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

Minutes of South Dublin County Council Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting dealing with Housing, Community, Transportation, Planning, Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management, Environment, Water & Drainage and Public Realm held on 21st March, 2018.

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

 Councillor B. Bonner

 Councillor K. Egan

 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

Head of Local Enterprise Mr. C. Ward

Senior Engineer Mr. W. Purcell

Senior Executive Librarian Ms. M. Bentley

Communications Officer Mr. N. Noonan

Senior Staff Officer Ms. F. Murphy

Staff Officer Ms. P. O’Reilly

Assistant Staff Officer Ms. I. Kenny

**C/119/18 – (H1) Item ID: 57440 - Confirmation & Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 21st February, 2018**

The Minutes of the February meeting of the Clondalkin Area Committee dealing with Water & Drainage, Public Realm, Environment, Community, Housing, Planning, Transportation, Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Performance & Change Management and Corporate Support held on 21st February, 2018 which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED.**

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

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of 21st February, 2018 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED:**

[Minutes of 21st February 2018](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59367)

**C/120/18 – QUESTIONS**

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

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

## **Housing**

### **C/121/18 – (Q1) Item ID: 57507 – Policy when a Council Tenant has to leave Council Property**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"Can the Chief Executive inform this Committee on what is the Council's policy when a tenant has to leave a Council property due to fire and cannot return to their home. What supports are in place to accommodate these families?"

**REPLY:**

Where there is extensive flood/fire/damage to a Council property and it is such that the tenant cannot remain in the property and cannot find alternative accommodation with family or friends, the tenant is advised to contact the Council's Homeless Section.  There a Housing Officer will liaise with them and if necessary offer emergency accommodation by way of hotel for a short time.  The Housing Officer will also put the family in touch with the Community Welfare Officer to be assessed for rent support.

Once the damage to the house is fully assessed and if found to be such that it will be some time (months) before the tenants can return, a decision will be made on whether or not a temporary letting is needed.  If such a decision is made then once a suitable property is available, a temporary letting can be arranged.   However, as the Council do not keep a stock of houses available for such eventualities it may take time for one to become available and when it does it will not be furnished.  All furnishings will have to be provided by the family and removed when the temporary letting terminates.

### **C/122/18 – (Q2) Item ID: 57512 – Insulation for Council Homes**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"To ask the Chief Executive to report on the provision of insulation for Council homes and what areas are planned for in 2018 in the Clondalkin LEA?"

**REPLY:**

The South Dublin County Council Energy Retrofitting Programme has been in operation since 2013. This programme is funded by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government and there is set criteria to be met by properties to be included on this programme.

During 2018 it is envisaged that the following units will be completed under the Energy Retrofitting Programme for the Clondalkin Area.

* Shancastle Estate, 93 dwellings
* Old Tower Estate, 23 dwellings ( some dwellings in this estate have been previously energy retrofitted and as such are not included on the 2018 programme)
* Dunawley Estate, 23 dwellings

The Energy Retrofitting Programme is currently completing the programme of works in Greenfort Estate, 96 Units and Moorfield Estate, 76 units.

During 2017, Foxdene, Old Church and a section of the Greenfort Estates were completed under the Energy Retrofitting Programme in the Clondalkin area.

### **C/123/18 – (H2) Item ID: 57410 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/124/18 – (C1) Item ID: 57411 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

## **Community**

### **C/125/18 – (H3) Item ID: 57412 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/126/18 – (D1) Item ID: 57438 – Monthly Deputation Meeting**

(No Business)

### **C/127/18 – (C2) Item ID: 57413 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

## **Transportation**

### **C/128/18 – (Q3) Item ID: 57531 – Public Lighting from Fonthill Road to Maldron Hotel**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the commitment made to install proper public lighting on the road from the Fonthill Road up to the Maldron Hotel, Aldi and the Bank of Ireland in Clondalkin?"

**REPLY:**

This road is not in the charge of South Dublin County Council.

### **C/129/18 – (Q4) Item ID: 57458 – Request for Safety Audit on Footpaths in Palmerstown Woods & St. John’s / Commons Road**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask the Chief Executive to have a safety audit done on footpaths in Palmerstown Woods and St John's/Common Road and ask that any emergency repairs identified as needing  done be carried out to avoid health and safety risks and claims?"

**REPLY:**

Palmerstown Woods Estate is included on the 2018 Footpath Programme. St John's/Common Road is not included but will be considered for 2019.

