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**SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**LUCAN AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Minutes of Lucan Area Committee Meeting dealing with Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Performance & Change Management, Corporate Support, Public Realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Planning and Transportation, held on 20th December 2016.**

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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 OfficerSenior EngineerHead of FinanceCounty LibrarianSenior Executive EngineerExecutive EngineerSenior Executive Parks SuperintendentSenior Executive Planner | M. MaguireW. Purcell, T. O’GradyR. FitzgeraldB. FennellJ. KennellyM. JohnsonM. Hannon, D. Fennell, M. KeenanS. Duff |
| Administrative OfficerStaff OfficerClerical Officer | A. Byrne, S. Kelly, B. ReillyA. Shaw |

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor L. O’Toole presided.

### L/682/16 - H1 Item ID: 51945 – CONFIRMATION AND RE-AFFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF 20th November 2016.

Minutes of Lucan Area Committee Meeting dealing with Transportation, Planning, Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management, Public Realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Housing and Community held on 29th November 2016**,** which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed.

It was proposed by Councillor D. O’Brien, seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell and **RESOLVED**: “That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the 29th November 2016 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

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| L/683/16 - QUESTIONSIt was proposed by Councillor G. O’Connell, seconded by Councillor D. O’Brien and RESOLVED:“That pursuant to Standing Order No. 13, Questions 1-14 be ADOPTED and APPROVED”Libraries & ArtsL/684/16 H2 Item ID:51917 – LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTSMs. B. Fennell, County Librarian presented the following report:-[HI 2 Library News & Events](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54262) Following contributions from Councillors G. O’Connell and L/. O’Toole, Ms. B. Fennell responded to queries raised and the report was NOTED.L/685/16 - H3 Item ID:51918 – APPLICATION FOR ARTS GRANTSApplication for Arts Grants **(No Business)**L/686/16 - H4 Item ID:51919 – NEW WORKSNEW WORKS (No Business)L/687/16 - C1 Item ID:51920 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)Economic DevelopmentL/688/16 - Q1 Item ID:51949 – VL BYRNE SITE IN PALMERSTOWNProposed by Councillor G. O'Connell"To ask the Manager if there has been any approaches from the (New) owners of the former VL Byrne site in Palmerstown or if any discussions have taken place recently with third parties re the site?"**REPLY:**"There has been no discussions between the new owners of the former VL Byrne site in Palmerstown and any officials from South Dublin County Council."L/689/16 - H5 Item ID:51921 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/690/16 - C2 Item ID:51922 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)L/691/16 - M1 Item ID:51903 – EMBANKMENT SOUT OF LUCAN ROADProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell:-"That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to present a detailed report, for discussion, on efforts to remove fallen trees and heaps of dumped earth and other materials from the embankment south of Lucan Road, adjoining the rear of houses at Esker Lawns, noting the repeated concerns expressed by both Lucan Tidy Towns and local residents in relation to the increasing risk of slippage of material down the embankment onto the footpath and road below"The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The Council is familiar with the location and has recently established that the lands in question is not in Council ownership and has not been taken into charge.Given the situation as it exists on the ground,  Environment, Climate Change & Water Department (Enforcement & Licensing Section) recently issued letters to neighbouring residents (Esker Place) advising of their obligations under the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended, enclosing a leaflet "Litter and the Law" for their reference.  Similarly, residents have been advised that all organic and green waste should be placed in the brown bin, and can also be taken to the Ballymount Civic Amenity Centre for disposal.The issue of "dangerous place" nature of the location is more complex.  Regrettably having made communication with who was believed to be the owner, Council was recently formally advised that the lands have been subsequently sold and new owners have not yet registered file with the Property Registration Authority.Nonetheless, notwithstanding that the recent land transaction registration appears not to have yet concluded, communications will issue to the "new" owners advising of their obligations as landowners to prevent this area from being a potentially dangerous area."Following contributions from Councillor W. Lavelle the report was **NOTED**.Performance & Change ManagementL/692/16 - H6 Item ID:51923 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/693/16 - C3 Item ID:51924 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)Corporate SupportL/694/16 - H7 Item ID:51942 – LETTER FROM KILDARE CO. COUNCIL RE APPROACH ROAD TO THE SALMON LEAP BRIDGEMr. T. O’Grady, Senior Engineer presented this Letter:-Letter from Kildare Co Council re resurfacing/improvements to the roadway and pedestrian facilities on the approach road to the Salmon Leap Bridge. [HI 7 - Letter from Kildare Co Council](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54204) Following contributions from Councillors W. Lavelle, G. O’Connell and L. O’Toole, Mr. T. O’Grady responded to queries raised and it was **AGREED** to set up a meeting between the Members of the Lucan Area Committee and the Celbridge/Leixlip Municipal District to discuss issues in common with South Dublin County Council. L/695/16 - H8 Item ID:51925 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/696/16 - C4 Item ID:51926 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)L/697/16 - M2 Item ID:51898 – HANSTED ESTATEProposed by Councillor W. LavelleThat this Area Committee noting:- That following numerous inspections, most recently by Kavanagh Forensics Investigative Engineers ([report attached](file:///F%3A%5CMeetings%5C1%20Lucan%20ACM%5C2016%5CItems%5CDecember%5CHansted%20Condition%20Sampling%20April%202016.pdf)), it has been found that there are serious defects affecting external rooftop balconies of duplex/apartment building in Hansted estate;- That South Dublin County Council bears no responsibility for repair of these defects;- That residents of Hansted are willing to pay for the necessary repairs;- But that residents, through Hansted Management Company Ltd., are seeking access to a low interest or interest free loan, or a loan guarantee which they can use to directly deal with the problem over a short 4-5 year cycle; Calls on the Chief Executive to:- Meet with representatives of Hansted Management Company Ltd. with a view to assisting them in seeking to secure a low interest or interest free loan, or a loan guarantee from an appropriate lender; and to-Examine what potential there is for this Council to directly provide such as a low interest or interest free loan, or a loan guarantee.The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"South Dublin County Council works together with other public, private and voluntary bodies to address the housing needs of its citizens by providing:1. Social housing supports
2. Assistance in renting a home
3. Assistance in home ownership

