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SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

Minutes of South Dublin County Council Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting dealing with Transportation, Planning, Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management, Water & Drainage, Public Realm, Environment, Housing and Community, held on 15th November 2017.

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

 Councillor B. Bonner

 Councillor T. Gilligan

 Councillor J. Graham

 Councillor E. Higgins

 Councillor M. Johansson

 Councillor F. Timmons

 Councillor M. Ward

Cathaoirleach, Councillor M. Ward, presided.

**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Senior Executive Officer Ms. M. Maguire, Mr. H. Hogan, Ms. C. Benson

Senior Engineer Mr. T. O’Grady, Mr. W. Purcell

Senior Planner Mr. N. O’Byrne

County Librarian Ms. B. Fennell

Senior Executive Parks Superintendent Mr. D. Fennell

Senior Executive Planner Ms. S. Duff

Senior Community Officer Mr. P. McAlerney

Senior Staff Officer Ms. F. Murphy

Staff Officer Ms. P. O’Reilly

Assistant Staff Officer Ms. I. Kenny

**C/266/17 – (H1) Item ID: 55547 – Confirmation & Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 18th October, 2017**

The Minutes of the October meeting of the Clondalkin Area Committee dealing with Community, Housing, Planning, Transportation, Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Performance & Change Management, Corporate Support, Public Realm, Environment and Water & Drainage, held on 18th October 2017, which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED**

[Minutes 18th October 2017](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57476)

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **RESOLVED**:

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of 20th September 2017, be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**C/267/17 – Questions**

Notwithstanding Councillor Timmons’s expressed dissatisfaction with responses provided to Questions 9 and 11 which was noted, it was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor B. Bonner, and **RESOLVED:**

“That pursuant to Standing Order 13, Questions 1 to 15, be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

## **Transportation**

### **C/268/17 – (Q1) Item ID: 55581 – St. Finian’s N.S.**

Proposed by Councillor E. Higgins

"To ask for flashing speedometer lights in Newcastle at the approach to St Finian's N.S."

**REPLY:**

There are currently no plans to install speed display signs at this location.  Speeds tend to be low in this area especially during school opening/ closing times due to school related congestion.

It is noted that flashing school warning signs are already in place at this location**.**

### **C/269/17 – (Q2) Item ID: 55405 – Boot Road Car Parking Spaces**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask for a report on the Boot Roads car parking spaces. How many have been agreed? what is location? when will work start? and what is cost?"

**REPLY:**

It is proposed to provide 10/12 spaces in total. There will be two locations - at the green on Rockfield Drive and at the southern end of the green on the Inner Boot Road. It is proposed to undertake the works by direct labour utilising the Council's Traffic Crew.  The estimated cost of materials (stone, kerbs, concrete) is €6,000.00.

It is hoped to carry out the works on Rockfield Drive before the end of this year and the works on the Inner Boot Road in the early part of 2018 depending on the availability of the Traffic Crew (there is a long list of works to be undertaken).

### **C/270/17 – (Q3) Item ID: 55597 – Footpath Repairs in the Clondalkin LEA**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"To ask the Chief Executive for a report on what housing estates and roads listed for footpath repairs in the Clondalkin LEA will be completed this year and in 2018."

**REPLY:**

The following areas had footpath repairs carried out in 2017 :

Oatfield, Monksfield, St Mark's Estate, Melrose Lawn, Michael Collins Park,

Cloverhill Road, Lindisfarne Ave.,  Lealand Close, Riversdale Estate,  St. Anthony's Ave.

The 2018 programme is being prepared.

### **C/271/17 – (Q4) - Item ID: 55406 – Tower Road**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask for an update following traffic meeting and motion agreed on the road coming out of car park on Tower Road and cars driving wrong way up Tower Road , when will work start on this? and sign on opposite side has been knocked again.

**REPLY:**

New signs - Turn Left (Traffic Signs Manual reference RUS 006) and No Entry (Traffic Signs manual reference RUS 050) along with "No Entry" road markings will be provided to make it clear that traffic can only turn left when exiting the car park.

### **C/272/17 – (Q5) Item ID: 55610 – Station Road**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"Can the Chief Executive write to Dublin Bus to ask them to put a service on Station Road to cater for people from Millford Manor, Palmerstown Woods and users of the Industrial Estate and Wheatfield Prison."

