

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 8th May, 2007 at 2.30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 3134 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 10th April, 2007
(attached) pages 4-10
- 3135 Questions to the Area Manager
(attached) pages 74-77

Planning and Development Matters

- 3136 With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper
- 3137 With reference to the Royal Canal at Phibsboro.
(report attached) page 33
- 3138 With reference to Planning Enforcement Quarterly report.
(report attached and enclosed) page 34
- 3139 With reference to the proposed disposal of the fee simple in the plot adjacent 32 Botanic Road, Dublin 9 to Austin Kelly c/o Richard Dennehy & Co. Solicitors, 189a Botanic Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 9.
(report attached) pages 35-36
- 3140 With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of a site to the rear of Nos. 4 – 10 Tolka Road, Dublin 3 to Orchard United Football Club.
(report attached) pages 37-39
- 3141 With reference to the proposed disposal of an area of footpath to Mr. Peter Taaffe No. 9 Bellman's Walk, Dublin 1.
(report attached) pages 40-42

3142 Planning Application

Application No.: 2776/07

Applicant: Linders of Smithfield Ltd

Demolition of 1-6, Haymarket & 56-58 Smithfield including Smithfield Chambers (total gross floor of the buildings to be demolished c.5575sqm) and the construction of a new 9 storey mixed use building. The ground floor will accommodate an office entrance lobby together with commercial space (562sqm), 6 floors of office accommodation together with a two storey rooftop restaurant/bar (1147sqm) accessed from an independent lobby on Haymarket are also provided. Screened plant will be provided at restaurant roof level. A landscaped roof terrace is provided at seventh floor level and additional terrace areas are also provided within the restaurant volume overlooking Smithfield. Access to a double basement will be provided via 2 No. car lifts from Burgess Lane. The basement will accommodate 21 No. car parking spaces, bicycle parking, refuse areas, plant space and associated services. The total gross floor area of the proposed building is 10642sqm (excluding basement car park but including basement storage).

Registered Date: 20-Apr-2007

Environment and Culture Department Matters

- 3143 With reference to Public Library Events for May, 2007 in the Central Area and Citywide **(attached) pages 43-48**

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 3144 With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 19th April, 2007 in relation to traffic matters.
(report attached) pages 49-58
- 3145 With reference to Traffic Management – Royal Canal Bank
(report attached) page 59
- 3146 With reference to traffic matters at River Road/Pelletstown/O'Reilly's Bridge

Central Area Matters

- 3147 With reference to the Intoxicating Liquor Act 2003 – Special Exemptions.
- 3148 With reference to sports development in the Central Area.
- 3149 With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a section of pathway to the side of No. 26 Portland Place, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.
(report and map attached) pages 60-61
- 3150 **Updates on the following:**
Dorset Street and Canal Plan **page 62**
Environmental Services Unit **pages 63-64**
NEIC IAP **pages 65-66**
North West Area (including HARP) **pages 67-68**
Housing Issues-North East Inner City **pages 69-71**
Housing Issues- North West Inner City **page 72-73**

Correspondence

- 3151 With reference to correspondence from the Finglas Cabra Partnership.
- Nomination from the Central Area Committee requested
(letter attached) page 78

Motions

- 3152 **Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
That the Council upgrade paths in and near Iona Park. Will the Council also survey the pathway adjacent to 52 Violet Hill Drive. Will they undertake measures to make this area safer and reduce antisocial behaviour on it?
- 3153 **Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
That the Council repaint the lamp outside 27 Cliftonville Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 9.
- 3154 **Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
That the Council provide an update on the Blackhorse Avenue re-alignment and Development Plan. When are works on the next phase of this project due to start?
- 3155 **Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
That the Council provide a report on the following matters:
 - When will permit parking be installed in Fairfield Road?
 - Can the lights at the entrance of Fairfield road be re-phased to allow cars to leave this road.
- 3156 **Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
Will the Council provide an update on the following planning matters: -
 - The status of enforcement proceedings on 73 and 116 Cabra Park.

- What is the zoning status of the DCU owned land on Griffith Avenue. What forms of development does this zoning status allow? Have there been any pre-planning application discussions regarding this land?

- 3157 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager report on the increasing problem of feral cats and if he will appoint a cat warden to help deal with the situation.
- 3158 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager would erect anti dog fouling signs at Clonliffe Road and District, Oxmantown, and Ashington and to leaflet the areas reminding dog owners of their responsibilities and the penalties for offences and to make scoopers more widely available to dog owners.
- 3159 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
To ask the Manager to deal with the following issues to install a ramp, improve public lighting including the provision of more light standards at Clonmore Road.
- 3160 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
To ask the Manager to bring forward proposals for traffic calming for Aughrim Street.
- 3161 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager explore ways to find necessary funding to complete the Tolka River flooding prevention measures to strengthen the river wall and its foundations from Tivoli Bridge to Luke Kelly Bridge to protect it from flooding in the future.
- 3162 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**
That Dublin City Council invite the RPA to the next meeting of the Area committee to explain the changes in the original proposed route and the reasons for locating two stations in DCU campus.
- 3163 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**
That the Manager resurface the road at the entrance to Kinvara Avenue.
- 3164 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**
That the Manager to put down ramps and to fix the footpaths at:
Kilkiernan Road & Broombridge Road (ramps) Bannow Road (footpaths)
- 3165 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**
That the Manager have install ramps and have trees planted at Cabra Park.
- 3166 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**
That the Manager contact Dublin Bus and Iarnrod Eireann with a view to improving public transport facilities including more buses and extending the QBC's on the one hand and secondly with a view to upgrading the existing railway lines, stations and general upkeep and landscaping of same.
- 3167 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhan O' Ríordáin**
That the Manager agrees to immediately replace the water tank serving the Fitzgibbon Court Flat Complex owing to the discoloration of the water that some tenants have experienced.
- 3168 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhan O' Ríordáin**
That the Manager gives details of all the upcoming social and affordable housing in the Central Area.
- 3169 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee receives a report in relation to the costings of the new crèche at Hardwick Street, Dublin 1. Some mothers would find this cost too high and would prevent many mothers from taking up a CE scheme.
- 3170 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee agrees to remove the graffiti at 9 Gloucester Place, Dublin 1
- 3171 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Committee receive a report in relation to speed ramps to be installed at Spring Garden Street and Annesley Place, Dublin 3.

3172 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee receive a report in relation to the trees coming up through the footpath that could be a danger to pedestrians and the matter resolved at Clonliffe Avenue, Ballybough, Dublin 3.

3173 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made by the Litter Officer on the action taken so far this year at houses on the North Circular Road between Infirmary Road and Oxmanstown Road where there are ongoing breaches of the litter laws. Also that this report state the number of fines imposed in each case and if these fines have been paid.

3174 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the water cylinders at Fitzgibbon Court flats be renewed as they are corroding and hazardous and also a programme of improvement works be carried out for Fitzgibbon Court, Dublin 1.

3175 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a progress report be made on the efforts to establish the ownership of the laneway through the archway and at the rear of the Dublin City Council Cabra Office and the process necessary to close it off with gates.

3176 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if CCTV will be provided for Dominick Court S.C. complex.

3177 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

When the long promised work on the pavement outside no: 57 Church Street, Dublin 7 involving the removal of tree roots will be carried out.

3178 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

The Central Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to erect a plaque to mark the opening of the Cabra Library.

3179 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

The Central Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to erect an ornate rock at Ashtown Grove and Kinvara Avenue with a welcome message to the area.

3180 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee be given the timescale for the refurbishment of Parnell Square

3181 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee be given the timescale for the Works Programme n Blackhorse Avenue.

3182 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee examine the traffic light sequence at Killala Raod and Fassaug Avenue due to the build up of Traffic.

3183 Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muir

Can the Manager review the attached correspondence and then arrange to widen the footpath at the junction of Church St, and North Brunswick St, and extend it for about 100 ft along North Brunswick St.

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

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MINUTES

- 3087 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 13th March, 2007
ORDER: Agreed.
- 3088 Questions to the Area Manager
ORDER: Noted.

Planning and Development Matters

- 3089 With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper
ORDER: Noted.
- 3090 With reference to Derelict Sites Quarterly report.
ORDER: Noted.
- 3091 With reference to Proposed Deletion from the Record of Protected Structures Stanhope Street Convent Primary School (a) 1911-16 block, (b) 1897 block – ref: 8008
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 3092 With reference to notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 Change of use of retail unit at Killarney Court, junction of Killarney Street/Buckingham Street Upper, Dublin 1, as community type usage.
ORDER: Agreed.
- 3093 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 3, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Messrs. Oliver Donohue, Oliver Malone, Sean McGuigan C/O Main St, Belturbet, Co. Cavan
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council. Clarification on service charges payment to be given to the Councillors when available.
- 3094 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 4, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Messrs. Oliver Donohue, Oliver Malone, Sean McGuigan C/O Main St, Belturbet, Co. Cavan
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council. Clarification on service charges payment to be given to the Councillors when available.
- 3095 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 6, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Messrs. Oliver Donohue, Oliver Malone, Sean McGuigan C/O Main St, Belturbet, Co. Cavan
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council. Clarification on service charges payment to be given to the Councillors when available.
- 3096 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 7, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Messrs. Oliver Donohue, Oliver Malone, Sean McGuigan C/O Main St, Belturbet, Co. Cavan
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council. Clarification on service charges payment to be given to the Councillors when available.

3097 **Planning Application**

Application No.: 1745/07

Applicant: Stateford Limited

Location: The Bakery, Cross Guns Bridge, Phibsborough Road, Dublin 7

Proposal: Development of a mixed use scheme on a site of 0.75 hectares, approximately. The site is bounded by the Royal Canal to the North, the Phibsborough Road and a Protected Structure (ref: 6853) to the east, a laneway to the rear of residential properties (Leinster Street North) to the south and residential development (Shandon Mill) to the west. The development will consist of; the demolition of the existing buildings on site and the construction of a mixed use scheme which is predominantly residential in nature containing 4 no. buildings with a total gross floor area of 21, 588 sqm approx. The principal buildings in the development are 2 no. primarily residential buildings on the

northern site boundary spanning from west to east. The 2 no. buildings (Building 1&2) range from 6 to 9 storeys with a 13 storey element and roof gardens over two shared basement levels. Building 1 comprises: 2 no. linked blocks (referred to as Block A & B) comprising 90 no. units in total. Block A ranges from 6 to 8 storeys and consists of 44 no. units (8 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 4 no. 1 bedroom Work/Live units, 20 no. 2 bedroom apartments and 12 no. 3 bedroom family sized apartments). Block B ranges from 6 to 13 storeys and consists of 46 no. units (4 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 3 no. 1 bedroom Work/Live units, 15 no. 2 bedroom apartments, 1 no. 2 bedroom Work/Live Unit and 23 no. 3 bedroom family sized to apartments) and a laundry (gross floor space 34sqm) at ground floor level. Building 2 comprises: 3 no. linked blocks (referred to as Blocks C, D and E) comprising 117 no. units in total. Block C ranges from 6 to 9 storeys and consists of 41 no. units (5 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 4 no. 1 bedroom work/live units, 18 no. 2 bedroom apartments and 14 no. 3 bedroom family sized apartments) and a community centre (Gross floor space 49sqm) at ground floor level. Block D ranges from 6 to 8 storeys and consists of 40 no. units (4 No 1 bedroom apartments, 3 no. 1 bedroom Work/Live Units 20 no 2 bedroom apartments, 1 no 2 bedroom work/live units and 12 no. 3 bedroom family sized apartments) and a neighbourhood shop (Gross Floor space 46sqm) at ground floor level. Block E ranges from 6 to 7 storeys and consists of 36 no. units (4 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 4 No 1 bedroom Work/Live Units, 18 no. 2 bedroom apartments and 10 No 3 bedroom family sized apartments) and a juice Bar/Solarium (Gross Floor space 140sqm) at ground floor level. The 2 no. basement levels (9772sqm in total) principally comprise: 281 no. car parking spaces (118 no spaces on upper level, 163 no spaces on lower level); 226 no cycle spaces, plant rooms and a gym (375sqm) on the Upper basement level. Vehicular access to the basement levels will be provided from the site access road off Phibsborough Road. The development also comprises; 6 no. terraced 2 storey townhouses (Building 3)(486sqm); a childcare facility (Building 4)(240sqm); 2 no. new pedestrian access points from Cross Gun Quay; changes in level; boundary treatments; all hard and soft landscaping; balconies and terraces; internal roads and pathways; pedestrian linkages; site services and all other associated site development works above and below ground.

Registered Date: 16-Feb-2007

ORDER: Presentation noted. Dissatisfaction expressed on aspects of the proposal. Work to be concluded as quickly as possible on the Phibsboro Area Plan.

Environment and Culture Department Matters

- 3098** With reference to Public Library Events for April, 2007 in the Central Area and Citywide.
ORDER: Noted.

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 3099** With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 15th March, 2007 in relation to traffic matters.
ORDER: Noted.

The following matters were raised under this heading;

- a. In respect of item 15 - Abbey Drive - noted that this work will be done by the summer
- b. Noted that no request to proceed with bollards at Abbey Drive is currently under consideration.
- c. Lawrence's Place East request for Double Yellow Lines on one side – further details to be supplied by Councillor O'Riordain
- d. Eoghan Madden to be invited to the next meeting to discuss issues relating to Ratoath Road/Reilly's Bridge (Level Crossing) and River Road, Pelletstown.
- e. Plans to be advanced for widening of path at Church Street/Brunswick Street
- f. Collision report in respect of North Circular and Cabra Road to be given at the next meeting
- g. Update at next meeting in respect of East Wall Traffic Proposals

Central Area Matters

- 3100** With reference to a proposal to Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over the laneway

between Nos 119 to 153 North Circular Road and Nos 6 to 38 Blackhorse Grove (known as Altona Lane), Dublin 7.

