## **COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS****SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

Minutes of South Dublin County Council Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting dealing with Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Performance & Change Management, Corporate Support, Environment, Water & Drainage, Public Realm, Community, Housing, Planning and Transportation, held on 13th December, 2017.

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

 Councillor B. Bonner

 Councillor K. Egan

 Councillor T. Gilligan

 Councillor J. Graham

 Councillor E. Higgins

 Councillor F. Timmons

 Councillor M. Ward

An apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor M. Johansson.

Cathaoirleach, Councillor M. Ward, presided.

**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Senior Executive Officer Ms. M. Maguire, Ms. M. Staunton

Senior Engineer Mr. W. Purcell

County Librarian Ms. B. Fennell

Senior Executive Parks Superintendent Ms. M. Keenan

Senior Executive Planner Ms. S. Duff, Ms. A. Hyland

Communications Manager Mr. N. Noonan

Senior Community Officer Mr. P. McAlerney

Administrative Officer Ms. E. Leech

Senior Staff Officer Ms. F. Murphy

Staff Officer Ms. P. O’Reilly

Assistant Staff Officer Ms. I. Kenny

### **C/324/17 – (H1) Item ID: 55899 - Confirmation & re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 15th November, 2017**

The Minutes of the November meeting of the Clondalkin Area Committee 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, which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED.**

[HI-1 Minutes 15th November 2017](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57859)

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

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of 15th November, 2017 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**C/325/17 - Questions**

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

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

## **Libraries & Arts**

**C/326/17 – (H2) Item ID: 55874 – New Works**

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

### **C/327/17 – (H3) Item ID: 55872 – Library News & Events**

Ms. B. Fennell, County Librarian presented the following report:

[HI 3](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57789)

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and M. Ward, the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/328/17 – (H4) Item ID: 55873**

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

### **C/329/17 – (C1) Item ID: 55875**

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

**C/330/17 – (SM) – Suspensory Motion – Attack on Councillor’s Property**

In accordance with Standing Order No. 77, it was **AGREED** to suspend Standing Orders to deal with the following Suspensory Motion in the names of Councillors F. Timmons, B. Bonner and M. Ward:

“That this committee condemns the attack on a Councillor’s home and property and threats to community representatives, we ask that of An Garda Síochána ensure that public representatives are safe to carry out their duties and are safe in their home and environment, we commit to write to the Superintendent on this.”

The motion was **AGREED.**

### **C/331/17 – (M1) Item ID: 55802 – “The Girl with the Blue Umbrella”**

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

"That local Clondalkin artist Andrea Martin is invited to display her powerful art exhibition ''The girl with the Blue Umbrella'' in Clondalkin Library and the Arts Department contact her and organise same."

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

 "Andrea Martin has recently held a very successful exhibition 'The Girl with the Blue Umbrella' in Frames in Clondalkin Village which ran from 8th - 30th November. Clondalkin Library may be able to host a small selection of works from the exhibition in Clondalkin Library. The artist should contact the librarian in Clondalkin Library to discuss the requirements for an exhibition and evaluate the amount of space needed. As Councillors are aware space is limited in the library.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and M. Ward, Ms. B. Fennell, County Librarian responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/332/17 – (M2) Item ID: 56078 – Design Plans for New Library in Clondalkin**

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

"That this Committee seeks the inclusion of a Sensory Room as part of the new library being provided in North Clondalkin."

Co Sponsored: Kenneth Egan

## **Economic Development**

### **C/333/17 – (H5) Item ID: 55876 – New Works**

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

### **C/334/17 – (C2) Item ID: 55877 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/335/17 – (M3) Item ID: 55807 – Pedestrian Access from Steering Wheel to Quinlans Pub**

The following Motion submitted by Councillor F. Timmons was **WITHDRAWN:**

"That this committee asks SDCC to investigate a possible opening of the village for pedestrians from the Steering Wheel public house car park through to Quinlan's public house and also work with Aras Chronan's Manager in looking at a possible opening up at back of the Aras to Orchard Road Cottages and liaise with land owners in doing a feasibility report to present to the area committee."

