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

Minutes of South Dublin County Council Clondalkin, Newcastle, Rathcoole, Saggart and Brittas Area Committee Meeting dealing with Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management, Environment, Water & Drainage, Public Realm, Housing, Community, Transportation, Planning, Economic Development and Libraries & Arts held on Wednesday 21st February 2024.

### **COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

Councillor William Joseph Carey

 Councillor Laura Donaghy Councillor Eoin Ó Broin

Councillor Shirley O’Hara

 Councillor Francis Timmons

 Councillor Trevor Gilligan

**Apologies:** Councillor Kenneth Egan

Cathaoirleach, Councillor Francis Timmons presided.

### **OFFICIALS PRESENT**

County Architect Mr. Cian Harte

County Librarian Mr. Paul Fusco

Senior Executive Officer Ms. Sharon Conroy

Senior Engineer Mr. John Hegarty, Mr. Gary Walsh

Senior Planner Mr. Eoin Burke, Ms. Hazel Craigie

Senior Executive Parks Superintendent Mr. David Fennell

Senior Executive Planner Ms. Anne Hyland

A/Administrative Officer Ms. Laura Abbey

Executive Librarian (Senior Librarian) Ms. Aoife Horan

Senior Staff Officer Mr. John Savage

A/Staff Officer Mr. Aaron Hartin

Assistant Staff Officer Ms. Roisin Ralph

### **C/51/24 – HI 1 Item ID:82068– Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting Held on 17th January 2024**

The minutes of the November meeting of the Clondalkin, Newcastle, Rathcoole, Saggart and Brittas Area Committee meeting dealing with Libraries, Economic Development, Performance & Change Management, Corporate Support, Public Realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Planning and Transportation held on 17th January 2023 which had been circulated, were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed.

[HI- 1 Minutes of 17th January 2024](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82068&itemTxt=H-I1)

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons, seconded by Councillor W. Carey, and **RESOLVED:**

“That the recommendations contained in the minutes of 17th January 2024 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**C/52/24 – QUESTIONS**

Questions 1-12 were proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor W. Carey:

“That pursuant to Standing Order 13, Questions 1 to 12 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

## **Libraries & Arts**

## **C/53/24 – H2 Item ID:82040 – Application of Arts Grants**

## (No Business)

## **C/54/24 – H3 Item ID:82041 – Library News & Events**

## The following report was presented by Ms. A. Horan, Executive Librarian (Senior Librarian):

## [Library News & Events](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82041&itemTxt=H-I3)

## A discussion followed with a contribution by Councillor F. Timmons.

## Ms. A. Horan Executive Librarian (Senior Librarian), responded to members queries and the report was **NOTED.**

## **C/55/24 – H4 Item ID:82058 – New Works - Access Improvement and Minor Refurbishment Works at Clondalkin Library.**

## The following report was presented by Mr. P. Fusco, County Librarian:

## [Access Improvement and Minor Refurbishment Works at Clondalkin Library](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82058&itemTxt=H-I4)

## A discussion followed with a contributions by Councillors F. Timmons, W. Carey, E Ó Broin, T. Gilligan and S. O’Hara.

## Mr. P. Fusco, County Librarian responded to members queries and the report was **NOTED.**

## **C/56/24 – C1 Item ID:82047– Correspondence**

## (No Business)

### **C/57/24 – M1 Item ID:82058 – Requesting Libraries to Work with Survivors of Church and State Institutions to Educate, Inform and Remember**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor T. Gilligan.

That this Area Committee requests SDCC Libraries work with a group of survivors to put a display on that can move Library to Library that educates , informs and remebers Survivors of Church and State Institutions especially Mother & Mother Institutions , Magadalene Laundry & Industrial Schools.

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

If this motion is passed, libraries will consider, in collaboration with Cllr Timmons, the appropriate format to facilitate the sharing of these stories, and when it may be integrated in our events programme.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors F. Timmons and S. O’Hara.

Mr. P. Fusco, County Librarian responded to the members queries and the motion was **AGREED**.

## **Economic Development**

### **C/58/24 – Q1 Item ID:82232 – Grand Canal Greenway Bins**

### Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin.

