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**SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

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

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

 Councillor William Joseph Carey

 Councillor Kenneth Egan

 Councillor Trevor Gilligan

 Councillor Peter Kavanagh

 Councillor Eoin Ó Broin

 Councillor Shirley O’Hara

 Councillor Francis Timmons

Cathaoirleach, Councillor E. Ó Broin presided.

**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Senior Engineer Mr. Leo Magee, Mr. Willie Purcell, Mr. Tony O’Grady

County Librarian Ms. Bernadette Fennell

Senior Executive Officer Ms. Mary Maguire, Ms. Cristina Hurson

A/Senior Executive Officer Mr. Michael McAdam

A/Senior Planner Mr. Eoin Burke

Senior Executive Parks Superintendent Mr. David Fennell, Ms. Máire Ní Dhomhnaill

Administrative Officer Ms. Brenda Shannon, Ms. Amanda Mills, Ms. Sheila Kelly, Ms. Marie Kavanagh

Chief Technician Mr. Kevin Reilly

Senior Staff Officer Ms. Pamela Brennan

Staff Officer Ms. Leona Maher

Assistant Staff Officer Ms. Ita Kenny

EIA and RO Manager Mr. Mark Conroy,

Corporate Communication IE Ms. Jane Cregan

RO Lead Ms. Leah Kenny

**C/346/20 – H1 Item ID:67661 Confirmation & Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 21st October 2020**

The minutes of the October meeting of the Clondalkin Area Committee meeting dealing with Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management, Public Realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Housing, Community, Transportation and Planning held on 21st October 2020 which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed.

[**HI 1 Minutes of 21st October 2020**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=67970)

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor P. Kavanagh and **RESOLVED:**

“That the recommendations contained in the minutes of 21st October be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**C/347/20 – QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor P. Kavanagh:

“That pursuant to Standing Order 13, Questions 1 to 14, with the exception of Question 1, be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”** Councillor W. Carey expressed concern regarding the accuracy of the information provided in the response to Question 1 and it was agreed by the members that Q1 be clarified in more detail.

**Water & Drainage**

**C/348/20 – (H2) Item ID:67635 New Works**

(No Business)

**C/349/20 – (C1) Item ID:67636 Correspondence**

(No Business)

**Public Realm**

**C/350/20 – (Q1) Item ID:67716 Flooding and Overflow of duckponds in Corkagh Park**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey:

"To ask the Chief Executive to offer a report on the recent flooding and overflow of the duckponds in Corkagh Park and to outline what action was taken to remedy this? What actions have been taken to ensure there is not a re-occurrence and to confirm which department is responsible for the maintenance and drainage? Work has commenced and is currently taken place on widening of footpaths in the park. Excess soil is currently being placed within various locations near the Camac River. Can we be assured that this placement of soil will not interfere with flow of the river and thus cause further flooding?"

**REPLY:**

The Environment Water & Climate Change Department is responsible for the lakes in Corkagh Park. The lakes in question were completed in 2000 as part of a flood alleviation scheme to protect the downstream Clondalkin households from flooding. As such they were designed to retain water in periods of heavy rainfall and if necessary, overspill on the neighbouring park lands without damage to property. On receipt of the recent complaint of footpath flooding, the Drainage Operations Section removed the silted up non-return valve on the pond outlet and constructed a temporary weir downstream to prevent the lake emptying completely. There appears to be a change in the flow regime to the lakes and this present arrangement appears to be successfully dealing with this.

Footpath upgrade works are being carried out in the Corkagh Park under the Public Realm Improvement Works Programme. To manage costs and reduce the carbon footprint excavated soil is retained in the park. The soil has been placed on lands in the vicinity of the River Camac with a view to landscaping it when ground conditions are more suitable. It is positioned to ensure that it will not interfere with the flow of the river and will not give rise to flooding.

### **C/351/20 – (Q2) Item ID:67735 – Clarification on Consultation of Green Infrastructure Strategy**

Proposed by Councillor P. Kavanagh:

“To ask the Chief Executive, for clarification and confirmation that the consultation on the Green Infrastructure Strategy is not a separate exercise but will be part of the proposed public consultation period for the draft County Development Plan is the 5th July 2021-14th September 2021 and if that is the case, to reconsider and run a separate public consultation process?”

