**COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS**

**SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**LUCAN AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Minutes of Lucan Area Committee Meeting, dealing with Transportation, Planning, Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Performance & Change Management, Corporate Support, Environment, Water & Drainage, Public Realm, Community and Housing held on 28th April 2015.**

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| **PRESENT** |
| **COUNCILLORS** |
| **P. Gogarty** |
| **W. Lavelle** |
| **R. Nolan** |
| **D. O’Brien** |
| **E. O’Brien** |
| **G. O’Connell** |
| **L. O’Toole** |

**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

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| Senior Executive Officer | L. Leonard, P. Murphy, E. O’Gorman, M. Maguire |
| Senior Executive Engineer | A. O’Mullane |
| Senior Executive Librarian |  |
| A/County Librarian | B. Meenaghan |
| Senior Executive Planner | A. Hyland |
| Senior Planner | N. O’Byrne |
| Executive Planner |  |
| Senior Parks Superintendent | B. Sheehan |
| Senior Executive Parks Superintendent | M. Hannon, M. Keenan, D. Fennell |
| Staff Officer | B. Reilly |
| Clerical Officer | A. Shaw |

**An Cathaoirleach Councillor P. Gogarty presided.**

**L/245/15 CONFIRMATION AND RE-AFFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**HEADED ITEM (1): Item ID**: 44132

Minutes of Lucan Area Committee Meeting dealing with Housing, Community, Planning, Transportation, Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management, Water & Drainage, Public Realm and Environment held on 24th March 2015, which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed. It was proposed by Councillor E. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the 24th March 2015 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**Transportation**

**L/246/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question numbers 1-11 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/247/15 LIST OF SCHOOL TRAFFIC WARTDENS IN LUCAN & PALMERSTOWN**

**QUESTION (1): Councillor L. O'Toole Item ID: 44095**

"To ask the Chief Executive to report on how many school traffic wardens operate within Lucan and Palmerstown and which schools they are assigned to and a list of the schools that currently have no school traffic wardens?"

**REPLY:**

The information requested is being collated and will be brought to the next Lucan Area Committee Meeting.

**L/248/15 SEQUENCE OF LIGHTS AT FINNSTOWN CLOISTER & THE ADAMSTOWN JUNCTION ON THE NEWCASTLE ROAD**

**QUESTION (2): Councillor L. O'Toole Item ID: 44096**

"To ask the Chief Executive to examine the sequence of lights at the Finnstown Cloister and the Adamstown junction on the Newcastle Road. There is a problem with traffic exiting Adamstown turning left with an Amber light not realising that cars turning right exiting from Finnstown Cloisters have right of way. It would be safer if Adamstown left exit was red when traffic from Finnstown Cloister are exiting and turning right?"

**REPLY:**

The flashing amber signals on the left turn exiting Adamstown requires exiting traffic to yield to all other traffic including that exiting Finnstown. This is a standard arrangement in place in many locations throughout the County and allows for more efficient use of this busy junction.

**L/249/15 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SCHEME ST ANDREW’S NATIONAL SCHOOL**

**QUESTION (3): Councillor P. Gogarty Item ID: 44125**

"To ask the Chief Executive if there is any updated information as of yet on the traffic management scheme that is planned in advance of the relocation of St Andrew's NS, given the impact that this will have on residents living in Roselawn/Ballydowd, Chalet Gardens and Beech Park and if he can confirm that safe parking provisions will be included as part of this within estates, i.e. extended single white lines at the entrance to residential areas to prevent bad parking by a minority?"

**REPLY:**

The matter is currently being examined in the context of the Woodies junction improvement as part of the Palmerstown to Celbridge road cyclewway scheme. School drop off facilities are being provided as part of the new school.

**L/250/15 FLOODING AT THE CORNER ENTRANCE TO CHALET GARDENS**

**QUESTION (4): Councillor P. Gogarty Item ID: 44126**

"To ask the Chief Executive if the road at the corner entrance to Chalet Gardens coming from Woodies can be fixed as whatever about works carried out in recent years, it is still prone to flooding during any significant shower and leads to a large pool of water which causes safety issues when the sun comes out due to glare problems?"

**REPLY:**

The Area Engineer has been requested to examine the location. If there is ponding occurring, the gullies at the junction of Chalet Gardens and Lucan Road will be cleaned and jetted.

**L/251/15 ROAD SAFETY AT JUNCTIONS ALONG GRANGECASTLE ROAD**

**QUESTION (5): Councillor W. Lavelle Item ID: 44181**

"To ask the Chief Executive to carry-out or commission an urgent review of road safety at junctions along Grangecastle Road, including the Penny Hill junction and the junction with the Foxhunter slip-road, where traffic signals at the junction have been badly damaged five times in five years; and as part of this review to examine the possible introduction of measures such as changes to traffic light timings; potential use of cameras as a deterrent to breaking red lights; and the provision of rumble strips, road markings and signage?"

**REPLY:**

All of the matters raised are constantly under review by the traffic department. Traffic lights are generally vehicle activated with timings automatically adjusted in accordance with vehicle movement. In addition the Council also examines the current traffic light sequencing and adjust same as necessary. The damage to the traffic lights is primarily due to driver behaviour and it should be noted that the Council has no powers to use cameras as an enforcement tool. The council is not the enforcement authority. In addition rumble strips were already installed on the Foxhunter ramp and had to be removed as they are not suitable for such residential areas and would not be recommended at the penny hill for similar reasons. Additional signage and road markings can be considered where space permits.

**L/252/15 TRAFFIC FLOW AT NEWCASTLE ROAD**

**QUESTION (6): Councillor W. Lavelle Item ID: 44182**

"To ask the Chief Executive for a detailed update in response to my repeated requests for measures to improve traffic flow at Newcastle Road including possible redesign of the SuperValu roundabout, installation of a SCOOTS system and changes to the 'green light' time afforded to motorists seeking to turn right from the overbridge to the N4 eastbound?"

**REPLY:**

The Newcastle road area junctions with the N4 are being examined in the context of the recent NTA allocation and all of the matters raised are being considered by the Council's consulting engineers. As soon as the consultant has completed his work the matter will be discussed with the members and local residents will be informed of any implications on the ground. We are also examining a number of measures with particular reference to the school development in the area such as parking and walking routes. These will also be brought to members as soon as they are agreed with the Department of Education.

