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

Minutes of South Dublin County Council December 2023 Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on Monday 18 December 2023

### **PRESENT**

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| Cllr L. Dunne | Cllr K. Mahon |
| Cllr T. Costello | Cllr B. Pereppadan |
| Cllr M. Duff | Cllr C. O’Connor |
| Cllr C. King | Cllr L. Whelan |
| Cllr P. Holohan | Cllr V. Mulhall |

### **OFFICIALS PRESENT**

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| Senior Engineer | Leo Magee |
| Senior Executive Officer | Fiona Hendley, Mary Connell, Mary Maguire, Sharon Conroy |
| Senior Parks Superintendent | Suzanne Furlong |
| Executive Librarian | Emma McDonald |
| Senior Staff Officer | Fionnuala Keane |
| Staff Officer | Sean Barron |
| Assistant Staff Officer | Bill Fowler, Marian Travers |

Councillor L. Dunne, presided

### **H1/1223 Item ID:81304**

Proposed by Housing Administration

Minutes of Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on 27th November 2023 which had been circulated, were submitted, and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed.

It was proposed by Councillor M. Duff, seconded by Cllr T. Costello, and

**RESOLVED:**

"That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Tallaght Area Committee

Meeting held on 27th November 2023 be **Adopted** and **Approved**.

## **Questions**

## It was proposed by Cllr T. Costello, seconded by Cllr C. King, and **RESOLVED**:” That pursuant to Standing Order No 1, Questions 1-19 be **Adopted and Approved**.

## **Community**

### **H2/1223 Item ID:81292**

Proposed by Community

New Works (No Business)

### **C1/1223 Item ID:81281**

Proposed by Community

Correspondence (No Business)

## **Housing**

### **Q1/1223 Item ID:81360**

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Would the Manager make a report to this Area Committee indicating the average processing time of an application for Social Housing in the Tallaght area?"

**REPLY:**

Social Housing applications are not split into Local Electoral Areas for assessment purposes.

Fully completed applications with all required documentation can take up to 12 weeks for assessment.

The current assessment time is 10 weeks across the County.

### **Q2/1223 Item ID:81363**

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Could the Manager please indicate to this Committee as to the number of applications received in the Tallaght Area for the Right Size Scheme, during the current year?"

**REPLY:**

Applications for right sizing are not recorded or processed by Local Electoral Area.  The table below provides information for the whole administrative area, with figures up to the 30th November 2023.

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| **Category** | **Number** |
| Current Rightsizing Applications (age 55+) | 109 |
| Applications from Private Homeowners (Community List) | 95 |
| Housing List (1ad/2ad (age 55+)) | 825 |
| Under occupied 3-bed & 4-bed Tenancies (age 55+) | 1,153 |

### **Q3/1223 Item ID:81374**

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

"What percentage of the windows and doors scheme is complete in Tallaght?"

**REPLY:**

Following a countywide survey of properties completed in 2017/18, the Windows and Doors capital replacement programme was established in 2019. The survey specifically identified properties with single glazed timber or aluminium units.  Approximately 600 properties across the county requiring works were identified.

Please see breakdown below of the status of the windows and doors programme in the Tallaght area:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Electoral Area | Works Complete  | Contractor Appointed | At Tender Stage | Totals  |
| Tallaght Central   | 31   | 21   | 33   |  85   |
| Tallaght South | 90   | 10   | 155   | 255   |
|   Total  |   121 |   31 |   188 |   340     |

### **Q4/1223 Item ID:81311**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO to present a report on the schedule now being followed in respect of the Age Friendly Housing Development at the Weir, Whitestown; will he give full details and also confirm if plans are in place to allocate the units and will he make a statement?"

**REPLY:**

The development of the 81 age friendly units at Whitestown Way are due for completion in Quarter 1 2024.

On the notification of the completion of the units, they will be assigned to the relevant sections in Housing Allocations to nominate tenants from the age friendly list to the Approved Housing Body(AHB).

The AHB will then contact the tenants directly to arrange the sign up of same.