In relation to the latter and housing loans in particular, individuals who wish to purchase a house or to build a house but cannot get a loan from a private lending institution may be eligible for a housing loan from the local authority. As the request received in relation to the Hansted Management Company Ltd., would not be within the lending provisions of the Housing Acts and would involve the Local Authority entering the Financial Services sector, the Local Authority would then require a license etc. from the Central Bank."**AMENDED MOTION 2 – AGREED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**That this Lucan Area Committee: - Regrets the manner in which the financial difficulties being experienced by the management company of an estate in Lucan as a result of serious structural defects were brought into the public domain at a premature stage when all other avenues were not looked at; and, in the context of the issue now being in the public domain - Calls on the Chief Executive of South Dublin County Council and relevant officials to arrange a sit down meeting involving themselves, representatives of the management company and elected representatives to discreetly examine what solutions if any are available involving the potential assistance of the local authority, acknowledging that the local authority bears no responsibility for repair of said defects; and also, parallel to this -  Calls on the minister for the Environment the Minister Frances Fitzgerald as the local TD to urgently meet with the management company and all local elected representatives to discuss what further options are available to resolve this impasse at national level, given that the Government makes the laws of this country, including, for example, the requirement if necessary to table new legislation to facilitate the government or its agencies either lending money directly to the management company concerned as well as indeed other management companies nationwide in similar predicaments, or alternatively to facilitate it acting as guarantor for any management company seeking a loan from a private lender so as to resolve such legacy issues over a period of time with the monies paid back in full by the companies concerned.Following contributions from Councillor W. Lavelle, D. O’Brien, R. Nolan, P. Gogarty, G. O’Connell, E. O’Brien and L. O’Toole, Mr. R. Fitzgerald, Head of Finance responded to queries raised and the motion was amended by Cllr. P Gogarty and seconded by Cllr. G O’ Connell and a vote by roll call was taken. The result was 5 FOR and 2 ABSTAINED and the amended Motion was **PASSED**. L/698/16 - M3 Item ID:51913 – COMMUNITY POLICINGProposed by Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell:-"That this Committee calls on the Minister for Justice, in consultation with senior Garda management to urgently outline a credible timeframe for implementing previous commitments regarding the enhancement of the community policing service and in particular community Garda, including in the Lucan/Palmerstown/Clondalkin area, especially in the light of public fears regarding dangerous criminals living in our midst and the risk to members of the public innocently getting caught up in drug-related feuds; given that an increase in the number of community police will help to improve the responsible sharing of information with residents and community groups so as to better identify existing and potential threats and help our communities have a better sense of security; and that the Minister and/or her officials be requested to give a detailed and timely response."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The terms of this motion will be conveyed to the Minister for Justice should the motion be Passed."Motion 3 was **MOVED** without Debate.L/699/16 - M4 Item ID:51955 – SCHEME OF ASSISTANCE FOR LOCAL RESIDENTSProposed by Councillor E. O'Brien seconded by Councillor D. O’Brien:-"That the Chief Executive noting the lack of a remediation scheme for residents suffering serious structural damage to homes in circumstances where those responsible for construction are no longer a going concern calls on the Minister for Housing to introduce such a scheme and to meet with residents of any such estate in the Lucan area to discuss potential assistance available from this Local Authority whilst such scheme is considered."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The only National Remediation Scheme currently in place in is respect of pyrite, this Council is not aware of any other scheme addressing structural damage being developed or under discussion. Should the motion be passed, its terms will be conveyed to the Minister and any response will be brought to the attention of members."Following contributions from Councillor E. O’Brien, PL. Gogarty, G. O’Connell and L. O’Toole, Ms. S. Kelly, Administrative Officer responded to queries raised and the motion was **PASSED.**Public RealmL/700/16 - Q2 Item ID:51951 – RUNNING TRACK AT NEWCASTLE ROADProposed by Councillor E. O'Brien"To ask the Chief Executive to report on the current status of the tender for works to upgrade the running track at Newcastle Road following receipt by Lucan Harriers of sports capital funding and in particular to confirm when it is envisaged the tendering process will begin noting that pre tender documents have been furnished to the Department of Transport and Sport."**REPLY:**“The design process for the upgrading of the Athletics Track at Esker Park, Lucan is not yet complete. A meeting was held with the club and the consultants on the 7th December 2016 to review progress and clarify the design intent. As soon as the design and tender documentation has been completed and agreed with the club the documentation will be forwarded to the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport (DTTAS) for approval to go to tender. It is anticipated that the documentation will be forwarded to the DTTAS at the end of January 2017. When/if approval is granted, the project will then proceed to tender. The expectation is that the project should commence on the ground by May 2017; assuming that all of the necessary documentation, tendering and approvals deadlines have been met.”L/701/16 - Q3 Item ID:51952 – PLAY SPACE AT WILLSBROOK PARKProposed by Councillor E. O'Brien"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm when it is scheduled to start the public consultation relating to the provision of a play space at Willsbrook Park noting that it is included in the schedule for 2017?"**REPLY:**It is planned to commence consultation on this project in Spring 2017; subject to progress with other Play Space projects throughout the county.L/702/16 - H9 Item ID:51927 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/703/16 - C5 Item ID:51928 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence(No Business)L/704/16 - M5 Item ID:51958 – PROVISION OF MULTI USE GAMES/SPORTS AREAProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:-**Cathaoirleach's Business**"That the Chief Executive investigate if locations could be identified in the Lucan area for the provision of a Multi-Use Games/Sports Area as part of the study to be carried out in 2017, also given that the following areas Adamstown / Paddocks and Newcastle road are in close proximity could the provision of a youth café be considered for this area as it has been identified as key area and would help integrate children from different ethnics and backgrounds."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The consultation on the facilities for teenagers in our parks and open spaces will commence in 2017, following a scoping exercise on the parameters for the study. The extent and parameters of the study will be brought to the Area Committee Meetings prior to the commencement of the study itself. The Community Department will be involved in this study and the case for considering Youth Cafés will included in the scoping exercise."Motion 5 was **MOVED** without debate.L/705/16 - M6 Item ID:51896 – MULTI-ANNUAL PROGRAMME OF ENHANCEMENTS TO WILLSBROOK PARKProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:-"That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to present a detailed report, for discussion, on implementation of the multi-annual programme of enhancements to Willsbrook Park as approved at the October 2015 meeting of this Committee."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"Further to the report as presented to the Lucan Area Committee Meeting in October 2015 the following is a list of works undertaken to date:1. Dangerous/fallen trees removed from Woodland area and Willsbrook Road side of park.
2. New entrance installed at junction of Esker Lane/Park
3. All paths edged
4. All path swept
5. Survey of all trees in park undertaken
6. New bin installed at Willsbrook Road entrance to park.
7. Vandalised section the wall in the Walled Garden repaired.