### **C/336/17 – (M4) Item ID: 56076 – Bank of Ireland Enterprise Town Awards**

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

"That this committee congratulates Rathcoole on being crowned Regional Enterprise Town of the Year at the Bank of Ireland Enterprise Town Awards and thanks the LEO office and Bank of Ireland Branch Manager for their support and collaboration on this positive initiative."

### **C/337/17 – (M5) Item ID: 55901 – The late James Flannan Conheady (Flan)**

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

"This committee agrees that the late James Flannan Conheady, known to his friends and family as Flan, made a contribution to the Clondalkin community and to law & order in the area from 1966 to 1992 and is worthy of commemoration and we ask that a tribute to him is put within the Tower Heritage Centre (example a portrait and/or inscription) in consultation with his family.''

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

“The interpretive space in the Round Tower Centre allows for customised local history and heritage to be displayed for visitors to the centre to enjoy. The local exhibits will be decided by the County Promotion Unit in conjunction with the Libraries section and the Strategic Oversight Group for the centre which includes local representation, allowing the opportunity for consideration of a tribute to James Flannan Conheady for his contribution to the community.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and M. Ward, Ms. E. Leech, Administrative responded to queries raised and it was agreed to liaise with the Strategic Oversight Committee when it is established in the New Year. The report was **NOTED.**

## **Performance & Change Management**

### **C/338/17 – (H6) Item ID: 55878 – New Works**

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

### **C/339/17 – (C3) Item ID: 55879 - Correspondence**

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

## **Corporate Support**

### **C/340/17 – (H7) Item ID: 56098 – Nomination onto Steering Group of the €300K Initiative**

The following report was presented by Mr. N. Noonan, Communications Manager:

“The Clondalkin Electoral Area was selected for the €300K Have Your Say initiative in 2018 at the Council Budget meeting in November 2017.

The Steering Group has responsibility for the oversight of the process and membership consists of the Mayor and six elected members, selected on a cross-party, independent basis, and is supported by SDCC staff. The elected members on the Steering Group are the Mayor Paul Gogarty, Cllr Mark Ward, Cllr Dermot Looney, Cllr Ed. O’Brien, Cllr Vicki Casserly, Cllr Brian Leech, and Cllr Martina Genockey. It was agreed that the Clondalkin local area should have two councillors on the Steering Group for the 2018 initiative.

The Clondalkin Area Committee are now invited to nominate a second member onto the committee.”

It was **AGREED** by the Cathaoirleach in consultation with the Members to consider Motion 7 in tandem with this item:

### **(M7) Item ID: 55973 - 300K Have Your Say Initiative**

It was proposed by Councillor B. Bonner and seconded by Councillor M. Ward:

"This committee welcomes the selection of the Clondalkin Electoral Area as the target area for the 300k, have your say initiative and asks for an outline of how this initiative will operate."

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

“The Clondalkin Electoral Area was selected for the €300K Have Your Say initiative in 2018 at the Council Budget meeting in November 2017.  The Lucan €300K Have your Say initiative was very successful with significant engagement from the public and local communities, and has resulted in the delivery over 2017/18 of eight projects that were voted on by the local community. A Steering Group was established that met on four occasions throughout the process from January to September 2017, and the Lucan Area Committee were kept informed by two reports in February and April and the full Council received full reports in February, April, June and September.

The Steering Group has responsibility for the oversight of the process and membership consists of the Mayor and six elected members, selected on a cross-party, independent basis, and is supported by SDCC staff. The elected members on the Steering Group are the Mayor Paul Gogarty, Cllr Mark Ward, Cllr Dermot Looney, Cllr Ed. O’Brien, Cllr Vicki Casserly, Cllr Brian Leech, Cllr Martina Genockey. It was agreed that the Clondalkin local area should have two councillors on the Steering Group for the 2018 initiative and so the Clondalkin Area Committee are invited to nominate an additional member onto the committee.

A meeting of the Steering Group will be convened in January to progress the initiative and agree the timeline. A report will be presented to the February Clondalkin Area Committee outlining the timeline and key events.”