**L/253/15 DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT ENTRANCE/EXIT IN FOXBOROUGH PARK**

**QUESTION (7): Councillor R. Nolan Item ID: 44197**

"To ask the Chief Executive to put double yellow lines at the entrance/exit in Foxbourough Park. As there are none at the moment, cars are being parked right up to the junction entering on to Foxbourough Road thus motorists have to overtake these cars to leave the estate and they are in the middle of the road. There has been some near accidents with cars entering and exiting together as they are in a head on position?"

**REPLY:**

The matter will be examined and reply will issue to the Traffic Management Meeting.

**L/254/15 EXTRA VOLUME OF TRAFFIC WITH THE EXTENSION TO LIFFEY VALLEY SHOPPING CENTRE**

**QUESTION (8): Councillor R. Nolan Item ID: 44198**

"To ask the Chief Executive if there will be an impact report done on the extra volume of traffic that the extension to Liffey Valley shopping centre will cause?"

**REPLY:**

There are no plans to provide additional traffic impact assessment for this development other than that already contained in the Planning applications which have been approved.

**L/255/15 LOCATION OF TAXI RANK IN LUCAN VILLAGE**

**QUESTION (9): Councillor E. O'Brien Item ID: 43648**

"To ask the Chief Executive if there are any proposals to relocate the taxi rank located in Lucan Village adjacent to the Village Green under consideration at present noting the current levels of disruption to residents particularly in Sarsfields Park?"

**REPLY:**

Bye laws in relation to the designation and use of taxi ranks was discussed and noted at the February Land Use Planning and Transportation SPC. It was considered appropriate that plans for locating taxi ranks in each village be discussed by each Area Committee prior to drafting bye laws.

The following locations are suggested in Lucan Village, however other areas may be preferred.

1. Dispensary Lane
B. Main Street (night time only)
C. Lucan Road (night time only)
Please see accompanying [map](../../ITEMS/April%2015/Q6%2043648%20TAXI%20rank%20map.docx)

**L/256/15 20 KPH SPEED LIMIT & 3 TON RESTRICTION IN PALMERSTOWN**

**QUESTION (10): Councillor G. O'Connell Item ID: 44190**

"To ask the Chief Executive to have Turret Road, Wheatfield Road, Glenmaroon Road, Woodfarm Ave and Drive, The Oval, Palmerstown Ave and Manor Road, surveyed with a view to introducing a 20 Kph speed limit and a 3.5 tonne restriction and that a report be presented at the May LAC including the schedule for introducing the new arrangements?"

**REPLY:**

The Council is not in a position to provide 20kph speed limits on any road in the County. There is no provision in law to do so. The Council is currently examining the speed limit bye laws in relation to recent circulars from the department on this matter with a view to commencing public consultation in the autumn. New byelaws will not be in force before the new year. A report will be made to the area committee as soon as the examination is complete.

**L/257/15 EXAMINE CROSSING ON ESKER ROAD**

**QUESTION (11): Councillor L. O'Toole Item ID: 44090**

"To ask the Chief Executive to examine the crossing on Esker Road from Arthur Griffith estate across the road into the Griffeen Park with a view to installing a pelican crossing which will facilitate the connection of the two Griffeen parks via pelican crossing and also facilitate school going children?"

**REPLY:**

The Council only have resources in 2015 for two pelican type crossings in the Lucan area as agreed at the March Council meeting from the supplied list. This location can be added to the list for examination in 2016.

**L/258/15 Proposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads**

**HEADED ITEM (2): Transportation Item ID: 44133**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/259/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (3): Transportation Item ID: 44134**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/260/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (1): Transportation Item ID: 44135**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/261/15 CATHAOIRLEACH’S BUSINESS-NOISE REPORT ON MOYGLASS**

**MOTION (1): Councillor P. Gogarty Item ID: 44123**

"That the Chief Executive report on the progress being made by the consulting engineer contracted to examine and report on South Dublin County Council’s obligations under the Dublin Agglomeration Noise Action Plan 2013 -2018, including the levels of engagement with local residents associations such as in Moy Glas Lucan and specifically to outline whether the report will be back as originally expected in April; to outline the timescale when elected members will be given copies of the report and to give a commitment that following on from this a meeting can be set up with elected representatives and residents groups that have expressed concern regarding noise levels as part of feeding into this process, including Moy Glas, so that tangible action points can be agreed."

The report was **MOVED** and **RE-ENTERED**

**L/262/15 HGV ON KENNELSFORT ROAD**

**MOTION (2): Item ID: 44116**

It was proposed by Councillor G. O'Connell seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty.

"As a follow up to my motion passed at the December 2013 LAC, and subsequent ones including November 2104, and given the agreed policy on the Mobility and Management of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs) on South Dublin County Road Network, the subsequent review of weight restrictions that now include a weight restriction of 7.5 tonne on Kennelsfort Road and on the Estates between the R148 and Kennelsfort Road, the revised exclusion zone on Kennelsfort Road and the Chief Executives commitment to review the positon:

This committee now requests that the Chief Executive revisit the issue, as provided for in the Mobility and Management of Heavy Goods Policy adopted by this Council in 2013 and provide for:

(A) a restriction of 3.5 tonne on Kennelsfort Road Upper from the N148 to the entrance of Woodfarm Acres for the following evidence based reasons:

The Dublin City Council has installed a 3.5 tonne restriction on Ballyfermot Road and as both this road and Kennelsfort Road, are in effect the same road that meets at the County Boundary; as both feed into and serve traffic on the Coldcut Road which serves the Liffey Valley Town Centre, Fonthill Business Park, Park West and the Industrial/Business Estates in Clondalkin served by Cloverhill Road, it is imperative that both Ballyfermot Road and Kennelsfort Road have the same level of protection otherwise there will be (there already is) a huge displacement factor with Kennelsfort Road having to carry excessive and undesirable Heavy Goods Vehicle and Heavy (medium) Goods Vehicles traffic.

