

**SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8th JULY 2013
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8th IÚIL 2013**

1280. Election of Chair.
Order: Cllr. Gerry Ashe nominated by Cllr. Mary Freehill and seconded by Cllr. Maria Parodi. Cllr. Gerry Ashe elected as Chair.
1281. Election of Vice Chair.
Order: Cllr. Paddy McCartan nominated by Cllr. Dermot Lacey and seconded by Cllr. Edie Wynne. Cllr. Paddy McCartan elected as Vice-Chair.
1282. Presentation on Dublin.
Order: Noted. Fáilte Ireland to give answers to any outstanding questions directly to the Councillors. Part 8 for Visitor Information Centre & Barnardos Square to commence.
1283. Presentation with reference to the creation of a Flood Forum for the South East Area.
Order: Noted. Copy of the presentation to be sent to the Councillors by email.
1284. Minutes from the meeting held on the 10th June 2013.
Order: Agreed.
1285. Questions to the City Manager.
Order: Noted.
1286. **Roads & Traffic Matters.**
- i. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 27th June 2013.
Order: Noted.
 - ii. Traffic Service Requests, Status Report at 15th June 2013.
Order: Noted.
 - iii. Request for additional pedestrian crossing at Rathgar village.
Order: This item was taken with Motion 1300. Traffic Engineers to look at this issue and prepare a report (including maps) and report back to the South East Area Committee.
1287. **Planning Department Matters.**
- i. Word River.
Order: Noted. In future such projects should be brought to the relevant committee at an earlier stage.
 - 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.

Order: Noted. The committee supported the proposal, but objected to the proposed entrance at Cullenswood. The Lord Mayor Oisin Quinn and Councillor Paddy McCartan abstained from the vote.

1288. Development Department Matters.

- i. Derelict Sites Quarterly Report.
Order: Noted.
- ii. Proposed grant of a seven year licence to The Little Museum of Dublin Ltd.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council. Councillors requested the insertion of an additional condition that the Little Museum acknowledges Dublin City Council on all publicity material.
- iii. Proposed grant of a Lease of a retail unit at Holles Street / Fenian Street, Dublin 2.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council. Councillors requested the insertion of a condition regarding the working hours during fit out, as this premises is adjacent to residential units.

1289. Housing & Residential Services Department Matters.

- i. Housing voids reports.
Order: Noted.

1290. Culture, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters.

- i. Report on the removal of a tree at Adelaide Road.
Order: Noted.

1291. South East Area Matters.

- i. Area Manager's Report.
Order: Noted.

Public Domain.

The Area Manager will bring a report on litter enforcement to the September meeting.

Any Other Business.

The Area Manager will look into the issues of noise levels at Bath Pub on Bath Avenue and the tiles in Boyne Street flats.

- ii. Sandymount Street Conversations Report, May 2013 – The Studio, Dublin City Council.
Order: Noted.
- iii. Taking-In-Charge – Meadowbank, Rathgar.
Order: Agreed to initiate the process.

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.

Order: Report to Councillor.

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.

Order: Report to Councillor.

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.?

Order: Report to Councillor.

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 stands from the Garda Station in Donnybrook because it is not in use.

Order: Report to Councillor.

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.

Order: Report to Councillor.

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.

Order: Report to Councillor.

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.

Order: Agreed. Motion to be forwarded to the Environment & Engineering Strategic Policy Committee.

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 have 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.

Order: Agreed.

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.

Order: Taken with item number 1286 (iii).

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.

Order: Agreed. Councillors requested a meeting with Traffic Engineers and residents.

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.

Order: Agreed. Councillors requested that a report on the upgrading and funding be presented to the September meeting.

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 addresses the interests of all the different age groups and diversity of interests of the Rathmines community.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Councillor Gerry Ashe

Chairperson

Dated 8th July 2013

Attendance

Members

Councillor G. Ashe (in the chair).

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

Officials

E. Quinlivan, Area Manager, South East Area.

F. Lambe, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area.

P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area.

M. Ginnetty, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area.

P. Cronin, Executive Manager, Environment & Engineering.

S. McMahon, Project Manager, Environment & Engineering.

O. Treanor, Foreman, Environment & Engineering.

D. Brennan, Assistant Engineer, Roads & Traffic.

H. McKenna, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Residential Services

T. Cuddy, Senior Engineer, Roads & Traffic.

M. Conway, Senior Planner, Planning Dept.

P. Crowe, Senior Staff Officer, Development

J. Wall, Staff Officer, South East Area.

F. O'Brien, Staff Officer, South East Area.

J. Nugent, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area.

Non-Officials

Ethna Murphy, Fáilte Ireland.

Aidan Pender, Fáilte Ireland.

Fergal McCarthy.