## To ask the Chief Executive for an update on Motion 1 from the September 2023 ACM regarding increasing the frequency of the emptying of the bins along the Grand Canal Greenway?

## **REPLY:**The tender process has concluded and a contract has now been signed with new contractor who is reviewing service standards and will establish in conjunction with the Council the appropriate frequency of emptying the bins along the Grand Canal Greenway.

## **C/59/24 – H5 Item ID:82055 – New Works**

## (No Business)

## **C/60/24 – C2 Item ID:82045 – Correspondence**

## (No Business)

**Performance & Change Management**

## **C/61/24 – H6 Item ID:82059– New Works**

## (No Business)

## **C/62/24 – C3 Item ID:82048– Correspondence**

(No Business)

**Corporate Support**

**C/63/24 – Q2 Item ID:82231 – Saggart 300k Project Update**

Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin.

To ask the Chief Executive for a timeline for the installation and implementation of the items voted in for Saggart in their recent 300K Have You Say?

**REPLY:**The following update was given:

[Saggart 300k Project Update Library](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82231&itemTxt=Qu2)

**C/64/24 – H7 Item ID:82054– New Works**

(No Business)

### **C/65/24 – C4 Item ID:82044 – Correspondence**

### (No Business)

### **C/66/24 – M2 Item ID:82237 – Thanking the Organising Committee of Clondalkins Lá Fheile Bríde festival**

### Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

### That this Area Committee agrees to thank the organising committee of Clondalkin's Lá Fheile Bríde festival which took place from the 1st-5th February and also acknowledges the significant funding the event received from SDCC. The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **READ:**

### If the motion is agreed, a letter will issue to the Lá Fheile Bríde festival in Clondalkin to thank them for their efforts in organising the festival.

### **C/67/24 – M3 Item ID:82238 – Congratulations to Clondalkin native Graham Coughlan, Manager of Newport County on the Recent Run in the FA Cup**

### Proposed by Councillor E. Ó Broin and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

### This committee congratulates Clondalkin native Graham Coughlan who is manager of English League 2 side, Newport County, on their recent run in the FA Cup which included a high profile match against Manchester United FC.

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

## If the motion is agreed, a letter will issue to Clondalkin native Graham Coughlan who is manager of English League 2 side, Newport County, congratulating them on their recent run in the FA Cup which included a high profile match against Manchester United FC.

## **Environment**

### **C/68/24 – H8 Item ID:82056 – New Works**

### (No Business)

## **C/69/24 – C5 Item ID:82042– Correspondence**

### (No Business)

### **C/70/24 – M4 Item ID:82226 – Knockmitten Park bins**

### Proposed by Councillor W. Carey and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

### That this Area committee agrees that the Council should introduce further signage and litter bins along the footpath leading from Monastery Road along Monastery Gate Villas through Knockmitten Park. There is a dearth of bins along here and unfortunately people are disposing of dog fouling bags along the line of bushes instead.

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

While there are bins located in Knockmitten Park in the vicinity of the estates of Monksfield, Woodford and Yellow Meadows, it is acknowledged that there is an absence of bins on the section leading from Monastery Road to Monastery Gate Villas. Additional bins will be provided at this location to address this matter. The bins will be provided at suitable locations having regard to the Litter Bin Installation protocol as set out in the Litter Management Plan. The requirement for signage may no longer be necessary once the bins are in place, however this can be examined after bin installation occurs.

**Water & Drainage**

**C/71/24 – H9 Item ID:82063 – New Works**

(No Business)

**C/72/24 – C6 Item ID:82052 – Correspondence**

**(**No Business)

**Public Realm**

**C/73/24 – Q3 Item ID:81957 – Oak Downs Trees**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons

To ask the Chief Executive would he carry out an urgent assessment of trees at Oak Downs following storm damage by Storm Isha?

**REPLY:**An inspection of the trees in Oak Downs will be carried out to identify any potential hazards that may exist. Should this inspection reveal that a more detailed review is required, a full arboricultural survey will be scheduled.

