subject to giving the Landlord no less than 6 months prior written notice.
7. That a three month rent free period will be granted to the proposed tenant to take effect from lease commencement.
8. That the proposed use is for a barber shop.

9. That the proposed tenant shall be liable for payment of stamp duty and any other statutory costs, which will/may arise on the completion the lease.
10. That the proposed tenant shall be liable for the payment of VAT should it arise on the creation of the lease.
11. That all municipal charges associated with the subject premises will be the responsibility of the proposed tenant from the date of occupation. The proposed tenant will also be responsible for all utility accounts in the normal way.
12. That the proposed tenant shall have 24 hour access to the premises.
13. That the proposed tenant is to arrange and include public and employer liability cover to the requirements of the City Council and to indemnify the City Council against all claims.
14. That as the subject unit is to be handed over in a shell state, it will be necessary for extensive fit-out works to be carried out. In that regard it would be necessary for the proposed tenant to:
 - Provide Dublin City Council with detailed specifications and drawings of the proposed works, to include shop front signage, in advance of this transaction completing.
 - Provide details and specifications of the proposed / intended promotional window display and shop front signage asap.
 - Comply with Building and Fire Regulations associated therewith.
 - That the full costs of these works will be borne by the proposed tenant.
15. That each party is liable for their own legal costs in this matter.
16. That the agreement is subject to any other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Law Agent.

J. Keogan
A/Assistant City Manager

To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee

TERM MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE TURNAROUND OF VOIDS

UPDATE

1. THE FRAMEWORK

The above contract became live on the 16th of July, 2012. There are nine pre-approved contractors operating in each of the five Dublin City Council Areas under the format of a framework.

The framework positions each of the 45 contractors from one to nine in each of the five areas with the number one position in each area occupied by the least expensive tender, the number two position - the next expensive, and so on to number nine position – the most expensive.

The framework therefore allows for more than one contractor to be operational in each area simultaneously - thus resulting in a much quicker turnaround time for lettable voids.

2. HOUSING VOIDS

Short Term Void units are a necessary consequence of providing the housing service. Existing and new tenants move in and out of voids on a constant basis. 50% of all allocations are transfers. Existing tenants moving from one unit to another (transfers), necessarily create a void in the unit they vacate. For instance, providing 250 units to re-let will produce 175 new voids because of transfers, which, when let, will produce a further 87 voids, and so on. In fact, 250 units will eventually create 343 voids (just not all at the same time), with an associated level of expense.

There will therefore always be a number of voids in the system, for instance in Dublin City the percentage of voids as a measure of lettable units is currently 1.76%, the lowest it has been for years. This void rate compares favourably with the 6.5% rate in the private sector and the average 3.5% rate for all landlords. Notwithstanding, the Housing Maintenance Section will continue to push for speedier resolution of void timeframes.

3. FRONTLOADING TURNAROUNDS / TIMEFRAMES

Applying the framework to voids needing substantial refurbishment works also allows for these works to be frontloaded in each area. So instead of drip-feeding these voids to contractors throughout the year, because of restricted capacity issues associated with the use of one approved contractor, a substantial number of voids can be turned around in the first quarter. This is of benefit to both the tenant, in that they occupy the void sooner, and to the City Council in that the void generates rental income sooner than would normally be that case. However, it needs to be noted that frontloading the spend into the first and second quarter also results in a necessary slowdown in the number of void turnarounds for the remainder of the year. Between July 2012 to date, use of the framework has reduced the length of time a casual void remains in the void cycle, from an average of 24 weeks to 18 weeks, (the void cycle is the length of time from when one rent account is closed and a new account is opened). It is expected that this will increase towards the third and fourth quarter, as an unavoidable result of the frontloading scenario outlined above.