Works that are planned to take place in the 2017:1. Pruning and thinning of vegetation alongside paths at junctions where they meet other paths or at bends. This will be most evident on the paths in the vicinity of the pedestrian entrance opposite Bewley estate.
2. Preparation of tender for tree works following survey.
3. Installation of 2 new bins at either side of footbridge that crosses N4.
4. Provision of new kissing gate at Esker Lane entrance.
5. Surfacing of new entrance path at Esker Lane/Park.
6. Installation of hard standings under seating."

Following contributions from Councillors W. Lavelle, P. Gogarty, E. O’Brien, D. Fennell and L. O’Toole the report was **NOTED.**L/706/16 - M7 Item ID:51914 – GAA PLAYING PITCHE SURFACESProposed by Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole:-"That this Council provides an update on plans to improve GAA playing pitch surfaces for our local GAA clubs in Lucan and Palmerstown given that repeated requests for improvements to playing surfaces and other remedial works in relation to Lucan Sarsfields for example have been half-hearted at best and responses to local representatives regarding same have been haphazard and repeatedly delayed; and that furthermore the Council commits to a sit down meeting with deputations from any sports club that requests them in relation to the maintenance of surfaces at the appropriate times of the year as this would ensure a cost-efficient and timely service that would result in less complaints."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**“As part of the approved Public Realm Budget 2017, an additional provision has been made for the development of a rolling countywide Pitch Maintenance and Improvement Programme.All requests received for maintenance/ improvement works will be considered for inclusion in the programme, and in this regard, all Clubs who currently have a pitch let from the Council will be written to this week to advise their committee on how to make a request for possible inclusion in this programme. In the last 12 months all pitches including GAA pitches have been slit tined. A second operation of slitting pitches started in mid-December and will continue into the New Year until all pitches have been attended to. Following requests from clubs for goal mouth repair works, sodding has been carried in Glenaulin Park and Griffeen Valley Park. Fertilizer has also been applied where required to the GAA pitches in Griffeen Valley Park.”Following contributions from Councillor P. Gogarty, W. Lavelle, E. O’Brien and L. O’Toole, Mr. D. Fennell responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED.**L/707/16 - M8 Item ID:51947 – TREES IN LUCAN & PALMERSTOWNProposed by Councillor G. O'Connell seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:-"To compliment the Chief Executive and his staff for the recently launched very welcome tree planting scheme, and to ask the Manager responsible for a report on the number of trees in the Lucan Palmerstown Committee area and the number of individual trees that are contentious i.e. have been represented to the Council either by elected members, local action groups and/or individuals as in need of removal."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"South Dublin County Council recognises the value of street trees in the urban environment and the support for the Council's street tree planting programme is welcomed.  In recent years, due to increased demand for maintenance to be carried out on existing trees, the Council has focussed the application of its available resources primarily on tree pruning and removal activity. This resulted in very limited implementation of new or replacement tree planting across the county over the past few years.  However, as committed in the 2015-2020 Tree Management Policy "Living With Trees", the Council aims to identify an annual target and budget for tree planting to re-establish its commitment to a countywide programme of tree planting to ensure the renewal and continuity of our tree population for future generations.  In this regard, an additional €50,000 provision for tree planting was included under the Council's 2016 budget. This equates to approximately 1,000 trees across the county. A tree planting programme has been prepared and the implementation of this programme is ongoing and will be completed in spring 2017.As well as planning for renewal of the tree population, it is important to recognise and promote the value of existing trees.  South Dublin County has an estimated population of c.60,000 trees.  However, an inventory of street trees has not previously been undertaken and information relating to the numbers, distribution, age and condition of the trees is limited and it is currently not possible to accurately quantify the total number of existing trees in the Lucan/Palmerstown area.  Early in 2016, the Council purchased a computerised tree management system and commenced a countywide survey of our street trees.  This survey is ongoing and almost 10,000 trees have been surveyed and recorded to date.  Approximately 2,000 of these electronic records relate to trees in the Lucan Palmerstown area.  For each individual tree surveyed, the record comprises details of location, species, age, size, condition, maintenance history and management requirements. The Council is using this data to better manage its tree maintenance and to prioritise actions for our street tree population.   In relation to requests for tree removals in the Lucan/Palmerstown area, analysis of the Council's Customer Contact System indicates 88 records of requests categorised under the heading of 'Tree Removal' for the period January 1, 2016 to date.  The removal of trees is sought for a variety of reasons, some of which are valid while others are considered unwarranted.  The Council's 2015-2020 Tree Management Policy "Living With Trees" allows for the removal of street trees in certain circumstances.  These include where a street trees is dead, dying or potentially a public hazard that cannot be corrected through pruning or other reasonable arboricultural or engineering practices.  The Council's Tree Management Policy also specifies a number of circumstances that are not considered acceptable reasons for street tree removal.  Some inconvenience from street trees is considered a necessary and natural consequence of living in a district where street trees provide significant benefit to residents and the broader community.   The Council also recognises that trees under its ownership/management are sometimes implicated in issues that are not always attributable to the tree. Many such issues can frequently be resolved by alternative remedial measures that do not require unnecessary removal or pruning of a tree. It is also recognised that residents’ views on trees can vary greatly and a tree that is of great value and beauty to one person can be perceived as an unsightly nuisance to another. The Council’s role is to try to achieve a compromise, which is acceptable to the community at large but not necessarily to every individual within the community and to safeguard the tree population for the future, within available resources.Whether trees are managed for their amenity, social, economic or environmental benefits, their management must be balanced and proportionate to the actual risks from trees.  Decisions on planting, pruning, felling and the type of maintenance regime employed should be consistent and able to stand up scrutiny.  Where a request is made for removal of a tree, an inspection is carried out and each tree is evaluated for possible removal on a case-by-case basis having regard to the criteria for removal of a tree as set out in the Council's Tree Management Policy.  The Council considers that trees are important to the visual amenity of the County with many associated benefits and it has a general presumption against the needless felling of healthy trees.  It is important to recognise that the removal of a street tree will often negate the benefit of 30-40 years or more of growth. This asset is not easily replaced and the Council has a duty to act responsibly in managing a sustainable tree population for both current and future generations."Following contributions from Councillors G. O’Connell and P. Gogarty, Ms. M. Keenan, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED**.L/708/16 - M9 Item ID:51897 – COUNCIL OWNED LANDS AT COOLDRINAGHProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor D. O’Brien:-"That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to examine the feasibility of using Council-owned lands at Cooldrinagh, opposite the Springfield Hotel, for the provision of allotments."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**“The suggestion of utilising the land at Cooldrinagh for allotments will be considered in the forthcoming Allotments Strategy which will examine, inter alia:* the current waiting list
* existing sites
* the enhancement of existing allotment facilities
* the case for additional allotment facilities provision”

Following contributions from Councillor W. Lavelle, Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED.**L/709/16 - M10 Item ID:51915 – CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTIONProposed by Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole:-"That the Chief Executive provides a report on the plan for Christmas tree collections in 2016/17, including an updated report on what worked and what didn't last year and what improvements are planned this year."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The dates for the Christmas Tree Recycling Programme as advertised on the Councils website are from Wednesday 4th January to Friday 13th January 2017 inclusive. This service is free and is for domestic household trees only. Signage will be placed at the various locations indicating that it is an official recycling point."The Christmas Tree recycling locations for 2016/2017 are: **Lucan** 1. Beechpark open space
2. Sarsfield Park open space
3. Haydens Lane Car Park in Griffeen Valley Park
4. Foxborough open space