**C/74/24 – Q4 Item ID:81975 – Dunawley Path**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey

To ask the Chief Executive if footpaths can be re-configured and extended at the entrance to the school at Dunawley Ave. There is an issue of car parking forcing students etc to walk on muck etc here.

### **REPLY:**As the request is only for a short section of path, every effort will be made to include it in the current works programme. In the event that this is not feasible, it will be listed for consideration for inclusion in the draft 2025 Improvement Works Programme.

**C/75/24 – Q5 Item ID:82223 – St Cuthberts Park**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey

To ask the Chief executive for an update on development of St Cuthberts Park including a start date for works to take place.

**REPLY:**A tender has issued for St. Cuthbert's Park and the tender designate has been issued a letter of intent. At present the council is awaiting the final programme for agreement before appointment. This is expected imminently and public realm will update all the local councillors and the High Level Task Force as soon as a start date is agreed.

**C/76/24 – H10 Item ID:82061 – New Works**

(No Business)

**C/77/24 – H11 Item ID:82438 – Provision of reflection/mobility benches in Clondalkin**

The following report was presented by Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent:

[Provision of reflection/mobility benches in Clondalkin](http://intranet/cmas/documentsbyitem.aspx?itemid=82438)

A discussion followed with contributions by Councillors E. Ó Broin, T. Gilligan, L. Donaghy, F. Timmons and W. Carey.

Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, responded to members queries and the report was **NOTED.**

## **C/78/24 – C7 Item ID:82050 – Correspondence**

## **(**No Business)

## **C/79/24 – M5 Item ID:82226 – Pinewood/Oak Downs Path**

## Proposed by Councillor T. Gilligan and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

## That the manager install a pathway on the green at oak downs connecting to pinewoods. So many people cut across to get to the school and shops and it's a muck fest

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

An examination of the open space between Oak Downs and Pinewood Estate will be carried out to determine the requirement for a path and the optimum position for locating it. While there is no provision in the current years budget to provide a path, it will be listed for consideration for inclusion in the draft 2025 Improvement Works Programme if warranted.

**C/80/24 – M6 Item ID:82229 – Greenpark/Oak Way open space**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

That this committee agrees that SDCC should consider installation of metal railings to separate the rear of Greenpark shops and the adjoining green (unfortunately some unscrupulous and lazy drivers have taken to driving across the green as a result of heavy traffic during school collection times).

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

The open space between Greenpark shops and Oak Way has been in situ for a long time and the issue of car driving across it is not something that has presented significant problems in the past. The area will be inspected during school collection times to determine the extent of the problem. If the issue is limited to a small number of drivers, it may be possible to eliminate it by talking to the drivers. It would be preferable to resolve the matter in this way rather than having to implement physical deterrents which would incur a cost.

In the event that physical deterrents are required this will have to be considered in the context of the 2025 budget process.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors W. Carey and E Ó Broin.

Mr. D. Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to the members queries and the motion was **AGREED**.

### **C/81/24 – M7 Item ID:82233 – Castle Crescent shops**

### Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

### That this Area Committee agrees that the footpath and car park of Castle Crescent Shops in Clondalkin which is TIC, should be included in the daily street sweeping and litter picking route.

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

The car park and footpath at Castle Park shops are not currently on the Clondalkin Village Cleansing roster. The area is however cleaned once a week as part of general maintenance works. To assist with the control of litter in the area, 4 litter bins have been provided on the footpaths outside the shops and these are emptied on a regular basis. It is proposed that the area will now be added to the village cleaning schedule for cleaning on a more regular basis.

**C/82/24 – M8 Item ID:82234 – Nangor Crescent trees**

Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

That this Area Committee agrees that the trees of the Nangor Crescent housing estate off the Old Nangor Road in Clondalkin will be pruned asap given the frustration their state is causing residents in this small estate of <15 houses.

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

Nangor Crescent is on the current Council approved Tree Maintenance programme scheduled for works in the first half of 2025. An inspection of the estate will be conducted in the short term to assess whether or not the works are required sooner. Pending this, the works will be listed accordingly.

**Community**

**C/83/24 – Q6 Item ID:82230 – Community Recognition Fund**

Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin.