### **C/130/18 – (Q5) Item ID: 57471 – Pedestrian Lights at Ballyowen Equine Centre**

Proposed by Councillor M. Ward

"Can the Chief Executive provide an update on the investigation from my previous motion 52982 into the viability of installing pedestrian lights on the Fonthill Road so patrons of the Ballyowen Equine Centre, CASP and public park users can cross this busy road safely?"

**REPLY:**

In further assessment of the request for a pedestrian crossing, a pedestrian survey was undertaken.

The numbers recorded were well below the level required to satisfy the warrant for provision of a crossing.

### **C/131/18 – (H4) Item ID: 57415 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/132/18 – (H5) Item ID: 57414 – Proposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads**

(No Business)

### **C/133/18 – (C3) Item ID: 57416 - Correspondence**

[Cor. 2](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59359)
[Cor. 1](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59337)

The correspondence was **NOTED.**

### **C/134/18 – (M1) Item ID: 57364 – Introduction of 3 ton limit on Main St. Newcastle**

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

"That the Council introduces a 3 tonne limit on Main Street Newcastle during school times."

### **C/135/18 – (M2) Item ID: 57475 – Mesh to cover shores in the Clondalkin area**

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

"That this Committee asks that SDCC consider putting some form of mesh over shores in the Clondalkin Area to avoid them being blocked by leaves and rubbish."

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

“Mesh covers are not recommended as they would increase the possibility of blockage from leaves and rubbish.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and M. Ward, Mr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/136/18 – (M3) Item ID: 57535 – HGV Ban in Rathcoole Village**

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

"That this area committee supports a HGV ban in Rathcoole Village during morning and evening rush hour."

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

“This request will be considered in accordance with the policy document "The Mobility and Management of Heavy Goods Vehicles on South Dublin County Road Network". This involves examination and analysis of traffic data, accident data, use of the route by vulnerable road users, impact on commercial activity, alternative routes and consultation with the Garda Commissioner. It is also subject to staff resources being available.

A report will be brought to the Traffic Management Meeting.”

Following contributions from Councillors B. Bonner, F. Timmons and M. Johansson, Mr. W. Purcell responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

**C/137/18 – (SM) Suspensory Motion - Intercultural Centre in Clondalkin**

In accordance with Standing Order No. 77, it was **AGREED** to suspend Standing Orders to deal with the following Suspensory Motion:

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillors K. Egan, M. Johansson, M. Ward, T. Gilligan, B. Bonner and J. Graham:



The above Suspensory Motion was **PASSED.**

## **Planning**

### **C/138/18 – (Q6) Item ID: 57476 – RIC Barracks**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"That the Chief Executive issues report/statement on what is going to happen next with the RIC Barracks. SDCC did issue a notice to the owner Martin Philips 10th October 2017. Also has SDCC officials inspected the interior yet?"

**REPLY:**

A Section 11 notice was served on the owner of the property in October 2017 under the provisions of the Derelict Sites Act 1990.

On inspection on 4th December 2017, the premises were found to be safe, secure and not derelict.  Accordingly that file is currently closed.

The Architectural Conservation Officer has reported that the barracks is not considered to be in immediate danger as it is secure, and there are no signs of significant damage etc.    It has further been advised that in order for a Section 59 Endangerment Notice to be served, full access to the property to ascertain the full extent of damage (if any) to the structure would be required.

Planning Enforcement has tried to serve a Warning Letter and unfortunately this has proved difficult.  In the warning letter to the owner, SDCC requested that access be provided. To gain access to a property permission must be provided by the owner and in such absence there is no further progress to report.

### **C/139/18 – (Q7) Item ID: 57477 – BHIS Built Heritage Investment Scheme**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"That the Chief Executive issues a report in regards to the BHIS Built Heritage Investment Scheme (BHIS)SDCC responded 20th Dec. ref 1326406. Can SDCC issue a report on what owners applied for funding under this scheme and how much was awarded. Is there a 'residue' that  SDCC as a Local Authority and owner can apply for this funding to refurbish St.Joseph's Cemetery?"

**REPLY:**

Under the BHIS 2018 we received a large number of queries and a total of 5 applications were received by the closing date (31st Jan 2018). All applications were fully assessed by the Council's Architectural Conservation Officer in accordance with the scheme and all five applications listed below qualify under the terms and conditions. 4 no. applications are private owners/religious and 1 no. application has been submitted by the Community Department, SDCC. Our allocation under BHIS 2018 is €50,000 and the total of provisional approval allocated amounts to €49,636.67, providing 50% of the total estimated cost of the works for each application.