Order: Agreed. Noted that ownership of the lane will remain with Dublin City Council and that Dublin City Council will erect adequate fencing and maintain it.

3101 With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way at the laneway to the rear of St. Clement's Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 11.
ORDER: Agreed.

3102 Naming Proposal for Development at 1 and 1A Cathedral Street and 84 and 85 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.
ORDER: Agreed.

3103 **Updates on the following:**
Dorset Street and Canal Plan
Environmental Services Unit
NEIC IAP
North West Area (including HARP)
Housing Issues-North East Inner City
Housing Issues- North West Inner City
ORDER: Noted.

The following matters were raised under this heading

3103(a) Date of re-opening of Royal Canal pathway at Binns Bridge to be ascertained

3103(b) Status of Lighting at Bogies Roundabout to be ascertained

3103(c) Written report on upgrade of Crossguns/Shandon area of Royal Canal to be given at next meeting

3103(d) Noted that terms have been agreed for the acquisition of land at Pelletstown (subject to the agreement of the Arbitrator).

3103(e) Noted that agreement has been reached for the acquisition of DeCoursey Square

3103(d) Noted that response from CPARA had not yet been received re membership of proposed Croke Park Liaison Committee

The following emergency motion was tabled by the Members;

3133 That Dublin City Council agrees to make the services of a Town Planner available to the residents of the Phibsborough and surrounding area to enable them to make a comprehensive and professional submission on the Phibsborough Local Area Plan.
Secondly that Dublin City Council put the Local Area Plan proposals on public display in prominent locations such as Phibsborough Public Library, hold a public information open day for residents and keep residents informed of developments by regular bulletin.
ORDER: Agreed. Request to be forwarded to the Planning Department.

Motions

3104 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee agrees that double glazed windows be installed at Ballybough House, Dublin 3.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3105 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee agrees that a residents parking scheme only be introduced around the Croke Park area at events that take place in Croke Park.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3106 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee agrees that all waste management bins be emptied and street cleaning take place on a regular basis at Mountjoy Street and surrounding areas in Dublin 7.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.

- 3107** **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee agrees that a report be made regularly to this Committee of the new children's site at The Mater Hospital from the Department of Health.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3108** **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee calls on the Traffic Department and Planners to draw up a traffic plan for the Tolka Valley River Road, Ballyboggan Road areas to help alleviate the chronic traffic problems at morning times and tea time.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3109** **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee calls for an update on the whole Pelletstown situation and is there any information or timescale for the provision of a train station at such developments as it is nearly built.
ORDER: Agreed. Eoghan Madden to be invited to the next meeting of the Central Area Committee.
- 3110** **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee calls on the Minister for Justice to ask what grants for home security are available to elderly people for mortise locks, extra lighting and spy holes as there is a waiting list in the Cabra area for such items.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3111** **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee be given an update on the progress of Grangegorman DIT Project.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3112** **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee be given an update on the proposal to move the Central Library in The Ilac Centre to The Rotunda Room on the corner of Parnell Street and O'Connell Street.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3113** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager outlines the areas where the junk collection will take place in 2007.
ORDER: Agreed. Areas where there are large amounts junk are anticipated should be targeted.
- 3114** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the sewage mains at the entrance to Killane Court be repaired and that a nameplate be erected for the senior citizens complex.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3115** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager report on plans for the regeneration of Constitution Hill Flats.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3116** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager report on progress of the Part VIII development of the site on North King Street adjacent to Beresford Street and outline the timetable for its completion.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3117** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager states if he has any proposals to extend the ban on dangerous dogs from Dublin City Council housing estates to other areas.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3118** **Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager report on the number of private, social and affordable housing units that will be constructed in the Northside Docklands in each of the next four years, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3119 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on what steps are being taken to address the poor water pressure on a significant number of streets in Cabra.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3120 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager install the double yellow lines at the locations requested on Glendalough Road.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3121 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on:

- a) The current state of work on the plan being prepared for the Cross Guns Bridge/Shandon stretch.
- b) That Inland Waterways be requested to repair where the bank is leaking close to Shandon Mill
- c) The manager report on when Inland Waterways will carry out repairs to the collapsed portion of the towpath from Binns Bridge to Croke Park.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3122 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager repair of craters gouged out of grass verges at Shandon Crescent/Connaught Street, Shandon Crescent and Shandon Park.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3123 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the scheduled resurfacing works for the laneway at Kinvara Drive, Dublin 7 as agreed by this committee be carried out in advance of the closure of the lane particularly in view of the efforts of the local residents to overcome serious issues related to the lane.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3124 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the wide bollards at the laneway at the rear of Glenarriff Road, Dublin 7 be replaced with narrow steel bollards as they are used as seating area by anti-social gangs and a short stretch of fencing be renewed along the perimeter of the Park area at this location as previously requested at this Committee.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3125 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made listing improvement schedules for Ballybough House, Dublin 3.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3126 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made listing improvement schedules for Sean O'Casey Avenue, Dublin 1.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3127 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made giving a timescale for the redevelopment at Newcomen Court, Dublin 3 and if the site will be better secured to prevent unauthorised access to adjoining properties.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3128 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the Council provide a report on when the entrance to Griffith Park (located on Mobhi Rd) will be opened.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

- 3129 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
Will the Council provide a report as to whether they own the laneway on the right hand side of Kinvara Avenue and whether it can be repaired this year?
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3130 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
Will the Council repair the bench in the Millennium Park in Claremont (second public park in estate).
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3131 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
Will the Council clean the drain located at 1 Viking Road, Stone batter?
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3132 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe**
Will the Council provide a report on whether they are aware of an increase in the number of rats in Ventry estate and what can be done to reduce their number?
ORDER: Report to Councillor.

ATTENDANCE

Cllr. Paschal Donohoe (Chairperson)
Cllr. Emer Costello
Cllr. Aodhán Ó' Ríordáin
Cllr. Mick Rafferty
Cllr. Nicky Kehoe
Cllr. Tom Stafford
Cllr. Mary Fitzpatrick
Cllr. Maurice Ahern
Cllr Christy Burke

Apologies: Cllr. Brendan Carr

Officials

Charlie Lowe, Area Manager, Central Area
Deirdre Ní Raghallaigh, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area Office
Dave Kenny, Administrative Officer, Cabra Office
Brian White, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department
Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager, NEIC
Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager, Dorset Street
Gerry Flaherty, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic Division
Padraig O'Brien, Graduate Engineer, Traffic Division
Bernie Mills, Senior Staff Officer, Derelict Sites Section
Rory Deegan, Deputy Planning Officer, Planning Department
Rory Boland, Senior Executive Engineer, Central Area
Cathy Cassidy, A/Senior Staff Officer, Central Area Office
Sheila Murray, A/Assistant Staff Officer, Central Area Office

Councillor Paschal Donohoe
Chairperson
10th April, 2007

Questions to City Manager
Central Area Committee
Meeting 10/04/07

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if he would outline what funding is available and how much is the shortfall regarding CCTV cameras at (details supplied).

Reply

The Residents of the area(details supplied) made an application for CCTV funding to the Dept. of Justice, Equality & Law Reform. They had a feasibility study carried out and the proposed works were costed in this study. The overall cost of the project was costed at €120,449.20 excl. vat @ 13.5%. The residents ,as is stated in the guidelines below were to provide 15% or €20,506.47 vat incl. Once this was done, then Dublin City Council were in a position to match this 15% and then the DJELR would make up the remaining 70% in a grant. The figure mentioned above ie €20,506.47 vat incl. remains the shortfall for the residents in the area (details supplied).

The following is a snapshot from the Pobal guidelines

What is the maximum grant awardable under the Scheme?

- The maximum grant awardable by the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform, in any circumstances, is €100,000. Within this limit, grants of up to 70% of the total capital costs of the system may be awarded.
- In order to qualify for the maximum capital grant (i.e. 70% of capital costs of the system), applicants are required to raise a minimum of 15% of the capital cost of the system, from *non-public funds. Proof of the local funding contribution must be submitted with the application. The remaining 15% may be raised from public and other funding sources.
- If a group is unable to source funding which does not originate from a Government Department or Local Authority, or a body wholly funded from such sources, it is not prevented from submitting an application under this Scheme. Where applicants are unable to raise 15% of the capital cost, from non-public funds, then the maximum capital grant awardable by the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform is 50% of the capital costs of the system (subject to the maximum award limit of €100,000).
- The Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs will match funding allocated by the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform to successful applications from **RAPID** areas that are endorsed by the RAPID AIT, subject to the total grant aid from both Departments not exceeding €200,000 or 100% of the capital costs of the project, whichever is the lesser.

** For the purposes of this Scheme, "non-public funding" means funding which does not originate from a Government Department or Local Authority, or a body wholly funded from such sources.*

Q2 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager that a report be made available to this Committee in relation to the delays at (details supplied) development by an Bord Gáis and that if the City Manager would arrange alternative accommodation for the coming winter months for the residents of (details supplied).

Reply

A delay arose in the construction of the new units as a result of the need to divert a mains gas pipeline, which traverses the site which work was the responsibility of Bord Gais. Diversion works were completed during week ending 24th March 2007 and works recommenced on site on Monday 2nd April.

It is intended to convene a further meeting with residents in the coming weeks to discuss a number of options in relation to their living accommodation.

Q3 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager as to what steps Dublin City Council are taking with the Department of the Environment in relation to the increase in adult shops in the (details supplied).

Reply

Dublin City Council Development Plan 2005-2011 states the following;
"it is the policy of DCC to seek to prohibit adult shops in proximity to residential areas" S7 p. 60 ' .
This is currently interpreted as lands zoned "Residential" Z1 or Z2, lands zoned Z3 "Local neighbourhood shops" and lands zoned Z4 "District Centres".

Further controls may be specified in Areas of Special Planning Control such as O'Connell Street.

Q4 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager when the tenants chosen for (details supplied) will be allocated their housing units.

Reply

I am advised by the Housing & Residential Services Department that the completion of the purchase of the apartments at this location is imminent.

When the purchase is completed will then be determined what the timescale for the allocation of the units is.

Q5 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if Dublin City Council Waste Management Section would concentrate on street sweeping in the (details supplied) areas.

Reply

Waste Management Services have (details supplied) scheduled to be cleaned five days a week, Monday to Friday. This area is also included in our weekend cleaning schedule. We will continue to do all we can to ensure that this area is kept as clean as possible.

Q6 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if he would arrange to have the shores cleaned out and public lighting inspections at (details supplied)

Reply

The gullies at (details supplied) were cleaned during July and August of 2006 whereby we cleaned 57 of the 62 gullies throughout the six roads that comprise the (details supplied).

Drainage Division endeavour to clean every gully in the city at least once every 12 to 18 months but if there is a specific gully that is causing a problem in the (details supplied) it can be addressed.

Upgrading of the lighting in the (details supplied) will be considered, in the context of finances available, for inclusion in our 2008 programme of improvement works.

Q7 **Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the City Manager to conduct a wheelchair accessibility audit of all footpaths in the Central Area with specific reference to junctions, to state what if any works are proposed to make more footpaths wheelchair accessible in 2007 and to widen the footpath at (details supplied) to ensure safety for wheelchair users in the area.

Reply

In order to comply with the requirements of the Disability Act 2005 and the Sectoral Plan of the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government, Dublin City Council is currently assessing proposals from consultants to carry out accessibility audits around the city to identify access hazards within the roads and streets network and to examine the feasibility of removing such hazards by provision of remedial action. Initial auditing efforts will be concentrated on the city centre area, roughly bounded by the canals, with the remainder of the city to follow afterwards.

The Traffic Department will carry out a survey of lane width and footway widths on south of (details supplied) approaching (details supplied) in the coming weeks with a view to widening the footway at the location.

Q8 **Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager to contact the OPW to find out what are the proposed upgrading plan for (details supplied) and what role the City Council has in this upgrading.

Reply

I have written to the Commissioner of the OPW and asked them for a reply. I will contact the Councillor directly when the reply is issued.

Q9 **Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager due to the dangerous state of a number of roads in (details supplied) that extra funding be made available to the Roads Department to remedy the situation.

Reply

Generally the roads in the (details supplied) are in reasonable condition. This year Road Maintenance propose to carry out works on the following roads: (details supplied)

The annual works programme for Roads Maintenance is prepared following the adoption of the revenue budget. The preparation of the programme is undertaken following consultation with Area Managers and taking consideration of the condition of footpaths/carriageways in order to prioritise works in each of the areas. An additional allocation of €2.8M was allocated to Roads Maintenance in Y2006 in excess of the annual revenue budget allocation in order to expedite repairs and investment in the infrastructure. This prioritisation of investment in the roads and footways was continued in the Y2007 budget, given the additional investment of €3.2M in excess of the Y2006 budget base. It is not expected that any additional resources will be available to Roads Maintenance in the current year.

Q10 **Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager that a Framework or Local Area Plan be made for the area (details supplied) and the waste ground that runs along (details supplied).

Reply

The Planning and Development Department is currently examining the scope for intensification on existing and planned transportation corridors and underused lands zoned Z6 in the Dublin City Development Plan.

The lands at both sides of the Royal Canal including the lands at (details supplied) are included in this scoping exercise. On completion of this exercise, it is intended to prepare framework plans for the more strategic of these sites.