Following contributions from Councillors B. Bonner and M. Ward, Mr. N. Noonan, Communications Manager responded to queries raised, and the reports were **NOTED.**

### **C/341/17 – (H8) Item ID: 55880 – New Works**

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

### **C4/1217 Item ID: 55881 - Correspondence**

[Cor. 1](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57672)
[Cor. 2](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57673)
[Cor. 3](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57865)

The Correspondence was **NOTED.**

### **C/342/17 – (M6) Item ID: 55979 – Adam Hyland Carer**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor

"This Committee agrees that young carers in the Clondalkin LEA provide a dedicated, valuable service to their loved ones and agrees to congratulate Clondalkin boy Adam Hyland who recently won Young Carer of the Year for the selfless duties he carries out caring for his Father Paddy. Furthermore in light of the recent Prime Time documentary “Carers in Crisis” that highlighted the  lives of C*arers* in Ireland, left in unimaginable situations, sometimes without a break, and without hope  this committee asks the Minister responsible to guarantee a comprehensive respite package is available to all those that need it”

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 his attention, and when a reply is received, the Committee will be notified accordingly.

Following contributions from Councillors M. Ward and F. Timmons, Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and the motion was **PASSED.**

## **Environment**

### **C/343/17 – (Q1) Item ID: 56020 – ESB Substations on Ninth Lock Road & Fonthill Road**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"The ESB substations on the Ninth Lock Road and on the Fonthill Road adjacent to Newlands Cross are badly littered and inaccessible.  Could it be arranged that these would be cleaned now and on an ongoing basis?"

**REPLY**

The Council have a signed Memorandum of Understanding with ESB Networks. When a complaint is received in respect of litter/graffiti the Council's Litter Warden investigates the complaint to ascertain the extent and nature of the complaint and also to verify the ownership of the location/box in question.  If the area in question is in the ownership of a utility company a referral is made by the Litter Warden to the Company involved. In the case of littering, a response timeframe of five working days is applicable, as stated in the Memorandum of Understanding.  In the case of graffiti, ten working days is applicable (save if the graffiti is of an offensive nature), again as stated in the Memorandum of Understanding.  If these requests are not adhered to, within the timeframes specified, the Council's Litter Warden will initiate enforcement proceedings under the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended.

Reports of litter and/or graffiti can be made via our customer care centre, through the membersnet system, via Fix Your Street, by telephoning the Litter Hotline at 4149220 or by calling into the Customer Care Centre in person.

In relation to this particular complaint regarding littering at the ESB substations on the Ninth Lock Road and on the Fonthill Road adjacent to Newlands Cross a request will now be forwarded to the ESB requesting a clean-up.

### **C/344/17 – (Q2) Item ID: 56069 – Request for bins in Knockmitten Park**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"I received a positive reply in a request I made to have bins placed in Knockmitten Park MR1232846 last November. 5 bins were proposed to be installed under the 2017 improvement works programme.

When I asked for an update in May 2017 MR1271978 I got a contrasting response and the Litter Management Plan2015-2019 was quoted.

Can I get clarification on this issue and assurances that litter bins will be located in Knockmitten Park as this was already communicated to residents and a timeframe for when this will happen?"

**REPLY:**

Three bins are currently being installed in Knockmitten Park. One to the north of the Community Centre and two to the south of the Community Centre. The bins are being installed on a trial basis and will be retained subject to them not been vandalised or abused.  The installation of further bins will be considered having regard to how the three bins perform.

### **C/345/17 – (H9) Item ID: 55882 – Quarterly Review of Litter Management Plan**

The following report was presented by Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer:

[HI 9](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57862)

### Following contributions from Councillors B. Bonner and M. Ward, Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/346/17 – (C5) Item ID: 55883 - Correspondence**

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

## **Water & Drainage**

### **C/347/17 – (H10) Item ID: 55884 – New Works**

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

### **C/348/17 – (C6) Item ID: 55885 - Correspondence**

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

## **Public Realm**

### **C/349/17 – (Q3) Item ID: 55972 – Planting of trees in Corkagh Park**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"Has an application been made to the commemorations committee regarding the motion of last month in relation to the planting of trees in Corkagh Park as a  memorial to the Clondalkin men who died in World War 1.  Does Clondalkin Tidy Towns need to make a formal application to the commemorations committee?