4. SOUTH EAST AREA

There are currently 24,163 lettable properties managed by Dublin City Council, 3,404 of which are in the south Central area, which represents 14% of the total. Since the framework first became operational, a total of 94 housing units have been turnaround in the South East Area (please refer to tables in Appendix I) with a further 5 still in the system. The total cost of which is €2,180,210. There are currently 67 short term repair voids and 19 long term repair voids (total 86 voids) which represents 2.53% of total housing stock in the South East Area. Because of the frontloading referred to in section 3 above and the fact that the void budget for 2013 has been committed there will be an inevitable slowdown in both the number new voids being turned around and the length of time it takes to turn them around. However, those voids needing less extensive refurbishment works will continue to be turned around by the use of direct labour directed from the local Housing Maintenance depot.

Hugh McKenna
Senior Executive Officer

Appendix I

JULY 2013 South East Area

Units Currently With Framework Contractors

Apartments	No of Units
Bedsits	2
1 Bed	1
2 Bed	1
3 Bed	0
Houses	No of Units
2 Bed	0
3 Bed	1
4 Bed	0
	Estimated Cost €68,612.52

2013 South East Area

Units Refurbished under the Framework (Jan-Jun 2013)

Apartments	No of Units
Bedsits	6
1 Bed	18
2 Bed	18
3 Bed	1
Houses	No of Units
2 Bed	0
3 Bed	1
4 Bed	0
	Total Cost €1,109,874.81

2012 South East Area

Units Refurbished under the Framework (Sept-Dec 2012)

Apartments	No of Units
Bedsits	10
1 Bed	19
2 Bed	17
3 Bed	0
Houses	No of Units
1 Bed	1
2 Bed	3
3 Bed	0
4 Bed	0
	Total Cost €1,001,724.18

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

Ref: Tree Removal at Adelaide Road

Park Services wish to advise the South East Area Committee that it is proposed to remove a street tree on Adelaide Road close to the junction of Leeson Street.

This tree was already on our list of trees to be removed but resulting from a recent incident when it was impacted by a high sided truck it is now proposed to prioritise its removal in the interest of public safety.

The site will be assessed post removal to consider if it is possible to undertake replacement planting.

**Michael Noonan
Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

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

8th July 2013

To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee

Area Manager's Report

Grand Canal Sub Group

All South East Area and South Central Area Councillors were invited to a meeting of The Grand Canal Sub Group on Wednesday 3rd July. Items for discussion include agreeing a date and venue for the next public networking meeting. The Grand Canal website – www.grandcanaldublin.com has been recently updated to include photos from the Lord Mayor's Appreciation evening, the Festa project and the Docklands Festival.

Docklands Book Sale

The Docklands Senior Provider's Forum, supported by DCC held the 4th Annual Book Sale in National College Ireland from Tuesday 11th June to Thursday 13th June. Over 3,300 euro was raised. All proceeds from the sale are equally divided among the participating organisations providing services to older people living throughout the Docklands area.

Docklands SDZ

The Manager's Report on Submissions Received during the public display will be considered by the City Council at a Special Meeting on 22nd July, 2013.

Marine Terminals Ltd (MTL)/Pigeon House Road

Marine Terminals Ltd. (MTL), the operators of the gantries have advised that this matter is currently before the Courts and regret that they are not in a position to advance any comment pending the outcome of this process.

Studio Street Conversation in Sandymount.

Following the "street conversations" with the community in Sandymount, a report compiled by the Studio and South East Area is now available for all SEA Councillors and public representatives. Discussions will follow with Parks Division, the Play Officer, Roads and Traffic and South East Area on how to progress a safe play area in Sandymount.

Grafton Street Quarter

Works have commenced on Grafton Street Phase 1 and are scheduled to continue until September. There have been no major issues to date. Meetings of the Project Liaison Group have taken place and any issues raised have been addressed.

Crampton Buildings

Following Part 8 planning approval at the May City Council meeting, tender documents for the building works are being finalized. Discussions are almost complete in relation to the proposed courtyard layout and the future arrangements in this regard. It is hoped to bring forward details of the proposed courtyard arrangement together with the necessary Part 8 planning application very shortly. A meeting is to be arranged to update residents.