Q11 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager that a process be put in place to support and construct a small community building at (details supplied)

Reply

The proposal is being further examined and the Parks Division and shall issue report a Councillor Kehoe in due course with our findings.

Q12 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager when (details supplied) will be available for letting.

Reply

The property known as (details supplied) has not been acquired yet so it is impossible to give a timescale for letting.

The property at (details supplied) should be ready for letting within the next 3 weeks.

Q13 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager following contact from a number of residents at (details supplied) about on going anti-social activities there that the City Council contact the owners of the property (details supplied) with a view of asking them to erect a pallaside fence to stop access from their property which is causing great problems for the residents of (details supplied).

Reply

The Assistant Area Manager will make the necessary arrangement. However this is fundamentally a private matter between the residents and the (details supplied).

Q14 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the manager what action has been taken against oxygen for their failure to collect green bags from (details supplied), what assurances he now has that this will not be repeated, if he will ensure that a letter is sent to each of the houses in the area explaining when the green and black bag collections are made along with the multi-lingual leaflet already devised by Dublin City Council explaining householders responsibilities, if he will confirm that all green bags put out on non-collection days will be treated in the same way as black bags put out on non collection days if he will state how often the streets are swept and if he will ensure that all of the streets in the area are swept on a regular basis

Reply

1) The matter has been raised at a Senior Level with Oxigen Ltd and they have been instructed to rectify the situation as a matter of urgency.

The City Council is currently considering its options under the terms of the contract with Oxigen in order to determine the appropriate actions to be taken.

The member will be kept informed on progress in this regard.

2) The letter explaining green and black bag collections and the multi-lingual leaflet re householders responsibilities will be delivered to each address on details supplied in the coming weeks.

3) Waste Management Services have (details supplied) scheduled to be swept every Monday after the refuse collection has taken place there. We will ensure that this cleaning schedule for this area is strictly adhered to.

Q15 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the manager to provide details of the snagging at (details supplied), to state why the builder was allowed leave the site in this unfinished state, what if any penalties have been applied to the builder as a result of unfinished work, and state when all of the snags will have been attended to.

Reply

Work to rectify the snags on the list compiled at handover of these dwellings was completed at the end of last month. The contractors generally performed well and as the snags were the normal ones that occur on all schemes and as they were attended to by the contractor it is not appropriate to apply any penalties. The contractor also rectified some defects caused by vandalism after the dwellings were handed over to the Council.

The completed dwellings were officially handed over on the 08th December 2006. The builder is responsible for rectifying all defects that become apparent within a period of one year from that date and which are, in the opinion of the architect, the responsibility of the contractor. This is standard practice in contracts of this type. At the end of the defects liability period an inspection will be carried out and a list of snags compiled. It is only when the defects found are rectified to our satisfaction that the final retention monies withheld are released to the contractor.

Q16 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to start the procedure for a local area plan for (details supplied) in view of the large number of developments taking place in the immediate vicinity

Reply

Like very many parts of the city, the (details supplied) is experiencing development pressure which is being handled in the normal manner i.e. in accordance with the Dublin City Development Plan. This growth which is typical for most of the city results in a very significant demand for local plans in both the inner and outer city. Given these demands, the current pressure to prepare the Local Area Plan for (details supplied) in consultation with the local community and the limited resources available, it is not possible at this time to initiate a plan for the (details supplied).

Q17 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager what proposals he is considering for the regeneration of (details supplied) if he would state how often the estate is swept, if he would consider appointing a caretaker to maintain the estate and ensure that the area is kept clean and if he would remove the railings and erect a wall at details supplied and if he would erect a fence to the rear of (details supplied).

Reply

An internal feasibility study has recently been completed for this estate. It is intended to embark on a public consultation process within the next 2 weeks with the community at (details supplied).

We do not assign caretakers to Housing Estates, this service only applies to Flat Complexes. Normal Dublin City Council Cleansing Services do apply to this estate and our Area Housing Manager will liaise with Officials from that operation.

However, we will arrange to have our Housing Maintenance Section to carry out a once-off cleansing "blitz" of the Estate and we will examine the situation pertaining to the railings etc. and report back to the Councillor.

Q18 Councillor Emer Costello

That Dublin City Council erect a secure fence at details supplied

Reply

The City Council's Project Manager for the (details supplied) has had discussions with local residents on this issue. Residents are requesting that fencing be erected on the private boundary wall between (details supplied) and (details supplied). The Council has in the past made contributions towards the costs of similar works at the rear of NCR properties and, in this context, is currently awaiting a costing for the erection of fencing at this location. Contact will be made with the residents concerned when these figures are available, with a view to reaching an agreement.

Q19 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to ask (details supplied) to have the fence at details supplied repaired and the potholes at (details supplied) filled in

Reply

- a) Following a site inspection no fence was identified at the specified location. The Assistant Area Manager, Cabra Area Office will meet the Councillor on site to clarify the details.
- b) The potholes referred to will be reinstated within the next 2/3 weeks.

Q20 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager to have the laneways at (details supplied) cleaned out and the ensure that it is cleaned out on a regular basis

Reply

The laneways in question will be cleaned out by the Environmental Response Crew within the next fortnight. As a matter of course laneways are not prioritised by waste management for cleaning as resources do not permit this however we will endeavour to clean these locations on a regular basis.

Q21 Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager

- 1) investigates the dumping of building rubble at details supplied and
- 2) that the planning enforcement report on the demolition of details supplied,
- 3) that the pest control be asked to examine the area for rats
- 4) that details supplied be put on the register of derelict sites and
- 5) that Dublin Bus be asked to upgrade its bus stop at details supplied

Reply

- 1. A file on this matter has been referred to the Enforcement Officer for the Area for investigation. A full report will issue to the Councillor with regard to this matter when the Planning Enforcement Officer has concluded his investigation.
- 2. The Planning Enforcement Officer for the area carried out a recent inspection at this property on the 23/02/2007. There was no evidence at that time that the property was being demolished. He will however carry out further investigations. A full report will issue to the Councillor with regard to this matter when the Planning Enforcement Officer has concluded his investigation.
- 3. This has been referred to the Health Service Executive.

4. This site was inspected by the Derelict Sites Section and it not considered to be a derelict site within the meaning of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990.
5. These properties were inspected by the Derelict Sites Section and they are not considered to be derelict within the meaning of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990. However, the grounds opposite these cottages are overgrown. I have requested the Title and Research Section of the Law Department to carry out a reference of ownership and when received the owners will be written to and requested to cut back and remove all overgrowth. This has been referred to
6. This has been referred to Dublin Bus.

Q22 Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on how he proposed to address the traffic problems at (details supplied)

Reply

There are no plans to change the current traffic arrangements on (details supplied). Any traffic restrictions at the junctions of (details supplied) with (details supplied) or (details supplied) will also apply to residents and thus are not recommended at this time due to possible inconvenience for residents.

Traffic calming currently exists on (details supplied). Speed surveys indicate that the speed ramps have reduced speeds to an acceptable level.

Q23 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to respond to the following issues raised by residents in relation to details supplied

- a) Details of planned work in 2006 by the Parks Department?
- b) Removal of graffiti on paths
- c) Repair of fire-damage to football/basketball court
- d) Fire damaged trees close to court – steps should be taken to prevent more of the same
- e) Removal of dumped bags/general litter from (i) beside lane at back of (details supplied) (ii) area next to site of old main fence breach site adjoining (details supplied)
- f) Repair breach of fence with lane at back of (details supplied)
- g) The (motorcycle?) tyre tracks all over grass underlines need for a proper DCC staff presence in the park. The Parks Department should reconsider this issue.
- h) Install a children's playground in the park

Reply

a) Proposal to install 1) 2 new access/aggress gates and repair to existing surface railing frontage at (details supplied). 2) One French boule-playing surface subject to funding 3) Stand alone junior play units subject to local consultation and confirmation of funding

b) Our Graffiti Removal Officer, Mr. Martin Daly, Telephone 2224254, has listed the removal of graffiti from the paths in this area with our contractors. This work will be completed before the end of April 2007.

c) Work is ongoing

d) Affected vegetation removed and plantation opened up

e) Waste Management Services had the lane at the back of (details supplied) cleaned on the 29th March 2007. We also had the dumped bags removed from the area next to the site adjoining the (details supplied) on the 29th March 2007.

f) breeches in park boundary to be repaired over the coming weeks

g) The access/egress gates shall restrict the unauthorised activity

h) see a above

Q24 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to put ramps on (details supplied) and to have the telephone box from details supplied removed and to repair the footpath outside details supplied

Reply

1) Provision of traffic calming on (details supplied) will be examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee.

2) The footpath outside (details supplied) was inspected and no telephone box was located.

3) The footpath outside no. (details supplied) is concrete, however the original grass margin was replaced with Macadam over the years. This macadam has sunk down a little, currently this location is not dangerous and no works are proposed to be carried out there this year.

Q25 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager to list the options available to the residents of the (details supplied) in any future redevelopment proposal and to outline the manner in which residents will be consulted on the options.

Reply

A public meeting has been arranged to discuss proposals for the future redevelopment of the (details supplied). A survey of the estate will be completed by 11th April, and all residents surveyed. The residents of (details supplied) will be informed of and invited to attend the meeting. Method of communication will be both door to door and by a full leaflet drop.

Q26 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager to list the progress made on the various items raised by residents of (details supplied) at local meetings and any work due in this regard.

Reply

The matters raised by the residents group are the subject of ongoing investigation and the Councillors will be advised of progress in due course. The Assistant Area Manager is meeting the residents group shortly and will continue to maintain this contact over the coming months.

Q27 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if arrangements will be made to put a new nameplate (details supplied) on the small pocket Park at (details supplied) as agreed some time ago by Dublin City Council.

Reply

This Division has erected a commemorative plot to the late (details supplied) within the pocket park at (details supplied). The plot is in a satisfactory condition and easily mowed from within and without.

Q28 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if Central Heating will be installed and repairs carried out to the Shower/Drainage at (details supplied) for the new

tenant who has been requesting this for over a year.

Reply

A request to install Central Heating in this dwelling was received in February 2007 and was surveyed for the installation in March 2007. The gas central heating system will be installed within the next two weeks.

A new shower will be installed within the next three weeks.

Q29 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if a Household Junk Collection can be arranged for the (details supplied) this year as there was no recent collection made in this area – the (details supplied) being the area between the (details supplied) and (details supplied) and (details supplied) and the (details supplied).

Reply

Waste Management Services plan to have a household junk collection in the (details supplied) area in and around May 2007. It is quite difficult to give exact dates as the progress of this collection depends on the volume of junk presented. Residents will be notified a few days in advance of this collection taking place on their road.

Q30 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager when a rear shed door can be provided at (details supplied) as agreed by the local maintenance Inspector.

Reply

A new shed door will be supplied and fitted at this dwelling within the next two weeks.

Q31 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise on (details supplied). Is the manager aware that cycle lanes in (details supplied) are permanently unavailable due to vehicular parking on the lanes? what is the status of bicycle lanes on (details supplied), are they mandatory or non-mandatory lanes? Will the Manager advise what action Dublin City Council has taken over the last 12 months to address the problem of parking in the lanes and why does Dublin City Council waste tax payers money installing cycle lanes if they are never available for use? Will the Manager take action to address the issue?

Reply

The cycle track (outbound) on (details supplied) is a 24-hour non-mandatory track with clearway between 07:00 – 10:00 and 12:00 – 19:00, Monday to Saturday. The section of the cycle track adjoining the shops at (details supplied) is a Loading Bay between 10:00 – 12:00, Monday to Saturday.

This location has been inspected and it appears that most of the vehicles stopping on this stretch of cycle track are short-stay shop suppliers and customers and in the circumstances, effective enforcement by the Council's parking enforcement contractor is problematic. However, the contractor has been requested to give particular attention to this location in the coming weeks in an effort to discourage illegal parking in the cycle track.

In the period 1st April 2006 to 31st March 2007, a total of 62 vehicles were clamped for various parking offences while they were parked illegally in Stoneybatter and Manor Street. In the period 1st November 2006 to 31st March 2007, 8 vehicles were clamped for parking on the clearway (cycle track) in (details supplied) and 4 vehicles were clamped for parking on the bus lane (located opposite the cycle track).

Q32 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise on (details supplied). Are when will the lane to the rear of (details supplied) be resurfaced?

Reply

There is provision in the Works Programme 2007 for some resurfacing work at this location. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by the end of May 2007.

Q33 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise on details attached. Details are when were the footpaths on (details supplied) last repaired? Is the manager aware that the footpaths are in a deplorable condition from the vehicular entrance to the rear of (details supplied) along (details supplied) towards (details supplied). Elderly residents on the road have tripped and hurt themselves and others with restricted mobility have been advised by medical staff not to walk on the footpaths due to the poor condition of same. Will the manager arrange to have the footpaths repaired and made safe?

Reply

The concrete footpath between (details supplied) and the (details supplied) is in reasonable condition, however it should be noted that along this section of path there are 11 no. trees. Over the years the tree roots have lifted the original concrete path and this broken concrete has been replaced with a macadam material. This is standard practise as this material is flexible and when the roots push up they tend to lift the macadam which will move upwards unlike the concrete which will simply crack and break up.

Trees in question are mature London Plant approximately 70 years old, are in a satisfactory condition, have been pruned in the last 5 years and provide an important visual amenity to the area.

Due to the age/size/species of the trees and the narrow width of the footpaths and absence of a grass verge margin there is likely to be on going problems associated with tree root activity and this is something that will continue to be monitored.