**REPLY:**

If the question is approved, a letter will be issued to Dublin Bus, and when a reply is received, the Committee will be notified accordingly.

**C/273/ 17 – (H2) Item ID: 55522 – New Works**

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

**C/274/17 – (H3) Item ID: 55521 – Proposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads**

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

### **C/275/17 – (H4) Item ID: 55550 – Winter Maintenance Plan 2017 - 2018**

The following report was presented by Mr. T. O’Grady, Senior Engineer:

**Winter Maintenance Plan 2017-2018**

[HI 4](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57298)

### Following a contribution from Councillor B. Bonner, Mr. T. O’Grady, Senior Engineer responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/276/17 – (C1) Item ID: 55523 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/277/17 – (M1) Item ID: 55514 – Go Car Scheme**

It was proposed by Councillor B. Bonner and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

"This committee commends the operation of the Go Car scheme and requests that the scheme would be expanded in the Clondalkin area.  It also requests that consideration could be given to adapting the scheme so that cars could be left at different locations rather than being dropped back to the point where the car was collected as is required at the moment."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“The Council will request GoCar to carry out a feasibility study on possible expansion of GoCar in Clondalkin. Residents can visit [GoCar.ie/Locations](http://scanmail.trustwave.com/?c=6600&amp;d=3OH72Y3IVlqdISYUPRuLcxKRd7Se1U6IFprukSKGFQ&amp;s=344&amp;u=http%3a%2f%2fGoCar%2eie%2fLocations) to request a GoCar near a certain street or area.

There are a number of reasons why GoCar currently operate on a return-to-base model, rather than one-way or free floating.  A one-way service does not allow forward-planning - if a member wants to book a car for 6pm, they need to know the car will be there and available. For example, you cannot reserve a Dublin Bike; if you’re left without a bike, there are usually other options available for that journey, whereas being left without a car is much more difficult. The security of knowing a car will be available when needed is what gives people the confidence to rely on GoCar rather than owning a car. What many transportation policy-makers are beginning to realise is that you would never go from one location to another in your own car and never return to it, so one-way services are often not replacing private cars, but instead replacing taxis, or more often, public transport. GoCar is currently reviewing the possibility of a mixed fleet, where the majority of vehicles are returned to base offering peace-of-mind, but there are some cars which are free-floating, allowing drivers to access a first-mile or last-mile solution to connect existing public transport networks.

There are also a limited number of Public Parking spaces available and it may not be feasible for the car to be left back at different locations rather than being dropped back to the point where the car was collected.”

Following a contribution from Councillor B. Bonner, Mr. T. O’Grady, Senior Engineer responded, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/278/17 – (M2) Item ID: 55580 – Traffic Issues in Rathcoole**

In the absence of Councillor E. Higgins, the following motion **FELL:**

"That in light of a decision to grant planning permission for an Apart Hotel development in Rathcoole and given the current traffic issues already experienced that the Traffic Department prepare and present a full traffic management plan/strategy to local councillors."

### **C/279/17 – (M3) Item ID: 55518 – Castle Park & Monastery Road Junction**

It was proposed by Councillor B. Bonner and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

"This committee contends that the stone trapezoidal structure at the junction of Castle Park and Monastery Road should be removed in order to improve visibility for drivers seeking to exit Castle Park.  The current situation is hazardous and the newly established pedestrian crossing at Tully's Castle has exacerbated the situation.  Drivers coming out of Castle Park cannot see the crossing until they are right on it.  Several near misses have been reported at this location.

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“The matter will be investigated and a report on findings will be brought to a future ACM.”

Following a contribution from Councillor B. Bonner, Mr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

## **Planning**

**C/280/17 – (H5) Item ID: 55525 – New Works**

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

**C/281/17 – (H6) Item ID: 55524 – Planning Files**

**Large Planning Files under Construction**

The following Planning Files were presented by Ms. S. Duff, Senior Executive Planner:

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0354**LOCATION:** Grange Castle Business Park, Nangor Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22. **COMMENTS:** There were no comments made on this application. |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0356**LOCATION:** Green Lane, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin. **COMMENTS:** Councillors E. Higgins, F. Timmons and T. Gilligan commented on  this application. |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0357**LOCATION:** Green Lane, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin. **COMMENTS:** Councillors E. Higgins, F. Timmons and T. Gilligan commented on  this application. |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0377**LOCATION:** Profile Park, Baldonnell, Dublin 22. **COMMENTS:** There were no comments made on this application. |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0378**LOCATION:** Newcastle, Co. Dublin. **COMMENTS:** There were no comments made on this application. |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0388**LOCATION:** Grange Castle Business Park, Nangor Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22 **COMMENTS:** There were no comments made on this application. |

### **C/282/17 – (C2) Item ID: 55526 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/283/17 – (M4) Item ID: 55412 – Clondalkin Drugs & Alcohol Task Force**

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor M. Ward:

"This committee supports the Clondalkin Drugs and Alcohol task force ‘’Alcohol Strategy’’.   We are mindful of Ireland's unhealthy relationship with alcohol and the effects of excessive drinking on our Families , Friends , Children , Community and our Nation’s Health.  In this regard we will commit to taking the following steps:

1)      We ask the Planners of SDCC not to permit any further shops/off licences that increase availability of alcohol in the Clondalkin area.

2)      We ask SDCC Planning Department, in relation to the Clonburris SDZ that we as a Council limit alcohol places of sale as much as possible       and where there are places is not near community centre, sports facilities and schools.

3)      We ask that SDCC run a campaign to educate and inform on the dangers of excessive drinking.

4)      We reaffirm our support for The Public Health (*Alcohol*) *Bill in* its entirety and commit to writing to minister to express this.

5)       We commit to write to the relevant minister to stop alcohol been sold in Garages as a further step in reducing risk."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“Decisions regarding planning applications for development must be made in accordance with statutory and regulatory provisions and be consistent with development plan policies and objectives.  Regard must also be had for statutory guidance and rules relating to market competition.  In this context it is not be possible to refuse planning permission for any further shops/off licences that increase availability of alcohol. Planning legislation or the development plan has no legal basis to impose this type of prohibition. Furthermore such an approach could be seen as anti-competitive and protective of existing outlets.

The subcommittee have applied for funding under the Healthy Ireland Fund to carry out a mapping of alcohol outlets in the Clondalkin area.  If granted the work will commence in early 2018 and the results will be made available to the Council and the subcommittee believe will show a high saturation of Alcohol outlets in the Clondalkin area. This information can then inform future planning in the area.

The subcommittee are also members of the National Alcohol Forum and through that forum five local people in Clondalkin have been trained on issues that alcohol misuse can lead to for an individual, family or community. The subcommittee are also pushing the National campaign askaboutalcohol.ie at local level and working with the GAA who have an alcohol worker available to local clubs and they provide information on alcohol consumption and performance in sport.

As part of the National Community Action on Alcohol Programme (NCAAP) the subcommittee have supported the campaign to have the Public Health Alcohol Bill passed in its entirety as it will have an impact on availability of alcohol, separation of alcohol from food in shops and introduce a minimum unit pricing system. As part of this campaign the subcommittee have written to all local politicians seeking their support for this.

The Clonburris Strategic Development Zone Draft Planning Scheme was on public display from 22nd September to 3rd November 2017. At time of writing, the Chief Executive’s Report on submissions is being prepared. As outlined in the above paragraph, the limitation places of sale for alcohol is not within the remit of the planning legislation. Therefore such a requirement cannot be imposed through the Draft Planning Scheme.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons, K. Egan, M. Johansson, T. Gilligan and M. Ward, Mr. N. O’Byrne, Senior Planner responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

## **Economic Development**

### **C/284/17 – (H7) Item ID: 55527 – New Works**

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

### **C/285/17 – (C3) Item ID: 55528 - Correspondence**

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

## **Libraries & Arts**

### **C/286/17 – (H8) Item ID: 55531 – New Works**

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

### **C/287/17 – (H9) Item ID: 55529 – Libraries News & Events**

The following report was presented by Ms. B. Fennell, County Librarian

Library News & Events

[HI 9](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57427)

Following contributions from Councillors M. Ward, B. Bonner and E. Higgins, Ms. B. Fennell, County Librarian responded to queries, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/288/17 – (H10) Item ID: 55530 – Application for Arts Grants**