**Palmerstown**1. Glenaulin Park
2. Woodfarm Acres

A new security service was piloted at the Beech Park site between the hours of 17:00 to 1:00 on Friday 8th, Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th January 2016. This new arrangement proved to be effective and there were no fires recorded at this site in 2016. It is proposed to continue this arrangement in 2017 commencing on Friday 6th January until Sunday 8th."Motion 10 was **MOVED** without debate.L/710/16 - M11 Item ID:51948 – “FRIENDS OF WATERSTOWN PARK”Proposed by Councillor G. O'Connell second by Councillor L. O’Toole:-"That discussions take place between the Council and Palmerstown Community Council and the Liffey Valley Park Alliance with the objective of setting up on a pilot bases a “Friends of Waterstown Park” working group that would work alongside the Council to preserve, protect and develop this park to its potential in keeping with this Councils policy for this park. If successful this approach could be adopted for other Council parks."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"There are a number of robust systems currently in place which allow public representatives, residents and interested groups to engage with the Council. These include Customer Care, Membersnet, fix-your-street, Deputations and Area Committee Meetings. The setting up of a “Friends of Waterstown Park” working group would demand a range of resources to establish, develop and sustain and would replicate systems already in existence. If there are particular issues that the Palmerstown Community Council or the Liffey Valley Alliance would like addressed, contact should be made by one of the channels listed above where the matter can be followed up on and discussions take place where required."Following contributions from Councillo4r G. O’Connell, Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED**.EnvironmentL/711/16 - Q4 Item ID:51908 – LITTER BIN ON WILLSBROOK ROADProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle"To ask the Chief Executive if he will relocate the litter bin on Willsbrook Road opposite Bewley to the nearby pedestrian crossing/entrance to Willsbrook Park so as to better address littering in this area?"The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The bin on Willsbrook Road opposite Bewley estate will be removed and a new bin will be installed near the pedestrian crossing/entrance to Willsbrook Park."L/712/16 - H10 Item ID:51929 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/713/16 - C6 Item ID:51930 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)L/714/16 - M12 Item ID:51966 – LUCAN UNITED & AIRLIE HEIGHTSProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:-**Cathaoirleach's Business**"That the Chief Executive fully addressed all outstanding questions which arose following the meeting between Lucan United and Airlie Heights residents as it has been reported that some of the questions directed at the council have not been completed to date."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"Since the facilitated meeting between Airlie Heights residents and Lucan United, Council officials have been working towards resolving the issues raised by the residents pertinent to the Council.Most recently a meeting was held with club representatives on 7th December 2016 to discuss these issues and it is likely that a final facilitated meeting can be held between both parties very shortly."Motion 12 was **MOVED** without debate.Water & DrainageL/715/16 - H11 Item ID:51931 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/716/16 - C7 Item ID:51932 - CORRESPONDENCEProposed by Water & DrainageCorrespondence (No Business)CommunityL/717/16 - Q5 Item ID:51912 – LUCAN SWIMMING POOLProposed by Councillor P. Gogarty"To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the likely date for commencement of the public consultation process in relation to the Lucan Swimming Pool in the first quarter of 2017 as well as a timeframe for the agreed sit down scoping meeting involving Councillors and specific stakeholders that have been constructive and supportive of the project such as the Campaign for a Lucan Swimming Pool?"**REPLY:**"A design team has been appointed by South Dublin County Council following approval of this stage of the process by the Department of Transport Sport and Tourism.  This design team are currently working on a feasability study and design for the pool layout. The design will also require approval of the Department before proceeding.The Part 8 process including public consultation is still anticipated to start in the first quarter of 2017.  It was hoped to have a briefing meeting with  the Lucan Pool Group and Councillors before Christmas however the design team are still familiarising themselves with their brief including the site, its restrictions, cost etc.  This will now take place in the New Year following submissions of first drafts from them."L/718/16 - Q6 Item ID:51909 – THE BUSH CENTREProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on any meetings held with Scouting Ireland or the 180th Lucan Scouts in relation to the planned redevelopment of The Bush Centre?"**REPLY:**The Area Community Officer attempted to contact the group and left  a message. Once contact is made and the Area Team are made aware of the plans for the Centre, they can advise the group of supports available.L/719/16 - Q7 Item ID:51957 – “MENS SHED” FOR LUCANProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole"To ask the Chief Executive if a site can be identified for the Lucan area in relation to the set-up of a “Mens Shed” and if funding can be made available?"