Kennelsfort Road is already carrying excessive levels of motorised traffic, mainly but not solely commuter traffic and increasingly Liffey Valley Town Centre Traffic (which will increase when the expansion of Liffey Valley Town Centre takes place) especially at peak times leading to serious congestion with attendant noise and air pollution and to an unacceptable level of safety hazards for residents, pedestrians and cyclists;

(B) by installing a barrier restricting barrier at the 18 Bus Terminus that will allow public vehicles but prevent Heavy Goods Vehicles and Heavy (medium) Goods Vehicles (C1 or C!+l) and permit cars and small vans of less than 3.5 tonne carrying capacity thus removing a significant percentage of the motorised traffic and attendant hazards from Kennelsfort Road. There are feasible alternative routes.

In seeking these restrictions, it should be noted that the houses on Kennelsfort Road with a current 7.5 tonne restriction are fronting onto Kennelsfort Road with consequential excessive motorised traffic, noise and air pollution due to the lack of a 'buffer' space, unlike the houses on Ballyfermot Road which are set well back from the roadway but have has a 3.5 tonne restriction/protection imposed by Dublin City Council.

Kennelsfort Road has four controlled pedestrian crossings reflecting the fact that it serves four crèches, two primary and one second level school with a combined young person population of in excess of 1500 children as well as an active and busy cemetery, a Public House and a significant Shopping Centre which incorporates the Post Office; Kennelsfort Road Upper is the distributor road for the residential estates of Woodfarm Acres (650 houses), Oak Court and Glenaulin Estates (600 houses), Palmerstown Court/adjacent residential by Shopping Centre (350 houses), Palmers Manor Estate (450 houses) and also provides access to Manor Road Shopping Area and Credit Union as well as to the 1300 homes between the R148 and Kennelsfort Road; all of which leads to it being extensively motorised and used by Senior Citizens, young persons and their parents and other pedestrians who arrive by Bus. 5. Kennelsfort Road has two cycle ways which promote this mode of transport even though the road is quite narrow, has two significant hill gradients and two serious bends and as such requires restricted vehicle flows which in accordance with the published Policy of this Council, and if permeability is to be promoted, should only allow for cars and light vans as in category B instead of the vans and small trucks allowed under (Category C1). Kennelsfort Road meets all the criteria set out in the Policy for a 3.5 tonne restriction.

(C) The current 7.50 tonne restriction on the Residential Estates between the R148 and Kennelsfort Road must be changed to a 3.5 tonne restriction. This is in keeping with Council policy. The facts speak for themselves; this is a high density residential area, built in the 1950s before progressive planning acts with two primary schools and very narrow roads. Again, if this Council is to seriously implement a coherent permeability policy it must improve the level of safety for pedestrians and cyclists within the area. The area qualifies for additional signage “for Cars only” as provided for in the Council Policy.

This Committee calls on the Chief Executive to initiate the necessary measures to install the above traffic restrictions on both Kennelsfort Road upper and the Estates between the R148 and Kennelsfort Road in accordance with the Mobility and Management of Heavy Goods Vehicles Policy of this Council and to bring a headed item to the May meeting of the Council on the matter."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“This matter has been re-examined and changes to the current weight restriction is not recommended. This restriction was put in place by the Council to limit unnecessary heavy traffic on the route consistent with economic development of the County. This position has not changed. The weight restriction is in conformity with Council policy.

Kennelsfort road is a major district distributor road and carries a volume of traffic consistent with such use in a developing County in a semi- urban environment. The road is not entirely for car use only and carries a number of public service vehicles such as emergency and bus traffic as well as those others uses described. The provision of barriers such as those described would be a safety hazard and cannot be countenanced in any circumstance.

The enforcement of the weight restriction is a matter for the Garda Authorities and a meeting was arranged to discuss same with the Gardai with a view to addressing any issues they might have. It has been agreed to provide additional signage on the road. These signs will be provided as soon as this can be arranged.”

The following Motion 6 was taken in conjunction with the above.

**7.5T SIGNAGE AT THE OVER AND UP THROUGH TURRET ROAD**

**MOTION (6): Item ID: 44124**

It was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell.

"That the Chief Executive, following on from this matter being raised late last year, reviews as agreed the 7.5T signage for vehicles entering into the Oval and up through Turret Road, Palmerstown, especially in the light of ongoing reports that large vehicles clearly above this limit and large vehicles below this limit are using the area as a rat run and in recent weeks one such truck tore down telephone wires; and that the very existence of the signage may be encouraging large vehicles below the 7.5T limit to use the route."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“The Council propose to install additional signage as agreed following a recent meeting with the Lucan gardai.”

Following contributions from Councillors G. O’Connell and P. Gogarty the reports were **NOTED.**

**L/263/15 TRAFFIC FLOW AT GRIFFEEN AVENUE & ROAD**

**MOTION (3): Item ID: 43926**

It was proposed byCouncillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty.

"That this Area Committee requests the Director, further to the recent meeting with Griffeen Glen & Moy Glas Residents Associations, to present a detailed report on planned measures to improve traffic flow at Griffeen Avenue & Road and to address local concerns regarding school-time parking and drop-off."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“Following the recent meeting it was agreed to extend the yellow box at the entrance to Moyglas Chase and Griffeen Glen to facilitate better movement of traffic. It was also agreed to contact the school principal of Griffeen Valley Educate Together National School to ensure that the school drop off facility is used to the maximum extend. In addition it is intended to erect a row of bollards on Griffeen Glen road at the cul de sac of Griffeen Glen Boulevard to prevent illegal parking at this location during school times”.

**L/264/15 NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS ON N4**

**MOTION (4): Item ID: 44089**

It was proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell.

" That the Chief Executive writes to the NRA to ask for a report on the number of accidents that have taken place on the N4, junction 4A since the upgrade and the installation of the orange bollards and in particular to the following locations,

N4 SLIP

N4 SPA HOTEL JUNCTION,

N4 OUTBOUND.

CORNMILL RD.

N4 KEW PARK ENTANCE/EXIT.

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“The matter will be referred to the NRA for their attention and when a reply is received the Councillor will be notified.”

Following contributions from Councillor L. O’Toole the report was **NOTED.**

**L/265/15 TRAFFIC WARDENS IN LUCAN FOR HOUSING ESTATES IMPACTED BY SCHOOL TIME ILLEGAL PARKING**

**MOTION (5): Councillor V. Casserly Item ID: 44098**

In the absence of Councillor V. Casserly the following motion **FELL**:-

"That this area committee examine the possibility of extending the remit of the Lucan Traffic Wardens to cover housing estates and roads impacted by school time illegal parking."