### **Q5/1223 Item ID:81312**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO to confirm that all problems which arose with regard to the Age Friendly Housing developments at Fernwood Green and Maplewood Heights have now been resolved and will he make a statement in the matter?"

**REPLY:**

 The official launch of Maplewood Heights and Fernwood Green is taking place on Friday 15th December.

A number of tenants at Maplewood Heights have received their keys. Fernwood Green was completed at the end of November and allocations to these properties are ongoing.

### **H3/1223 Item ID:81296**

Proposed by Housing

New Works (No Business)

### **H4/1223 Item ID:81403**

Proposed by Housing Administration

Quarterly Report on Anti-Social Behaviour

**REPLY:**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORTING & STATISTICS FOR TALLAGHT** |   |   |   |   |
| **Incidents** | **2022 TOTAL**  | **1st Qtr 2023** | **2nd Qtr 2023** | **3rd Qtr 2023** | **4th Qtr 2023** | **2023 TOTAL**  |
| **CATEGORY A** |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Drugs Activity reported to SDCC | **27** | 21 | 10 | 3 |   | **34** |
| Criminal Activity reported to SDCC | **10** | 3 | 1 | 1 |   | **5** |
| Joyriding reported to SDCC | **3** | 0 | 4 | 0 |   | **4** |
| Violence/intimidation/ harassment reported to SDCC | **44** | 20 | 18 | 12 |   | **50** |
| **CATEGORY B** |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Squatters/illegal occupiers reported to SDCC | **36** | 17 | 15 | 9 |   | **41** |
| Vandalism reported to SDCC | **13** | 8 | 3 | 5 |   | **16** |
| Physical condition of property reported to SDCC | **36** | 12 | 6 | 9 |   | **27** |
| Physical condition of Garden reported to SDCC | **51** | 3 | 13 | 8 |   | **24** |
| Racism reported to SDCC | **2** | 0 | 3 | 0 |   | **3** |
| Vacant House reported to SDCC | **81** | 23 | 24 | 16 |   | **63** |
| Neighbour Dispute (including parking)reported to SDCC | **4** | 2 | 8 | 2 |   | **12** |
| **CATEGORY C** |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Noise/disturbance reported to SDCC | **14** | 11 | 5 | 3 |   | **19** |
| Pets/animal nuisance reported to SDCC | **11** | 2 | 1 | 1 |   | **4** |
| Children Nuisance reported to SDCC | **2** | 0 | 1 | 0 |   | **1** |
| Selling alcohol | **0** | 0 | 0 | 0 |   | **0** |
| **Total Incidents reported to SDCC** | **386** | 123 | 112 | 61 |   | **296** |
| **Total Complaints reported to SDCC** | **396** | 122 | 115 | 59 |   | **296** |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| **Total Actions taken by Allocations Support Unit Staff - Main actions listed below** | **1205** | 560 | 383 | 451 |   | **1394** |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Housecall / Inspection | **276** | 79 | 103 | 74 |   | **256** |
| Demand for Possession Section 15 & 17 | **2** | 1 | 0 | 0 |   | **1** |
| Abandonment notice served | **9** | 6 | 3 | 4 |   | **13** |
| Surrenders Obtained (including Termination of Tenancy under Section 15) | **35** | 24 | 10 | 10 |   | **44** |
| Warnings issued | **35** | 40 | 11 | 9 |   | **60** |
| Interviews held (formal office and by phone) | **204** | 89 | 69 | 48 |   | **206** |
| Pre-Tenancies (includes following up Tenancy Checks ) Group Tenancies were held in respect of new developments. | **164** | 20 | 70 | 84 |   | **174** |
| Complaints received by WhatsApp | **33** | 13 | 7 | 3 |   | **23** |

### The Q3 report on Anti-Social behaviour was presented by Mary Connell, Senior Executive Officer

### There was a contribution from Cllr K. Mahon

### The Report was **NOTED**

### **C2/1223 Item ID:81284**

Proposed by Housing

Correspondence (No Business)

## **Planning**

### **Q6/1223 Item ID:81308**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO to detail plans he now proposes to respond to the concerns of Belgard Heights Residents Association in respect of the delay in progressing enforcement proceedings regarding the failure of Lidl to comply with the planning permission conditions to develop a pub on their site on Old Belgard Road; will he note the strong support expressed by the community in the matter; will he now take action and make a statement?"