Charlemont Street

The recent decision of An Bord Pleanála is currently being reviewed by the Council and by Alcove Properties and an update report will issue as soon as possible.

The Dublin - Dublin Discovery Trail

There will be a presentation at the meeting. It is proposed to advertise the Part 8 shortly after the meeting.

Pride of Place

Sandymount Village was nominated by South East Area to Pride of Place competition 2013. Judging will take place shortly and the results will be announced in November.

Events

In addition to events organised by the South East Area Community Development Team the following events will also take place in the area during July / August:

- The Street Performance World Championships, Merrion Square, 12th to 14th July.
- Riverdance, the Gathering Event, 20th / 21st July.
- Kings of Concrete 26th to 28th July.
- Rock and Roll Dublin Half Marathon 5th August.
- Dublin City Liffey Swim 24th August.

Public Domain

In relation to locally based Waste Management initiatives in the South East Area, the following work is continuing:

- Painting of utility boxes and of selected street furniture
- Additional removal of graffiti
- Assistance to residence / community groups actively involved in community work in their locality.

Weed-spraying

A second complete spray of the South East Area will commence in late July. This will cover all footpaths and laneways under the control of DCC.

Extinguishment of Public Right of Way (EPROW) – Church Lane South (part of)

Notice has been given that Dublin City Council proposes to consider the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way at Church Lane South (part of), Dublin 8. Representations or objections to the proposal may be made not later than 5.00 pm on 12th August 2013.

Environmental Statistics 2013 – South East Area

Graffiti

In the 5 months up to 31st May 2013, a total of almost 3300 sq. metres of graffiti was removed by the DCC appointed contractor throughout all of the South East Area. Graffiti is also removed by private residents and businesses, along with business groups such as BIDs and Temple Bar Group.

In addition work is ongoing on graffiti removal from utility boxes in our area and in May, a total of 414 boxes were repainted on the following main arteries:

- Harolds Cross to Christchurch inbound (South East area only)
- Terenure to Rathgar through Rathmines to Dame Street
- Pearse Street To Ringsend and Irishtown Road (junction of Londonbridge Road)

- Baggot Street / Mount street Upper & lower to Ballsbridge
- Palmerston Road and surrounding area

Work on the utility boxes is continuing, concentrating mainly on the villages.

Litter Fines

During the period 1st January to 31st May 2013, a total of 228 fines for various alleged litter type offences were issued by Litter Wardens in the South East Area.

Reported Incidents

A total of 656 incidents were reported to the South East Area office in the first 5 months of 2013. A total of 151 tons of dumped material was removed from public areas during this time.

Palmerston Park

Howley Hayse Architects have been formally appointed to undertake the Conservation Management Plan for Palmerston Park and their study has commenced. It is estimated that a report will be issued in three / four months.

Community & Social Development Report

Garden Parties

We will be supporting forthcoming Garden Parties at Maxwell Court (5th July - organised by the Older Persons Network) and Sandymount Green (25th July - organised by Sandymount Tidy Towns) where the local communities will have a chance to enjoy some tasty food, a cool drink, live music and the fresh air whilst relaxing with friends.

The Liberties - An Historic Circle of Immigration & Emigration

Take a gentle stroll with historian, Pat Liddy through the Liberties, once the industrial engine of Dublin famous for wool, poplin, brewing and distilling. This tour crosses from the South East Area to the South Central area. Meet in the grounds of Christchurch Cathedral on Wednesday, 17th July at 2.30pm

The Ballroom of Romance

A celebratory evening of music and dance for over 50s will place at the Royal College of Surgeons on Tuesday, 16th July. This annual event is a summer highlight and is always full to capacity with over 300 people from communities all over the South East Area in attendance. Entertainment on the night will include An Banda Garda Síochána. Please note that this is a ticket only event.

Street Parties

We will be supporting local residents at their events on Northbook Avenue and Belmont Park in July. Dates to be confirmed.