**Planning**

**L/266/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question number 12 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/267/15 PROPOSED EXTENSION TO ST. THOMAS PRIMARY SCHOOLS & LUCAN COMMUNITY COLLETE**

**QUESTION (12): Councillor D. O'Brien Item ID: 43787**

"To ask the Chief Executive for an updated on the planning application to extend the schools of St Thomas primary schools and Lucan community college. Have the draft plans for the schools been seen by the council and will an updated traffic study be done on the area?"

**REPLY:**

There has been pre planning discussion regarding to the planning application for the extension of Lucan Community College and St Thomas primary school, further pre planning meetings are expected in advance of any planning application being lodged. There have been a number of recent traffic studies carried out in the area which will inform the final design and layout of the schools extensions. It is envisaged that the design and layout of both schools can be progressed in tandem in order to ensure the optimum solution for access arrangements to each school.

**L/268/15 Planning Files**

**HEADED ITEM (4): Planning Item ID: 44136**

A. Large Applications Under Consideration

**File Discussed**: SD15A/0020

**Location**: Ballyowen Castle Primary Care Centre Ltd

**Comments**: There were no comments made on this application.

**File Discussed**: SD15A/0028

**Location**: Lock Road / Newcastle Road (R120), Finnstown, Lucan, Co. Dublin.

**Comments:** Planning files taken in conjunction with

 Motion 18

1. Files Requested by Members

**File Discussed**: SD15A/0020

**Location**: Ballyowen Castle Primary Care Centre Ltd

**Comments**: There were no comments made on this application.

**File Discussed**: SD15A/0028

**Location**: Lock Road / Newcastle Road (R120), Finnstown, Lucan, Co. Dublin.

**Comments**: Planning files taken in conjunction with

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**L/269/15 OPEN SPACE AT FINNSVIEW**

**MOTION (18): Item ID: 44101**

It was proposed by Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty.

"That this Area Committee expresses it "VEHEMENT OPPOSITION" to the recommendation of the 'Parks & Landscape Services Section' in the case of planning application SD14A/0028 in which they proposed the connection of the existing open space at Finnsview with the proposed new development on the Coolamber site, including removal of the existing, well-established boundary.”

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“This planning application, like all planning applications, will be considered in the context of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, taking into account policies contained in national design standards and the County Development Plan.”

Following contributions from Councillor W. Lavelle, L. O’Toole and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**L/270/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (5): Planning Item ID: 44137**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/271/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (2): Planning Item ID: 44138**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/272/15 SPORT & COMMUNITY HALL ADAMSTOWN**

**MOTION (7): Item ID: 43877**

It was proposed by Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty.

"That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to present a detailed update on the discussions ongoing with developers of Adamstown in relation to the delivery of a much-needed new multi-functional Sports & Community Hall, including a sports hall for Adamstown Community College; and to provide details on the emerging funding and management options being considered by the Council; and the Council’s response to the proposals submitted by the developers as referred to at the March meeting of this Committee.

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“This matter remains under consideration as details of the proposal are being fully assessed. The developer is aware of this. The Area Committee will be advised when the position is clear.”

Following contributions from Councillors W. Lavelle, L. O’Toole and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**Libraries & Arts**

**L/273/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question numbers 13 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/274/15 PALMERSTOWN DIGITAL HUB**

**QUESTION (13): Councillor D. O'Brien Item ID: 43789**

"To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the Palmerstown Digital Hub. What time frame will it be till this hub is in place?"

**REPLY:**

The Palmerstown Digital Hub is included in the Library Development Plan 2012 – 2016. Provision has been made in the capital budget for financing of the preliminary stages of the project.

The Acting County Librarian is at present attempting to find a suitable location for the hub. Until this is established, it is difficult to give a timeline on the project. When any progress is made we will report back.

**L/275/15 LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS**

**HEADED ITEM (6): Libraries & Arts Item ID: 44139**

[**LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS**](../../ITEMS/April%2015/HI6%2043789%20LIB%20News%20%26%20Events.doc)

**L/276/15 Application for Arts Grants**

**HEADED ITEM (7): Libraries & Arts Item ID: 44140**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/277/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (8): Libraries & Arts Item ID: 44141**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/278/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (3): Libraries & Arts Item ID: 44142**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/279/15 LUCAN LIBRARY**

**MOTION (8): Item ID: 44088**

It was proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty.

"That this council examines the possibility of looking at ways in which Lucan Library could be used and opened at night time with a social/youth element to encourage young teenagers to get involved in community based and recreational activities."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“Libraries at present actively encourage teenagers to get involved in community based projects and recreational activities by providing them with a wide range of information on their local area. Lucan Library has a notice board where groups can advertise their local events and activities.

There are copies of local newspapers available with news and advertisements from local groups and sports clubs. The internet is provided free to all users where they can connect with local groups.

Libraries are always looking at ways to attract teenagers into the premises and as such we will look at any further potential avenues to achieve this.”

Following contributions from Councillors L. O’Toole, P. Gogarty and D. O’Brien the report was **NOTED.**

**Economic Development**

**L/280/15 QUESTIONS**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/281/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (9): Economic Development Item ID: 44143**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/282/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (4): Economic Development Item ID: 44144**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/283/15 PROMOTION OF FAIR TRADE IN LUCAN**

**MOTION (9): Councillor E. O'Brien Item ID: 43596**

"That this Area Committee recognising the importance of the promotion of Fair Trade supports the efforts of the traders of Lucan to become the second Fair Trade town in South Dublin County Council."

The report was **MOVED** and **RE-ENTERED**

**L/284/15 LIFFEY VALLEY CLUSTER**

**MOTION (10): Item ID: 44100**

It was proposed by Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor E. O’Brien.

"That this Area Committee welcomes the new South Dublin Tourism Strategy, particularly the recommendations relating the 'Liffey Valley Cluster'; and calls on the Manager to present a detailed action plan for implementation of the recommendations relating to both the 'Liffey Valley Greenway' and for developing a 'Lucan Hub for Water-based Activities and Cycling'."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“As the members will be aware the Tourism Strategy for South Dublin County was agreed at the April Council meeting and  launched two weeks ago on April 13th 2015 and envisages the delivery of actions over a minimum five year span. The primary focus of the strategy is on out doors activity primarily based on the opportunities presented by our mountains and rivers.  The Tourism working group has been asked to work on progressing the implementation of the strategy. Work is ongoing. Implementation plans will be brought to the relevant Area Committee's. Members will be kept updated on progress.”