**REPLY:**

There is a live enforcement file relating to this development, permitted under SD17A/0295, and it is not considered prudent to give any further details at this time.

### **H5/1223 Item ID:81299**

Proposed by Planning

New Works (No Business)

### **C3/1223 Item ID:81287**

Proposed by Planning

Correspondence (No Business)

### **M1/1223 Item ID:81367**

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff Seconded by Cllr T. Costello

"That this Area Committee calls on the Manager to give an update on the Enforcement Investigation re Planning Application SD17A/0295, as noted in Cllr O'Connor's question of the 25th September and the reply to same, regarding the provision of a Public House on the site of Lidl Belgard?"

**REPORT:**

There is a live enforcement file relating to this development, permitted under SD17A/0295, and it is not considered prudent to give any further details at this time.

There were contributions from Cllr M. Duff, Cllr C. O’Connor, Cllr C. King, Cllr T. Costello, Cllr K. Mahon and Cllr P. Holohan

Following the contributions from the councillors, Mary Maguire, Senior Executive Officer, explained the planning enforcement process.

The Motion was **AGREED**

## **Transportation**

### **Q7/1223 Item ID:81095**

Proposed by Councillor T. Costello

"To ask the manager for an update on works to the Charles O'Toole bridge as I notice more panels of glass broken?"

**REPLY:**

 The bridge parapet is scheduled for an upgrade in 2024. We will keep elected members updated with more specific information once we have it confirmed.

Until this is done we will continue to repair the broken panels

### **Q8/1223 Item ID:81359**

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Can the Manager please update this Committee as to the status of the reported broken Public Lighting in Kilnamanagh. Most of these lights are the new LED lights and there are multiple lights not working on the Mayberry Road, Tamarisk and Birchview?"

**REPLY:**

The only estate in Kilnamanagh that has been upgraded to LED to date is Redwood.

As of the date of this report, all the public lighting in the locations referred to above have been repaired.

### **Q9/1223 Item ID:81361**

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Could the Manager please inform this Area Committee if there is an intention of providing a Salt Bin that will serve Tymon North Road, where Scoil Iosa, Enable Ireland and the Tymon Community Nursing home are located on this steep road and the current nearest Salt Bin is at the entrance to Tymon Park?"

**REPLY:**

There is a salt bin to be installed at the entrance to Tymon Park and this salt bin will serve Tymon North Road and adjoining estates/schools/businesses etc.

### **Q10/1223 Item ID:81241**

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

"Will the council meet and engage with the residents of Whitestown Way and Firhouse Road regarding the cycle ways installed to discuss the issues they are presenting with the traffic and people in the community?"

[D24 reply to Cllrs Sept 2023](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=80953)

**REPLY:**

The D24 Neighbourhood Network scheme Phase 1 is currently under construction. A Public Consultation period was held in advance of the commencement; [D24 Neighbourhood Cycle Network Scheme | South Dublin County Council's Online Consultation Portal (sdublincoco.ie)](https://consult.sdublincoco.ie/en/consultation/d24-neighbourhood-cycle-network-scheme)

Additionally, the Active Travel project team provided briefings to Councillors and also met with residents, residents associations, Councillors, schools and other stakeholders. The attached report was provided to Councillors on foot of the issues raised which includes the amendments to the scheme.

Disruption during construction is minimised where possible by the contractor, who is supervised by the SDCC project engineer for the scheme who ensures that the contractor works within the agreed traffic management plan.

If there are specific concerns about the design, we can review these and a deputation meeting could be arranged, we do not propose to arrange another full public meeting. Queries raised through the customer care system will also continue to be responded to as speedily as possible.

### **Q11/1223 Item ID:81307**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO to detail the contacts he has had with stakeholders in Springfield in respect of the works on Maplewood Road which have impacted on St Marks Church and St Marks National Schools; will he present a full report in the matter and give assurances?"