Tidy Towns & City Neighbourhoods Competitions

These two competitions recognise the contribution made by community groups in enhancing their areas. We are strongly supporting Donnybrook and Sandymount Villages in the Tidy Towns Competition and have encouraged areas, housing complexes, streets, businesses etc. to enter the City Neighbourhoods Competition at which the SEA enjoyed lots of success last year. The local communities have been working hard on improving their areas and the judging for both competitions is expected to take place shortly.

Friends of Green Spaces

We have been providing continuous support to over 20 environmental and gardening projects in the South East Area. We have organised Community Clean Ups at these

locations which succeed in promoting active citizenship and improving the local environment. Some of these locations have been brought up to a standard whereby they have been nominated for the City Neighbourhoods Competition. Our most recent Friends of Green Spaces project has been at York Street Flats where pastel coloured window boxes have been put on the balconies.

Summer Projects/Programmes

Programmes of activities for young people will take place during July & August in various areas throughout the South East Area.

Family Fiestas

We will be organising these family events at Whitefriar Gardens on Wednesday, 10th July (3-5pm) and Leo Fitzgerald House on Thursday 11th July (6-8pm).

South East Area Age Friendly City

South East Age South East Age Friendly City series of consultations continue with people over the age of 55. Public Consultation on Monday 1st July in Rathmines Library attracted approximately forty people over 55yrs. These consultations seek to gain the views of people in this part of Dublin city on how the lives of older people in their area can be improved.

This consultation is part of a city wide process of seeking the views of older people on what will improve the quality of life of people over the age of 55 in Dublin city. The views of older people will inform a strategy for making Dublin City a more age friendly city.

Eileen Quinlivan
Area Manager

8th July 2013

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

**With reference to a proposal to initiate procedure to have the development known as
Meadowbank, Rathgar taken in charge by Dublin City Council**

Proposal

A request was received from the house owners and qualified electors residing at Meadowbank, Bushy Park Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6 to have the development) which is approved under Planning Permission Register Reference 4317/82, An Bord Pleanála Reference PL 29/5/66252 and amended under Planning Permission Register Reference 2094/84 taken in charge by Dublin City Council. (The request excludes “Laurelton” with dwellings 1 to 10 and 67 to 71 of Meadowbank which are already in charge).

The request was accompanied by a petition of original signatures from the owners, along with proof of ownership of the dwellings, confirming their intent to have the estate taken in charge. The list was confirmed by Dublin City Council Law Department, Property and Title Research Section as representing the majority of qualified owners of the dwellings.

The request therefore satisfies the requirements of Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 and the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010.

Order of the Acting Executive Manager, Planning Department Ref. G14337 under Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act 1993 as set out in Subsections 4 and 5 of Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, instructed the South East Area Office to initiate formal procedures to have the said development taken in charge by Dublin City Council.

Service Check

A service check was initiated with the Service Divisions in Dublin City Council.

The Parks Department, Public Lighting Department, Drainage Department and Planning Department do not object to the area being “taken in charge”.

The Roads Maintenance Division reported that the carriageway and footpath are not up to taking in charge standard in Meadowbank Estate.

Under the terms of the City Council's Taking in Charge Policy 2012, as this development was complete in excess of 7 years ago, the roads will be taken in charge in their current condition.

Statutory Requirement

The statutory procedure requires that public notice of the proposal is placed in one or more newspapers circulating in the City and that the relevant documents in relation to the development to be taken in charge go on public display for a period of 1 month. Objections or representations in relation to the proposal can then be made by members of the public within 2 weeks of the end of that period. Taking in Charge is a function reserved to the elected members of the City Council who shall consider any objections or representations made and not withdrawn.

Recommendation

The South East Area intends to initiate the procedure to have the development known as Meadowbank, Rathgar, Dublin 6 taken in charge by Dublin City Council under Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act 1993 as set out in Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended by Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 as indicated on Drawing R.M.26119A.