APPLICATION REF NAME AND LOCATION OF PROTECTED STRUCTURE

BHIS01/18 Knocklyon House (Rutland Centre), Knocklyon

BHIS02/18 St. Johns Church, Clondalkin

BHIS03/18 Old School House, Rathcoole

BHIS04/18 Cypress Grove House, Templeogue

BHIS05/18 St. Marks House, Fettercairn, Tallaght

The schedule of the above applications was submitted on the 16th February 2018 to DCHG for formal provisional approval. There has been no decision from the Department as yet with regard to successful applicants and provisional approval.

### **H6/0318 Item ID: 57418 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/140/18 – (C4) Item ID: 57419 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

## **Economic Development**

### **C/141/18 – (H7) Item ID: 57420 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/142/18 – (C5) Item ID: 57421 – Correspondence**

(No Business)

### **C/143/18 – (M4) Item ID: 57530 – LED Candle Lights at all windows of the Round Tower**

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

"That this area committee would agree to investigate the possibility of having LED candle type lights placed at each of the windows of the Round Tower in Clondalkin to simulate candle light so that the Round Tower would be visible at night time from afar in a way that it probably was in days gone by."

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

“If the motion is approved, a letter will be issued to the Office of Public Works for their attention, and when a reply is received, the Committee will be notified accordingly**.”**

Following contributions from Councillors B. Bonner and F. Timmons, Mr. C. Ward, Head of Local Enterprise responded to queries raised. The motion was **PASSED.**

## **Libraries & Arts**

### **C/144/18 – (H8) Item ID: 57424 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/145/18 – (H9) Item ID: 57422 – Library News & Events**

The following report was presented by Ms. M. Bentley, Senior Executive Librarian:

[HI 9](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59343)

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

### **C/146/18 – (H10) Item ID: 57423 – Application for Grants**

(No Business)

### **C/147/18 – (C6) Item ID: 57425 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

## **Corporate Support**

### **C/148/18 – (H11) Item ID: 57426 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/149/18 – (C7) Item ID: 57427 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

### **C/150/18 – (M5) Item ID: 57473 – Robyn Connolly, Clondalkin Irish Dancer**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

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

"This Committee congratulates Clondalkin Irish Dancer Robyn Connolly in her fantastic career to date on winning major awards at national level, including winning the All Ireland Championship and to wish her our best wishes as she represents Ireland at the World Championships on the 31st March, a competition that she has finished 4th in twice.

Furthermore we ask that the Council write to Robyn to acknowledge her wonderful achievements and for representing Clondalkin so well on the International Stage."

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

“If the Motion is passed, a letter will be issued to Ms. Robyn Connolly.”

Following a contribution from Councillor M. Ward, the motion was **PASSED.**

### **C/151/18 – (M6) Item ID: 57334 – Criminal Law Legislation**

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

"We ask that the Taoiseach leads the way to ensure that the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform enacts Criminal Law (Hate Crime) Legislation so that we can all live in an inclusive Republic which values all of our minorities and the integrity of our communities. We commit to writing to the Taoiseach and the Minister for Justice."

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 offices of the Taoiseach and Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform, and when a reply is received the Members will be notified accordingly.”

Following a contribution from Councillor F. Timmons, the motion was **PASSED.**

### **C/152/18 – (M7) Item ID: 57532 - €300K Have Your Say Initiative**

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

"That this area committee congratulates those involved in organising the launch of the 300k have your say participatory budgeting scheme in the Clondalkin area and that an update could be given on public engagement with the initiative to date."

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

“The launch event for the 2018 €300k Have Your Say initiative took place in The Round Tower – Clondalkin on March 8, 2018. The event was promoted extensively on the Council’s social media channels (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Instagram), through the Council’s Disability Liaison and Access Officer and by the Public Participatory Network (PPN). Over fifty people attended the launch event with feedback from the public during and following the event being very positive.

Four workshops are being held with the public throughout March. Those are:

Workshop 1: Neilstown Community Centre, Clondalkin, 7-9pm, Tuesday March 13th

Workshop 2: Green Isle Hotel, St John's Dr, Newlands Cross, Clondalkin, 7-9pm, Thursday March 15th

Workshop 3: Peamount Football Club, Newcastle, 7-9pm, Tuesday March 20th

Workshop 4: Rathcoole Community Centre, 7-9pm, Thursday March 22nd.