Q34 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager advise on (details supplied). Details did Dublin City Council receive requests to have trees planted on (details supplied), if so when? Will the Manager arrange to have trees planted on (details supplied) and on (details supplied) to (details supplied)? If so, when?

Reply

This Division is not aware of the above proposals. We have planted street trees on (details supplied), on the section that approaches the National Botanic Gardens in the recent past. We will arrange to undertake a survey of the section of (details supplied) to (details supplied). For suitability to street tree planting and shall inform the Councillor of our findings in due course.

Q35 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise on (details supplied). Is the Manager aware of the significant traffic volumes on (details supplied)? Will the manager please advise what possible actions can be taken to reduce the traffic volumes and what process needs to be followed to implement same.

Reply

The Traffic Department recently met with a number of residents on (details supplied) and outlined a number of possible options for the road to reduce the amount of through traffic, including the possibility of a road closure. The Traffic Department are currently awaiting feedback from a recently held residents meeting.

Q36 Councillor Aodhan O' Riordain

To ask the manager as to the progress of (details supplied). Does the Manager have a timetable for the completion of the entire process? What plans are being undertaken for consultation with the tenants and indeed with the surrounding community.

Reply

The procurement process to enter into a contract with a Private Partner to deliver this project is at the end of the first stage with the short list of bidders expected to be decided by the end of this month. The second stage of the process will then commence and it would be envisaged that the contract should be signed by early 2008. The redevelopment will be carried out in at least two stages to minimise disruption to the existing tenants. This should take approximate three years as a result the expected completion date would be mid 2011. A development committee has been established consisting of existing residents and Dublin City Council meets regularly with this committee. A Community Charter has been negotiated and agreed and it is hoped to take this Charter to the surrounding community in the near future.

Q37 Councillor Aodhan O' Riordain

To ask the Manager to ensure that a housing points assessment takes place for (details supplied) as soon as possible.

Reply

An application for inclusion on the City Council's Housing List was received from the applicant (details supplied) in March 2007. Arrangements have been made for an inspectors report to be provided as soon as possible. Following receipt of this report the applicant (details supplied) will be informed of their points on the City Council's Housing List.

Q38 Councillor Aodhan O' Riordain

To ask the Manager to ensure that a housing points assessment takes place for (details supplied) as soon as possible.

Reply

An application for inclusion on the City Council's Housing List was received from the applicant (details supplied) in March 2007. Arrangements have been made for an inspectors report to be provided as soon as possible. Following receipt of this report the applicant (details supplied) will be informed of their points on the City Council's Housing List.

Q39 Councillor Aodhan O' Riordain

To ask the Manager to arrange relocation for (details supplied) in (details supplied) as soon as possible.

Reply

(details supplied) has 85 points on the current Housing Transfer List for Area H and requires ground floor accommodation. Presently there is nothing available in the (details supplied) but we will continue to monitor her application.

Q40 Councillor Aodhan O' Riordain

To ask the Manager to arrange suitable re-housing as soon as possible for (details supplied).

Reply

The Area Housing Manager reports that a housing needs analysis survey was carried out in the above complex. The above tenants can contact Gareth Rowan, Estate Manager on Tel. 2222989 to discuss their re-housing requirements.

Q41 Councillor Aodhan O' Riordáin

To ask the Manager to arrange non-cycling signage to the satisfaction of (details supplied) and to investigate the possibility of issues fines to cyclists who disobey the signage.

Reply

Under Irish Road Traffic Regulations or in the Department of the Environment Traffic Signs Manual 1996, there is no statutory signage to inform cyclists not to cycle on a footway. Any incidents of illegal cycling on the footway should be brought to the attention of An Garda Síochána.

Provision of legislation to regulate such signage should be taken up with the Department of Transport who are currently reviewing existing traffic regulations.

Q42 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

When is the junk collection for (details supplied) planned.

Reply

Waste Management Services plan to have a junk collection in the (details supplied) area in late April and May 2007. Residents will be notified a few days in advance of this collection taking place on their road.

Q43 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council ensure that (details supplied) and district is better cleaned when the new area based system is in place.

Reply

Waste Management Services had (details supplied) and district cleaned by a handcart man on Tuesday 3rd April 2007. This area is normally scheduled to be cleaned every Monday after the refuse collection has taken place there. We will continue to do all we can to ensure that the (details supplied) area is kept as clean as possible.

Q44 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council provide an update on the planning enforcement status of the buildings beside the (details supplied).

Reply

An Enforcement file has been set up on foot of the Councillors question .The Planning Enforcement Officer will carry out a full investigation into the planning enforcement status of the properties at (details supplied).

A full report will issue in due course to the Councillor with regard to this matter.

Q45 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council prune or remove the tree outside (details supplied) which appears to be dead.

Reply

This Division shall examine the tree and undertake the necessary action over the coming weeks.

Q46 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

What is the status of plans to provide the new waste depot in (details supplied). What statutory processes were went through on this and how were local residents informed and consulted.

Reply

The proposal for a change of use from an industrial unit at (details supplied) to a Waste Management Depot was approved via Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001. The Local Area Committee and (details supplied) business community were informed via the Local Area Office and communications from Waste Management Services. Tender drawings are currently under preparation and it is anticipated that a contractor will be appointed shortly following a statutory procurement procedure.

Motions to City Manager
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Item 3104

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee agrees that double glazed windows be installed at Ballybough House, Dublin 3.

Report

It is intended to fit a second layer of glazing to the windows of Ballybough House as soon as a pilot project of a similar nature is completed and assessed in the South East Area of the city. This latter project should be completed shortly.

Item 3105

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee agrees that a residents parking scheme only be introduced around the Croke Park area at events that take place in Croke Park.

Report

Under existing road traffic regulations, it is not possible to introduce 'residents only' parking on public roads. On match days, parking is controlled by An Garda Síochána within a cordon area. It is understood that enabling legislation in this regard is currently under preparation. As soon as legislation is enabled the Roads and Traffic Division will commence work on the process involved in introducing residents only parking schemes in the appropriate areas.

Item 3106

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee agrees that all waste management bins be emptied and street cleaning take place on a regular basis at Mount Joy Street and surrounding areas in Dublin 7.

Report

Waste Management Services have Mountjoy Street scheduled to be cleaned five days a week, Monday to Friday. The litter bins on Mountjoy Street are scheduled to be emptied every morning during the week. We will monitor the cleaning of this area to see if any improvements can be made.

Item 3107

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee agrees that a report be made regularly to this committee of the new children's site at The Mater Hospital from the Department of Health.

Report

The Health Service Executive will be requested to give regular updates if the Committee agrees the terms of this motion.

Item 3108

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee calls on the Traffic Department and Planners to draw up a traffic plan for the Tolka Valley River Road, Ballyboggan Road areas to help alleviate the chronic traffic problems at morning times and tea time.

Report

Due to increased frequency of trains on the Maynooth line following the opening of the new temporary rail station at Sheriff Street, traffic congestion has increased in the area. The railway crossings at Ashtown Road and Ratoath Road (Reilly's Bridge) are both controlled manually. Broombridge Road is affected by outbound traffic. Due to the new train schedule, Dublin City Council has been informed by Iarnród Éireann that Ratoath Road will be closed for about 40 minutes between 8am to 9am at morning peak. The Traffic Department will contact Iarnród Éireann on the matter and see what improvements they proposed to reduce traffic congestion.

Item 3109

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee calls for an update on the whole Pelletstown situation and is there any information or timescale for the provision of a train station at such developments as it is nearly built.

Report

On going discussions are taking place with Castlethorn Construction in relation to phase 2 of the Ashtown Town Centre and a revised application will be lodged shortly. No other discussions have taken place on the remainder of the Pelletstown land.

Iarnród Éireann are the statutory body who are charged with the delivery of the rail station at Pelletstown. Ballymore and Castlethorn Construction and all developers of lands at Pelletstown, have contributed to the provision of this station by way of development contributions which were imposed under the various planning permissions associated with the scheme

There is currently no contract in place in relation to the provision of a new station at Pelletstown. In other similar situations elsewhere the Developers have entered into agreements with Iarnród Éireann to fund and construct stations.

Item 3110

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee calls on the Minister for Justice to ask what grants for home security are available to elderly people for mortise locks, extra lighting and spy holes as there is a waiting list in the Cabra area for such items.

Report

The Department of Justice will be requested to respond if the Committee agrees the terms of this motion.

Item 3111

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee be given an update on the progress of Grangegorman DIT Project.

Report

The Grangegorman development is progressing as envisaged. The Board of the Agency has formed and met on several occasions. Mr. Kevin Dowling was appointed acting Chief Executive. This post was advertised nationally and an announcement on a permanent appointment is due in the coming weeks.

The Agency has appointed a number of consultants to assist in the preparation of documentation necessary for master planning purposes. In mid March a notice was placed in the European Journal seeking expressions of interest from firms wishing to undertake the master planning of the Grangegorman site. It is envisaged that a team of consultants will be appointed by the autumn and that the master planning process (which will be an interactive process) will be completed by the end of 2007. Detailed planning and site works are anticipated to be undertaken in 2008.

A consultative Group representing a wide range of stakeholders and underpinned by the Grangegorman Development Agency Act 2005 is currently being formed and it is anticipated that it will have its first meeting in the coming weeks.

A number of Community Workshops/Open Days to provide information on the development are being planned at present and the first of these will take place in early May.

Item 3112

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee be given an update on the proposal to move the Central Library in The Ilac Centre to The Rotunda Room on the corner of Parnell Street and O'Connell Street.

Report

Discussions are currently taking place with the relevant interest parties in relation to the proposal to locate the Dublin City Library in the Ambassador Building, on Parnell Square. Councillors will be informed of the outcome as soon as the negotiations are complete.

Item 3113

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager outlines the areas where the junk collection will take place in 2007.

Report

Grangegorman Waste Management Depot, Telephone 6715415, are beginning the junk collection in the Cabra area from the 16th April 2007 onwards.

Aldborough Parade Waste Management Depot, Telephone 8555404, are beginning the junk collection in the East Wall area from the 16th April onwards.

These junk collections for the Central area are coordinated with the Central Area Office. It is difficult to give precise dates for areas as the progress of this collection depends on the volume of junk presented. Residents are notified a few days in advance of this collection taking place on their road.

Item 3114

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the sewage mains at the entrance to Killane Court be repaired and that a name plate be erected for the senior citizens complex.

Report

The Area Housing Manager reports that arrangements have been made to have a new nameplate and no parking signs erected at the complex within the next 2 weeks. On inspection there was no evidence of repairs required to the sewage main/footpath at the entrance to this complex.

Item 3115

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on plans for the regeneration of Constitution Hill Flats.

Report

The scheme of precinct improvements for Constitution Hill flats is at a detailed design stage. When the design is completed the proposals will be costed and tenders will be invited. We would hope to invite tenders before the end of the Summer. It is expected that work on the site will have commenced before the end of the year.

Item 3116

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on progress of the Part VIII development of the site on North King Street adjacent to Beresford Street and outline the timetable for its completion.

Report

Part VIII Planning Approval has been obtained for this Development of 27 Social Apartments.

Design issues are being finalised and tenders will be invited in September with work commencing before the end of 2007.

Item 3117

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager states if he has any proposals to extend the ban on dangerous dogs from DCC housing estates to other areas.

Report

The current tenancy agreement provides adequate justification for Dublin City Council to take action against tenants who keep dangerous dogs in our housing estates and complexes. However we are of the view that the relevant section of the agreement should be worded more strongly.

We propose to amend the tenancy agreement to make this section more effective and we will notify all tenants of this amendment.

We also propose to notify tenants of the list of banned dangerous dogs that cannot to be kept in our estates, and that breaches of our tenancy agreement in these cases will be met with firm action.

Item 3118

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on the number of private, social and affordable housing units that will be constructed in the Northside Docklands in each of the next four years, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010.

Report

The information below contains details of developments in the north docks area.

Further projections for the numbers of part V dwellings to be constructed in the coming years cannot be given as this is totally dependent on the number of residential planning permissions granted, and also on when the developers choose to commence building within the 5 year life span of the planning permissions.

Section 25 Docklands North Lotts Planning Scheme Area					S&A Housing	No. Car Spaces	Est. Completion Date
Address Location	20% S & A	No. of Soc	No. of Aff	No. Aff Rental			
Commenced							
Spencer Dock	209				Negotiation	839	
Liffey Trust, Sherriff Street	18		9	9	Agreed	39	2008
39 – 41A Mayor Street	22		22		Negotiation		2008
Castleforbes Road / Sheriff St, Dublin 1	21	21			Negotiation	107	2008
1 - 2 Cstleforbes Rd, Sheriff Street	7	7					
154a & 156 Sheriff St Upper	2						
Not yet commenced							
Castleforbes Road, Harry Crosbie	30	30				129	
Dublin Maritime Ltd Site. Castleforbes Street Nth	11		11				
78 – 80 North Wall Quay	9	7	2			46	2009 +
The Point Village District Centre	3						

Part V Dublin City Council							
Address Location	No. S & A	No. of Soc	No. of Aff	No. Aff Rental			
39-40A Mayor St, D. 1(see above)							
Crosbie's Yard, Crosbie Business Centre, 26	Proposed off- site at Castleforbes Road				Negotiation		2009

Ossory Rd, West Rd							
149, 149A – 149 C Nth Strand Road, D3	Proposal for 12				Subject to costs		2008
Sheriff St / East Rd / Church St	Nos. not determined				Negotiation		2008
The Lighthouse, Wiggins Teape	Nos. not determined				Commencement notice not served		
Merchants Gate, Merchants Yard, East Wall	Nos. not determined				Commencement notice not served		

It is not possible to predict the number of private residential units which will be built in the next 4 years.