**REPLY:**

A very wide consultation was carried out with all the key stakeholders before the implementation of the Safe School Streets Scheme on Maplewood Rd, in Springfield, Tallaght. The key stakeholders consulted included St Marks Junior and Senior National Schools, St Marks Church, the Residents and the Councillors in the area.

Recently, SDCC met with all the Key Stakeholders on Monday 27th November at 2.00pm online and present at that meeting were Deirdre NiBhroin Principal of St Marks Junior National School. Don Harper who is on the School Management Board and represents St Marks Church and Father Bill P.P. of St Marks Church.

We listened to their concerns mainly regarding the following issues,

* School Bus Drop Offs 3 times a day and having a designated area for the Bus Drop off. (Important to note when this project was designed this Bus Drop Off was not in operation)
* Funerals at the Church, having an area outside the Church that can accommodate two hearses, so they can access the church through the front doors.
* Entrance to the Church Carpark and removing a couple of the Pencil Bollards that move into the entrance of the Church Grounds.

There was an agreement reached with all the stakeholders of the School and the Church to accommodate these changes as part of the trial and the contractor would work on these. On that basis everyone at the meeting was happy with the outcome and for the Trial to continue.

### **H6/1223 Item ID:81301**

Proposed by Transportation

New Works (No Business)

### **C4/1223 Item ID:81289**

Proposed by Transportation

Correspondence (No Business)

### **M2/1223 Item ID:81235**

Proposed by Councillor L. Dunne Seconded by Cllr M. Duff

"This Area Committee calls on the Manager to carry out all necessary footpath repairs in Kilcarrig Estate, Fettercairn?"

**REPORT:**

 SDCC have already listed this location for consideration for the 2024 RWP. We intend to bring this draft programme to the Jan ACMs

Motion was taken without debate

## **Libraries Arts**

### **H7/1223 Item ID:81279**

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Application for Arts Grants

**REPLY:**

 There are no Arts Grants for this meeting.

### **H8/1223 Item ID:81291**

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Library News & Events

[Libraries Events Stats](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=80917)
[Libraries Report](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=80916)

Emma McDonald, Executive Librarian, presented the Libraries News & Events report.

There were contributions from Cllr C. O’Connor, Cllr L. Dunne and Cllr K. Mahon

The Report was **NOTED**

### **H9/1223 Item ID:81297**

Proposed by Libraries Arts

NEW WORKS (No Business)

### **C5/1223 Item ID:81285**

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Correspondence (No Business)

## **Economic Development**

### **Q12/1223 Item ID:81375**

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

"Who owns the land Scoil Aoife CNS is built on?"

**REPLY:**

The Council are not the registered owner of the owner of the lands. Ownership of land can be established by accessing the Land Direct Website of Tailte Éireann, the authority responsible for recording land ownership details in the state.

In general terms, it is not appropriate for the Council to provide details of site ownership when third parties are involved. School lands are generally registered to the Minister for Education.

[SCOIL AOIFE](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=80790)

### **Q13/1223 Item ID:81305**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO to confirm when all works at Tallaght Stadium will now be completed and also if plans are in place for the official opening of the new Stand and will he make a statement?"

**REPLY:**

The works will be substantially completed by mid December, with some minor ancillary works still to be completed during early January 2024. The Contractor has had some unforeseen delays with some of the materials for the project, through delivery and supply chain issues, which has delayed the full completion of the Project.

We anticipate the handover of the North Stand from the Contractor during January, 2024, with the works fully completed . The new Stand, and all the other improved facilities at the Stadium, will be fully available for use for the start of the 2024 football season. An official opening for the revamped venue will be organised and will be held at a suitable time and date to be arranged.

### **Q14/1223 Item ID:81306**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO to detail actions he is taking to encourage job creation in the Tallaght area; will he confirm contacts he is maintaining in the matter, and will he make a statement?"