Following the launch event, the updated €300k Have Your Say website was published and submissions were opened. Paid Facebook advertising also began targeting residents in the Clondalkin Electoral Area with messaging around workshops and submissions. Approximately 11,000 people within the area have viewed these targeted adverts to date. They will remain running throughout the workshops and submission period. Across all Council social media channels, €300k Have Your Say messaging has reached approximately 50,000 individuals.

The Council have delivered over 18,000 leaflets to households and local businesses in the area advertising the initiative and workshops whilst also posting information to local schools and churches and emailing community groups. Advertising has been placed in the local media whilst posters and flyers are also available to the public through the Clondalkin library, the Council's mobile libraries and Civic Office. The Council continues to engage the Disability Liaison and Access Officer and the PPN in promoting the initiative through their networks.”

Following a contribution from Councillor B. Bonner, Mr. N. Noonan, Communications Manager responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/153/18 – (M8) Item ID: 57443 – 25th Anniversary of Decimalisation of Homosexuality in Ireland**

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor T. Gilligan:

"That this committee calls on SDCC to mark the Twenty Fifth Anniversary of the decimalisation of Homosexuality in Ireland this year in a meaningful and inclusive manner, and that an event is held to mark this occasion on the 24th June 2018."

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

“South Dublin County Council will raise the Rainbow Flag throughout June in support of the Pride Movement and to demonstrate the Council’s commitment to equality and the inclusion of all its citizens.”

Following contributions from Councillors F. Timmons, B. Bonner, M. Johansson, E. Higgins and M. Ward, Mr. N. Noonan, Communications Manager responded to queries raised, and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/154/18 – (M9) Item ID: 57534 – Irish Speaking Community in Clondalkin**

**(Pobail Labhairt na Gaeilge i gCluain Dolcáin)**

Moladh ag Comhairleoir B. Bonner agus chuidigh an Comhairleoir M. Ward:

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

"Mulan an chorister see Brian O Gaibhín, muintir Chrónáin agus pobal labhartha na gaeilge i g Cluain Dolcáin as ucht an aitheanteas oifigiúil náisiúnta a bhronnadh Orth breath mar Lenora Geigle. Déanfaimid ár ndícheall mar choiste lán-tacaíocht a thabhairt dóibh.”

“This committee praises the achievement of the Irish speaking community in Clondalkin, and of Brian O Gaibhin and muintir Chronain in being awarded lionra ghaeilge staus. Furthemore we agree to do everything we can to support them."

Scaipeadh an tuairisc seo leanas ón Príomhfheidhmeannach, agus **léadh** é:

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

“Is mian le Comhairle Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath Theas comhghairdeas a dhéanamh le Cluain Dolcáin as bheith ar cheann de na cúig bhaile a fuair aitheantas náisiúnta mar gheall ar úsáid laethúil na Gaeilge i measc an phobail.

Tréaslaíonn an Chomhairle ach go háirithe le Brian Ó Gáibhín, Muintir Chrónáin agus pobal Chluain Dolcáin, mar gheall ar a gcuid oibre go dtí seo agus an bhaint leanúnach atá acu le Plean Gaeilge a fhorbairt i gcomhpháirtíocht leis an Roinn Cultúir, Oidhreachta agus Gaeltachta agus Foras na Gaeilge.

Tá sé mar aidhm ag ‘Líonra Gaeilge’ tacaíocht a thabhairt d’úsáid ‘Gaeilge le Chéile’ inár saol laethúil. Is léiriú iad na tionscnaimh amhail ranganna Gaeilge saor in aisce i Leabharlann Chluain Dolcáin agus an deis sóisialta a chuireann Áras Chrónáin ar fáil den díograis atá ag an bpobal le cinntiú go mairfidh an Ghaeilge amach anseo.

Is é seo an chéad uair riamh sa stair go bhfuil aitheantas tugtha d’úsáid fhorleathan na Gaeilge i bpobail lasmuigh den Ghaeltacht agus tá Comhairle Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath Theas bródúil as aitheantas a thabhairt do na hiarrachtaí a dhéanann Brian Ó Gáibhín agus na baill dheonacha de chuid Mhuintir Chrónáin.

South Dublin County Council wishes to congratulate Clondalkin on making history in becoming one of five towns to receive national recognition for the daily use of the Irish language in the community.

In particular, the Council extends its congratulations to Brian Ó Gáibhín, Muintir Chrónáin and the people of Clondalkin, on their work to date and their continued involvement in developing an Irish Language Plan in partnership with the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht and Foras na Gaeilge.