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

### **C/289/17 – (C4) Item ID: 55532 - Correspondence**

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

## **Corporate Support**

### **C/290/17 – (H11)/1117 Item ID: 55533 – New Works**

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

### **C/291/17 – (C5) Item ID: 55534 - Correspondence**

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[Cor 3](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57454)
[Cor 4](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57455)

The correspondence was **NOTED.**

### **C/292/17 – (M5) Item ID: 55608 – Catalonia’s Declaration of Independence**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor J. Graham:

"In 1919 when Dáil Éireann declared independence for Ireland not a single state recognised the Irish republic which the British declared illegal. What resulted was war, division and the partition of Ireland. This Committee recognises Catalonia's declaration of independence and will write to the Minister for Foreign Affairs informing him of our decision and asking him to recognise and accept Catalonia's declaration of independence."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

If the motion is passed, a letter will be issued to the Minister for Foreign Affairs for his attention, and when a reply is received, the Committee will be notified accordingly.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors E. Higgins, B. Bonner, J. Graham, F. Timmons, T. Gilligan, M. Johannson and M. Ward. It was **AGREED** to take a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

**FOR: 3 (Three)** Councillors J. Graham, M. Johansson, M. Ward

**AGAINST:** **4 (Four)** Councillors B. Bonner, K. Egan, E. Higgins, F. Timmons

**ABSTAIN:** **1 (One)** Councillor T. Gilligan

The Motion **FELL.**

### **C/293/17 – (M6) Item ID: 55345 – Phenylketonuria (PKU)**

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor M. Ward:

"That this committee agrees that in regards to Phenylketonuria (PKU). We need to make Kuvan available to those that need it and money should not be a reason to refuse it.  (Some Facts: 1) Ireland has one of the highest rates of PKU 2).  Kuvan was approved by EU regulatory agencies in 2009 for use in 20 European countries.  We commit to writing to the Minister for Health and asking that this drug Kuvan be at least trialled in Ireland so that the positive effects can be monitored and seen."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“If the motion is passed, a letter will be issued to the Minister for Health for his attention, and when a reply is received, the Committee will be notified accordingly.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and M. Ward, the motion was **PASSED.**

### **C/294/17 (M7) Item ID: 55609 – Apprenticeship Schemes**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

"To ask the Chief Executive to produce a report for discussion on what have the council got in place in relation to Apprenticeship Schemes eg: Painter, Builder, Electrician, Plumber etc.

How do people apply?

What is the criteria to avail of such schemes?"

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“The Council has developed a substantial Apprenticeship programme as part of the Workforce Plan with 14 posts identified across Painters, Plumbers, Carpenters, Fitter Mechanics and Bricklayers. The programme is developed in accordance with the requirements set out by Solas for providing apprenticeships as it is a national qualification that is awarded on completion. Full information on the apprenticeship programme is available on a dedicated website [www.apprenticeship.ie](http://www.apprenticeship.ie/en/SitePages/Home.aspx)    To date the Council has recruited 8 apprentices and further recruitment will take place in the new year to fill the remaining positions.”

Following contributions from Councillors M. Ward and T. Gilligan, Ms. C. Benson, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/295/17 – (M8) Item ID: 55402 – Clondalkin Rainbow Alliance**

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor M. Ward:

"That this committee supports the Clondalkin Rainbow Alliance in their work to promote positive LGBT interaction and acceptance in promoting the Rainbow charter.   We ask SDCC to promote and encourage the charter through libraries and council buildings as a means of promoting and developing fully inclusive workplaces for the LGBT community."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“Clondalkin Rainbow Alliance can get in contact with the Council's Communications Manager, Niall Noonan, around any initiatives they have and he would be happy to discuss ways the Council can support with them.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and M. Ward, Ms. C. Benson, Senior Executive Officer responded, and the report was **NOTED.**

At this stage of the meeting, Councillor M. Ward, on behalf of the elected members, congratulated Councillor F. Timmons on his recent wedding.

## **Performance & Change Management**

### **C/296/17 – (H12) Item ID: 55535 – New Works**

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

### **C/297/17 – (C6) Item ID: 55536 - Correspondence**

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

## **Water & Drainage**

### **C/298/17 – (H13) Item ID: 55537 – New Works**

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

### **C/299/17 – (C7) Item ID: 55538 - Correspondence**

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

**Public Realm**

### **C/300/17 – (Q6) Item ID: 55517 – Fonthill Road Planting of Beds**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"What is the plan for the re planting of the bed on the Fonthill Road between Boot Road and Caldbeck Way?  What type of plants will be used and when will the work commence?"