**REPLY:**

The aim of the Local Enterprise Office is to promote entrepreneurship, foster business start-ups and develop existing micro and small businesses to drive job creation and to provide accessible high quality supports for the Business ideas of our new and established businesses in Tallaght and wider South Dublin area.

* We provide direct financial supports to micro businesses\*. Micro Enterprises are businesses with 10 or less employees.   However, in some cases, depending on certain criteria, businesses with 10 employees or more may be eligible for supports and we will advise on a range of alternative funding options available.
* We offer business information, advisory services and enterprise support.
* We deliver high-quality training to meet the needs of our new and growing business promoters including; Start Your Own Business, Managing Your Business e.g. Marketing, Sales, Financial Management, Strategy and Business Planning.
* We provide mentoring services to the business promoter across a wide range of areas with our panel of experienced experts.
* We guide our businesses to the services most relevant to support the growth and development of their business.
* We give you advice on local authority regulations, planning, accessibility, environment, procurement and other issues affecting your business and provide specific supports to improve their Industrial units through our Business Support Fund.
* We connect businesses with appropriate State resources for their business including relevant agencies such as;

–        Department of Social Protection: Enterprise Supports

–        Microfinance Ireland: Business Loans

–        Revenue: Start Up Relief for Entrepreneurs

–        Education and Training Boards: Business Courses

–        Credit Review Office: When your bank has refused credit

* We create progression pathways for high-potential companies to Enterprise Ireland.
* We advise on local property solutions for start-ups and business expansions.
* We organise key enterprise events.
* We facilitate effective business networking.
* We promote entrepreneurship education in the local community and in our schools.

Our new Work IQ Innovation Centre, which is based in The Innovation Quarter, Tallaght will be passed over to Oxford Innovation to attract and support n*ew* businesses to the area. Work IQ will accommodate up to 60 businesses and play a major role in developing start-up enterprises in order to support the creation of over 700 jobs worth €80m to the economy over the coming years.

Meanwhile Partas are creating Tallaght’s cultural ***‘Left Bank’***, an innovative and trendy artisan retail/food hub, cultural and performance venue, training centre and local tourism attraction, Priory Market, will be created on the Partas site in the Tallaght village. It will also be a social enterprise with all profits reinvested in local economic development, training and jobs. The concept fully, when complete, will include:

A food hub of 12 artisan street-food style units arranged around a large ground floor area with multiple seating options

An expanded microbrewery for Priory Brewing, to include a visitor centre and taproom.

Provision of shared test kitchen facilities for new artisan start-ups and for food training courses.

A pop-up restaurant facility for emerging new chefs.

A new 100 seater theatre/conference centre

A large studio facility for flexible uses.

When complete, this new centre, called ‘Priory Market’, will be a focus to bring social and commercial life back to the village and contribute to a sense of pride of place and a thriving atmosphere as well as a tourist attraction. It will provide an immediate 60 extra local jobs and training in all aspects of food, drink, craft and retail which in turn will act as a catalyst for other start-ups and artisans. It will be a focal point and performance space for local performers and artists and will, in effect, become the cultural ‘***Left Bank’*** of Tallaght. The profits generated would ensure impact, sustainability and further development.

### **H10/1223 Item ID:81294**

Proposed by Economic Development

New Works (No Business)

### **C6/1223 Item ID:81283**

Proposed by Economic Development

Correspondence (No Business)

## **Performance Change Management**

### **H11/1223 Item ID:81298**

Proposed by Performance Change Management

New Works (No Business)

### **C7/1223 Item ID:81286**

Proposed by Performance Change Management

Correspondence

[Letter to Shamrock Rovers](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=81034)

## **Corporate Support**

### **Q15/1223 Item ID:81313**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO if he has made further contact with the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage asking why the delay in bringing forward legislation which would allow the Council to complete the process of changing the name of Brookmount as desired and requested by the community and will he make a statement?"

**REPLY:**

Corporate Services recently contacted the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage requesting an update on legislation to facilitate the plebiscite process.  The Department have informed that no progress has been made to date.  Corporate will continue to liaise with the Department on this matter.