Item 3119

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on what steps are being taken to address the poor water pressure on a significant number of streets in Cabra.

Report

The water pressure within the water mains is good in the Cabra area, not dropping below 10 metres head pressure. The problem is generally with dual or shared supplies, i.e. a single ½” supply pipe feeding two houses. The Water Division will lay on a new supply from the water main to the boundary, free of charge, provided the householder carries out the necessary alterations to their internal plumbing. This will provide the affected householders with good pressure within the house.

Item 3120

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager install the double yellow lines at the locations requested on Glendalough Road.

Report

Double yellow lines that were recommended on Glendalough Road at the January 2007 Central Area Committee meeting will be provided within 3 months of the required public consultation with the Garda Commissioner.

Item 3121

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on:

- d) The current state of work on the plan being prepared for the Cross Guns Bridge/Shandon stretch.
- e) That Inland Waterways be requested to repair where the bank is leaking close to Shandon Mill
- f) The manager report on when Inland Waterways will carry out repairs to the collapsed portion of the towpath from Binns Bridge to Croke Park.

Report

- (a) Progress on this has been slow owing to resources being stretched on other tasks. It is hoped that a report on this matter will be prepared for the June meeting of the Central Area Committee.
- (b) A letter to request that this work be carried out will be issued to Waterways Ireland from the Central Area Office.
- (c) This work is being carried out at the moment and is due for completion in the coming weeks.

Item 3122

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager repair of craters gouged out of grass verges at Shandon Crescent/Connaught Street, Shandon Crescent and Shandon Park.

Report

This Division shall arrange to repair the damage to the grass verges at Shandon Crescent/Connaught Street and Shandon Park. However the damage is being caused by unauthorised vehicle activity across the verges. This matter is being examined to determine the scope for altering road and path layouts at certain locations.

Item 3123

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the scheduled resurfacing works for the laneway at Kinvara Drive, Dublin 7 as agreed by this committee be carried out in advance of the closure of the lane particularly in view of the efforts of the local residents to overcome serious issues related to the lane.

Report

There is provision in the Works Programme 2007 for some resurfacing work at this location. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by the end of May 2007.

Item 3124

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the wide bollards at the laneway at the rear of Glenarriff Road, Dublin 7 be replaced with narrow steel bollards as they are used as seating area by anti-social gangs and a short stretch of fencing be renewed along the perimeter of the Park area at this location as previously requested at this Committee.

Report

The Assistant Area Manger, Cabra Office is arranging for a survey of the general Kinvara Area to be completed. When this is finalised it is proposed to agree a specific works programme for the laneways which will then be carried out subject to the availability of funding. The matters raised will be examined in the context of this overall review of the Kinvara Area.

Item 3125

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made listing improvement schedules for Ballybough House, Dublin 3.

Report

It is intended to fit a second layer of glazing to the windows of Ballybough House as soon as a pilot project of a similar nature is completed and assessed in the South East Area of the city. This latter project should be completed shortly.

Item 3126

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made listing improvement schedules for Sean O'Casey Avenue, Dublin 1.

Report

Following the erection of fencing in Sean O'Casey Avenue a number of meetings have taken place with residents. As a result of these meetings a number of issues have been identified and addressed or are in the process of being addressed:

- Repairs to the road surface in the laneways have been carried out.
- Painting of the walls in the laneways has commenced.
- A street cleaning programme has been put in place.
- A household junk collection has been carried out.
- Improvements to lighting in the laneways and at the front of the complex have been agreed with Public Lighting and have been put on the works programme.

In addition to these works, a "Planning for Real" exercise will take place in April where residents will have a chance to make suggestions as to any other improvements that they feel are required and appropriate.

Item 3127

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made giving a timescale for the redevelopment at Newcomen Court, Dublin 3 and if the site will be better secured to prevent unauthorised access to adjoining properties.

Report

A presentation on this matter will be made to Public Representatives on the 11th April 2007. Any further works necessary to secure the site will be carried out.

Item 3128

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the Council provide a report on when the entrance to Griffith Park (located on Mobhi Rd) will be opened.

Report

The gate will be re-opened as soon as the work associated with the Tolka River Flood Alleviation Scheme is completed within the Park. Work involves reinstatement of public pathway, fencing, tree planting, grass seeding, weather permitting gate should reopen in the middle of June 2007.

Item 3129

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the Council provide a report as to whether they own the laneway on the right hand side of Kinvara Avenue and whether it can be repaired this year?

Report

The Assistant Area Manger, Cabra Office is arranging for a survey of the general Kinvara Area to be completed. When this is finalised it is proposed to agree a specific works programme for the laneways which will then be carried out subject to the availability of finance. The matters raised will be examined in the context of this overall review of the Kinvara Area.

Item 3130

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the Council repair the bench in the Millennium Park in Claremont (second public park in estate).

Report

This bench has been repaired.

Item 3131

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the Council clean the drain located at 1 Viking Road, Stoneybatter?

Report

The gully located at 1 Viking Road, Stoneybatter was cleaned and checked on the 4th April 2007.

Item 3132

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the Council provide a report on whether they are aware of an increase in the number of rats in Ventry estate and what can be done to reduce their number?

Report

No complaints have been received in the Cabra Area Office, in relation to this Issue. Where particular areas are identified householders should contact the Health Services Executive's Rodent Control Division.

May 2007

To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee

Re: Royal Canal Phibsboro – Cross Guns Bridge to Shandon

Canal enhancement projects at Cross Guns Bridge, Portland Place etc have been successfully implemented by Dublin City Council with co operation and limited funding from Waterways Ireland

Dublin City Council invited Waterways Ireland , the body responsible for the city canals to work on a canal enhancement project between Cross Guns Bridge and Shandon in 2005.

In the course of preparing the enhancement proposals it became clear that much work needs to be done on repairing the stone work beside Cross Guns Bridge, along the canal path, and at the old bridge abutments at the bakery, all of which are Waterways Ireland property. This did not arise to such an extent in the previous canal project. The repairs would have to be carried out before work could be carried out on the paths.

Waterways Ireland undertook to have their conservation experts examine the stone and make proposals. As no progress was made on this over the past months it was decided to proceed with consultation on the overall works, in April 2007.

In the meantime work has started on a framework plan for Phibsboro, including the canals. It would be premature to put plans on display for the path network and street furniture, without having regard to the overall plan. The plan will generate proposals for the lands adjoining the canal, which may result in changes to the original works proposed for the canal.

A further report will be submitted to the Committee in September 2007.

Charlie Lowe
Area Manager

May 2007

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

With reference to the Enforcement Report for Q1 of 2007 for the Central Area

The following is a summary of enforcement activity in the Central Area for Q1 of 2007 :-

- Number of new complaints opened - 86
- Number of S152 Warning Letters issued - 64
- Number of S154 Enforcement Notices issued - 13
- Number of S157 referrals to the District Court for prosecution - 5
- Number of files closed/resolved – 75

Brian Hanney
Administrative Officer
Planning Enforcement

May 2007.

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

Meeting: May 2007

Item No.3139

With reference to the proposed disposal of the fee simple in the plot adjacent 32 Botanic Road, Dublin 9 to Austin Kelly c/o Richard Dennehy & Co. Solicitors, 189a Botanic Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 9.

Under Indenture of Lease the plot adjacent 32 Botanic Road, Dublin 9 was held from Dublin City Council for a term of 150 years from 3rd February 2004 by Mr. Eugene Harrington subject to an annual rent of €1.27.

Sherwin O'Riordan Solicitors acting on behalf of Mr. Austin Kelly who claims to hold the lessee's interest in the property has applied to purchase the fee simple therein.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple in the plot adjacent 32 Botanic Road to Mr. Austin Kelly for a sum of €70,0000 and subject to terms and conditions.

**Declan Wallace
Executive Manager**



BOTANIC ROAD, PREMISES No. 32
(Plot of Ground Adjoining)

AREA = 03 sq m



DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

An Roinn Innealtóireachta

SURVEY AND MAPPING SECTION

An Rannóg Suirbhíreacht & Léarscáilithe

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April 2007

To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee

Meeting: May 2007
Item No.: 3140

**With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of a site to the rere of Nos. 4 – 10 Tolka Road,
Dublin 3 to Orchard United Football Club.**

In 1961 the Council approved the grant of a temporary convenience letting of a site at the rere of Nos.4 – 10 Tolka Road to Orchard United Football Club, subject to terms and conditions. The football club erected a building at the north eastern corner of the site for use as a changing room. It is also used by a youth club and other local groups. The site is shown on the attached map.

It is now proposed to grant a lease of this site to Orchard United Football Club subject to the following terms and conditions: -

1. The lease shall be for a period of 99 years.
2. The commencement date of the lease is to be agreed.
3. The rent in respect of the premises shall be the full commercial rent as determined by Dublin City Council's Chief Valuer with 5 yearly rent reviews at the full open market rent or the passing rent, whichever is the greater. Notwithstanding the rent so reserved the rent payable shall be abated to €127.00 per annum provided the property is used for sporting purposes. Rent reviews will be based on the movement of the consumer price index but shall not be fixed at less than the passing rent at any review date.
4. The Club shall be responsible for fully insuring the premises and shall indemnify Dublin City Council against any and all claims arising from its use of the premises.
5. The Club shall not assign, sublet or part with possession of the site or part thereof without obtaining the written consent of the City Council.
6. The Club will be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the leased site to include security and secure boundary treatment.
7. The Club will be responsible for ensuring that the access points to the site are secured appropriately.
8. All outgoings, including rates, taxes, insurance etc. shall be the responsibility of the Club.
9. The Club shall not carry out any alterations to the site without the prior consent of the City Council.
10. The Club will facilitate other groups who have made use of the facility over a number of years or groups waiting to obtain their own premises.
11. A right of way will be reserved for the residents of Nos. 4–10 and No. 18 Tolka Road for access to their back gardens.
12. Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs in this matter.
13. The lease will be subject to any other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Council's Law Agent.

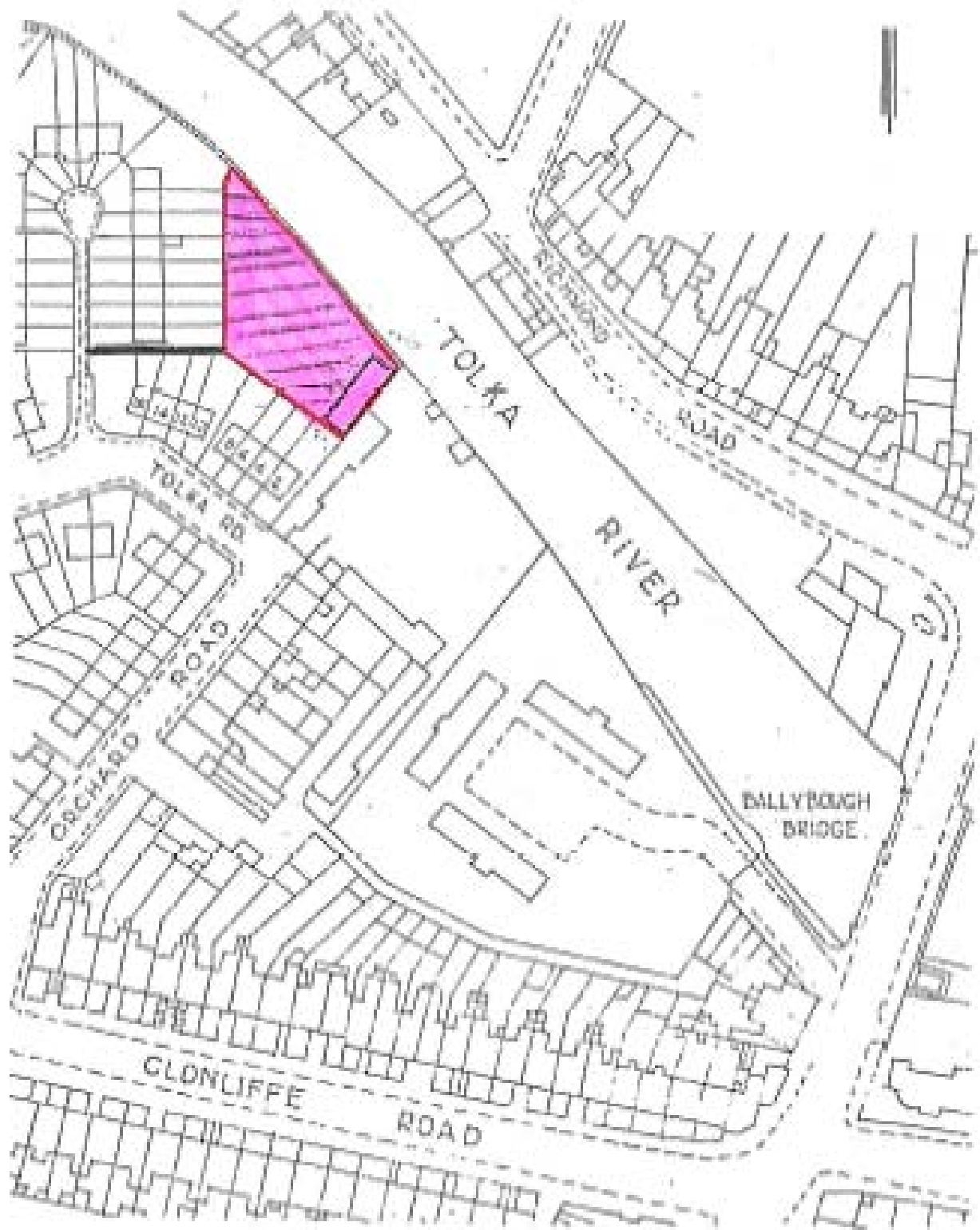
14. Should the premises cease to be used for community sporting facilities it will revert free of charge to Dublin City Council.