**REPLY:**The Community Development Team is available to meet with any group interested in setting a community group such as a 'Men's Shed' in the Lucan area.  There are a number of 'Men's Shed' groups operating in the county and have many different interests and focus and require different types of premises.  Until a group is identified, it would be premature to identify sites or accommodation.  If there is a group of interested men, they should be advised to contact the Community Officers.L/720/16 - H12 Item ID:51933 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/721/16 - C8 Item ID:51934 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)L/722/16 - M13 Item ID:51956 – CCTV IN LUCANProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell:-**Cathaoirleach's Business**"That the Chief Executive further investigate the provision of CCTV in the Lucan area as CCTV scheme does not currently exist in the Lucan Area, particularly in hot spots such as public amenity areas and sports club houses / facilities."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The provision of CCTV in Community and Sports Clubs is a matter for the management of these facilities. The Community Based CCTV Scheme (which was led by the then Department of Justice and Law Reform) is no longer open for any new funding applications.The Council continually examines options for surveillance to reduce incidences of littering / illegal dumping and dog fouling.  Such surveillance includes, inter alia, CCTV cameras which can assist in the prevention and detection of crime.In managing this service, the Council is mindful of resources available, and requests for the installation of technologies (fixed and mobile, overt and covert) are assessed on a case by case basis and have regard to criteria set out in the Litter Management Plan 2015-2019 i.e. where there is a demonstrated need to assist the Council in collecting evidence to assist in investigation of indiscriminate and persistent dumping and illegal activity.  Following contributions from Councillor L. O’Toole, Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED.**L/723/16 - M14 Item ID:51967 – DEFIBRILLATOR WITH THE COMMUNITYProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell:-"That the Chief Executive clarify what is the current policy with regard to the provision of defibrillators in the community centres, libraries etc.in the Lucan and Palmerstown area and to further discuss if defibrillator signage could be installed at these locations."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The installation, upkeep and maintenance of defibrillators is the responsibility for the committees/management, committees/companies, within their respective community centres and clubs.  There is a defibrillator located in Lucan Library (no signage).  There is currently no defibrillator in Stewards Library" Following contributions from Councillor L. O’Toole, Ms. A. Byrne, [Administrative](http://intranet/Council/?g=16) Officer responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED**.Housing**L/724/16 - SUSPENSORY/EMERGENCY MOTION – APOLLO HOUSE**In accordance with Standing Order 74 it was **AGREED** to suspend standing orders to deal with the following Suspensory/Emergency Motion in the names of Councillors G. O’Connell, L. O’Toole, E. O’Brien, W. Lavelle, D. O’Brien, R. Nolan and R. Gogarty:-L/725/16 - H13 Item ID:51935 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/726/16 - C9 Item ID:51936 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)PlanningL/727/16 - Q8 Item ID:51905 – ADAMSTOWN SDZProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update on this Council’s applications for Adamstown SDZ under the LIHAF Housing Infrastructure Fund?"**REPLY:**"On the 14 October 2016, South Dublin County Council (SDCC) submitted a proposal to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government (DHPLG) for €36 million in funding under the Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund (LIHAF) in relation to key pieces of cross cutting infrastructure (e.g. roads, parks, etc.) in Adamstown Strategic Development Zone (SDZ). The six (6) key pieces of infrastructure for which funding was sought were: Construction of Loop Road 1, 2 and 3; the Celbridge Link Road and junction upgrade; a regional park (Tandy’s lane or Airlie Park) and a community centre and sports hall. The delivery of this infrastructure is contingent on the phased provision of 2,123 residential units over a three (3) year period (i.e. January 2017 to December 2019).In November 2016, the DHPLG sought clarification from SDCC in relation to a number of aspects of all LIHAF applications including detailed costings and delivery capacity. SDCC submitted a response to the DHPLG on the 30 November 2016.  The DHPLG have indicated that a preliminary decision on funding applications will be made in mid-December 2016."L/728/16 - Q9 Item ID:51906 – ALL WEATHRE FACILITY AT ADAMSTOWN SDZProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update on plans to provide an All-Weather Facility at Adamstown SDZ as required under the Planning Scheme?"**REPLY:**"Adamstown Strategic Development Zone (SDZ) Planning Scheme is currently in Phase 2. The provision of an all-weather facility is a requirement of Phase 2. Preliminary preplanning discussions have taken place in relation to the delivery of this facility. To date no planning application has been lodged for this proposal."L/729/16 H14 Item ID:51937 – PLANNING FILESProposed by PlanningPlanning Files **A. Large Applications Under Consideration** **FILE DISCUSSED**: SDZ16A/0003**LOCATION**: Tobermaclugg, Adamstown, Lucan, Co Dublin**COMMENTS**: Councillor W. Lavelle commented on the application.