Taking in Charge is a function reserved to the City Council.

Eileen Quinlivan

Area Manager

Q1. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager, in response to a letter from a 10 year pupil, to put road safety precautions in place at Rathgar Junior School, Grosvenor Road, Rathgar because of the danger to pupils caused by speeding traffic that may not even be aware of the school because they have no Lollipop Lady and no sign to indicate to drivers that there is a school at this location. Cars travel quickly on this road and there is a roundabout very close to the school and there are no speed ramps. The request is for a sign to alert drivers that there is a school at this location and that children may be crossing the road.

Q2. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if the property *details supplied is registered as a derelict unit and to outline what actions can be taken to address the fact that this former Dublin Corporation House has been empty for at least a decade.

Q3. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if there is any update on measures to be taken to reduce the risk of flooding along Strand Road and Beach Road, Sandymount and if the Manager will contact the Irish Insurance Federation on this general issue.

Q4. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will take the action requested in the documentation submitted with the question relating to “parking rights” at Marlborough Lane, Marlborough Road.

Q5. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if she will give me a response to the issues raised in the letter submitted with this question regarding markets on the Grand Canal.

Q6. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if she will arrange for the footpath outside 12-13 Stamer Street to be re concreted as soon as possible.

Q7. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to undertake inspection and carry out repairs to footpath outside 90 Tritonville Road, Sandymount, Dublin 4. In its current state, it poses a public safety threat and is an ongoing problem for over a year.

Q8. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to deal with the increase in horse manure on the streets (Dawson, Kildare, Nassau and St. Stephen’s Green North) and ensure that this is properly policed.

Q9. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have the Liffey Board Walk cleaned up in terms of drug addicts and other social elements.

- Q10. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have the white lines at the pedestrian crossing on Nutley Lane adjacent to the hospital entrance repainted.
- Q11. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have the tree outside 27 Airfield Court, Donnybrook pruned as the lighting is very poor and with the growth of the trees, it is very dark at night.
- Q12. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have the graffiti on Marlborough Road, Ranelagh end, removed and to have the two broken seats removed and replaced with a single bench.
- Q13. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have the graffiti on the wall at 4 St Broc's Cottages, Donnybrook, removed and the adjacent light pole at 5 St Broc's Cottages painted as it has already been primed.
- Q14. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager what is the purpose of the two containers that have been placed adjacent to Herbert Park at St Broc's Cottages, Donnybrook and how long are they planned to be in situ.
- Q15. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if the repairs to the wall to the old graveyard along The Crescent, Donnybrook can be carried out as promised this time last year.
- Q16. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if she will arrange for a Housing Officer to visit *(details supplied) to assess the current housing needs as promised to this Councillor on the 27th March and several times by phone since.
- Q17. Councillor Mary Freehill**
To ask the manager to please deal with dog fouling in Pembroke Cottages in Donnybrook.
- Q18. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager, in view of the potholes and uneven surface, to have Maxwell Road, Rathmines re-surfaced.
- Q19. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if she can clarify that a Right of Way exists for the owners of the houses on Morehampton Road and Mount Eden Road adjoining the lane indicated on the map submitted with this question.
- Q20. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if the locking of the gate leading to the area indicated in the map submitted with this question (without the adjoining residents being supplied with a correct key) represents a breach of the planning permission granted for the erection of this gate and if she will request the Planning Enforcement section to take appropriate action.