‘Líonra Gaeilge’ aims to support the use of ‘Gaeilge le Chéile’- Irish together- in our everyday lives. Initiatives such as free Irish classes in Clondalkin Library and the social outlet provided by Áras Chrónáin, are a testament to the community’s dedication to securing the future of the Irish language.

This is the first time in history that the widespread use of Irish has been recognised in communities outside of the Gaeltacht and South Dublin County Council are proud to recognise the efforts of Brían Ó Gháibhín and voluntary members of Muintir Chrónáin.”

Ritheadh ​​an Tairiscint.

The Motion was **PASSED.**

## **Performance & Change Management**

### **C/155/18 – (H12) Item ID: 57428 - New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/156/18 – (C8) Item ID: 57429 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

## **Environment**

### **C/157/18 – (H13) Item ID: 57537 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/158/18 – (C9) Item ID: 57431 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

### **C/159/18 – (M10) ID: 57469 – Increase in Drug Litter in Clondalkin LEA**

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

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

"From a public health perspective, due to a reported increase in drug litter in the Clondalkin LEA, this committee asks the Chief Executive to introduce a pilot drug bin scheme and to work with the Clondalkin Drugs Task Force in identifying specific locations."

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

“Following a recent meeting held with key stakeholders, options as discussed are being examined at present.

In the interim, existing arrangements for the removal of drugs paraphernalia will continue, including addressing requests for removal of discarded materials after hours.“

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

### **C/160/18 – (M11) Item ID: 57442 – Ashton Dog Pound**

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

''That this committee calls on un-announced inspections to be carried out in Ashton dog pound and a full review of service provided by them be undertaken''

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

“The contract relative to this service is not area specific.

Regular, unannounced inspections of the pound are carried out by South Dublin County Council's Veterinary Practitioners who are registered with the Register of Veterinary Practitioners maintained by the Veterinary Council of Ireland.

In 2017 eight (8) inspections were carried out (between 1st January and 31st December – Ashton Dog Pound also held the previous contract), seven (7) of which were unannounced, the one (1) announced inspection was part of the tender process while two complaints were received in relation to the facility.

To date in 2018 three (3) inspections have been carried out, all of which were unannounced, while 6 complaints have been received.”

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

### **C/161/18 – (M12) ID: 57533 – CCTV Surveillance for Dumping Blackspots**

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

"That this committee would agree that the following areas would be included on the list for covert cctv surveillance for dumping blackspots.

Watery Lane / Mayfield

Knockmeenagh Lane

Oakfield - adjacent to the Towers reception centre."

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

“Any incidents of illegal dumping are investigated /examined to determine if there is any incriminating evidence, and thereafter reported to our Public Realm crew for removal.  Where sufficient evidence can be found enforcement action is taken.

The Council continuously examines options for surveillance to reduce incidents of littering/illegal dumping.  Such surveillance can include CCTV cameras.  In managing this service the Council is mindful of resources available.  Possible locations for CCTV systems are assessed on a case by case basis and having 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 littering/dumping.

Generally the Council uses overt CCTV, the use of covert CCTV is limited and in accordance with the Council's CCTV Code of Practice, must be authorised by the Chief for a limited period of time.   Similarly, it is not usual for Council CCTV to be provided in private grounds, unless for example there is a problematic Council recycling facility located on such grounds.

To date in 2018 (up to the 28th February), the Enforcement and Licensing Section received:

* **One** complaint for Watery Lane/Mayfield,
* **One** for Oakfield adjacent to the Towers Reception Centre and
* **Four** for Knockmeenagh Lane resulting in **one fine** being issued

All dumped material was investigated and evidence was found in one case at Knockmeenagh Lane which resulted in **one** fine being issued.

It is, as always, proving extremely difficult to obtain evidence in relation to the identity of offenders and where there is an ongoing problem of illegal dumping in any area, local residents are urged to support the Council in taking the appropriate enforcement action by making reports to the Litter Warden Service for investigation and by providing evidence, including testimony, where possible. Additionally, residents are encouraged through the medium of the Council's Social Credits Scheme to seek rewards for community based initiatives, such as community clean ups.”

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

## **Water & Drainage**

### **C/162/18 – (H14) Item ID: 57432 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/163/18 – (C10) Item ID: 57433 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

## **Public Realm**

### **C/164/18 – (Q8) Item ID: 57536 – Bins for dog fouling in Corkagh Park**

Proposed by Councillor B. Bonner

"To ask the Chief Executive if more bins could be installed in Corkagh Park and if specific bins could be installed for dog dirt as there is a problem with this being discarded in plastic bags around the park.  Also could more signs in relation to cleaning up after your dog be put up around the park."