The disposal shall be subject to such conditions as to title to be furnished as the Law Agent in his discretion shall stipulate.

The dates for the performances of any of the requirements of the proposed agreement may be amended at the absolute discretion of the Executive Manager.

No agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until an exchange of contracts has taken place.

Declan Wallace
Executive Manager



**Proposed disposal of a site
at
ORCHARD ROAD, DUBLIN 3
to
ORCHARD UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB**

April 2007

To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee

Meeting: May, 2007

Item No: 3141

With reference to the proposed disposal of an area of footpath to Mr. Peter Taaffe No. 9 Bellmans Walk, Dublin 1.

An application has been received from Mr. Peter Taaffe to acquire an area of the footpath adjoining his premises at No. 9 Bellmans Walk. The footpath is shown outlined black and coloured pink on the attached Map Index No. PD 2006-0102 (for identification purposes only).

It is proposed to dispose of the footpath to Mr. Peter Taaffe subject to the following terms and conditions: -

1. That the applicant shall be granted a lease in the above land for a term of 99 years at an initial rent of €1 (one euro) per annum (if demanded) with rent reviews every five years linked to changes in the Consumer Price Index.
2. That the Council shall retain a wayleave to services that exist in the above land.
3. That the lessee shall only use the above land for gardening purposes.
4. That each party are responsible for their own professional fees.
5. That the land shall not be included in any planning application.

The disposal shall be subject to such conditions as to title to be furnished, as the Law Agent in his discretion shall stipulate.

The dates for the performances of any of the requirements of the proposed agreement may be amended at the absolute discretion of the Executive Manager.

No agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until an exchange of contracts has taken place.

Declan Wallace
Executive Manager





DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

An tAire Forbartha



<p>TITLE :</p> <p>PLANNING PERMISSION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SITE OF APPROXIMATELY 0.25 HA (0.0625 AC) IN THE BELLMANS WALK AREA, DUBLIN 1.</p> <p>Referenced to in Planning Order No. 1234</p>	<p>On Dublin C.E. Survey No. 1234-25</p> <p>Scale 1:1000</p> <p>THIS MAP IS CERTIFIED TO BE COMPUTER GENERATED BY DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL FROM ORIGINALLY SURVEYED DATA AND HAS NOT BEEN CHECKED BY THE SURVEY OFFICE, WHERE APPLICABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10(1) OF THE SURVEY ACT 1967.</p> <p>ISSUED: 12/12/2005 ACTIVE CASE NO. 1234-25</p>	<p>AREA</p> <p>2048 SQ. M</p> <hr/> <p>INDEX No.</p> <p>PD2005-0102</p>
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Cabra Library

Events for May 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Exhibition: "Now showing 100 years of Dublin cinemas"			Y	Month of May
International Impac Dublin Literary Awards – Short List			Y	
Book Display – World War 1			Y	
Book Display – Junior – Irish writers			Y	
Display: Proposed Draft Variation (No. 18) of the Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011. Site at Faussagh Ave / Dunmanus Rd, Cabra, Dublin 7			Y	

CONVERSATION EXCHANGES

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

PERFORMING ARTS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
"The harp that once..." Glynis Casson & Cormac de Barra A beautiful evening of poetry, song, drama and wonderful harp music			Y	Thursday, 24 th May 2007 at 6.30pm (Booking essential)

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Art Classes (Full)	Y			Fridays 3.15 – 4.15

FACILITATED GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Parent / Toddler Group (Full)	Y	E		Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30 – 12.00
Japanese Parent / Toddler Group	Y	E		Wednesdays 1.20 – 3.30
"Bookends " Book Club	Y			1 st Tuesday of the month 7.00 – 8.00

“Cover to Cover” Children’s Book Club	Y	E		Last Monday of the month, 7 – 9 years: 3.30 - 4.15 10 – 12 years: 4.15 – 4.45
Websmart Beginners Computer Programme	Y		Y	Various and ongoing Contact Library
English Book Club – Book club for people learning English	Y		Y	Last Monday of the month 7.00 – 8.00 Next meeting 28 th May 2007 Contact library to join book club

MISCELLANEOUS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Citizen’s Information Service	Y		Y	Every Friday 10.00 – 12.00pm
Library tours on request	Y			Pre-book with librarian

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Phibsboro Library

Events MAY 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
“Take home a Talking Book; Have your favourite story read to you” – display in Junior Library		E	Y	Month of May
“Irish in The Great War” - display of books relating to Irish experiences in World War One			Y	Month of May
“Impac Literary Award 2007” – selection of shortlist & longlist titles from this years’ award			Y	Month of May
Author of the Month – Commemorating Benedict Kiely			Y	Month of May
“Books of the Month” – selection of interesting /recommended fiction & non-fiction	Y		Y	Ongoing

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Central Library

Events for May 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE Ghael Autism Serices Exhibition Pulse	Period 3 rd – 31 st May
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CONVERSATION EXCHANGES

TITLE	Regular Event*	DATE / TIME
Italian / English	Y	Mondays 6.00 – 8.00pm
Spanish / English	Y	Tuesdays 6.00 – 8.00pm
French / English	Y	Wednesdays 6.00 – 8.00pm
German/ English	Y	Thursday 6.00 – 8.00 pm
Irish / English	Y	Saturday 10.30 – 12.00pm
Japanese/ English	Y	Saturday 12.30 – 2.00pm
Russian / English	Y	Saturday 3.30 – 5.00pm

SPECIAL EVENTS MAY 2006

Bealtaine Festival –Veronika Dunne talk Wednesday May 2nd 1-2pm.

Get Started 2007;

Dublin Public Libraries in conjunction with **Dublin City**

Enterprise Board present a series of Talks on :

Starting your own Business.Booking essential.

Introduction : Starting a business, making it a success and what steps to take. Guest Speaker 10th May at 6.30pm

Look Before You Leap – what you should consider before you start a business – talk by Ron Immink 17th May 6.30 p.m

Market Research and Feasibility – Talk by Yanky Fachler 24th May at 6.30 p.m.

Marketing and Creative Selling; Talk by Yanky Fachler 31st May at 6.30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Childrens Story Time	Regular Event* Y	Thursdays 3.30- 4p.m.
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FACILITATED GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Organization	Regular Event*	DATE / TIME
Page Turners Book Club (“A long long way”) by Sebastien Barry and an Iris Murdoch selection	Y	Monday May 7th 2007
Adult Learners Book Club (“A long long way”) by Sebastien Barry	Y	Wednesday 23rd May 11.30 – 12.30 (Do Not Advertise)
Talking Book Club (“My sister’s Keeper”) by Jodi Picoult	Y	Wednesday 9th May 2007 11 am (Do Not Advertise)

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Charleville Mall Library

Events for May 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Adult Library Book Display: " How Does Your Garden Grow "				May
Exhibition: Dublin's Maritime History				May-June
Junior Library Book Display: Author of the Month -Terry Deary		E		May
Book Display: " How Science Works "		E		May

LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Looking at the Collection: Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane by Mark Aherne			Y	9 TH May @ 11a.m.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

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

FACILITATED GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Daisy Belles Readers Group reading "The Story of Lucy Gault" by William Trevor	Y		Y	First Thursday @ 11.30 a.m.
Charleville Mall Art Group	Y		Y	Monday's 10.30 - 12.30

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Drumcondra Library

Events for May

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Impac Book Display				Month of May
Irish language Book Display				Month of May
JM Synge Exhibition				Month of May – June
One City One Book - World War 1 Book Display				

LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Genealogy with John Grehnam				10 th May 2007 6.30pm

Minutes from the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting of 19th April 2007

g Subject to Survey

1 Ossory Road, Dublin 3.

Reps for Permit Parking on Ossory Road.

Public Rep

DocID:155494

Not Recommended

Rejected at Survey (Apr 07). 48 on register, 12 votes returned, 5 for, 7 against.

2 Hyacinth Street, Dublin 3.

Reps for Permit Parking on Hyacinth Street.

Public Rep

DocID:155494

Not Recommended

Rejected at survey (Mar 07). 13 on register, 6 returned, 2 for, 2 against (+ 2 n.o.r).

3 Fitzroy Avenue, Drumcondra, Dublin 3

Reps for Permit Parking on Fitzroy Avenue.

Resident

DocID:152023

Not Recommended

Rejected at survey (Mar 07). 121 on register, 83 votes returned, 7 for, 72 against (+2 n.o.r) and 2 late for.

4 Ivar Street, Dublin 7.

Reps for Permit Parking on Ivar Street, off Manor Place.

Resident

DocID:162771

Recommended

Accepted at survey. 58 on register, 30 votes returned, 18 in favour and 10 against (+ 2 against n.o.r). Operational hours Monday to Friday, 7am to 7pm.

5 Sigurd Road, Dublin 7.

Reps for Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Sigurd Road.

Public Rep

DocID:161370

Recommended

Accepted at survey. 36 on Register, 18 votes returned. 14 in favour and 4 against. Operational hours Monday to Friday, 7am to 7pm.

f School Wardens

6 Seville Place/Oriel Street, Dublin 1.

Reps for School Warden at junction of Seville Place/Oriel Street to serve St Lorcan's BNS.

School

DocID:171797

Recommended

***e Pedestrian
Facilities***

7 Home Farm Road, Dublin 9.

Reps for additional Pedestrian Crossing on Home Farm Road.

Public Rep

DocID:168260

Not Recommended

The pedestrian count is low and does not meet the warrant for a pedestrian crossing.

***c Parking
Prohibitions***

8 Capel Street, Dublin 1.

Parking Restrictions on Capel Street between Mary Street and Abbey Street

Dublin City Council

DocID:171796

Recommended

Loading bay (west side):-From a point 8m north from the northern building line of Mary Abbey (southern boundary of No. 149), north for 10m.

Parking bays (west side):

·From a point at the boundary between No. 142 and No. 141, south for 15m.

·From a point at the boundary between No. 138 and No. 137, south for 15m.

Disabled parking bay (west side):-From a point 8m south from the southern building line of Little Mary's Street, (northern boundary of No. 129), south for 10m

Loading bay (east side):

·From a point 10m north from the northern building line of Abbey Street Upper (southern boundary of Spar), north for 10m.

·From a point 13m south from the southern building line of Mary's Street, (northern boundary of No. 42), south for 17m.

Parking bays (east side):

·From a point 2m south from the boundary between No. 26 and No. 27, north for 15m.

·From a point 1m north from the boundary between No. 29 and No. 30, north for 15m.

Clearway (east side):-From a point 5m south from the southern building line of Mary's Street, (northern boundary of No. 42), south for 8m.

9 Summerhill Parade, Dublin 1.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on laneway to rear of 6-15 Summerhill Parade (entrance to North Clarence Street Flats).

Resident

DocID:170042

Recommended

-Southeast side of laneway from a point 4.5m west of the western building line of no.6 running northeast for a distance of 35m. -Northwest side of laneway from a point 5m northeast of the northeast kerb running 5m southeast, then 27m northwest to the junction with Summerhill Parade.

10 Deverell Place, Dublin 1.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Deverell Place, off Gardiner Street.

Dublin City Council

DocID:11111

Recommended

South side from a point 33m west of the junction with Gardiner Street Lower, west for 8m (8m dyl at west end, rescind one parking bay).

11 North Wall Quay, Dublin 1.

Reps for Parking Restrictions on North Wall Quay at Spencer Dock AGI (Bord Gais).

Business

DocID:170672

Recommended

Southside from a point 8.0m west of the common boundary of no.s 80/81 running west for a distance of 15.0m from this point.

12 Wellesley Place, off Russell Street, Dublin 3.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Wellesley Place.

Dublin City Council

DocID:171779

Recommended

On the public road part of Wellesley Place south side, from a point 6m east of the junction with Russell Avenue, east for 38m.

13 Navan Road, Dublin 7.

Reps for 'School Keep Clear' Markings at St. John Bosco's School on Navan Road.

DocID:11111

Recommended

North side, from a point 4m west from the boundary between the laneway leading to the school and no.211, east for 25m (back of indented kerb area).

14 Cabra Road, Dublin 7.

Reps for Clearway opposite the entrance to the laneway at 103/103A Cabra Road.

Dublin City Council

DocID:11111

Recommended

North side of the median, from a point 3m west of the western side of the laneway, east for 9m (rescind double yellow lines).

15 Foley Street, Dublin 1.

Reps for Disabled Parking Bays on Foley

Business

DocID:169706

Recommended

North side, from a point 39m west of the junction with Beaver Street, west for 12m (12m disabled parking bay within partial indented area).

16 Aughrim Lane, Dublin 7.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Aughrim Lane.

Dublin City Council

DocID:171712

Recommended

Left hand side of Aughrim Lane as follows: East Side, from a point south from Aughrim Street, south for 24m. - East side, from a point 10m from Aughrim Street, south for 5m. - 5m each side of the north-south and east-west part. - South side, from Lamp Standard No. 1, east for 4m.

17 St. Patrick's Road, Dublin 9.

Reps for extension of Pay and Display and Permit Parking area on St. Patrick's Road, Drumcondra.