**REPLY:**

A copy of [Motion 11](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57469) as discussed at the Clondalkin ACM in November has been forwarded to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.  It would be of benefit if Clondalkin Tidy Towns made a formal application with details of the proposed wording for the plaque along with dimensions, details of the materials and visualisations (design, drawings) of the proposal.

### **C/350/17 – (Q4) Item ID: 56077 – Provision of Play Space on DoE lands in Newcastle**

Proposed by Councillor E. Higgins

"To ask the Council to provide an update on discussions with DoE to develop a playspace on their lands?"

**REPLY:**

The Council has made contact with the Department of Education in relation to the provision of an interim site for a play space in Newcastle. The Department has indicated it is willing to consider such a proposal and the Council is progressing a draft design for their consideration.

In the meantime the firm that has recently acquired the future building lands has expressed an interest in providing a play space ahead of the housing construction. The firm has engaged a Landscape Architect to pursue this idea and when proposals are available they will be discussed with the Council.  The Elected Members will be updated on progress.

Please note the delivery of the above options have been subject to a hiatus in recent months as the delivery team is currently undergoing a recruitment drive to replace a number of staff.

### **C/351/17 – (Q5) Item ID: 56072 – St. Joseph’s Graveyard on Monastery Road**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask for a report into St. Joseph's Graveyard on Monastery Road, what efforts are being made to preserve same and can the owners/builders be asked to heighten wall around to protect it, at  Clondalkin Tidy Towns request?"

**REPLY:**

St. Joseph’s Church ruins and graveyard is listed as a Protected Structure RPS Ref. 427 in the County Development Plan (2016-2022). As part of the taking in charge process the condition of the structure was assessed in conjunction with the Councils Architectural Conservation Officer. Following recommendations, the owners of the structure engaged the services of a conservation contractor who specialises in the repair of masonry and stone work to undertake conservation works to some of the walls. These works have been carried out in full to the satisfaction of the Council. In addition the owner of the structure installed gates to restrict access to the two crypts on foot of a request by the Council.

Given that the cemetery is surrounded by an existing fence, there are no proposals to raise the height of the walls.

### **C/352/17 – (Q6) Item ID: 55980 – St. Cuthbert’s Park**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"Can the Council provide an update on the following issues in St. Cuthberts Park?

When is the next meeting of the high level task force and what has prevented this from happening sooner?

When is the instillation of the agreed CCTV happening in the Park and what has prevented this from happening so far?"

**REPLY:**

The next high level task force meeting will be held very early in the New Year.

There were no recent meetings pending:

a) the outcome of the AGS / Crime Prevention Officer's report on CCTV and

b) the consideration of any potential ancillary works which might be possible to deliver as part / in tandem with the infill housing project (Part 8 approved earlier this year).

As above, delivery of the CCTV was also on hold pending receipt of the Crime Prevention Officer's report on St Cuthbert’s Park following an onsite meeting carried out earlier in the year.  The report, which was received in late October, recommended that consideration should be given to the CCTV system being incorporated with Clondalkin Village CCTV Community Scheme.

Discussions with An Garda Síochána in relation to how the system can be best used and monitored are currently taking place.

### **C/353/17 – (H11) Item ID: 55886 – New Works**

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

### **C/354/17 – (H12) Item ID: 55905 - Report on 2017 Tree Management Programme**

The following report was presented by Ms. M. Keenan, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent:

In the period January 1 – November 30 2017, tree maintenance involving tree pruning and removal, was carried out on just over 2,500 trees across the county. This figure includes tree maintenance works completed on over 330 trees in the Clondalkin Area.