**REPLY:**

The nature of the works will involve the removal of the existing vegetation and re-landscaping the area to include the planting of trees and shrubbery. The works will also involve some hard landscaping through the use of a stone/brick retaining edge around the planted areas. The width of the planted area will be reduced to allow for a wider footpath, thus improving accessibility along the Fonthill Road.

Works will commence in early 2018.

### **C/301/17 – (Q7) Item ID: 55582 – Planned Investment in Corkagh Park**

Proposed by Councillor E. Higgins

"To ask for an update on the planned investment in Corkagh Park?"

**REPLY:**

The Corkagh and Camac Park Study outlined opportunities for the enhancement of the park based on assessment of recreational provision elsewhere and feedback from the local population and service providers.

The Study was presented to the Environment and EETD SPCs in February and an update presented to the Clondalkin ACM in May, and the full council in July 2017. The Council endorsed the plan to continue with budgeted/programmed infrastructure upgrades listed in the 2017 revenue budget and the 2017-2020 capital programme and progress as follows:

* Commission focused detailed studies on environmental, technical, financial, tourism elements & assess market interest
* Deliver and implement a Signage and Branding Strategy
* Further upgrade existing infrastructure to create a strong platform from which the Council can roll-out the implementation of new developments outlined within the study.
* Further investment proposals informed by detailed studies above

A tender for the above work is currently being prepared.

### **C/302/17 – (Q8) Item ID: 55579 – Disgarded Syringes/Needles**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"Can the Chief Executive provide a report on the amount of reports of discarded syringes/needles per LEA and what is the Council's policy in relation to this?"

**REPLY:**

It is not possible to provide a report on the amount of reports of discarded syringes / needles per LEA.

However, the Council is aware of incident(s), which have been brought to its attention and appreciates the concerns expressed by communities in this regard.

The Council advises as follows:

If any member of the public comes in contact with waste where syringes or drug paraphernalia are present, they should immediately call County Hall, Customer Care on 01/4149000, through which the call is logged (for record) and referred directly to our Public Realm Unit.

As our Public Realm crew are trained in needle stick awareness, we make immediate arrangements to attend on site and remove reported items.

**Members of the public are advised not to make any direct contact with this paraphernalia**

### **C/303/17 – (Q9) Item ID: 55407 – Playspace Programme**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask for a report into Clondalkin playspaces and what ones will be delivered up to the next local election? Where is the one for Boot Road and Balgaddy at? Can I have as much detail on each please?"

**REPLY:**

**Playspace Programme 2014-2018**

**Introduction**

The programme has been very successful to date, particularly taking into account the difficulties encountered during the early phases. With hard work and significant active involvement from elected members and local communities, and direct engagement with children; the Council can be proud to be in a position where it is now perceived to be at the vanguard of creating new play opportunities close to where children live. It can also be proud to have embraced a new type of play space delivery – using the concepts of Natural Play and where children can create their own play opportunities.

**Delivery to date**

17 play space projects have been constructed to date with the following delivered in the Clondalkin area:

Clondalkin

* Quarryvale Park, Clondalkin
* Rathcoole Park
* Knockmitten Park

**Planned Programme to the end of 2018**

In July of 2017 a completion programme was presented to the Councillors and the following play spaces are programmed for the Clondalkin area for delivery in 2018:

* Boot Road
* North Clondalkin (2 No. playspaces) (Neilstown/ Collinstown Park)
* Bawnogue area (3 No. playspaces)
* Newcastle

Other locations can be considered post 2018 under the normal 3 year rolling capital programme.

### **C/304/17 – (H14) Item ID: 55539 – New Works**

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

### **C/305/17 – (C8) Item ID: 55540 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/306/17 – (M9) Item ID: 55577 – Damaged section of wall at Quarryvale Park**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor T. Gilligan:-

"This Committee agrees that  the Chief Executive should arrange to fix the section of the wall at Quarryvale Park on Shancastle Lawns. This damaged section has been used to bring cars into the park that were subsequently set on fire."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“The wall at Shancastle Park has been incrementally vandalised over a period of time and currently there is a 22 meter long section which is missing. Boulders have been used to close off any openings and these have proved successful where used. While the most recent section of vandalised wall is currently unsecured arrangements are in hand to rectify this.