**REPLY:**

SDCC are currently engaged with consultants in preparing two strategies, a Green Infrastructure (GI) Strategy and a Parks and Open Space Strategy for the County.  The Green Infrastructure Strategy shall inform the basis for the identification, protection and promotion of Green Infrastructure and provide a structure for the long-term management, enhancement and expansion of the Green Infrastructure network across urban and rural areas within the County and coordinate with the GI strategies of adjoining jurisdictions.

The Green Infrastructure strategy is an integral part of the preparation of the new County Development Plan and will be part of the draft plan public consultation process which will commence in early July 2021 for a period of ten weeks. The Parks and Open Space Strategy shall include a comprehensive and overarching plan to guide the provision, development, maintenance and investment of the County’s public open spaces. This will incorporate an audit of existing open space and recreational provision, an assessment of current and future requirements and a strategy statement with a clear set of policy recommendations, priorities and actions. A key deliverable is to allow Green Infrastructure related policies and objectives, including zoning and GI mapping, and relevant sections of the Parks and Open Space Strategy policies to inform and be incorporated into the County Development Plan.

The inclusion of the GI Strategy as part of the DP process also allows for it to be incorporated into the relevant environmental assessments and to inform indicators as part of the required Strategic Environmental Assessment monitoring following the adoption of the Plan.

By proceeding on this basis the Green Infrastructure Strategy will become a part of the adopted County Development Plan. Green Infrastructure policy will be evident throughout the County Development Plan and the Strategy document will be incorporated as an appendix to the CDP.

### **C/352/20 – (Q3) Item ID:67743 – Flooding near duckponds in Corkagh Park**

Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin:

"To ask the Chief Executive if the cause of the flooding that occurred near the Duck Ponds in Corkagh Park two weeks ago not dissipating quickly has been established and might same happen again?"

**REPLY:**

The lakes in question were completed in 2000 as part of a flood alleviation scheme to protect the downstream Clondalkin households from flooding. As such they were designed to retain water in periods of heavy rainfall and if necessary, overspill on the neighbouring park lands without damage to property. On receipt of the recent complaint of footpath flooding, the Drainage Operations Section removed the silted up non-return valve on the pond outlet and constructed a temporary weir downstream to prevent the lake emptying completely. There appears to be a change in the flow regime to the lakes and this present arrangement appears to be successfully dealing with this.

### **C/353/20 – (Q4) Item ID:67709 – Prevention of Bonfires in Lindisfarne Estate**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons:

"To ask that the Chief Executive issues a report update on what can be done to prevent a bonfire at the entrance to Lindisfarne Estate. This matter has been raised in the past and that the Chief Executive outlines what action he will take on the matter?"

**REPLY:**

The Council has always recognised the difficulties that Halloween causes for many communities through the illegal burning of waste on Halloween bonfires, the damage to local amenities, and the threat to property and local services.  In line with previous years the Council adopted a cross departmental approach, utilising the services of Public Realm, Waste Enforcement, Environmental Awareness, Library Service and Housing and Community Services Departments to prevent damage and promote the “Safe Halloween” message. The Council's response to Halloween in 2020 involved the following:

* Various awareness measures to highlight the dangers associated with bonfires and the harm done to the environment,
* Action by the Council's Environmental Licensing and Enforcement Section to deal with commercial premises and their obligations to properly store their waste including aerial surveys,
* The Public Realm removed stockpiles of bonfire materials prior to Halloween night,
* Liaising with An Garda Siochana to exchange information regarding action being taken by them and by the Council in relation to stockpiling of bonfire materials and all related issues,
* Liaison with local residents’ groups who helped to identify the locations of material stockpiles,
* Implementation of the ‘bulbs not bonfires’ scheme,
* The Council operated a mattress 'amnesty' scheme again this year, in advance of Halloween. This was run on the Council's behalf by Recycle IT,
* The social credits scheme once again facilitate groups who are registered on the scheme with the disposal of materials at the Council's civic amenity site in Ballymount, and this helped to reduce the amount of materials being handed over for bonfires.

The situation regarding Covid 19 restrictions caused additional difficulties this year.  The Gardai informed the Council that they are unable to visit schools this year to promote a safe Halloween message, as would have happened in previous years.  The same difficulties arose in relation to Council staff visiting schools.  The promotion of a safe Halloween message therefore relied heavily this year on the use of social media.