Resident

DocID:171205

Recommended

Southern End: ·West side, from a point 5m north of the junction with Whitworth Road to a point 3m south of lamp standard no. 2 (approx. 7 spaces).
·East side, from a point 5.5m north of the junction with Whitworth Road for a distance of 37m north (approx. 7 spaces).
Northern end: -West side, from a point 5.5m south of the junction with St. Alphonsus Road for a distance of 25m south (approx. 5 spaces).
·West side, from a point in line with the northern gable of house no. 66 for a distance of 3.5m north.
-East side, from a point 5m south of the junction with St. Alphonsus Road to a point in line with the northern gable of house no. 67 (approx. 6 spaces).
Hours of operation Mon-Sun 07.00-24.00.

18 Mountjoy Square, Dublin 1.

Reps for Disabled Parking Bay on Mountjoy Square.

Public Rep

DocID:167311

Recommended

From a point 2.6m south of the common boundary of nos 28/29 northwards from this point for a distance of 5.0m (rescind Pay & Display/Permit Parking).

19 Great Western Villas, Dublin 7.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Great Western Villas, Phibsborough.

Public Rep

DocID:170444

Recommended

East side, from the junction with Great Western Square, south for 40m (40m double yellow lines on the road at the east end of Great Western Villas).

***b Traffic
Conditions***

20 Summerhill Parade, Dublin 1.

Reps for Yellow Box on Summerhill Parade at entrance to North Clarence Street Flats.

Dublin City Council

DocID:170042

Recommended

Southeast side of carriageway from a point in line with the northeast kerb line of the lane southwest for a distance of 6.5m, from a point in line with the southeast kerb line on Summerhill Parade northwest for a distance of 7.5m.

21 **St. Mobhi Road, Dublin 9.**

Reps for Yellow Box on St. Mobhi Rod,
outside the entrances to Scoil Mobhi and
CLG Na Fianna.

Public Rep

DocID:168115

Recommended

2 Half Yellow Boxes as follows: -St. Mobhi Road,
southbound general traffic lane, centred on the
entrance to Scoil Mobhi. Length 6m, width 2.5m.
-St. Mobhi Road, southbound general traffic lane,
centred on the southern entrance to GLG Na
Fianna. Length 7m, width 2.5m.

22 **Bolton Street, Dublin 1.**

Reps for Yellow Box on Bolton Street,
outside the entrance to Bolton Street College car park.

Public Rep

DocID:170441

Recommended

Half Yellow Box across the two lanes.

a Traffic Signs

23 **Green Street, Dublin 7.**

Reps for 'Stop' sign on the south end of
Green Street at the junction with Little Britain Street.

Business

DocID:171227

Recommended

24 **Blackhorse Avenue, Dublin 7.**

Reps for Three Tonne Limit on Blackhorse Avenue.

Public Rep

DocID:167339

Recommended

At the west end of Blackhorse Avenue at the junction with Castleknock Road for eastbound traffic.

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

- 1) Wellington Street Upper & St. Jospeh's Terrace, Dublin 7.
- **North Side, from a point 5 metres east from Primrose Street, east to the eastern boundary of No. 1 (85 metres parking – no driveways).**

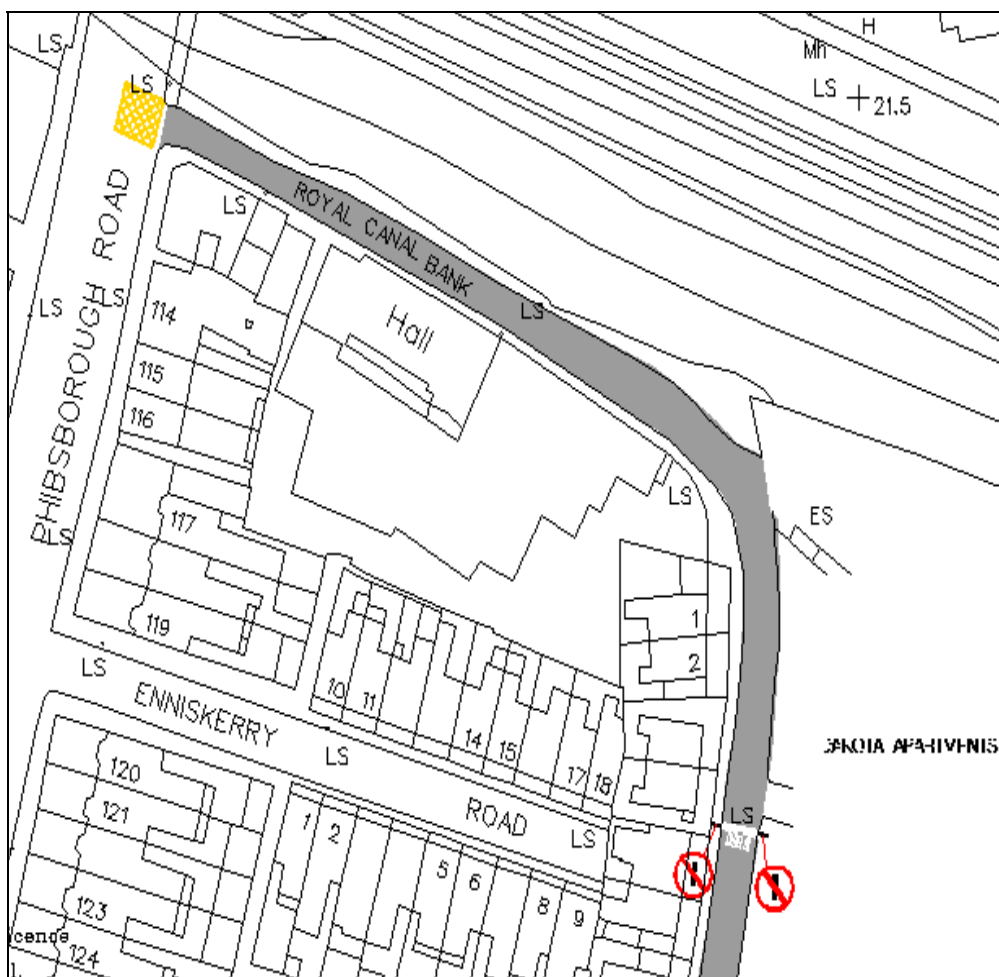
May , 2007

To the Chairperson and Members of the
Central Area Committee

Traffic Management – Royal Canal Bank

Due to local concerns with high volumes of through traffic using Royal Canal Bank, from Phibsborough Road to the North Circular road and vice versa, it is proposed to introduce traffic restrictions as follows:

1. No entry on Royal Canal Bank, south of the laneway to Dakota Apartments.
2. Half yellow box, west side of Phibsborough at the junction with Royal Canal Bank.



It is proposed to carry out public consultation on the proposal. Comments, concerns and observations in writing marked '**Traffic Management – Royal Canal Bank**' should be sent to the Executive Manager, Traffic Department, Block 2 Floor 4 Civic offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 by June 5th, 2007 Further information on the proposal can be obtained on 01-2222134

Gerry Flaherty
Senior Executive Engineer

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

May 2007

The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee.

With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a section of pathway to the side of No. 26 Portland Square, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished on a section of pathway beside No. 26 Portland Square, Drumcondra, Dublin 9 was received from a resident in this area. The reason for this extinguishment is to extend parking facilities in the area. The extent of this proposed extinguishment is shown on the attached Drawing RM20604.

Service Checks

A service check will be undertaken to establish what (if) any are located on these areas. Suitable arrangements will be put in place prior to completion of this proposal.

Statutory Requirement

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

Recommendation

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

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager
Central Area

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To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

8th May 2007

Assistant Area Manager's Report

DORSET STREET URBAN RENEWAL

Section 1 – Clonliffe Road to Binns Bridge

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

Section 2 – Binns Bridge to Frederick Street North

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

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

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

This phase is now complete.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Phase 6 – Eccles place to Granby Row

Tender accepted – contractor on site March 2007.

Phase 7 – Binns Bridge east and west.

Requires funding

Canal

Work on the Canal from Binns Bridge to Russell Street is now complete apart from the installation of one section of new railings. Work to the gas installation at Binns Bridge and the realignment of the lighting columns is complete. A collapse of a 20 meter section of the canalbank over the Christmas period has now been repaired by Waterways Ireland. A handrail and a "kissing gate" is to be installed at the Binns Bridge end in order to prevent rat running by motorbikes. This work is due for completion end May 2007.

Hugh McKenna
Project Manager

Environmental Services Unit report 01/04/07 – 30/04/07

AREA	NUMBER OF CALLS
<u>Ballybough</u>	<u>15</u>
Cabra	<u>0</u>
Drumcondra	<u>21</u>
NCR	<u>3</u>
East Wall	<u>16</u>
North Wall	<u>6</u>
NEIC	<u>66</u>
Phibsboro	<u>15</u>
Stoneybatter	<u>12</u>
Other	<u>24</u>
TOTAL	178

Breakdown of type of queries received are as follows:

TYPE OF QUERY RECEIVED	NUMBER OF CALLS
Litter complaints	6
Dumping	126
Non-tagged bags	7
Bag not bin day	0
Abandoned vehicles	0
Cleansing	27
Other (relates to queries for information on household junk collections, Oxigen, road gullies, recycling information, etc.)	12
Total	178

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

METHOD OF COMMUNICATION OF REQUEST	NUMBER OF CALLS
Phone	64
DCC Staff	38
Counter	2
E-mail	66
Fax	5
Post	3
Text	0
Total	178

Environmental Services Unit report 01/04/07 – 30/04/07

Fines issues

23 fixed penalty notices have been issued for the Central Area between 01/04/07 and 30/04/07. 127 Fines pending
Total Fines 150.

Laneways cleared by environmental response unit

Since the beginning of the month the Environmental Response has cleared 26 laneways including
St Marys lane,
Aughrim lane,
Laneway at the end of Cliftonville Rd. leading to Iona Villas in Drumcondra
Laneway off St. Joseph's Terrace,
Beresford lane,
Laneway of Belvedere Rd behind black tie on Dorset st,
Cambells row,
Kellys row,
Chapel lane,
Mary's lane,
Belvedere lane,
Laneway across from Abbey Theatre,
Mabbot lane,
Harwick lane,
Laneway of Summerhill parade,
Laneway at Richmond Rd,
Laneway at Seville Place,
Laneway off Mountjoy Sq,
Laneway of Glenarriff Rd,
Laneway behind Adison Rd,
Laneway behind Blessington St,
Williams lane

Covert cameras

At present we have cameras at Spring Garden Street and in Carnew Lane as these sites have been the source of a heavy amount of dumping.
At present waste management services are also employing the use of these cameras in order to prevent dumping at certain locations around the city

Leaflet drops

In order to remind residents of collects times and prevent residents leaving out bags on the incorrect days we have circulated a leaflet and a copy of the Oxigen calendar for the area to Phibsborough Avenue and to Castle terrace in Phibsborough.
There was also a multilingual leaflet drop on Innisfallen parade and surrounding area to inform any non-English reading residents of their obligation regarding littering and bin collection under the waste management act.

Trailers

Regarding the trailer situation in Castleforbes, Eastwall, Dublin 3
12 trailers have been removed to a holding area.
At present six trailers have been reclaimed by their rightful owners.
Fines of six hundred euro have been paid per trailer

NORTH EAST INNER CITY INTEGRATED AREA PLAN

New Primary School and Pre-School at Gloucester Place

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

Civic Centre

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

Liberty Park Crèche

Kids Inc will run the Liberty Corner facility, on behalf of Dublin City Council, as a traditional crèche and Montessori facility. It will cater for children from 3 months to 5 years. Priority will be given to residents from the NEIC RAPID area. At this stage, it is planned that full time places will cost in the region of €125 per child per week. Dublin City Council will be subventing the cost of childcare places for local parents. The facility will cater for approximately 35 children. There is fit out required for which, we have successfully applied for funding from the National Childcare Investment Programme. We intend that the facility will open after Easter. An information leaflet was circulated to local residents in late March. The official opening is due to take place on 10th May 2007. The attached invitation was distributed on Thursday 26th April 2007.

Buckingham Street Family Resource Centre

Dublin City Council and the HSE are negotiating with Barnardos who plan to run a family resource centre from this facility. The exact mix of services was determined following local consultation. This service will focus on children in need from 0-12 years and their families. The post of Manager of this facility was advertised on the 27th January 2007. Interviews took place and an offer of employment has been made. A lease is being prepared for the building. The Housing Services Executive, Dublin City Council and Barnardos will jointly fund the facility. The facility is expected to open in June.

Liberty Corner Retail Units

Works were carried out to fit out one of the retail units as a show unit and also the installation of toilets for each unit. The units are on the market for sale. Offers were made in respect of units no. 2 & 8 at the asking price and it was agreed at March's Area Committee meeting to accept these offers. Offers were made for units 3, 4, 6 and 7 and it was agreed at April's Area Committee meeting to accept these offers.

DanceHouse, Liberty Corner

DanceHouse were granted a licence for the building and the building is now open.

Development at 110-115 Amiens Street/1, 2 and 3 Halpin's Row

Planning permission was granted for a five-storey office/retail development over basement car parking beside Connolly Station and a First Stage Certificate under the Urban Renewal Tax Incentive Scheme was applied for. The development has been constructed and works continue on the interior.

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

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

Development at Five Lamps, Amiens Street/Killarney Street

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

Retail Units at Killarney Court

Expressions of interest from community groups, operating in the North East Inner City area, who are seeking accommodation for office headquarters will be advertised shortly.

Veronica Plunkett
Administrative Officer

**Central Area Committee Report
North West Inner City Area Office (including HARP)**

CABRA PARKSIDE COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE

Membership

The number of Gym members continues to grow very rapidly. The Complex is currently offering a summer special on the all weather pitch and gym memberships to try and encourage usage as the Complex moves into its traditionally quieter summer period.