Throughout 2017 to date, the Council has had two full-time tree crews in operation with one primarily carrying out tree maintenance north of the N7 and the other operating south of the N7.  Recruitment of 5 new staff to enable the formation of a third full-time tree crew took place in May and June of this year.  These staff are currently deployed within the existing tree crew structures in order to gain practical experience while undergoing the necessary training and skills development to advance the formation of a third full-time tree crew.  During the period January to March, two additional seasonal tree crews were also deployed in the delivery of the tree maintenance service across the county. Seasonal tree crews are again being deployed in accordance with staff availability over the ongoing winter and forthcoming early spring period.

In line with the Council's Tree Management Policy 2015-2020 "Living With Trees", the focus of the 2017 Tree Maintenance Programme has been on a planned programme of works for entire roads or whole estates. The objective of this approach is to enable efficiency and productivity of the tree maintenance crews and advance a proactive programme of cyclical pruning targeting priority locations where intervention is most needed and where it will yield greatest community benefit.

The following is a list of estates in the Clondalkin Area where a complete programme of tree maintenance involving removal or pruning of all trees that were identified as requiring works was carried out during 2017. In advance of commencing works within an estate or road, a full survey of all trees at the location is carried out to inform the programme and scheduling of tree pruning and removal works for all trees in the estate or road that are identified as requiring tree maintenance.

Some of these locations surveyed are noted as having trees in close proximity or in conflict with overhead electricity wires. In such locations, the schedule of tree maintenance works require to be undertaken by an ESB approved arborist suitably qualified in the specialist skills of utility arboriculture. The Council has recently completed the tender process to seek the services of a suitably qualified arborist to undertake these works which is scheduled for completion in early 2018.

**Tree Inspections & Maintenance of Whole Estates Completed during 2017**

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| **Estate / Road** | **Status**  |
| Beechwood Lawns, Rathcoole | Tree survey complete. Overhead ESB wires in conflict with trees.   Works scheduled to be completed by contract in early 2018. |
| Coolamber, Rathcoole | Tree survey complete. Overhead ESB wires in conflict with trees.   Works scheduled to be completed by contract in early 2018. |
| Castle Park, Castle Close, Castleview Road | Tree survey complete. Overhead ESB wires in conflict with trees at some locations. Works on these trees scheduled to be completed by contract in early 2018.  Works on other trees identified as requiring works is currently in progress |
| Cherrywood Grove | Work complete |
| Hazelwood Close | Work complete |
| Monastery Rise | Tree survey complete |
| Newlands Road / Drive | Tree survey complete. Overhead ESB wires in conflict with trees.   Works scheduled to be completed by contract in early 2018. |
| Oakway | Work complete |
| Oakwood Grove | Tree survey complete |
| Oldchurch | Tree survey complete |
| St Anthonys Avenue | Tree survey complete. Overhead ESB wires in conflict with trees.   Works scheduled to be completed by contract in early 2018. |
| Wheatfields Avenue | Tree survey complete |
| Wheatfields Court and Crescent - Open Space (Mature trees) | Tree survey complete. Tender in preparation for required works |
| Woodford Drive | Work complete |

**Emergency Tree Works**

In addition to the planned whole estate and road programme, reactive and emergency works are carried out on individually located trees as necessary in order to manage risks to the public. This service is for dangerous trees such as trees with large hanging branches, where a tree is in danger of falling, or where a tree has actually fallen. If a tree is identified as posing an immediate and present danger, action will be taken to make the tree safe. Emergency works are also carried out where a tree is rendered hazardous as a result of severe weather conditions.

Arising from storm Doris in February this year, the Council’s tree maintenance crews removed 28 trees from across the county. Storm Ophelia on October 16th last necessitated the removal of 58 trees across the county and remedial tree pruning works were carried out on a further 32 trees. The clean-up operation post storm Ophelia, which took precedence over the Council’s planned Tree Maintenance Programme for a period of approximately 3 weeks, also involved removal of fallen branches and other debris from over 90 reported locations.

Emergency and reactive tree works will normally take priority over the planned programme of tree maintenance works in estates and it must be recognised that there is consequent impact on progress with the planned programme. Emergency tree works were carried out on a total of over 150 trees during 2017.