The design of the wall is being examined to determine if there is a more suitable robust method to secure the park at this location.”

Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/307/17 – (M10) Item ID: 55477 – Repair fence on wall at Harelawn Park**

It was proposed by Councillor J. Graham and seconded by T. Gilligan:

"That this committee agrees that the fence on the wall at Harelawn Park facing onto the Coldcut Road is replaced."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“The matter of replacing the fence on the wall at Harelawn Park facing onto the Coldcut Road will be examined by the Roads Section.”

Following contributions from Councillor J. Graham, Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and report was **NOTED.**

### **C/308/17 – (M11) Item ID: 55516 – Memorial in Corkagh Park**

The following motion was submitted by Councillor B. Bonner:

"This committee requests that as a memorial to the Clondalkin men who lost their lives in World War One a grove of trees would be planted in Corkagh Park with poppies planted around them.  A plaque bearing the names of those who died in the War to end all Wars would complete this memorial."

The following **AMENDED** motion was proposed by Councillor B. Bonner and seconded by Councillor T. Gilligan:

"This committee requests that as a memorial to the Clondalkin men who lost their lives in World War One a grove of trees would be planted in Corkagh Park. A plaque bearing the names of those who died in the War to end all Wars would complete this memorial."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“In accordance with the Naming & Commemorative Memorial Policy, proposals for commemorative plaques and monuments must be made in writing to:

Infrastructure Naming Committee,

Mayor’s Office

County Hall,

Tallaght,

Dublin 24.

Submissions should include the text of the proposed wording for a monument or plaque along with dimensions, details of the materials and visualisations (design, drawings) of the proposal.”

Following contributions from Councillors B. Bonner, M. Ward and T. Gilligan, Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent and Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised, and the motion as amended, was **NOTED.**

## **Environment**

### **C/309/17 – (Q10) Item ID: 55515 – RIC Barracks**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"What is the current status of the old RIC Barracks in Clondalkin Village?  Is it being handled under the derelict sites provision?  Does this mean that the building might come into the ownership of the Council?  In this event, would it be possible that the building might be used by local community groups?"

**REPLY:**

A Section 11 Notice was served by registered post to the address on file for the registered owner (currently in absentia) and in accordance with the prescribed legislation requested the owner to maintain the site, keeping it clear of rubbish and safe and secure. The notice was also affixed in a conspicuous position at the site on 10th October, 2017.

The expiry of this notice will be 21st November, 2017.  After 21st November 2017 the site will then be re-inspected and the report will determine the course of action required, including whether the site should continue to be monitored under the derelict sites provision.  It is therefore premature to refer to any potential vesting of the site under the Derelict Sites Act 1990, as amended. (It should be noted that all previous vestings have taken place in collaboration with the Housing Department, and those properties have been taken into housing stock to support the Council's Housing Strategy).

The Land-Use Planning and Transportation Department along with the Council's Architectural Conservation Officer will continue in their efforts and will continue to monitor the site while liaising directly with the Derelict Sites Section, Environment Department in this regard.

### **C/310/17 – (H15) Item ID: 55541 – New Works**

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

### **C/311/17 – (C9) Item ID: 55542 - Correspondence**

Correspondence

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The correspondence was **NOTED.**

## **Housing**

### **C/312/17 – (Q11) Item ID: 55408 – Outreach Emergency Contact**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"In relation to Homeless people how many people are sleeping rough along the Canal? Opposite Ronanstown Garda station and in general in the Clondalkin area?  What services are SDCC providing them? And what is emergency contact for outreach contact?"

**REPLY:**

The homeless section received a report of a rough sleeper in the 9th lock area of the Canal but when investigated with the HSE addiction outreach team there was no evidence of a rough sleeper.   In the past there were a number of rough sleepers adjacent to Ronanstown Garda Station. However, both are accommodated in PMVT STA in Firhouse.