Council staff were on duty on October 31st and removed stockpiles of bonfire material during the course of the day. The Council endeavours to maximise the quantity of material intercepted before it reaches a bonfire and this depends very much on the provision of information by local residents with regard to the location of material stockpiles. Such information can be submitted to the Council by telephone 01-4149000 or by email publicrealm@sdublincoco.ie

It is not possible to attend all sites on October 31st to remove bonfire material and priority locations are therefore targeted for collections. These locations include areas where bonfires are being constructed in close proximity to houses, power lines, roadsides and transport routes. The work is a high-risk activity and sometimes can only be carried out with the assistance of An Garda Siochána. Quite often material does not appear on site until late in the afternoon when staff have finished work. In an effort to prevent a bonfire at this location in future years, residents should contact the Council to arrange for removal of material. Every assistance will be provided subject to the restrictions as outlined above.

### **C/354/20 – (Q5) Item ID:67736 – Studies undertaken for Green Infrastructure Strategy**

Proposed by Councillor P. Kavanagh:

"To ask the Chief Executive, what are the current studies being undertaken as part of informing the Green Infrastructure Strategy and what components are desk based and what components are based on new field studies?"

**REPLY:**

The methodology and approach to the development of a Green Infrastructure Strategy requires elements of desktop investigation, collation of existing surveys as well as on the ground surveys and mapping. A Green Infrastructure map is being produced of the entire County to Fosset Level 2 and more detailed surveys will also be carried out in the nine case study areas.

The initial stage of this project involved collation of all available data sources such as survey works, investigations, environmental assessments and plans that exist at a local level. Any resources holding information on current provision of GI and Open Space across the County were compiled. There are extensive existing surveys available within the council which included resources and services provided by many Council Departments [existing data and mapping where available] including Parks and Open Spaces, walking routes (short and long), recreational facilities, playgrounds, natural areas, car parking, toilets, tourist facilities, green infrastructure, drainage, transport routes, SuDS, public realm, housing areas, cemeteries, street trees, allotments and planning and development management to assess quantity and quality of current provision and adequacy versus demographics.

The second stage comprises of four research strands which provide the foundation and evidence base on which to build both the GI Strategy and the POS Strategy. It involves both desktop studies and on the ground surveys and mapping.

### **C/355/20 – (Q6) Item ID:67744 – Playground in Clondalkin Leisure Centre**

Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin:

"To ask the Chief Executive to clarify why the playground beside Clondalkin Leisure Centre has not been open recently?"

**REPLY:**

The playground at Clondalkin Leisure Centre is normally opened by the Leisure Centre staff. Under the current Covid 19 Level 5 restrictions, the Leisure Centre has been unable to open and therefore the playground has remained closed. As an interim measure staff from the Public Realm Section will open the playground until the Leisure Centre staff are back at work.

### **C/356/20 – (H3) Item ID:67637 - New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/357/20 – (H4) Item ID:67892 – Tree Maintenance Update**

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

**September 2020 Tree Maintenance Report for Clondalkin area**

Tree work completed from start of 2020 to end September in the county includes 1,216 trees pruned and 310 trees removed, 994 trees were planted in early 2020 and 2,911 trees have been surveyed.  It is expected that the target of 4,000 trees to be pruned or removed will be achieved by year end.

Covid restriction impacted on work as staff were directed to cleansing and grass cutting during the months of March, April and May. Council staff have resumed tree maintenance work and contractors have been engaged to work on areas where there are dangerous trees, utility services, estates that were on 2017-29 tree programme but not yet done and trees in one-off locations which need to be attended to but are not on the approved tree programme.

In addition to the planned whole estate and road programme, reactive and emergency works is carried out on individual trees as necessary to minimise risks to the public. Emergency and reactive tree works will take priority over the planned programme of tree maintenance works. Since the start of 2020 – there have been 6 storms.