### **H12/1223 Item ID:81293**

Proposed by Corporate Support

New Works (No Business)

### **C8/1223 Item ID:81282**

Proposed by Corporate Support

Correspondence (No Business)

[Letter to Shamrock Rovers](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=81041)

## **Water Drainage**

### **H13/1223 Item ID:81302**

Proposed by Water Drainage

New Works (No Business)

### **C9/1223 Item ID:81290**

Proposed by Water Drainage

Correspondence (No Business)

## **Public Realm**

### **Q16/1223 Item ID:80874**

Proposed by Councillor T. Costello

"To ask the manager how many illegal bonfires were reported in Tallaght?"

**REPLY:**

A total of 113 bonfire sites were recorded in the Tallaght area following Halloween 2023.

### **Q17/1223 Item ID:80875**

Proposed by Councillor T. Costello

"To ask the manager how much has the post Halloween clean up cost for Tallaght Area?"

**REPLY:**

A total of 213 bonfires were recorded across the entire county following Halloween 2023 with 113 of these recorded in the Tallaght area.  Final costs from the clean up cannot be calculated as yet as sites which require remediation are very wet and soft and cannot be repaired at the present time.  This work will have to be deferred to spring 2024 as is normally the case.  The final cost of clean up in 2022 was €155,000 and it is expected that this will be higher for 2023 due to the increased number of bonfires held.  It is not possible to calculate the exact cost of clean up in any one electoral area, as the clean up takes place simultaneously across all areas affected by bonfires with all waste materials being collected and transported together to the waste facility.   Waste tonnages for each area therefore cannot be calculated separately and therefore costs cannot be calculated separately.

### **Q18/1223 Item ID:81310**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor

"To ask the CEO if he will now make arrangements to hold the long promised meeting of stakeholders in Kingswood to discuss the whole question of a Sports Hub and the future of the Tennis Courts; will he appreciate the clear need to have such a meeting; will he give assurances and make a statement?"

**REPLY:**

The Council has received a copy of an outline proposal to utilise the footprint of the existing tennis courts at Kingswood to provide a facility which can be used for many ball sports and not just tennis.  The proposal is to upgrade the playing surface, provide markings for multiple ball sports and to provide secure fencing around the facility.  It was submitted by a group consisting of the local residents association as well as a number of the local sports clubs. The proposal received by the Council requested support for an application for sports capital funding however it was not possible to agree to this as it is a requirement of the sports capital grant process that applications will only be accepted from the relevant landowner.

The Council is prepared to examine the proposal with all stakeholders in the area including those who have proposed it, local elected members of the Council and those in the area who have lobbied in favour of upgrading the tennis courts and against this proposed development of a sports facility.  It is intended to commence this process by meeting the elected members in the coming weeks.

### **H14/1223 Item ID:81300**

Proposed by Public Realm

New Works (No Business)

### **C10/1223 Item ID:81288**

Proposed by Public Realm

Correspondence(No Business)

### **M3/1223 Item ID:81365**

Proposed by Councillor L. Dunne Seconded by Cllr C. King

"This Area Committee calls on the Manager to fix the streetlights surrounding the basketball/sports space in Glenshane?"

**REPORT:**

The Council's electrical services contractor has been requested to examine the lighting at the Glenshane MUGA to determine the cause of the fault and to take action to rectify it.

There were contributions from Cllr L. Dunne, Cllr C. King, Cllr C. O’Connor, Cllr T. Costello

Following contributions from the councillors, Leo Magee, Senior Engineer agreed that a report has been requested on the spotlight in question and if it is a minor issue it will be sorted within a week or two. Leo Magee agreed to come back to the councillors as soon as possible.

The Motion was **AGREED**

## **Environment**

### **Q19/1223 Item ID:81364**

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"During the discussions with Kilnamanagh AFC regarding the Kilnamanagh Wetlands site and understanding that the Wetland are not proceeding, will the Manager confirm that the Ball Net promised to the Club will be provided, as agreed and would he inform this Area Committee as to when it will happen?"

