

Mr. Maurice Buckley,
Chairman,
The Office of Public Works Head Office,
Jonathan swift Street,
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18th April, 2019.

Our Ref: M62103

Re: Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting of South Dublin County Council
held on 17th April, 2019

Dear Mr. Buckley,

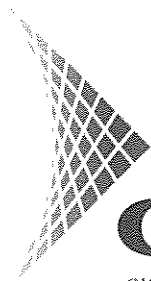
I write on behalf of the Elected Members who at the Clondalkin Area Committee meeting held on 17th April 2019, passed the following motions:

"To ask the Chief Executive to write to the OPW requesting what is the delay in removing scaffolding from the Round Tower. The works indicated in OPW's notice advised 9 weeks which is long passed and when will OPW remove scaffolding?"

I would be obliged for your comments and response as soon as possible to enable me to revert to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Feoneadh Murphy,
Senior Staff Officer.



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**RE: Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting of South Dublin County Council held
on 17th April 2019 – Removal of scaffolding from the Round Tower**

Dear Feoneadh,

On behalf of Mr Maurice Buckley, I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 18th April 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Joyce
Chairman's Office

25th April 2019



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Dear Feoneadh,

I refer to your letter of 18th April last to the Chairman of the Office of Public Works, Mr Maurice Buckley, in relation to Clondalkin Round Tower and the scaffolding currently in place there.

The Office of Public Works has a planned project to install new oak floors in the Round Tower. The floors in-situ were originally installed in the 60s but have deteriorated and are now in bad condition. Due to the location on the busy street and the high level of footfall, it is necessary to have the scaffolding/hoarding in place so that these works can be done safely.

Due to a number of factors outside the control of the OPW, including a delay in sourcing the appropriate materials for the works, it was not possible to commence the project as originally planned. As the scaffolding is site-specific, it was not cost-effective to remove and re-erect it so it was decided to leave it in place until such time as the works could commence which, it is hoped, will be within the next two weeks. However, the commencement of works is dependent on the outcome of a meeting to be held, I understand, shortly, to discuss Clondalkin's involvement in the 2019 Tidy Towns competition as there is a concern over the visual impact of the hoarding.

It is difficult to give an exact completion date but OPW is happy to meet any member of South Dublin County Council at the Round Tower to discuss the project. Please contact Mr Tommy Halton, District Works Manager, (087) 9830048 in this regard if you so wish.

I hope that this clarifies the current position.

Yours sincerely,

Jacqueline McHale
National Monuments Admin

20th May 2019