Following contributions from Councillors W. Lavelle, G. O’Connell, E. O’Brien and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**L/285/15 BOUNDARY WALL TO THE REAR OF PREMISES ON LOWER KENNELSFORT ROAD**

**MOTION (11): Item ID: 44188**

It was proposed by Councillor G. O'Connell seconded by Councillor E. O’Brien.

"It is the wishes of this committee that the Chief Executive contact the owners of the Bed and Breakfast on Lower Kennelsfort Road with a view to having him complete the boundary wall to the rear of his premises or if he fails to do so the Council will repossess the land conceded for extra car parking and build an acceptable wall and that he be compelled to remove the refuse bins from the front of the B&B as they are a hazard during windy weather and an attraction to passing vandals."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“Should the motion be agreed the Council will write to the owner of the Bed and Breakfast and request him to complete the boundary wall at the rear of his premises as per condition 5 of the lease agreement "shall at his own cost and with the agreement of the Parks Department fence off a working area and build a new wall (dashed on the outside) along the road boundary".

The matter of storage of refuse bins at the front of the property will be referred to Environmental Services for investigation.”

Following contributions from Councillors G. O’Connell, E. O’Brien, L. O’Toole and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**Performance & Change Management**

**L/286/15 QUESTIONS**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/287/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (10): Performance & Change Mgmt Item ID: 44145**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/288/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (5): Performance & Change Mgmt. Item ID: 44146**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**Corporate Support**

**L/289/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question number 14 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/290/15 OVERGROWN & DANGEROUS TREES BETWEEN WHEATFIELD ROAD & OAK COURT ESTATE**

**QUESTION (14): Councillor G. O'Connell Item ID: 44187**

"That the Chief Executive write to Irish Land Securities or their representatives to get them to remove dangerous and overgrown trees on their lands along the laneway between Wheatfield Road and Oak Court Estate and to clean up their property free of rubbish and rodents?"

**REPLY:**

The matter will be referred to Irish Land Securities for their attention and when a reply is received the Councillor will be notified.

**L/291/5 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (11): Corporate Support Item ID: 44147**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/292/15 CORRESPONDENCE**

**CORRESPONDENCE (6): Corporate Support Item ID: 44148**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/293/15 EXTENSION TO LUCAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**MOTION (12): Item ID: 43661**

It was proposed by Councillor E. O'Brien seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole.

"That this Area Committee calls on the Dublin and Dun Laoghaire Education and Training Board and the Department of Education and Science to immediately prioritise the construction of the long awaited extension to Lucan Community College to enable the school to begin to facilitate wider enrolment in the school."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“The matter will be referred to The Dublin and Dun Laoghaire Education and Training Board and the Department of Education and Science for their attention and when a reply is received the Committee will be notified.”

**L/294/15 METAL BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER LIFFEY AT PALMERSTOWN**

**MOTION (13): Councillor V. Casserly Item ID: 44122**

In the absence of Councillor V. Casserly the following motion **FELL**:-

"That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to engage with Fingal County Council to repair and overall, full-costed plan for repair and conservation works to the Metal Bridge over the River Liffey at Palmerston; with a view to identifying an approach to funding these works."

**L/295/15 SCRAMBLERS & QUADE IN WATERSTOWN & GLENAULIN PARKS**

**MOTION (14): Item ID: 44186**

It was proposed by Councillor G. O'Connell seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole.

"That the Chief Executive liaise with An Garda Siochana to exclude scramblers and quads from Waterstown and Glenaulin Parks as they are a safety hazard to members of the public especially children who are entitled to a safe recreational environment."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“The matter will be referred to An Garda Siochana for their attention and when a reply is received the Councillor will be notified.”

Following contributions from Councillors G. O’Connell, L. O’Toole, E. O’Brien, W. Lavelle and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**Environment**

**L/296/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question numbers 15-17 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/297/15 LARGE BINS AT COMMERCIAL PREMISES AT KENNELSFORT ROAD LOWER**

**QUESTION (15): Councillor P. Gogarty Item ID: 44127**

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the legal situation regarding large bins placed to the front of commercial premises that have a noticeable foul smell; if a premises (B&B at the junction of N4 and Kennelsfort Road Lower, Palmerstown) can be investigated regarding same, as the smell was reported to be very strong at one stage; and if she will make a statement on the matter?"

**REPLY:**

The matter was referred to the Environmental Health Office.

The Senior EHO called to the (Address Supplied) and observed four large lidded wheelie bins situated within the commercial boundary of the business known as the (Address Supplied). The four wheelie bins all had their lids firmly closed, there was no odour detectable on the public foot path.

**L/298/15 RAT INFESTATION IN WILLSBROOK PARK**

**QUESTION (16): Councillor W. Lavelle Item ID: 44183**

"To ask the Chief Executive to intensify the current efforts to eliminate the unprecedented level of rat infestation in Willsbrook Park, particularly in the central wooded areas next to the open ditch; and further asks the Chief Executive to arrange a comprehensive cleansing blitz to remove the significant amounts of litter and rubbish in undergrowth throughout the park?"

**REPLY:**

Parkland settings by their nature attract wildlife.  The type of wildlife is determined by the park features and rats are one of numerous species that can be found.  Rats are opportunistic animals. They have survived because they have worked out how to live in close association with humans.  Recent works in the vicinity of Willsbrook Park (Willsbrook Road Cycle Scheme) and the significant vegetation thinning in the South East corner of the park is likely to have displaced the existing rat population and given rise to more sightings in areas where they were previously undetected.  Significant dumping of domestic rubbish in the park is also contributing to the problem.

The issue is being addressed with the assistance of the Health and Safety Executive (HSE).  To date the HSE has laid rat bait on the south and west boundaries of the park and further treatments are planned for the central woodland area. A cleanup of the area has also been initiated.

Residents can assist by refraining from throwing litter or leaving food items in the park.  Where residents have witnessed dumping they can report the matter to the Litter Warden Service via the Customer Care Contact System, Fix Your Street or by phoning 01-4149220.