**Tree Planting**

A programme of tree planting is currently in progress which involves the planting of c.180 trees in the Clondalkin Area over the coming weeks in fulfilment of tree planting commitments under the 2017 tree planting programme.  Locations for this tree planting include Kilcronan, Lealand, Lindisfarne, Monastery Rise and Westbourne estates.

The tender process is currently in progress to procure a further 190 trees for planting in the Clondalkin Area during spring 2018. Locations for this tree planting include Cappaghmore, Floraville, Glenfield, Harelawn, Kilcronan, Lindisfarne, Melrose, Monastery, Westbourne, Woodford and Wood Avens.

It was **AGREED** by the Cathaoirleach in consultation with the Members, to consider Motion 8 in tandem with this item:

### **(M8) Item ID: 56024 – Harelawn Residents Group**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ward and seconded by Councillor B. Bonner:

"This Committee acknowledges the hard work put in by the Harelawn Residents Group and asks the Chief Executive that trees are planted on the green space between Harelawn Park and Grove."

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

The open space between Harelawn Park and Grove is being listed for a scheme of tree planting as part of the 2018 Tree Planting Programme.  The Council would welcome consultation and input from the Harelawn Residents Group in implementation of the proposed tree planting.

Following contributions from M. Ward and B. Bonner, Ms. M. Keenan, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised, and the reports were **NOTED.**

### **C/355/17 – (C7) ID: 55887 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/356/17 – (M9) Item ID: 55974 – Graffiti in Woodford and Monastery Road**

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

"There is a new pattern of graffiti being sprayed in the Woodford and Monastery Road areas of Clondalkin.  Many of the utility boxes are being targeted as is the old Esso Garage on the Monastery Road.  Can the procedure for addressing this issue be outlined here and applied in these cases please."

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

When a complaint is received in respect of litter/graffiti the Council's Litter Warden investigates the complaint to ascertain the extent and nature of the complaint and also to verify the ownership of the location/box in question.

Requests for the removal of graffiti on utility boxes are referred through existing Memoranda of Understandings to the relevant utility company. In the case of graffiti a removal period of ten working days is applicable (save if the graffiti is of an offensive nature in which case the removal period is 5 working days).  If these requests are not adhered to, within the timeframes specified, the Council's Litter Warden will initiate enforcement proceedings under the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended.

Request for the removal of graffiti from public property is arranged through Public Realm.

Requests for the removal of graffiti from private property is referred to the owner/landlords/companies for removal.  Again if these requests are not adhered to, within the timeframes specified, the Council's Litter Warden will initiate enforcement proceedings under the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended.

Reports of litter and/or graffiti can be made via our customer care centre, through the membersnet system, via Fix Your Street, by telephoning the Litter Hotline at 4149220 or by calling into the Customer Care Centre in person.

In 2018 a new pilot of South Dublin canvas project targeting SDCC utility boxes with public art to deter graffiti will be rolled out.

Following a contribution from Councillor B. Bonner, Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

## **Community**

### **C/357/17 – (Q7) Item ID: 55805 – Clondalkin Men’s Shed**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

Can a report be given into Clondalkin Men’s shed in relation to the Mayfield site and the latest news update on the Orchard Lane community space that the Legal Department has been following up on?

**REPLY:**

The local Community Officer has been in regular contact with the Men's Shed Group and has kept them updated of progress in relation to the Mayfield Site.

A meeting was arranged on site last week between the Group and Architectural Services and agreement has been reached regarding suitable size of portacabin and the location of the unit.

The Law Department are progressing the formulation of a lease with the facility owner (Kelland Homes). Economic Enterprise and Tourism Development Department are pursuing this matter through our Law Department.

### **C/358/17 – (H13) Item ID: 55888 – New Works**

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

### **C/359/17 – (D1) Item ID: 55900 – Monthly Deputation Meeting**

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

### **C/360/17 – (C8) Item ID: 55889 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/361/17 – (M10) Item ID: 56079 – Provision of Community Centre for Men’s Shed & Senior Citizens Group**

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

"That this Committee seeks an update on plans to provide a community centre for groups like the Men's Sheds and Senior Citizens group."