The following table outlines the locations in the Clondalkin area where tree maintenance and surveying has taken place in 2020

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| **Location** |

Boot Road

Castle Grange estate- survey complete-works planned for November 2020

Collinstown Grove -November 2020

Cherrywood Park, Lawn and Crescent & Villas

Dunawley

Glenfield- Works complete

Hazelwood estate- December 2020

James Connolly Park -survey complete- works planned for Dec 2020

Kilcronan estate-December 2020

Kilmahuddrick -November 2020

Lealand including open spaces - Works complete

Lindisfarne - survey complete

Melrose

Michael Collins Park

Monastery Heath incl os mature trees

Monksfield Heights and Grove -survey complete

Monksfield estate remainder -survey complete

Newcastle village & Aylmer Road

Oakdowns-survey complete

Oakrise- survey complete

Pinewoods-survey complete

Riversdale- survey complete

Rowlagh

St Ronans-survey complete

Shancastle

Saggart village

St Brigid’s Road -survey complete

St John’s estate and Commons Road

St John’s Wood West & St John’s Road-survey complete

Westbourne estate -survey complete

Wheatfield -Works complete

Willow estate-survey complete

Woodford

Yellow Meadows estate- survey complete

Following a contribution from Councillors E. Ó Broin, F. Timmons and P. Kavanagh, Ms. M. Ní Dhomhnaill Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to the Members queries and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/358/20 - (C2) Item ID:67638 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

### **C/359/20 – (M2) Item ID:67568 – Mount Saint Joseph Graveyard**

In accordance with Standing Orders, the members agreed to vary the sequence of business and bring motion 2 ahead of motion 1.

It was Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and Seconded by Councillor P. Kavanagh:

"That this Area Committee supports Clondalkin Tidy Towns request that South Dublin County Council secure the Mount Saint Joseph Graveyard, Monastery Road and regularly maintain the site to preserve it for future generations."

**REPORT:**

Mount Saint Joseph Church and graveyard is surrounded by a 1.4 meter high railing and a 1.6 meter high double leaf gate. While access is restricted it was noted at a recent site inspection that there is a low point under the railing on the east side through which a small animal could crawl. Arrangements are currently in hand to have this filled in.

There is a strip of grass between the railing and the wall of the Church which is currently not being cut on a regular basis. A number of self-seeded tree saplings have started to grow in this area. It is proposed to increase the frequency of mowing of this strip on the North, East and West sides. The south side of the site that abuts Monastery Road is elevated and sloped. While it will not be possible to achieve a similar frequency of cutting on the sloped part of this area the flat area will be cut in tandem with the other sides.

A small amount of vegetation which has started to grow on the walls of the Church will also be removed.

### A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and P. Kavanagh. Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED.**

### **C/360/20 – (M1) Item ID:67505 – Cleanup of St. Brigid’s Well**

It was Proposed by Councillor T. Gilligan:

"That the Chief Executive attempt to eradicate rubbish, littering, etc at St. Brigid's Well, Lilliput Lane, it is a disgrace and needs to be rectified. Can the Council also arrange a clean up at earliest convenience."

**REPORT:**

An inspection of this site was carried out and while there was a small amount of litter present the majority of debris consisted of fallen leaves which had been blown into the site from trees in the vicinity. There was a small amount of tissue waste under the ash tree, the branches of which are used to tie rags onto. Tissue paper is being tied to one of the branches and is quickly disintegrating and falling on the ground. A clean up of the site has been arranged.

As Councillor T. Gilligan was not present the motion **FELL**.

**Environment**

### **C/361/20 – (H5) Item ID:67639 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/362/20 – (C3) Item ID:67640 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

### **C/363/20 – (M3) Item ID:67747 – Horses in the Kishogue Area**

It was Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin and Seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

"That in light of recent videos circulated on Social Media of a herd of horses living in squalour conditions on public land in the vicinity of Kishogue that this Area Committee receives an update on the work of South Dublin County Council in relation to Horse Welfare on its lands."

**REPORT:**

Under the [**Control of Horses Act, 1996**](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/1996/act/37/enacted/en/html?q=horses), all local authorities are responsible for the control of horses in their areas. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, South Dublin County Council's [**Control of Horses Bye-Laws, 2014**](https://www.sdcc.ie/en/services/environment/animal-welfare/horses/seized-horses/2014-control-of-horses-bye-laws.pdf) were made on 10th February 2014 and implemented with effect from 12th March 2014. These Byelaws are actively enforced and provide the Council with tools to deal with issues which impact negatively on communities and animals alike.