**L/299/15 COST OF CLEANING UP OF ILLEGAL DUMPING IN LUCAN**

**QUESTION (17): Councillor D. O'Brien Item ID: 44195**

"To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the cost of cleaning up illegal dumping to South Dublin County Council in the Lucan LEA. For the report to advise the annual costs per year for the last five years and to be split between Lucan and Palmerstown areas?"

**REPLY:**

The budget for the Environment, Water & Climate Change was reorganised in 2014 to greater reflect the operations of the department which was necessary with the creation of the Public Realm division. Chargeability’s are now assigned across each work programme on an area basis, in so far as the costs are coded to each depot where appropriate.

The costing arrangements were also changed following the sale of the refuse service in April 2013 particularly in relation to the assignment of wages costs. It is difficult therefore to compare like with like over a period of 5 years owing to the different budgetary arrangements in place for each of these years.

For 2014 the costs below are approximate as not all expenditure is charged to depots. More generic costs have been divided between the depots on an equal basis.

To this end the costs for cleaning up illegal dumping in the Lucan and Palmerstown areas in 2014 were approximately as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Area | Total |
| Lucan | €354,680 |
| Palmerstown | €235,710 |

The costs in the previous four years in respect of the same function and the whole South Dublin area were as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Year | Cost |
| 2013 | €3,981,275 |
| 2012 | €4,474,760 |
| 2011 | €4,596,390 |
| 2010 | €2,418,890 |

**L/300/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (12): Environment Item ID: 44149**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/301/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (7): Environment Item ID: 44150**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/302/15 VACANT PROPERTY AT 86 ROSEWOOD GROVE**

**MOTION (15): Item ID: 43814**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O'Brien seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole.

"That this committee agrees that the manager present a report at the meeting on the ongoing danger and nuisance arising from the vacant property at 86 Rosewood Grove outlining what actions will be taken to deal with these problems."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“The property at 86 Rosewood Grove first came to the attention of South Dublin County Council in 2009, following a house fire.

There are particularly difficult circumstances surrounding this case and being very mindful of the impact of this property on the community and the aesthetics of the locality, the Council is exercising all avenues available to it to address the problem.

The executive is available to discuss the specific particulars of this case with the members in an alternative forum.”

Following contributions from Councillor D. O’Brien the report was **NOTED**.

 **L/303/15 LANEWAY ON LOWER KENNESLFORT ROAD**

**MOTION (16): Item ID: 44191**

It was proposed by Councillor G. O'Connell seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty.

"That the Chief Executive arrange to (a) have the rubbish removed from the laneway on lower Kennelsfort Road (b) install lockable bollards at two locations on the laneway between Kennelsfort Road and Palmerstown Ave as agreed by the residents, to prevent unauthorised dumping and fly tipping.

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“The laneway located on Kennelsfort Road Lower, adjacent to Palmerstown House, also known as Chapel Lane, has been examined and arrangements are being made to have the rubbish removed.

The laneways on Kennelsfort Road Upper are maintained by the Public Realm Section on a regular basis and arrangements are in hand to have them routinely inspected and, where any rubbish is found, to have it removed.

In relation to the installation of lockable bollards the Land Use, Planning and Transportation Department have reported that as explained on a number of occasions if agreement can be obtained in writing from all of the affected residents the Council will consider the provision of bollards subject to funding.”

Following contributions from Councillor G. O’Connell and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**Water & Drainage**

**L/304/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question number 18 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/305/15 SEWAGE ISSUE IN ARTHUS GRIFFITH PARK**

**QUESTION (18): Councillor R. Nolan Item ID: 44196**

"To ask the Chief Executive if there is a problem with sewage in Arthur Griffith Park Lucan. If there is, what is causing the problem, and what is the Council’s plans for dealing with it. Also is the sewage flowing into the River Griffeen?"

**REPLY:**

A section of damaged foul sewer has been identified between between house numbers 95 and 99. An application for approval to proceed with these works has been submitted to Irish Water and we are currently awaiting Irish Water's response.

In addition, a section of damaged surface water line has also been found nearby. Sewage is not flowing into the Griffeen River, however should the foul sewer block up there is the potential for this to surcharge and overflow to the surface water line which discharges to the Griffeen River. The surface water repair has been placed on our programme of works and will be undertaken as soon as is practicable.

**L/306/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (13): Water & Drainage Item ID: 44151**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/307/15Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (8): Water & Drainage Item ID: 44152**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**Public Realm**

**L/308/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question numbers 19-20 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/309/15 PLAYGROUND AT GRIFFEEN VALLEY PARK**

**QUESTION (19): Councillor W. Lavelle Item ID: 44184**

"To ask the Chief Executive to present drawings of the proposed replacement playground at Griffeen Valley Park?"

**REPLY:**

The design for this play space is progressing and it is expected that this part of the process will be completed by June 2015. The draft design will then be made available for public consultation.

**L/310/15 PLAY SPACES IN LUCAN/PALMERSTOWN AREA**

**QUESTION (20): Councillor E. O'Brien Item ID: 43645**

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the up to date status of all proposed "Play Spaces" in the Lucan/Palmerstown area?"

**REPLY:**

**UPDATE ON PLAY SPACE PROGRAMME LUCAN AREA COMMITTEE**

This update is structured as follows:

**1. Agreed Five Year Play Space Programme for the Lucan Area Committee**

**2. Update of Play Space Programme 2014**

2.1 Completed

2.2 To be completed

2.3 Rejected and new location agreed

**3. 2015 Programme**

3.1 Consultation in 2015

 **1. Agreed Five Year Play Space Programme for the Lucan Area Committee**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Location** | **Type** | **Timescale**  |
| Woodfarm Acres | Local | 2014 |
| Griffeen Avenue | Local | 2014 |
| Waterstown Park | Regional | 2015 |
| Griffeen Valley Park | Regional | 2015 |
| Sarsfield Park, Lucan | Local | 2015 |
| Ballyowen Park | Neighbourhood | 2016 |
| Lucan Demesne | Regional | 2016 |
| Finnstown | Local | 2016 |
| Willsbrook Park | Neighbourhood | 2017 |
| Hillcrest Estate Lucan | Local | 2017 |
| Glenaulin Park, Palmerstown | Neighbourhood | 2017 |
| Beechpark | Local | 2018 |
| Hillcrest Estate Lucan | Local | 2018 |
| Esker Park | Neighbourhood | 2018 |
| Grange Park | Neighbourhood | 2018 |