**FILE DISCUSSED**: SDZ16A/0004**LOCATION**: Adamstown Square 3, Adamstown, Lucan, Co. Dublin**COMMENTS**: There were no comments made on this application.**B. Files Requested by Members****FILE REQUESTED BY**: Councillors P. Gogarty and W. Lavelle**FILE DISCUSSED**: SD16A/0381**LOCATION**: Ballyowen Castle Shopping Centre, Castle Road, Lucan, Co. Dublin**COMMENTS**: Councillor P. Gogarty commented on the application.**FILE REQUESTED BY**: Councillor W. Lavelle**FILE DISCUSSED**: SDZ16A/0003**LOCATION**: Tobermaclugg, Adamstown, Lucan, Co Dublin**COMMENTS**: Councillor W. Lavelle commented on the application L/730/16 - H15 Item ID:51938 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/731/16 - C10 Item ID:51968 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)TransportationL/732/16 - Q10 Item ID:51907 – PUBLIC LIGHTING IN THE CIVINITY OF ST. JOSEPH’S COLLEGEProposed by Councillor W. Lavelle"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update on plans to improve public lighting at bus-stops in the vicinity of St. Joseph’s College as requested by 6th Years students for the purposes of enhancing public safety and as I had raised at the November meeting?"**REPLY:**“This location has been included on the list of ongoing inspections and the possibility of an upgrade in early 2017 is being examined.”L/733/16 - Q11 Item ID:51602 – VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME IN LUCAN VILLAGEProposed by Councillor D. O'Brien"To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the village improvement scheme in Lucan village has the design for the village and for the weir been finalised and what is the timeframe for this work to take place?"**REPLY:**“The preliminary design for Lucan Bridge Plaza was included in the Part VIII for Lucan Village in 2015 and this element of the Part VIII was passed by the elected members.A consulting structural engineer will be procured for the scheme in early 2017 with a view to going to tender in the latter half of the year.”L/734/16 - Q12 Item ID:51953 –SPEED BUMPS IN LUCANProposed by Councillor E. O'Brien"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the current specification required for speed bumps used in the Lucan area?"**REPLY:**“The provision of ramps on Irish roads has gone through numerous legislative and guideline requirements and recommendations over the years.At present, entry and exit gradients should not exceed 1 in 10 or 1 in 15 on a bus route. Height should not exceed 75mm and the length cannot be less than 900mm.The road must first be assessed in terms of whether or not it is a bus route and if a large bus platform or speed cushions could be used.If it is not a bus route, then you establish if it is a round top or a flat top ramp that you are installing. If it is flat top, this will have to be longer in order for the entry and exit gradients reach the height of the footpath in order to facilitate crossing, hence, these ramps tend to be long. With this type of ramp, you need to provide gullies on the high side of the ramp because the ramp impedes water flow in the channel.Round top ramps tend to be in more frequent use because once they are located within 8m of a public lighting column, not interfering with driveways and finished 300mm off the kerb line, they are more appropriate for residential areas.Finally SDCC have developed a new ramp design based on all the foregoing that is expected to work well in the context of the 30kph speed limit. This ramp has an entry / exit gradient of 1 in 10, a maximum height of 75mm and a length of 2.5m. Ramps of similar geometry have been in use in the Paddocks for a number of years.”L/735/16 - Q13 Item ID:51615 – PARKING METERS IN PALMERSTOWN VILLAGEProposed by Councillor G. O'Connell"To ask the Chief Executive to have the Parking Meters in Palmerstown Village adjusted so as to provide the same level of service as similar meters throughout the County and to reconcile the fact that all meters are in fact within the Village area. At present there is a difference between those on Lower Kennelsfort Rd and those on the Old Lucan Road and the ones on the Old Lucan Road appear to give lesser value for money. Also, to indicate if Palmerstown Village enjoys free parking on Saturdays as previously requested?"**REPLY:**"Pay and Display Parking is operational in Palmerstown Village Monday to Saturday inclusive.  There are currently seven Pay and Display Meters in the Palmerstown Area.  Meters 92, 93, 94 and 96 and their respective parking spaces are included in the 30 Minute free Parking Scheme. However, Meters 97 and 98 are located at Woodfarm Cottages and Red Cow Cottages, which are considered residential areas with a high level of Permit Parking (residential and visitors).  In accordance with the provisions of South Dublin County Council (Control of Parking) Bye Laws 2010 parking at these locations are not included in the 30 Minutes Free Parking.  It should be noted that this measure is in place in order to ensure parking is available for Permit Holders. Similarly, Meter 99, which is situated alongside Stewarts Hospital and faces a row of residential properties is not included in the 30 Minutes Free Parking Scheme. In all there are 25 Permit Holders in the Palmerstown Area covered by the aforementioned locations and this number is steadily growing.  Locations not covered by the 30 Minutes Free Parking Scheme can avail of the 10 Minutes grace period.  