The legislation associated with the Control of Horses Act 1996 is currently under review at Central Government level, following this review and any subsequent amendments to this legislation which ensue, a review of the Council's Control of Horse Bye laws will be then carried out.

Problems associated with keeping horses in an urban area may include neglect and cruelty to the animals, damage to public property including parks, sports pitches and grass verges, danger posed to public safety and general nuisance posed by presence of horses in public places.

South Dublin County Council has a proven track record in the effective management of this service, and also works closely with the DSPCA in monitoring horses from an animal welfare perspective within South Dublin County.

All reports of loose/stray horses which are received from elected representatives, members of the public and Council staff are considered in a timely manner and, as appropriate, are referred to the contractor engaged by the Council for the provision and operation of the horse seizure service and horse pound facility.

Statistics in relation to horse seizures nationally are available from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine through the following link: [**https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/animalhealthwelfare/animalwelfare/controlofhorses/**](https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/animalhealthwelfare/animalwelfare/controlofhorses/)

The Council is continuing to monitor the horse at this location in conjunction with our contractor. To date, two horses have been seized.

### A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors F. Timmons, P. Kavanagh and W. Carey. Ms. B. Shannon, Administrative Officer responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED.**

### **C/364/20 – (M4) Item ID:67517 – Free Access to Ballymount Civic Amenity**

It Proposed by Councillor T. Gilligan and Seconded by Councillor P. Kavanagh:

"That the Chief Executive agree to reinstate the one off junk collection/ free access to Ballymount facility in Clondalkin Local Electoral Area."

**REPORT:**

A household junk collection was last provided by this Council in 2008.  At that time the service was provided on a rotating basis to approximately 20,000 households each year at a cost to the Council of €500,000 per year.  The service was discontinued in 2008 due to the economic crash and has not been provided since.

Free access to the Ballymount Civic Amenity facility is provided for a period of 3 to 4 weeks in advance of Halloween, for residents groups that collect bonfire materials.  The aim of the scheme is to assist residents groups in tackling illegal bonfires in their communities and to reduce the volume of material being burned illegally.

A free access day was provided at the Ballymount Civic Amenity facility a number of years ago which proved to be very successful at the time.   An assessment of the cost of this event subsequently revealed however that the cost to the Council for the free day was approximately €100,000 when income foregone and additional costs in disposing of the waste were included.   This service was not provided in subsequent years due to the excessive cost involved.

### A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors T. Gilligan, P. Kavanagh, E. Ó Broin and W. Carey. Mr. L. Magee, Senior Engineer responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED.**

**Housing**

### **C/365/20 – (Q7) Item ID:67717 – Corkagh Park Housing Development**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey:

"To ask the Chief Executive to offer a report in response to the following issues. Since completion of the Corkagh Park Housing Development it has been noted that there is height difference of approx. 600mm in the street levels where Cherrywood Crescent aligns with the new estate. What are the implications for child safety where the boundary wall and fence now has a low level access on the side for new houses with high level drop on the existing housing side? Was this envisaged in the original design and what implications does this have for possible flooding in the area?"

**REPLY:**

(a) Wall design and construction

In accordance with planning, the wall at Cherrywood Crescent was constructed to close the existing access into the adjacent park and ensure that Cherrywood Crescent would remain a cul-de-sac. The planning condition requirement governing this was to liaise with stakeholders including the local residents and South Dublin County Council (SDCC) to agree boundary treatments. The subsequent design of the wall and railings between Corkagh Grange and Cherrywood Crescent was finalised based upon the discussions between all parties. The wall and railings have been constructed in compliance with the agreed design.

In relation to the height of the constructed wall and vertical railings at 1550mm, these are not considered to be readily climbable by children and are largely consistent with other boundaries in the vicinity. These are compliant with the details agreed with local residents and SDCC. The finished street levels on the Corkagh Grange side of the boundary are a result of detailed design of the entire site including surface water drainage and pavement build-up requirements.