A county wide rough sleepers count took place on the 7th of November and no rough sleepers were located in Clondalkin. Tus Nua on the Nangor Road provide a homeless drop in Mon- Fri providing hot meals, showers, laundry facilities and advice and information. SDCC outreach worker holds a clinic in Tus Nua every second Wednesday afternoon.   Outreach patrol takes place every Tuesday morning in the area.   All reports of rough sleepers are also reported to Housing First intake team who link in with rough sleepers out of hours.  All rough sleepers are offered beds in emergency accommodation as a first response.

### **C/313/17 – (Q12) Item ID: 55602 – Outstanding requests for Window Replacements**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

“To ask the Chief Executive how many outstanding requests for Window replacements in the Clondalkin LEA, what is the average waiting times to deal with such requests and will he also how many window replacements were carried out in the Clondalkin LEA in 2017?”

**REPLY:**

There are currently 235 requests outstanding for the Clondalkin area on the Council's Windows and Doors Replacement Programme.  60 full and partial replacements were carried out to date this year.

The current average waiting time on this programme is 4-5 years.

### **C/314/17 – (Q13) Item ID: 55409 – Homeless Hostel**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask where the Homeless Hostel is at? when will this be delivered? As much detail as possible please?"

**REPLY:**

The costs of providing an emergency facility in Clondalkin similar to that in Tallaght would be met by the DRHE and the HSE.  To date no such funding is available to this Council to provide this level of care.  PMVT are in the process of extending their facility in the Tallaght area and it is expected hoped that it will be open to provide beds before Christmas

Hubs are available at Tallaght Cross and The Abberley in Tallaght. These facilities will when fully complete cater for in excess of 100 families.  The DRHE is currently examining the possibility of acquiring another Hub in the County.

We continue to work with the DRHE and look for suitable locations or property throughout the County which could be used to provide emergency accommodation and will keep the ACM briefed. The Council has not identified a location in the Clondalkin area for an emergency accommodation facility.

If the members have any suggestions as to a suitable location for such a facility we will certainly examine it and report back as soon as possible.

### **C/315/17 – (H16) Item ID: 55543 – New Works**

### It was **NOTED** that there was **NO** business under this heading.

### **C/316/17 (C10) Item ID: 55544 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/317/17 – (M12) Item ID: 55599 – Scheme of Lettings**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

"Where there is clear evidence of relationship breakdown that results in one person having to move out of their Council home, this committee asks the Chief Executive for a report to be produced for discussion at this meeting, outlining the Council's current policy and to hear if there is a fairer way of dealing with this under the next roll out of the scheme of lettings."

The following report by the Chief Executive which was circulated, was **READ:**

“In relation to Tenancy issues the Council’s Allocation Scheme states below:

*Former local authority tenants who apply for re-housing will only be placed on the housing list if the following conditions are complied with:*

*A period of one year has elapsed since the surrender of previous tenancy (may be waived in exceptional circumstances)*

* *The rent account on their previous tenancy is clear, or a satisfactory arrangement acceptable to the local authority is made to clear any arrears due and is maintained for a period of at least six months*
* *Compliance with the terms of tenancy was satisfactory during their previous tenancy.*
* *Any costs that were incurred by the local authority in carrying out repairs to the tenant’s former dwelling which were the tenant’s responsibility must be refunded to the Council by the tenant in full, or a satisfactory arrangement is entered into to pay the cost of these repairs. Any such arrangement must be maintained for a period of at least six months*.

In the case of separation of Joint Tenants, the Council’s current practice is to facilitate an immediate assessment for housing for the person leaving the dwelling and surrendering their interest in the Tenancy, i.e. waiving of the one year rule, should the person wish to re-apply for social housing.”

Following contributions from Councillors M. Ward and F. Timmons, Mr. H. Hogan, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED.**

## **Community**

### **C/318/17 – (Q14) Item ID: 55584 – Sponsored Activities by SDCC**

Proposed by Councillor E. Higgins

"To ask for a list of activities being sponsored/financially supported by SDCC in Clondalkin in the lead up to Christmas?"

**REPLY:**

The Community Services Department are currently assessing remaining budgets and will then make a decision on what grant aid may be available for local Community Christmas Celebration Events. Subject to availability of funds local community groups will then be contacted to discuss their ideas.