**REPLY:**

As mentioned, due to location of underground services and riverbed levels, the proposed Integrated Constructed Wetlands at Treepark Road, Kilnamanagh, will not be proceeding to construction.  As the wetland project is not proceeding, funding source for previously discussed enabling works is no longer available.  The request for the provision ball stop nets has been referred to Public Realm section for their consideration.

### **H15/1223 Item ID:81295**

Proposed by Environment

New Works (No Business)

### **C11/1223 Item ID:81280**

Proposed by Environment

Correspondence (No Business)

### **M4/1223 Item ID:80727**

Proposed by Councillor T. Costello Seconded by Cllr M. Duff

"The automatic gate at the entrance to DVP Pavillion carpark is constantly not working and permanently open, now there is congregation in cars having parties at night, can a solution be found?"

**REPORT:**

There was an issue with the control panel not locking properly on the gate to the car park entrance in Dodder Valley Park (DVP).  This issue is now sorted, and the gate is operating properly again. It opens at 6.30am and closes at 6.30pm daily.

The Motion was taken without debate

### **M5/1223 Item ID:81069**

Proposed by Councillor T. Costello Seconded by Cllr M. Duff

"To ask the manager to grant a long term lease to St Kevins Killians for the pitches in Kilnamanagh which has been their home ground for 30/40 years to enable them have necessary facilities?"

**REPORT:**

SDCC allocate pitches to clubs through an annual licence on a yearly basis as the pitches are part of our public open space.

SDCC are now reviewing the pavilion programme to achieve better value for money and ensure progression of pavilion delivery. Kilnamanagh open space will be considered for changing room facilities as part of that process. The review will be presented to the council in Q1 2024.

We are happy to meet with the club at any time to discuss. This can be arranged by emailing Public Realm at publicrealm@sdublincoco.ie

### **M6/1223 Item ID:81147**

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan Seconded by Cllr C. King

"This Tallaght area committee calls on SDCC to make plans for toilet and changing facilities for St Kevins Kilian’s GAA club?"

**REPORT:**

SDCC are now reviewing the pavilion programme to achieve better value for money and ensure progression of pavilion delivery. Kilnamanagh open space will be considered for changing room facilities as part of that process. The review will be presented to the council in Q1 2024.

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### **M7/1223 Item ID:81357**

Proposed by Councillor K. Mahon Seconded by Cllr P. Holohan

"This Area Committee supports the need for St Kevin's/ Killian's GAA club to secure long term, protected access to pitches and the necessary club facilities to ensure that it can provide for its current and future members and guests. The area is extremely fortunate to have such a vibrant and committed club in the area and the Area Committee calls on Management to engage directly with the club and Councillors and to use the Councils' experience, links and resources to find a workable and sustainable solution that ensures the continuation of the clubs great work?"

**REPORT:**

SDCC allocate pitches to clubs through an annual licence on a yearly basis as the pitches are part of our public open space.

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### **M8/1223 Item ID:81309**

Proposed by Councillor C. O'Connor Seconded by Cllr M. Duff

"That this Tallaght Area Committee calls on the CEO to take immediate action in respect of the views and concerns expressed by the Chair of St Kevins Killians GAA Club in respect of pitches and facilities and regarding the challenges the Club faces in catering for over 500 players, boys and girls from age 2 up to adult level, predominantly from the Kilnamanagh and Kingswood communities; will the CEO appreciate the strong wish of Tallaght Councillors that the Club receive a positive response from the Council and may we have a statement for discussion?"

**REPORT:**

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Motions 5, 6, 7 and 8 were taken together

There were contributions from Cllr T. Costello, Cllr P. Holohan, Cllr K. Mahon, Cllr C. O’Connor, Cllr M. Duff, Cllr C. King, Cllr V. Mulhall and Cllr L. Dunne

Following contributions from the Councillors, Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer, agreed to meet with the club in person in early January 2024 and all councillors will be included in the invite. Sharon Conroy agreed that the club will be considered for inclusion in the Pavilion programme review which will be presented to the Councillors in the first quarter of 2024.

The Motions were **AGREED**

There was no other business and the meeting concluded at 4.29 p.m.