(b) Flood risk

A flood risk assessment was completed on behalf of South Dublin County Council (SDCC) at the preliminary design stage of the project. The study includes the following conclusions:

* The risk of flooding on the proposed development site has been considered using available primary sources of flooding information.  This assessment demonstrates that the entirety of the site is not at risk from flooding from either a 1 in 100 year or a 1 in 1000 year storm event.
* The flood risk assessment maps contained within the Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management (CFRAM) Study indicate the predicted extent of flooding during a 1 in 100 year and a 1 in 1000 year storm event.  These maps indicate that there is no realistic risk of flooding on the site.

The drainage design for the Corkagh Grange development has been developed in accordance with Sustainable Urban Drainage System (SuDS) design principles, which is mandatory and applies to all new developments.  Compliance with these design principles ensures that surface water run-off from a new development will mimic the run-off that exists in the greenfield state, the run off has been designed to remain within our boundary therefore there is no risk of flooding into adjacent developments.

The surface water drainage system disperses rainwater from the pavement via appropriately designed carrier drains through an attenuation system before discharge into the final drainage connection. John Sisk & Son, the Works Contractor, has confirmed that the surface water drainage system has been designed and installed in accordance with the planning and construction requirements.

### **C/366/20 – (Q8) Item ID:67742 – Boardwalk on Orchard Road**

Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin:

"This Area Committee welcomes the recently completed works to the Boardwalk on Orchard Road in Clondalkin. To ask the Chief Executive when the balustrades (i) beside the recently completed Boardwalk on Orchard Road, Clondalkin and (ii) at the Mayfield Bridge on Watery Lane, Clondalkin will be varnished?"

**REPLY:**

Maintenance works to Clondalkin boardwalk railings will be carried out as part of maintenance painting programme for Clondalkin Civic Offices in the coming months.

### **C/367/20 – (Q9) Item ID:67708 – Homeless Hostel in Clondalkin**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons:

"To ask that the Chief Executive issues a report update on a proposed Hostel for the Clondalkin area that the elected Clondalkin Area Councillors have supported in several motions since 2014 given another recent homeless death in the area and to update this Committee on what has been done to progress this since 2014 in terms of a suitable location and funding application?"

**REPLY:**

The Council in partnership with the Dublin Region Homeless Executive have looked at properties to convert or sites to develop for use as emergency accommodation for homeless single persons across the County.  The Council, in collaboration with the Dublin Region Homeless Executive, is progressing the development of a small family hub in the Clondalkin area, however, to date, no suitable premises has been identified for singles.

Once a suitable location has been identified the Council will proceed to identify funding streams.

### **C/368/20 – (H6) Item ID:67641 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/369/20 – (C4) Item ID:67642 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

### **C/370/20 – (M5) Item ID:67712 – Anti-Social Behaviour in Ballynakelly Edge Housing Estate**

It was Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and Seconded by Councillor T. Gilligan:

"That this Area Committee requests that the anti-social unit investigate action incidents ongoing into social behaviour in Ballynakelly in Newcastle and also liaise with Rathcoole Guards on this matter and to look at holding a South Dublin County Council anti-social clinic in Newcastle community centre that could deal with these issues moving forward."

**REPORT:**

The Council has received 4 reports of anti-social behaviour from 1st January 2020 to date at Ballynakelly in Newcastle, Co Dublin. Following investigations by the officer for the area 1 Tenancy Warning was issued.

If local residents are experiencing issues of anti-social behaviour they should report them directly to the Allocation Support Unit on 01-4149265 to lodge a complaint.

In order for the Council to take action under the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 it would be necessary to identify Council tenants or members of their household who are involved in anti-social behaviour in the area. Residents are advised to provide as much details as possible in relation to the name, address and nature of the complaint to allow the officer for the area to investigate the matter in full. All information provided is in the strictest of confidence.

Estate Management clinics which are run in conjunction with An Garda Síochána are not operational at present due to COVID-19 restrictions. When normal operations are reinstated the times and locations for the Clondalkin Electoral Area Estate Management Clinic is as follows:

Clondalkin Civic Offices every Thursday 10:30am - 11:00am

There is one Allocation Support Officer and one Estate Management Officer assigned to the Ballynakelly area. The Allocation Support Officer is due to attend a meeting on Thursday 19th November with Clondalkin Gardai to meet the newly allocated Garda members to the Clondalkin Community Policing Unit. Superintendent Twomey is to present his plans for Community Policing in the Clondalkin areas which includes the Ballynakelly area.