## **Housing**

### **C/362/17 – (Q8) Item ID: 55975 – Issues with Dampness & Condensation**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"This gentleman and his family have had ongoing issues with damp and condensation in their rented apartment over the last few years.  I have submitted a number of members reps on his behalf but he feels that nothing is being done.  Name and address supplied, not for publication.  In the light of the health and safety implications for his family and the councils duty of care to them could his situation be investigated please."

**REPLY:**

The provision of information relating to specific properties in this open manner is limited due to data protection. The Environmental Health Section carry out inspections of private rented properties to ensure compliance with the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations. Non compliances found during an inspection are then highlighted to both the Landlords and the Management Company where applicable. An inspection of this property was carried out on the 05 December 2017. An investigation and follow up action will be taken to ensure compliance with the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations.

### **C/363/17 – (Q9) Item ID: 55806 – Storage of Annual Bonfire Material**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask can SDCC do something so annual bonfire material cannot be stored in laneways in Deansrath Grove and Lawns canal side and the area?"

**REPLY:**

The Estate Officer for the area is currently examining the area in question to see what measures if any can be taken to prevent bonfire material in these laneways. However it should be noted that by their very nature, laneways are often used for this purpose particularly gated ones.

### **C/364/17 – (H14) Item ID: 55890 – New Works**

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

### **C/365/17 – (C9) Item ID: 55891 - Correspondence**

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

### **C/366/17 – (M11) Item ID: 56022 – Possible Part 8 Proposals for Social Housing**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

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

"This Committee agreed that the Chief Executive should bring forward any possible Part 8 planning proposals to the January Area Committee meeting for new social housing developments in the Clondalkin LEA including those identified by members."

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

A report in respect of future sites for social housing was presented to the Housing Strategic Policy Committee in November 2017 and report presented to Council in December 2017. A countywide review is being carried out at present on suitable sites for the next phase of social housing construction and proposed locations will be brought forward to the respective Area Committees early in 2018 for further consideration.

Further developments for Social Housing will be progressed at Clonburris while Kilcarbery Integrated Housing Project and the Kilcarbery PPP are ongoing.

Following contributions from Councillors M. Ward, F. Timmons and B. Bonner, Ms. M. Staunton, Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

## **Planning**

### **C/367/17 – (H15) Item ID: 55893 – New Works**

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

### **C/368/17 – (H16) Item ID: 55892**

**Planning Files A. Large Applications Under Consideration B. Files Requested by Members**

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

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0377**LOCATION:** Profile Park, Baldonnell, Dublin 22, D22 TY06**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.  |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0397**LOCATION:** Cloverhill Road, Raheen, Dublin 22.**COMMENTS:** Councillors F. Timmons, B. Bonner and M. Ward commented on  this application.  |

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| **FILE DISCUSSED:** SD17A/0402**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/0404**LOCATION:** Unit 42, Liffey Valley Shopping Centre, Fonthill Road,  Clondalkin, Dublin 22.**COMMENTS:** Councillor B. Bonner commented on this application.  |

### **C/369/17 – (C10) Item ID: 55894 - Correspondence**

Correspondence

[Cor. 1](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57674)

The correspondence was **NOTED.**

### **C/370/17 – (M12) Item ID: 56021 – Village Status Award**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

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

"To ask the Chief Executive to bring a report to the meeting for discussion on the process that will enable the area the runs from Rowlagh Community Centre on the Neilstown Road to the location of the new North Clondalkin Library on Oatfield Park to be awarded village status within the County."

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

The South Dublin County Development Plan 2016-2022 sets out the settlement strategy for the county. This includes a hierarchy of urban centres ranging from Tallaght, Lucan and Clondalkin at the top of the hierarchy to small towns such as Newcastle and Rathcoole. Outside of these settlements, the zoning maps of the County Development Plan also distinguish village settlements such as Tallaght Village and Palmerstown which have a distinct identity and historic origins.

The area in question around Rowlagh Community Centre includes local services which are of benefit to the local community. These have been recognised in the South Dublin County Development Plan with a ‘Local Centre’ land use zoning which has the objective “To protect, improve and provide for the future development of Local Centres”. This zoning is typically applied to areas such as Rowlagh which are more suburban in character rather than having a traditional town or village nature but which still provide valuable services which need to be maintained and enhanced as appropriate.