- Q21. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager if she will clarify the legal status of the sign reading "Argyle Square" on the wall adjoin number 107 Morehampton Road and if the erection of such a sign confers any legal entitlement for the laneways to be so designated.
- Q22. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager if on foot of an order by An Bord Pleanala dated 6th November 2003 that planning permission was required for a car parking space to the rear of 7 Mount Eden Road (An Bord Pleanala Reference number 29S.RL.2351) she will request the Planning Enforcement section to take action against any use not consistent with that decision.
- Q23. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager if any commercial rates are charged on the private parking space used by a local business at the exact location specified as being to the rear of 7 Mount Eden Road and referred to in An Bord Pleanala Reference number 29S.RL.2351) and if not will she seek same for the same period as the user is claiming that such use was in place.
- Q24. Councillor Mary Freehill**
To ask the manager to examine the safety requirements for children and parents walking to school when crossing Grove and Parnell Rd at Harold's Cross Bridge. Parents find it quite unsafe when pushing buggies or taking children by the hand when crossing these roads.
- Q25. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To request the Manager to install an anti dog fouling notice in Highfield Grove, Rathgar and to supply poop scoop bags to the local residents association.
- Q26. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To request the Manager to examine ways of facilitating residents of Grosvenor Park, which consists of 44 four bedroom houses where each house only comes with 1 parking space and there is only off street parking spaces space for 9, to park on Leinster Road and Grosvenor Place; each house's back garden backs onto these streets and there is always ample onstreet parking in this area (details attached; see pic).
- Q27. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager, at the request of the Rathgar Residents Association, to consider the erection of an iconic feature in Rathgar, possibly on the old 'bare' tramline pole outside the Bijou, submissions of appropriate ideas to be invited.
- Q28. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to address the general maintenance of the Dodder Linear Park, including Orwell and Dartry Parks.
- Q29. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the city manager issue a full report as to the clean-up of the ha'penny bridge. Over the past two years, individuals have be securing whats known as love-locks onto the framework of the bridge. This activity has resulted in damage to the paintwork and also rusting of the structure. It is also having a negative visual impact on the bridge as a protected heritage structure. Notwithstading the fact that the bridge can become congested due to this activity where tourists stop to take photographs and in some instances place a lock and are graffiting the bridge. Can the manager report as to what measures are being taken to remove these locks

immediately, what measures are being taken to restore the bridge and what measures are being taken to stop the public and tourists from engaging in this practice. Also what alternative measures are being considered to offer the public an opportunity to place such locks in the public domain? Perhaps something within the Temple Bar Area could be considered or perhaps along the boardwalk? There may even be an opportunity to create a cultural initiative in the Docklands that could result in more tourists visiting this area to fulfill their needs for declarations of love through the love-lock practice.

Q30. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report on the architectural heritage of Ffrench Mullan House. Also, that this report include a full appraisal of the structure and its uniqueness. A full report on its history and its architectural significance. Is there any possible way of incorporating this particular structure in the revised plans for Charlemont St Rejuvenation? It would be a great shame if this unique complex were simply to be demolished and disappeared from the cityscape. This block could be one of the gems of architectural tourism and in that sense it forms a milestone in the architecture and history of social housing in the city. With the forthcoming opening of the pop-up tenement museum in Henrietta st it would be ethically wrong to demolish this one off social housing unit, designed by Michael Scott in 1944 during the Emergency. While not wishing to delay the long overdue refurbishment and rejuvenation at Tom Kelly/Chalemont St every effort should be made to retain this structure and restore it back to its original form and make it available to the many who seek homes in our city.

Q31. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report regarding the cost of the two banners placed on the Palace St building at Bernardo Square in recent weeks.

Q32. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report regarding the recent break-ins at Crampton buildings and the outbreak of anti-social behaviour in the complex being created by intravenous drug takers who are now using this complex as a shooting gallery and sleeping space. On recent visits to this complex there was evidence of dozens of used syringes and needles strewn about the stairwells and the flat complex notwithstanding human waste etc. The whole complex was rather derelict and unkept and abandoned. This is unacceptable particularly when there are people living and working in this complex. Dublin city council are negligent in their duty of care in my opinion. Can the manager confirm when full security will be restored to this complex in order to protect the remaining residents, workers and the property.

Q33. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager organise a social get together over the summer for all the former residents of Crampton Buildings. This event would ensure that this community is kept intact and that their relationships are continued while they wait for the refurbishment and rehabilitation of their homes and community at Crampton Buildings.