**2. Update of Play Space Programme 2014**

2.1 Completed

|  |
| --- |
| **2014 PLAY SPACE PROGRAMME**  |
| **Location** | **Status** |
| Riversdale Estate | Complete/open |
| Hermitage Park | Complete/open |

 2.2 To be completed

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Location** | **Status** |   |
| Griffeen- Haydens Park | Tenders received. Tender selection stage   |

2.3 Rejected and new location agreed

|  |
| --- |
| **2014 PLAY SPACE PROGRAMME**  |
| **Location** | **Status** |
| Woodfarm Acres | Rejected and substituted with Riversdale |

**3. 2015 Programme**

3.1 Consultation in 2015

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| --- |
| **2015 PLAY SPACE PROGRAMME**  |
| **Location** | **Status** |
| Sarsfield Park | Consultation – meeting held on the 21st April.   Further consultation to take place |
| Griffeen Valley Park | Design process underway |

**L/311/15 NEW ENTRANCE TO MILL LANE CEMETERYB IN PALMERSTOWN**

**QUESTION (21): Councillor E. O'Brien Item ID: 44038**

"To ask the Chief Executive what steps if any have been taken to examine opening a new entrance to Mill Lane cemetery in Palmerstown to allow access for machinery to be used in the upkeep of the cemetery following the Chief Executives response to my motion at the November Area Committee meeting?"

**REPLY:**

This issue is complicated as it involves two landowners and the matter is being discussed with both to ascertain if it is possible to upgrade access to the cemetery and church land to allow for a higher standard of maintenance and security.

**L/312/15 TREE PROGRAMME FOR PALMERSTOWN & LUCAN**

**QUESTION (22): Councillor G. O'Connell Item ID: 44189**

"To ask the Chief Executive to present a report to this committee on the progress with the Tree Programme for the Palmerstown and Lucan area and that it include a realistic schedule/strategy for removing unsuitable trees and pruning back others that are in residential areas, especially in older estates, and for trimming back hedgerows that have become hazardous for pedestrians."

**REPLY:**

A full progress report on the 2015 Tree Maintenance Programme is being presented at this April meeting of the Lucan Area Committee.

**L/313/15 Progress Report on Tree Maintenance Programme 2015**

**HEADED ITEM (14): Public Realm Item ID: 43835**

[**TREE MAINTENANCE PROGRESS REPORT**](../../ITEMS/April%2015/HI14%2043835%20Progress%20report%20on%202015%20Tree%20Maintenance%20Programme.doc)

[**TREE MAINTENANCE UPDATE**](../../ITEMS/April%2015/HI14%2043835%20PR%202015%20Tree%20Maintenane%20UPDATE.doc)

**L/314/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (15): Public Realm Item ID: 44153**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/315/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (9): Public Realm Item ID: 44154**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/316/15 INFORMQTION SIGNS IN WATERSTOWN PARK IN PALMERSTOWN**

**MOTION (17): Item ID: 43788**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O'Brien seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell.

"That this Committee requests that SDDC install some information signs in Waterstown park in Palmerstown, outlining why some of the areas of grass are not cut and what wild life can be seen in the park. This would be useful for adults and children that are visiting the park."

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“There is a 3 panel double sided sign in Waterstown Park located adjacent to the car park.  The sign depicts a map of the park including features, information and history on the park and a section on flora and fauna.  There are 2 lockable panels which are available for park notices and other relevant information.  The panel on fauna includes images and information on animals that can be found in the park which include Otter, Sparrow Hawk, Grey Heron, Lamprey, Damselfly, Skylark, Bats, Kingfisher and Badger.  Information on flora provides details on Wetland Habitats, Grasslands and Hedgerows.

The request for additional information on the biodiversity of Waterstown Park and the management practices that are designed to protect and enhance the existing environment will be considered, having regard to the existing information already on display and the means by which it is communicated to park visitors and the general public. It is not proposed to install any additional signage at this time.”

The Motion was **MOVED** without debate.

**L/317/15 BINS IN LUCAN & PALMERSTOWN PARKS**

**MOTION (19): Item ID: 44104**

It was proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell.

"That this council reviews the level of bins in Lucan and Palmerstown parks with a view to increasing to standards similar to our neighbouring counties and to consider the possibility of using sponsorship to funding extra bins and park benches.

[(additional documents)](file:///F%3A%5CMeetings%5CLucan%20ACM%5C2015%5CITEMS%5CApril%2015%5CCllr%20O%27Toole%20Bin%20Surver%20submitted.pdf)

The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:**

“In general Parks are not generators of litter. That is to say that the items which become litter and waste are not available in parks, they have to be brought there by visitors. In keeping with best environmental practice, people who bring refreshments and confectionary into open spaces and parks are encouraged under the "polluter pays" principal to take responsibility for the disposal of any waste they generate by bringing it away with them.  The Council acknowledges and assists with this by providing litter bins in the larger Regional Parks and on public roads that can be used for the disposal of litter. As local and neighbourhood parks, are by their nature located in close proximity to residential communities, typically a five to ten minute walk from home, it is reasonable for visitors to local parks and open spaces to take whatever waste they bring into the space home with them for proper disposal.

Notwithstanding the above, additional bins have been provided in the last 12 months in Hermitage Park (1) and outside Willsbrook Park (1). A further 2 will be installed in Waterstown Park and 1 in Griffeen Valley Park this week. The bins have been installed on a trial basis. The use of the bins is being monitored closely and they will be retained subject to them not being vandalised or used for the disposal of domestic waste. Any decision to expand the number of bins in parks will be undertaken having regard to the success of the bins listed above.

As previously reported at the [**September ACM**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=44105) should a business wish to sponsor a bin (or bench) contact should be made with the Public Realm Section in the first instance where the proposal can be fully evaluated. It should also be noted that where the provision of additional litter bins is being considered, the cost of ongoing servicing and maintenance has to be considered as well as the initial installation cost.”