All Pay and Display Meters included in the 30 Minutes Free Parking Scheme are clearly marked.  Any changes to the current scheme in Palmerstown would require amendments to the South Dublin County Council (Control of Parking) Bye Laws 2010."L/736/16 - Q14 Item ID:51627 – PLAY SIGNS IN LUCAN & PALMERSTOWNProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Play signs in the Lucan and Palmerstown area and to include the estate that remain outstanding?"**REPLY:**"The poles for the signs are being erected. These are the same poles that will be used for the new speed control zone signs to be erected as part of the Speed Limit Review process. Once the Speed Limit Review is passed by the full Council, the new combined signs can be fixed to the poles."L/737/16 - H16 Item ID:51647 – SPEED LIMIT REVIEW UPDATEMr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer presented the following report:- Speed Limit Review Update[HI 16 - Speed Limit Review Update](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54267)[Rural Speed Limit Sign](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54268)Following contributions from Councillor W. Lavelle, Mr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and it was AGREED that there would be a further briefing at 2.30 pm 9th January 2017 prior to the Full Council Meeting. It was also AGREED that aHeaded Item be brought to the Lucan ACM on 24th January 2016 and the report was NOTED.L/738/16 - H17 Item ID:51939 – PROPOSED DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADSProposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads (No Business)L/739/16 - H18 Item ID:51940 – NEW WORKSNew Works (No Business)L/740/16 - C11 Item ID:51941 - CORRESPONDENCECorrespondence (No Business)L/741/16 - M15 Item ID:51959 – WILLSBROOK ROADWORKSProposed by Councillor L. O'Toole seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell:-**Cathaoirleach's Business**"That the Chief Executive ensure that any further works to be carried out at Willsbrook and surrounding areas that prioritise consideration is given to residents affected by the road works including the provision of points men at peak times as recent reports have confirmed that residents have spent up to 20 minutes getting out of their estates."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**“Delays exiting in Willsbrook were common before the commencement of these works.  The main road, ie Willsbrook Road is the priority road for traffic flow.  To-date most of the disruptive work has been carried out by the contractor on site between the hours of 10am-4pm to ensure that peak time traffic was not affected.  Some resurfacing works have already been carried out during the night to prevent any traffic congestion in the area.  We will continue to monitor traffic flow into subsequent phases and apologise for any inconvenience caused to local residents.”Following contributions from Councillors L. O’Toole, W. Lavelle and P. Gogarty, Mr. M. Johnson, Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED.**L/742/16 - M16 Item ID:51605 – SMALL VERGE AREA IN MOY GLAS AVENUEProposed by Councillor D. O'Brien seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole:-"That this Area Committee requests that the small verge area opposite number 1 Moy Glas Ave be cleared and grass be planted as the plants have been set on fire twice in the last two months."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**“Having checked the Taking in Charge drawing, this area was not taken into charge of SDCC.”Motion 16 was **MOVED** without debate.L/743/16 - M17 Item ID:51895 – TRAFFIC SIGNALS NEWCASTLE ROAD/ESKER ROADProposed by Councillor V. Casserly,Councillor W. Lavelle seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:-"That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to review the effectiveness of the operation of the traffic signals at the Newcastle Road/Esker Road junctions, noting the serious concerns expressed by residents of Finnstown Abbey, Grange Manor, The Old Forge and Johnsbridge in relation to chronic traffic congestion and tailbacks all the way from these signals back to Griffeen Avenue."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**"The efficiency of the traffic signal operation will be examined in light of the competing demands. Adjustments to the sequencing will be made if we find that it will improve traffic flow."Following contributions from Councillor W. LavelleL/744/16 - M18 Item ID:51946 – TRAFFIC SURVEY KENNELSFORT ROAD UPPER Proposed by Councillor G. O'Connell seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:-"That the Chief Executive provide a report (as previously promised on foot of my October 2016 Motion) based on the traffic survey carried out on Kennelsfort Road Upper over the Summer detailing the exact days and times of the survey, the exact location of the equipment/survey, evidence as to the accuracy of the equipment used, on a per day basis (a) the total number of vehicles monitored (b) the number of vehicles in excess of 3.5t (c) the number of vehicles in excess of 7.5t (d) the number of Buses and Bin lorries and to include in his report what conclusions can be drawn from the survey on a professional bases and if these finding have been shared with An Garda Siochana and if yes what is their reaction and if not shared why not and that this report be debated by this committee and appropriate action, to address the concerns of residents of Kennelsfort Road and the greater Palmerstown Area, if any, be proposed."The following report by the Chief Executive was **READ:-**