Activities available

The activities currently available in the Complex are:

Badminton	Basketball
Workout classes	Computers
Soccer	Tae Kwon Do
Karate	Indoor Bowls
Kickboxing	Karate
History Club	Hip Hop Dance
Khai-Bo	Weight Watchers
Yoga	Ballet
Majorettes	Chinese Dance

Summer Activities

The summer activities are currently in the planning phase. Details will be advertised in the local media and in the local area in late May. The activities will run from late June to August. It is also hoped to run the very successful 5-a-side soccer competition again in the month of August.

Teen Gym

The teen gym currently has 226 members and is a very successful programme especially with young girls.

Anti – Social Behaviour

There has been a lot of anti-social behaviour in the Park in the last few months. Most of it has not been focused on the Complex although there have been a few minor incidents including a small fire and a broken window. The fact that the Complex is not the focus of this behaviour is a reflection in my opinion of the good relationship between the Complex and the young people in the Cabra area.

PLAYGROUND / SKATEBOARD PARK

The Skateboard Park and the Playground are now completed and a provisional date of the 21st of May has been set as the opening date. The Lord Mayor of Dublin Councillor Vincent Jackson will open both of these facilities. The Complex will manage the Skateboard Park with the playground being managed.

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

COMMUNITY

General

The Senior Community Officer continues to maintain contact with community groups in the area in relation to the following: processing small grants, planning for events such as an Active Age Week and European Neighbours Day due to take place in May 2007 and promoting Summer Projects and activities within the Area.

Older People

Passport For Leisure

It is planned to launch this initiative, on a pilot basis, at the end of May. This "Passport" will be a discount card and will allow older people to use DCC facilities e.g. leisure centres, at a reduced rate. The business community will also be invited to become involved to provide preferential prices for older people. Forms are to be made available through local offices and libraries

Activity Week for Older People

It is proposed to dedicate the last week in May to activities for older people. The Lord Mayor is supporting this initiative. Activities may include walking tours, social events, holistic days and computer skills

Initiatives / Events

Unsung Heroes

This initiative recognises the good work carried out by volunteers in Dublin city. It will be run on a citywide basis this year. The local Community Officer will promote the initiative through the Area Offices and local networks. A celebration event will be held in early June where the volunteers will receive a badge and scroll in recognition of their work.

Summer Family Day

The Events Unit are proposing to run a Family Fun Day in John Paul Park on the 22nd of July 2007.

NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD & AREA RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION

The Area Manager is engaged in ongoing contact with this Association and it is anticipated that significant progress can be made in 2007 in relation to a number of issues/concerns raised by the Association.

VENTRY PARK

The work is progressing satisfactorily and latest indications are that the user groups should be in a position to use the centre by the end of May 2007. The City Council will engage with the groups to put an appropriate management structure in place for the refurbished centre.

Dave Kenny
Assistant Area Manager

North East Inner City Housing CAC Report – May 2007

The Kiln/ The Forge, Railway Street

Snagging works currently being completed. Installation of intercoms for Intercom system for 3 storey units completed.

Sean O'Casey Avenue

Fitting of new back garden gates has been completed. Security fencing erected. Household junk collection carried out. Painting of laneways completed. Public lighting being upgraded.

O'Brien Hall

New Waste Management facilities installed and in use.

Liberty House

Review and revision of redevelopment plan currently being undertaken. Last remaining residents of D block moved temporarily to seven private apartments. Ongoing consultation with residents reps. Residents reps happy with plans. 3D presentation made to committee and public reps on Tuesday 21st November. Presentation made to all residents of D, E and F blocks on Tuesday 28th November. Residents and Public reps supportive of plan. Plans of new development put on display in March and generally welcomed by all residents. Demolition of D block to commenced April 30th.

Sean Treacy House

Complex fully detenanted. Demolition to commence shortly.

Lourdes House

Problem with gas pipe now resolved. Builder back on site since Monday 2nd April. Draft schedule now issued. First phase of redevelopment to be completed by April 2008 based on draft programme.

Matt Talbot Court

Consultations with residents on redevelopment of complex underway.

St. Mary's Mansions

Painting of complex underway.

Community Section Update

<u>Group Name</u>	<u>Issues</u>	<u>Actions</u>
Avondale House PIP	Precinct Improvement Project proposed for the Complex.	Meetings with architect and Casual Trading Section. Residents Meeting to be held before end of April when news about funding is received.
Small Grants	Achieving funding for projects	Processed applications
Senior Citizens	Events	Grant aided various groups.

	Other Issues	DCC Member of the Liaison group for Senior Citizens Needs Assessment Being carried out in East Wall by East Wall Community Development Project.
Residents Groups/Youth Groups	New Groups	Residents Group for Kiln/Forge set up after two initial meetings. Committee Skills Training being carried out in Liaison with ICON.
Intercultural	Member of ICON Intercultural Group Integrated African Children in Ireland	Meeting of ICON Intercultural Group in relation to strategic plan and related actions. Supported Food Fair and Event which took place on the 3 rd March 2007.
O'Brien Hall	Playground to be installed	Met with numerous play companies. Tenders to be submitted by end of March.
Meetings	Other meetings as required e.g. in the Community Section in the Civic Offices	Work and information sessions

Chris Butler
Area Housing Manager

North East Inner City Housing Report May 2007

Poplar Row

The project architect reports that works are continuing on completing the outstanding snagging issues. The first five houses were handed over on the 1st May 2007. The remaining units are being handed over on a phased basis. Community Centre site meetings are ongoing between Builder, DCC and Residents Reps and will continue for the duration of the project.

Croke Villas

The complex is being detenanted at present to allow for the redevelopment. Consultation meetings with Tenants reps are ongoing. Community Charter now agreed with residents committee and presented to Area Committee. The charter was presented to residents on 6th December 2006; it was well received by all residents in attendance. Trial hole digs have been carried out in the complex.

Tom Clarke House/Orchard Road Depot

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

Ballybough House

Works have been complete on the erection of new fencing and netting on the football pitch in the complex. The residents association held their AGM in February and a newly elected association is now in place. A meeting took place between the new residents association and Estate Manager at the end of February 2007. Meetings will continue through out the year.

Courtney Place

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

Newcomen Court

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

Brian Kavanagh
Area Housing Manager

Central Area Committee Report,
May 2007, N.W.I.C. Area Office

Ormond Square

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

Chancery House

The next stage will be to proceed with the P.I.P. and it is hoped to be onsite in September 2007. It is hoped that residents and DCC will set up a Works Committee for the period of the project to discuss and resolve any issues that may arise.

Kevin Barry House

Defensible Space Programme plans have been completed and consultation is ongoing with the Residents Association. It is hoped that works will commence by September 2007.

Constitution Hill

Civic Maintenance has completed the upgrading of the crèche and it is now re opened. Ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager. It is hoped that the P.I.P. will have commenced by September 2007.

Blackhall/Marmion Court

The painting programme in the complex has been completed. Parking issues within the complex are being investigated and it is hoped that new restrictions will be implemented as soon as possible.

Drumalee Estate

A public meeting took place in Aughrim Sports Centre with the Projects Section on Thursday 26th April 2007 to discuss the possibility of a regeneration of the estate. A further meeting is to be arranged. The estate office has reopened and the Estate Manager will be available in the Community Centre two half days a week.

Saint Bricin's Park

Meetings took place in March in relation to plans and planning permission. Further meetings are scheduled to take place in the coming months.

Wolfe Tone Close

A working group has been set up between Residents, Dublin City Council and the Community Policing Forum to work together to resolve issues of concern to residents within the complex. The Estate Manager will be investigating the possibility of strengthening the Residents Association.

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

Crèche/Childcare Facility: The handover of the crèche took place on Tuesday, 1st May 2007. It will be opened to the public on June 11th. All staff have been appointed and training will take place from June 4th. Summer projects for this complex are currently being organised for a four-week period during the school holidays.

Football Pitch: Works have now been completed. It will be open for use on 15th May 2007.

Georges Place:

Electrical gates are to be installed by the end of the year. It is hoped that works will commence on the installation of these gates by September 2007.

Temple House:

Precinct Improvements: Plans agreed with residents are being finalised and costed by Quantity Surveyors Department for submission to D.O.E. It is hoped that works will commence by the end of the year.

Hill Street/Alfie Byrne House

Precinct Improvements: Consultation is ongoing between estate management, architects and the Residents Association. It is hoped that works will commence by the end of the year.

Henrietta House:

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

Sheridan Court/Place:

A new Committee has been set up consisting of residents from both complexes to discuss issues arising with the Estate Manager.

Charlie Lowe

Area Manager

Questions to City Manager
Central Area Committee
Meeting 08/05/07

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager for DD to have all the defective showers at details supplied.

Q2 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager that Dublin City Council carry out the necessary precautions to prevent birds getting into the houses at details supplied

Q3 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager when the playground will be constructed at details supplied

Q4 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager what is the future of the details supplied, when is the fire station likely to move to the new site and what does the City Manager plan to do with the existing site.

Q5 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager when the pedestrian crossing be installed and in place at details supplied

Q6 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager to check public lighting and shore at details supplied

Q7 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager when the safety-rail will be installed at (details supplied) where the staircase is almost vertical and hazardous.

Q8 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager to arrange to clear the gutters at (details supplied) and secure the area under the gutters to prevent pigeons accessing the roof-space.

Q9 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager to arrange to install an extra radiator at (details supplied) where an elderly invalid requires it.

Q10 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if the boundary and access to the phase 2 lands for (details supplied) can be secured when Phase 1 commences.

Q11 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if CCTV will be provided for details supplied

Q12 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council visit details supplied and remove graffiti on this road and in it's vicinity. Will they also ensure that laneways in this area are kept clean.

Q13 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council send out information and application forms for the home improvement grant to the following people : details attached.

Q14 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council contact the owners of the following land (Details attached), to establish their intentions regarding the use of this land in the future.

Q15 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council clean the gutters on details supplied

Q16 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council restore the name sign at details supplied

Q17 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council repair the lane at (details attached)

Q18 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to have the details supplied swept and to state how often the roads are swept and how often the street bins are emptied and what action is being taken to deal with litter and uncollected waste from landlord accommodation in the area

Q19 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the manager to clear out the shores at details supplied, to check the water pressure in the area and to report on sewage problems being experienced by residents in the area

Q20 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the manager what proposals he has for upgrading and extending details supplied and if he will have the hedges pruned and flowerbeds upgraded at details supplied

Q21 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to if he would create gardens for the residents in the houses to the front so that they can have control over spaces to the front of their houses, and clean up the open space beside to details supplied and to take measures to prevent dumping in the laneway to the rear of details supplied:

Q22 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the City Manager to conduct a survey of the discoloured and poor quality of the water supply in details supplied with a view to replacing the water tanks.

Q23 Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager state when definitive proposals will be brought forward for the redevelopment of details supplied, when the precinct improvement works will start on details and what proposal he has for details supplied

Q24 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask Environmental Health Officer to inspect the garden at details supplied and to instruct the landlord to have it cleaned out

Q25 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager to report on water pressure problems at details supplied:

Q26 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to deal with the following

1. Install a raised ramps at details supplied
2. Improve public lighting and install more light standards.

Upgrade the boundary wall as promised 12 months ago

Q27 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to repair the footpath and to remove the tree at details supplied which is damaging the nearby houses and the footpath:

Q28 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to deal with the following traffic issues at details supplied and to provide a playground at details supplied:

Q29 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager for an update on the status of planning applications or any pre-planning consultation meetings that have taken place in relation to the following sites:

Q30 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the Manager to investigate the trees outside (details supplied) and to remove them as they are causing damage to the boundary walls of the tenant's homes.

Q31 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the Manager to arrange for handles to be fitted to the bath of DETAILS SUPPLIED and to investigate the possible replacement of the bath as the tenant has a serious medical condition

Q32 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the Manager to install ramps in (details supplied) as a number of residents are concerned as to the safety of children playing in the avenue.

Q33 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the Manager to repair the gutter of (details supplied) to the satisfaction of the tenant.

Q34 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the Manager for an update on the extension requests of (details supplied)

Q35 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the Manager to repair the underground drainage problem at DETAIL SUPPLIED to the satisfaction of the householder to relieve the blockage problem.

Q36 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager please advise when details provided will be completed

Q37 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Is the Manager aware of details provided and will the manager please arrange for details provided. Is the manager aware that the laneway has been the subject of many and sustained complaints and is the scene of much anti-social behaviour in the area? Will the manager survey the residents with a view to obtaining feedback on whether or not there is a majority desire to have either the full lane closed or part of the lane closed? If the laneway cannot be closed then will DCC undertake to make the lane safer by installing CCTV, upgraded public lighting and resurfacing of the lane?

Q38 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager please arrange to have double yellow lines installed at details provided and will he advise by when they will be done.

Q39 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager arrange for details provided.

Q40 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please arrange for details provided.

Q41 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager please advise on details provided.

Q42 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could an examination be carried out at the lights at (details supplied) as it only changes to accommodate pedestrians and this cause a delay in exiting from (details supplied)

Q43 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager for a timescale for improvements at (details supplied).

Q44 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could he give a timescale and date for the junk collection in (details supplied)

Q45 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager what timescale and date for the upgrading of the shopping area at (details supplied)

Q46 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could one flower planter be placed at (details supplied) as this is the main archery to the city.

Q47 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could he contact the OPW and ask when are they going to stock (details supplied)