Following contributions from Councillor L. O’Toole, E. O’Brien, D. O’Brien, W. Lavelle, G. O’Connell and P. Gogarty the report was **NOTED.**

**Community**

**L/318/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question number 23 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/319/15 SPORTS CAPITAL GRANT FOR CLUBS IN LUCAN**

**QUESTION (23): Councillor L. O'Toole Item ID: 44091**

"To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the number of clubs/organisation from the Lucan Area that have applied for the Sports Capital Grant Programme 2015?"

**REPLY:**

At the date of drafting, the closing time for the receipt of completed application forms and supporting documentation set by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport is 5.00pm on Friday 24th April 2015. Clubs can apply directly to the Department for assistance and do not require the consent of the Council except in specific circumstances. The Council would therefore not be aware of all applications that may be lodged in a particular area especially as some 64 National Governing Bodies are also involved.

To assist clubs to understand the requirements of the call for applications, the Council organised a briefing session for all sporting clubs in the County on 31st March last in the Council Offices which was very well attended. Arising from this and other contacts with clubs, the Council is facilitating these clubs in whatever way is open to it.

**L/320/15 Application for Community Grants**

**HEADED ITEM (16): Community Item ID: 44155**

Application for grants under South Dublin County Council’s Community Grants Scheme has been received from the organisations listed below. Payment of these grants, in accordance with the conditions of the Scheme and in the amounts set out hereunder, is recommended for approval:-

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Ref:** | **Name of Group** | **Type of Application** | **Date Received**  | **Amount** |
| GF2230 | Esker Boxing Club | Major Equipment Grant | 15/05/14 | €1,500 |
| GF2246 | Beechpark Football Club | Major Equipment Grant | 25/08/14 | €5,000 |

The Headed Item was **NOTED** without debate.

**L/321/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (17): Community Item ID: 44156**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/322/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (10): Community Item ID: 44157**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**Housing**

**L/323/15 QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order No.13, Question numbers 24-26 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

**L/324/15 RESIDENTS IN LUCAN ON THE HOUSING WAITING LIST**

**QUESTION (24): Councillor L. O'Toole Item ID: 44094**

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an updated report on the number of residents in Lucan area on the housing waiting list and a breakdown of family size?"

**REPLY:**

There are currently 8,739 applications on the Council's Housing Waiting List, of these 1,128 have addresses in the Lucan area, the table below shows accommodation required:-

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Accommodation Size  |  Nos on list |
| 1 Bedroom |  235 |
| 2 Bedroom |  472 |
| 3 Bedroom |  372 |
| 4 Bedroom |    49 |

The Council's Allocation Scheme determines accommodation as per family compostion as below:-

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Single person or Couple (Certain 1-bed units may be designated for older persons only) | 1 bedroom |
| Lone Parent or Couple with 1 or 2 children(of the same gender) | 2 bedroom |
| Lone Parent or Couple with 3 or 4 children (or 2 children of opposite gender) | 3 bedroom |
| Lone Parent or Couple with 5 or more children | 4 bedroom |

**L/325/15 VILLAGES INITIATIVE FOR LUCAN & PALMERSTOWN**

**QUESTION (25): Councillor D. O'Brien Item ID: 43786**

"To ask the Chief Executive for an updated timeframe for the delivery of the Villages Initiative for the Lucan and Palmerstown area. When will the work start in the two areas and when will the work be completed in both areas?"

**REPLY:**

The works agreed in Palmerstown were below the threshold for a Part 8 process and are already on site. They are well progressed and are scheduled for completion by mid-May.

The Part 8 Display is underway for Lucan and the process will be completed by 6th May. The County Architects report on the consultation process will be submitted to the June meeting of the Council for approval.

A full programme on the roll-out and on-site construction of the Villages Initiative will be brought before the May 21st meeting of the Council.

**L/326/15 TRAVELLER ACCOMODATION PROGRAMME IN LUCAN & PALMERSTOWN AREA**

**QUESTION (26): Councillor G. O'Connell Item ID: 44193**

"To ask the Chief Executive to produce a report on the implementation in the Lucan Palmerstown Area of the Traveller Accommodation Programme and that he include the number of Travellers, if any, living in unsatisfactory accommodation, the number of Travellers on the waiting list across the County, how many of these currently reside in the Lucan Palmerstown Area and that a discussion take place on the Traveller Accommodation Programme."

**REPLY:**

Details of what is included on the current Traveller Accommodation Programme for the Lucan / Palmerstown area is as follows.

Redevelopments included in the current TAP:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Development |   | Type | Delivery |
| Ballyowen Lane | 10 | Bays | Ongoing |
| Lynch’s Lane | 3 | Bays | 2015 |

Infill Developments:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Development |   | Type | Delivery |
| Ballyowen | 5 | To be determined | As required |

New developments at agreed locations:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  Development |   | Type | Type | Delivery |
| Adamstown x 3 | 10 x 3 | Group houses/bays | Part V | 2017 |

Number of families living on sites/ group housing schemes in the area –

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Location** | **Bays** | **G/H** | **Soc/Hsg** | **P/R** | **RAS** | **Sharing** | **Illegals** | **Total No Families** |
| Permanent Sites |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Ballyowen | 8 | 1 |   |   |   | 3 |   |   |
| Kishogue Park | 9 | 0 |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |
| Lynchs Park | 8 | 0 |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |
| Emergency sites |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Fonthill Road left | 4 |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Fonthill Road right | 1 |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Lock Road | 6 |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3-Bay L/L | 3 |   |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |
| Group Housing |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Hayden's Lane G/H |   | 8 |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Kishogue Park |   | 10 |   |   |   | 2 |   |   |
| Lynchs Park |   | 8 |   |   |   | 0 |   |   |
| Turnpike Lane |   | 3 |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |
| **Totals:** | 39 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |   | **78** |

No Temporary Sites in Lucan/Palmerstown Area

Number of families in Emergency sites in Lucan/Palmerstown Area:

Lock Road - 6

Lynchs Lane - 3

Fonthill Road left - 4

Fonthill Road right - 1

Total no. = 14

Number of families on our waiting list is   80.

**L/327/15 NEW WORKS**

**HEADED ITEM (18): Housing Item ID: 44158**

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

**L/328/15 Correspondence**

**CORRESPONDENCE (11): Housing Item ID: 44159**

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The meeting concluded at 6.05pm.

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