The vehicle for adjusting the zoning objectives is the 6 year County Development Plan Process. The current County Development Plan was adopted in June 2016 and expires in 2022.

Following contributions from Councillors M. Ward, F. Timmons, E. Higgins and B. Bonner, Ms. A. Hyland, Senior Executive Planner responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

## **Transportation**

### **C/371/17 – (Q10) Item ID: 55743 – Trip Hazard Survey**

Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson

"To ask the relevant manager to provide a report on the trip hazard survey carried out by the Area Engineer in Melrose and Lindisfarne as per Members Rep no 1286182?"

**REPLY:**

Funding was included in the 2017 Roadworks Programme for footpath repairs in the Melrose and Lindisfarne Estates as follows:

Melrose Estate €45,000; Lindisfarne Estate €44,258.

Contractors were appointed in mid 2017, and the repairs were carried out as planned.

### **C/372/17 – (Q11) Item ID: 55804 – Safety Issues for Cyclists & Pedestrians in Newcastle**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"What can SDCC do to address the safety issues for cyclists and pedestrians in all areas of Newcastle going to the school, can cycle routes be addressed and looked at and can deficits in safe footpaths be addressed? (Particularly Brownstown area)"

**REPLY:**

There was extensive public consultation carried out on a comprehensive Local Area Plan (LAP) for Newcastle, which was adopted in December 2012. The LAP ensures that the existing zoned lands in Newcastle are developed in a co-ordinated manner including a 6 year road plan in which the Main Street is a backbone of movement for the Village and to provide alternative routes for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles in a manner that links each neighbourhood directly with the Village Core and between neighbourhoods.

It is not clear where exactly the 'Brownstown area' as referred to in the question is so a response to this cannot be provided. If footpath repairs are required anywhere in the County, then these are dealt with by SDCC Roads Maintenance section as they occur, budget permitting.

### **C/373/17 – (H17) Item ID: 55896 – New Works**

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

### **C/374/17 – (H18) Item ID: 55895 – Proposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads**

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

### **C/375/17 – (C11) Item ID: 55897 - Correspondence**

Correspondence

[Cor. 1](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=57761)

### The correspondence was **NOTED.**

### **C/376/17 – (M13) Item ID: 55750 – “Street with No Name”**

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

"That this committee write to the 'Minister for Finance' and outline this 'street with no name" which also has no street lights (6 lights not working), and there is public road safety issue with hgvs especially as 000s of cars /hgvs and pedestrians are using this road and pathway. Not to mention a potential security risk with the Bank of Ireland! Road between Bank of Ireland & Maldron (no name) in Clondalkin (Ref MembersNet 1317896)."

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

This road is in private ownership as part of an industrial estate. Before writing to the Minister, can the elected member be specific in what exactly he wants to ask of him and on what basis.

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons, B. Bonner and M. Ward, Mr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and it was **AGREED** that a further report would be brought to a future meeting. The report was **NOTED.**

### **C/377/17 – (M14) Item ID: 56075 – Rathcoole Village Traffic Management Plan**

It was proposed by Councillor E. Higgins and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

"Can the Council present a traffic management plan for Rathcoole village to future-proof residents and commuters as the village continues to grow."

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

Please refer to the County Development Plan for map guidance to this written report.

The CDP shows a long term objective (road) that could be delivered in stages from Adamstown to Newcastle to Keatings Park Interchange on the N7 to Stoney Lane to the south of Rathcoole and Saggart and up to the N81 (west of the Embankment).

The element of this long term objective that runs north and south from a new Rathcoole interchange at Keatings Park would be key to solving Rathcoole's traffic problems.

In addition, all the lands south of Rathcoole Park / Peyton estates and west of Fitzmaurice Road Public Open Space is zoned residential and any permission granted on it should include a road running from Stoney Lane ideally to Mill Road. This will involve CPO and material alteration of the CDP.

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

The meeting concluded at 5.00pm

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