### **C/319/17 – (Q15) Item ID: 55575 – Community Initiative Fund**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

“To ask the Chief Executive  to provide a report on the allocation of Community Initiative Fund in the Clondalkin LEA in 2016 and 2017 detailing the groups that were granted the fund and the amounts; the grounds that were not granted the amounts; the reasons why groups were unsuccessful?"

**REPLY:**

The table below sets out the amount awarded under the Community Initiative Fund for groups in the Clondalkin LEA for 2016 and 2017 and the groups applying who were unsuccessful.

The Community Initiative Fund had a budget of €250,000 for 2016 and 2017. In 2016 69 applications were received and in 2017 53 applications were received and on both occasions the level of demand for funding hugely superseded the amount of funding available.

Individual group applications may have been unsuccessful for a variety of reasons: being submitted after the funding deadline; application being incomplete, applications not meeting the grant criteria and then finally not being shortlisted or being a funding application that was prioritised and awarded funding by the Independent External Judging Panel based on the ground of the application assessment.

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| **2016 - Community Initiative Funding** |   |
| **Successful Groups** | **Amount Awarded** |
| CoderDojo Quarryvale | €1,000.00 |
| Clondalkin Equine Club | €18,400.00 |
| Beacon of Light | €4,200.00 |
| Clondalkin Tidy Towns | €5,000.00 |
| Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group | €20,127.00 |
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| **2017 - Community Initiative Funding** |   |
| **Successful Groups** | **Amount Awarded** |
| Quarryvale Family Resource Centre & Quarryvale Community Centre |  €9,657.00 |
| 180th Dublin Lucan South Scouts Group | €50,000.00 |
| Newcastle Community Heritage Group | €50,000.00 |

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| **2016 - Community Initiative Funding** |   |
| **UnSuccessful Groups** |  |
| Balgaddy Working Together |   |
| Clondalkin Travellers CDP |   |
| Clondalkin Womens Network |   |
| Clondalkin Mens Sheds |   |
| ReNewcastle |   |
| Peamount FC |   |
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| **2017 - Community Initiative Funding** |   |
| **UnSuccessful Groups** |   |
| Beacon of Light |   |
| Clondalkin Equine Club |   |
| Clondalkin Tidy Towns |   |
| Clondalkin Womens Network |   |
| North Clondalkin CDP |   |
| Clondalkin Round Towers Ladies GAA |   |
| Clondalkin Addiction Support Programme |   |
| Clondalkin Fair Trade |   |

### **C/320/17 – (H17) Item ID: 55545 – New Works**

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

### **C/321/17 – (H18) Item ID: 55623 – Monthly Deputation Meeting**

Proposed by Brian Leonard

Monthly Deputation Meeting

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### **NOTED.**

### **C/322/17 – (C11) Item ID: 55546 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/323/17 – (M13) Item ID: 55576 – Review of Community Initiative**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:-

"This Committee requests that the Community Strategic Policy Committee undertakes a review of the Community Initiative with a particular focus on the reviewing the current criteria to see if they are fit for purpose; to examine the application of the criteria to ensure that application process makes clear to groups what the criteria are in advance of applications; and to examine the possibility of providing direct engagement between Council officials and applicants prior to submission of application to ensure clarity of both the criteria and the detail of the project."

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated, was **READ:**

“The Community Initiative Fund (CIF) was developed as a new concept and as an additional funding programme (running alongside the Councils pre-existing Community Grants Programme) in 2015 and came from an initiative developed by the Community and Social Strategic Policy Committee.

Now after its third year in existence and responding to the trends in type of funding applications received within CIF, a review of the Initiative has already commenced and this will be presented to the SPC for discussion.

The Community Initiative Fund in its current format provides clear criteria and guideline to assist community groups to make applications, however due to the fund being oversubscribed for the last 3 years, with level of funding requested hugely super passing the total level of funds available, while some applications may meet the grants criteria, application numbers dictate that applications have to be assessed and prioritised through the shortlisting and final assessment process.

The Community Development Team are always available to advise and assist community groups in making grant applications both within the CIF and the Community Grants Programmes. A series of Grant Workshops are also held in community venues right across the County in advance and during the period when the CIF and Community Grants Programme are open for applications.”

Following a contribution from Councillor M. Ward, Mr. P. McAlerney, Senior Community Officer and Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries, and the report was **NOTED.**

The meeting concluded at 4.50pm

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