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|  | Date Submitted: 07/12/2016  | Owners: William Purcell  |
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|  | *For ease of reference and reply the Motion is re-written and broken down into individual items.*"That the Chief Executive provide a report (as previously promised on foot of my October 2016 Motion) based on the traffic survey carried out on Kennelsfort Road Upper over the Summer detailing:1. the exact days and times of the survey?

Answer: The Counter was installed between 11:00 and 12:00 on May 26th and removed on June 2nd1. the exact location of the equipment/survey?

Answer: The counter was located on Kennelsfort Road at the pedestrian crossing beside the former 18 bus terminus. (Photo attached) 1. evidence as to the accuracy of the equipment used?

Answer: A one hour manual count was carried out at the location. A comparison with the count data for that hour revealed no discrepanciesand on a per day basis (a) the total number of vehicles monitored? 10512+9774+7789+9692+9977+10012=**57756**(b) the number of vehicles in excess of 3.5t = **828**(c) the number of vehicles in excess of 7.5t ? **828**(d1) the number of Buses = Class 12 = **609**(d2)and Bin lorries? = Class 3 and 4 Rigid **= 117**and to include in his report what conclusions can be drawn from the survey on a professional bases ?Conclusions:The survey took place over 6 full 24 hour periods during school term1.4% of the total vehicles surveyed were 3,5T or larger73.5% of this 1.4% were buses/coaches and a further 14.1% were Bin lorries.102 vehicles out of 57756 or 0.18% were of other classes greater than 3.5T.The foregoing figures are not significant and do not suggest abuse of the weight restriction on Kennelsfort Road.and if these finding have been shared with An Garda Siochana ? YESand if yes what is their reaction ?Reply: They were in agreement with our response.and if not shared why not ?and that this report be debated by this committee and appropriate action, to address the concerns of residents of Kennelsfort Road and the greater Palmerstown Area, if any, be proposed." |

A traffic count was carried out on Kennelsfort in May/ 2016 using an automated traffic counter.Classified count results for each complete day are tabulated belowIt should be noted that the equipment classifies by length and number of axles not by weight. SDCC accept that all vehicles in Class 1, 2 and 5 are less than 3.5Tonnes in weight. For the sake of this survey all vehicles in Class 3 and 4 are accepted as above 3.5 and 7.5 Tonnes. WE have no method of differentiating and our method is more conservative in its analytical approach. |

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The meeting concluded at 6.05 pm.

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