### A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and W. Carey. Ms. A. Mills, Administrative Officer responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED.**

### **C/371/20 – (M6) Item ID:67751**

It was Proposed by Councillor W. Carey and Seconded by T. Gilligan:

"That this Area Committee agrees that Council Management shall establish a liaison group to co-ordinate with residents groups and builders who are undertaking building projects at Mayfield/Riversdale and the Eircom site at Nangor Rd in order that issues pertaining to the smooth operation of the development can be addressed on an agreed basis."

**REPORT:**

As communicated to the Councillors by email of the 5th November in relation to the commencement of construction on the Mayfield/Riversdale site, the Council will provide a contractor liaison to establish a communications group with the contractor, Council and local residents.

### A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors W. Carey, F. Timmons, T. Gilligan and E. Ó Broin. Ms. M. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED.**

**Community**

### **C/372/20 – (H7) Item ID:67643 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/373/20 – (H8) Item ID:67758 - Deputations**

(No Business)

### **C/374/20 (C5) Item ID:67645 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

**Transportation**

### **C/375/20 – (Q10) Item ID:67738 – Plan for the Spine Road through Slade Castle**

Proposed by S. O'Hara:

"To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the plan for the Spine Road through the estate of Slade Castle, Millrace, Crossforge, and Drurys Mill in Saggart?"

**REPLY:**

When Slade Castle, Drury Mills/Crossforge and Millrace are completed in accordance with their Planning permissions and offered for Taking in Charge, there will be a second street running through Saggart. This is precisely how these schemes were designed and was evident at the time that people were making purchasing decisions.

### **C/376/20 – (Q11) Item ID:67707 – Bollards on Tower Road**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons:

"To ask that the Chief Executive issues a report update to the bollards on Tower Road, two bollards are now down. When will one be fixed and other replaced? Also to give an update on the new bollard request to protect the Round Tower?"

**REPLY:**

These are original stone bollards, and the Area Engineer has got two new ones delivered to depot.

A crew will be arranged to get them fitted this week.

New bollards are the responsibility of Traffic Section.

### **C/377/20 – (Q12) Item ID:67739 – Traffic Management Survey in Saggart**

Proposed by S. O'Hara

"To ask the Chief Executive to conduct a Traffic Management survey in Saggart Village at peak times, particularly focusing on the traffic lights sequence."

**REPLY:**

South Dublin County Council Traffic Section have been requested to carry out a large number of Traffic Counts in various Electoral Areas. This request will be added to that list and discussed with the Director of Transport.

### **C/378/20 – (H9) Item ID:67646 – New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/379/20 – (H10) Item ID:67647 – Proposed Declaration of roads to be Public Roads**

(No Business)

### **C/380/20 – (H11) Item ID:67676 – Update on Public Consultation Draft Parking Bye Laws**

The following report was presented by Ms. S. Kelly, Administrative Officer:

**Update on Public Consultation Draft Parking Bye Laws 2020**

[HI 11 Update on Public Consultation Draft Parking Bye Laws 2020](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=67959)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors P. Kavanagh, T. Gilligan, E Ó Broin. It was Proposed by Councillor P. Kavanagh and Seconded by Councillor W. Carey to bring to Public Consultation the matter of proposed pay and display parking on Monastery Drive and Park. A report on such consultation to be brought before the Clondalkin ACM for local consideration and recommendation before reverting to full Council.

Ms. M. Maguire, Senior Executive Officer, Ms. S. Kelly, Administrative Officer and Mr. K. Reilly, Chief Technician responded to the members queries and the report was **NOTED**.

### **C/381/20 – (H12) Item ID:67680 – Winter Maintenance Plan**

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

**Winter Maintenance Plan 2020-2021**

[HI 12 Winter Maintenance Plan 2020-21](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=68009)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors T. Gilligan, P. Kavanagh and E. Ó Broin. Mr. T. O’Grady, Senior Engineer responded to the members queries and the report was **NOTED**.