Q34. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report as to how many individuals are on paid contracts paid for from South East Area Drug task force monies? This report to include what professional qualifications such individuals have and what positions these individuals hold within the South East area drug task force operations. This report also to include any salaries paid by the HSE to those engaged with the SEA drug task force. Also include a full evaluation of the programs and projects that are managed and initiated or funded by the SEA drug task force.

- Q35. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the manager issue a full report in relation to residents parking in the Dublin Docklands Authority area. Many residents in this area are gravely concerned about the onset of clamping and parking fines being introduced. Many of these residents bought apartments and were refused or unable to obtain parking spaces. In many incidents these parking spaces were supplied to the business community for parking. This has resulted in an imbalance in parking for residents in this area resulting in great anxiety. In order to sustain residents in the docklands can DCC issue a full report as to how this issue is to be addressed. Can the city council retain the parking spaces that are in the control of Dublin Docklands Development Authority and supply these to residents only parking.
- Q36. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the city manager issue a report regarding the numbers of unemployed in the SEA. In particular, those that are in households owned by DCC. This also to include a breakdown of age and gender and length of unemployment.
- Q37. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the manager issue an update with regards the issues of noise coming out of the Dublin Port/MTL and impacting on the residents at Pigeon House Road.
- Q38. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the manager issue a full report on the progress of the Aungier St restoration and conservation project (17th century).
- Q39. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the manager inquire into recent anti-social behaviour emerging from the wet hostel at 79 Aungier St. On occasion individuals within this hostel have thrown objects from the window such as milk. In a recent incident, milk was poured out on top of three passing tourists resulting in these individuals having to return to their hotel and change their clothing.
- Q40. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether a pedestrian crossing could be introduced at Tesco on Terenure Road North to assist elderly residents crossing the road there, and to inquire whether this could be funded through assistance from Tesco.
- Q41. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager to arrange to have potholes filled in on the footpaths at St. Enda's Road, Terenure, Dublin 6.
- Q42. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether a traffic mirror can be put up opposite McMurrough Road (on Terenure Road North) Terenure, Dublin 6 to enable drivers exiting McMurrough Road to see traffic coming.
- Q43. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether a 'No Dog Fouling' sign can be erected on the laneway at Templemore Avenue, Rathgar, Dublin 6 as the laneway has become impassable due to dog faeces.
- Q44. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the surrounding areas at Portobello Bridge can be cleaned on a more regular basis.

- Q45. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether there are any proposals in place to install a cycle path on Greenfield Park, Donnybrook, Dublin 4.
- Q46. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the overgrown trees along the canal at Windsor Terrace Dublin 8 can be pruned back.
- Q47. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether residents of Grosvenor Park (located on Leinster Road and Grosvenor Place), Rathmines, Dublin 6, can be considered for parking permits to enable them to park on Leinster Road and Grosvenor Place due to the lack of parking spaces on Grosvenor Park.
- Q48. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager for an update in respect of the taking in charge of the Meadowbank Estate, Bushy Park Road, Dublin 6.
- Q49. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether a litter warden could arrange another leaflet drop in Elm Park Avenue, to inform residents of their obligations with regard to the presentation and storage of waste (as bins continue to obstruct the footpaths on Elm Park Avenue).
- Q50. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager if the red markings (details supplied) suggest that Eircom have plans for work at this place and whether, as it is on the public road, they are required to apply for planning permission as residents potentially have plans for extension work at this area.
- Q51. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager if some action could be taken about the height and density of the trees on the public road at (details supplied).
- Q52. Councillor Mary Freehill**
That the gaps for electronic bus times in Rathmines and Donnybrook be completed without further delay (real time passenger information).
- Q53. Councillor Mary Freehill**
I have received complaints from residents of Parker Hill of the danger when turning left on to Rathmines Rd. because cars can park close to the turn there is a serious blind spot. Therefore in the interest of safety the DYL's need to be extended on Rathmines Road.