**REPLY:**

A review of litter bins was initiated in 2017 and the provision of dog litter specific bins was considered. The review concluded that the provision of dog litter specific bins would require a major change to the existing collection operation.   It is not Council policy to provide separate bins for separate types of waste and no change is proposed in that regard.

Every bin provided in Corkagh Park, of which there are 18, is available for the disposal of light litter including dog waste and is considered the best approach. It is proposed to install an additional 6 bins in the park to increase access for park users.

With regard to signage, a stencil application programme to encourage dog owners to pick up after their dog was implemented on paths in the park in 2015. The application of stencils has been repeated on 2 occasions since the initial application, with the most recent application occurring in 2017. New pictorial signage will be added to all bins (where possible) in March/April 2018 to encourage dog owners to pick up after their dog and dispose of the waste in the bins provided.

### **C/165/18 – (Q9) Item ID: 57363 – Provision of Playground at Castlechurch Estate, Newcastle**

Proposed by Councillor E. Higgins

"Can the Council clarify whether or not a playground was part of the permission grant for Castlechurch Estate in Newcastle, Co. Dublin?"

**REPLY:**

A playground is required as part of conditions of the grant of permission for the site SD15A/0193 in Newcastle. The developer's agent is currently in discussions with the Council in order to comply with the conditions contained within the grant of permission; including the provision of a playground.

### **C/166/18 – (Q10) Item ID: 57457 – Collinstown Park**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"To ask the Chief Executive for a report into Collinstown Park and what are the plans SDCC have for same?"

**REPLY:**

Collinstown Park is in the north Clondalkin area and consists of approximately 20 hectares of parkland. The park is predominately grassland and contains a number of sports pitches licenced to local clubs. It is bounded by the M50 to the east, residential estates to the north and south and a public road to the west with a number of schools and residential estates further to the west.

The park has a number of mature trees set into the parkland setting and these trees have been complemented by new plantings over the years. The park is surrounded by a low wall and railing; which facilitates passive surveillance and it underwent extensive works in the past to limit illegal access by unauthorised vehicles as much as possible. The park is well-served by an extensive perimeter path system.

There was a playground installed in Collinstown Park in the past. Planning and consultation took place between 2004 and 2005 and involved meetings and input from the RAPID Area Implementation Team, Community Representatives, Community Safety Forum workers, the Ronanstown Youth Services and local schools.  In September 2006, an attractive playground was opened for public use, following an investment of €67,000. The playground was well used by local children with regular maintenance and checking of equipment undertaken by the Parks & Landscape Services Department.  Unfortunately in April 2007, the playground was badly damaged rendering it unsafe for further use.  It was with great regret that the equipment had to be removed shortly afterwards.

The attached map shows pedestrian and vehicular entrances, dressing room location and former playground site location.

With regard to future plans the play space programme 2018 lists north Clondalkin area as an area for progression of a play space.  Collinstown Park could be considered in the public consultation as a possible location in that regard. It should be noted however, that an examination of reports on previous public consultation with regard to playgrounds within the area show opposition. Going forward; the council continue to maintain and repair the park as required. The provision of pitches are a significant resource within the area and the maintenance of same proceeds apace. Significant works undertaken in recent years under the improvement works programme include an upgrade to the vehicular entrance with new piers, gate and pedestrian entrance. As such items arise they will be programmed to the improvement works programme as required and as budgets allow.

[Q 10 map](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59386)

### **C/167/18 – (Q11) Item ID: 57478 – Plans for Playspace and Park in Newcastle**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

"That the Chief Executive issue an update report on the plans for a playspace and park in Newcastle?"

**REPLY:**

**Playspace:**

With regard to Newcastle there is currently no public land available to construct a suitable play space. 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 within Department of Education owned lands. 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 within the Newcastle LAP area has expressed an interest in providing a play space ahead of the LAP housing construction. The firm has engaged a Landscape Architect to pursue this idea and when proposals are available they will be brought to the ACM as a Headed Item.

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.

**Park:**

The provision of a park is limited by the lack of publically-owned land available to the council. The Newcastle Local Area Plan allows for public open space to be provided in tandem with the delivery of the development of the plan lands. Just to note the delivery of the Local Area Plan development will also provide for a number of play grounds / play spaces in tandem with development.

### **C/168/18 – (H15) Item ID: 57434 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/169/18 – (C11) Item ID: 57435 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

The meeting concluded at 4.20pm

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