### **C/382/20 – (H13) Item ID:67696 – Irish Rail Presentation**

The following report was presented by Mr. M. Conroy, EIA and RO Manager, Ms. J. Cregan, Corporate Communications IE and Ms. L. Kenny, RO Lead:

**Irish Rail Presentation**

[HI 13 Irish Rail DART+ Presentation](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=68005)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors E. Ó Broin, P. Kavanagh and W. Carey. Mr. M. Conroy, EIA and RO Manager, Ms. J. Cregan, Corporate Communications IE and Ms. L. Kenny, RO Lead responded to the members queries and the report was **NOTED**.

### **C/383/20 – (H14) Item ID:67702 – Local Directional Signing**

The following report was presented by Mr. K. Reilly, Chief Technician:

**Local Directional Signing**

[HI 14 Local Directional Signing](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=67948)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors P. Kavanagh, E. Ó Broin, F. Timmons and W. Carey. Mr. K. Reilly, Chief Technician responded to the members queries and the repot was **NOTED**.

### **C/384/20 – (C6) Item ID:67648 - Correspondence**

(No Business)

**C/385/20 – (M7) Item ID:67749 – Public Consultation Period for Bus Connects Core Bus Corridors**

It was Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin and Seconded by Councillor P. Kavanagh:

**Cathaoirleach's Business**

"That this Area Committee notes the third Public Consultation Period for the Bus Connects Core Bus Corridors which opened on Wednesday 4th November and agrees the following in relation to CBC 8 which runs on the New Nangor Road from Woodford Walk to Crumlin : - that instead of having a pedestrian and cycle bridge for the so called Hamburger Junction (where the New Nangor Road crosses the N7 to become the Long Mile Road) that an underpass be constructed. An underpass would not discriminate against pedestrians and cyclists in the way an overpass does by forcing users to climb. Given the industrial nature of the area where the Hamburger Junction is located this is an ideal location for Ireland's first Cycling and Pedestrian Underpass. - a cycle lane linking the Hamburger Junction and Walkinstown Avenue on the Long Mile Road also be included."

**REPORT:**

This item has been forwarded to Bus Connects for comment.

SDCC will ask also NTA to explain if an underpass had been considered at this location and list the reasons why it was not selected.

Once responses are received it will be provided to the Members.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors E. Ó Broin, P. Kavanagh and W. Carey. Mr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED**

### **C/386/20 – (M8) Item ID:67534 – Repairs to be done on Paths at Lexington**

It was Proposed by Councillor T. Gilligan:

"That the Chief Executive requests the builders at Lexington to repair all the works to the way they were before hand, this is a mess at the paths at Lexington."

**REPORT:**

The paths at Lexington will be inspected and the Developer contacted to make good any necessary repairs.

As Councillor T. Gilligan was not present the motion **FELL**.

### **C/387/20 – (M9) Item ID:67710 – Footpaths in Old Church Housing Estate**

It was Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and Seconded by Councillor P. Kavanagh and unanimously **AGREED** without debate.

"That this Area Committee agrees that all the footpaths in the Old Church Estate be inspected and that work be carried out to make them safe and trip and hazard free."

**REPORT:**

Old Church Estate will be inspected by the Area Engineer and will be considered for inclusion in the 2021 Roadworks Programme subject to availability of finance.

### **C/388/20 – (M10) Item ID:67750**

It was Proposed by Councillor W. Carey and Seconded by P. Kavanagh:

"That this Committee agrees that Council Management should work with residents of Whitton Avenue and ESB to ensure the connection of public street lights and the surfacing of the temporary access road to the estate and provided, if necessary with funding for the bond deposited by the developer Greenlight, as insurance against failure of the developer to complete the works as stipulated in the grant of planning permission."

**REPORT:**

SDCC cannot use the Bond for matters other that it is stated for. The Bond is specifically for public infrastructure that is to be Taken in Charge.

We will continue to pursue the Developer to complete the scheme and the temporary elements in accordance with the Planning Permission.

A discussion followed with contribution from Councillor W. Carey. Mr. W. Purcell, Senior Engineer responded to the Members queries and the motion was **AGREED**

Councillor P. Kavanagh requested that Standing Orders be suspended to finish the items on the Agenda. Mr. M. McAdam, A/Senior Executive Officer advised that under COVID-19 regulations staff administering the meeting whilst socially distanced should not be together longer than the 3 hours. All Councillors agreed.

The meeting concluded at 6.05pm. Items 11 to 18 were not reached and will be brought forward to December’s ACM.

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