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the items agreed for funding under the Community Recognition Fund across the Clondalkin LEA?

**REPLY:**The Community Recognition Fund 2023 (‘the Fund’) aims to support the development of community infrastructure and facilities in recognition of the contribution being made by communities across the country in welcoming and hosting significant numbers of arrivals from Ukraine and other countries.

The funding is specifically targeted at projects that are located in communities, towns and villages that are hosting the Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection and/or International Protection Applicants (‘new arrivals’) including towns identified for the rapid build homes programme.

The Fund aims to support the development of facilities that will be used in the future by all members of the community. It is separate in its objectives and scope to any other public funding streams which aim to support the development of public service needs arising from the significant number of arrivals from Ukraine.

Areas identified in South Dublin who have welcomed a high number of new arrivals from the Ukraine and other countries were Tallaght, Clondalkin and Saggart. Below is a list of projects funded under the Community Recognition Fund in the Clondalkin & Saggart Local Electoral Area.

Community Recognition Fund Update for the Clondalkin & Saggart Local Electoral Areas.

[Community Recognition Funding](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82230&itemTxt=Qu6)

**C/84/24 – H12 Item ID:82038 – Deputations for Noting**

(No Business)

**C/85/24 – H13 Item ID:82053 – New Works**

(No Business)

**C/86/24 – C8 Item ID:82043 – Correspondence**

(No Correspondence)

**Housing**

**C/87/24 – Q7 Item ID:82235 – Allocations 2023**

Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin.

To ask the Chief Executive how many homes were allocated by SDCC across the LEA in 2023?

**REPLY:**Quarter 4 allocations report, figures as at 31st December 2023 below;

[Allocations 2023](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82235&itemTxt=Qu7)

**C/88/24 – Q8 Item ID:82235 – Average Waiting Time for Allocated Homes**

Proposed by Councillor E Ó Broin.

To ask the Chief Executive what the average wait time on the SDCC waiting list the households that were allocated homes across the LEA in 2023 was?

**REPLY:**84 new tenancies were created through the Choice Based Letting Platform in the LEA in 2023. The average waiting time was 13.4 years.

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| **Bed Size** | **No of allocations** |
| 1 bed | 12 |
| 2 bed | 34 |
| 3 bed | 37 |
| 4 bed | 1 |
| **Total** | **84** |

### **C/89/24 – H14 Item ID:82057 – New Works**

### (No Business)

### **C/90/24 – C9 Item ID:82046 – Correspondence**

### (No Business)

## **Planning**

### **C/91/24 – Q9 Item ID:81959 – Floraville Lodge**

### Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons.

### To ask the Chief Executive to explain how planning enforcement decided the newly buily wall at Floraville Lodge meets the subject to the subject to the conditions set out set by Board Order ???-309497-21 number 13 (The existing stone wal running along the northern boundary of the site adjacent to Monastery Road shall be retained as part the development with the exception of the proposed pedestrian entrance along the site) ? frontage.)

### **REPLY:**The Planning Authority has some discretion in relation to its enforcement role, as is indicated to the Office of the Planning Regulator's Practice Note on same.

In this instance, the Planning Authority investigated and it was determined that a breach of planning permission occurred. In particular a condition of the Board's permission required the retention of the wall, however the original wall collapsed and unfortunately the stone was not kept. The developer engaged with the Planning Authority and made reasonable endeavours to remedy the breach in consultation with members of the local community. It is acknowledged that not all members of the local community were satisfied with this engagement with them.

It is noted the wall in question was not a protected structure nor was it located in an Architectural Conservation Area. Following works and further discussions, it was determined that the matter was resolved and the case was closed. The developer is regularly treating the wall to encourage lichen growth to soften the appearance of the replacement stone wall.

### **C/92/24 – Q10 Item ID:82065 – Protected Habitats, Rathcoole Woods**

### Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons.

### To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the Rathcoole Woodlands, to show them where the protected habitats are in terms of location and area and say where the protected habitat 91EO alluvial Woodland starts and finishes in Rathcoole and the council to set out and demonstrate what measures the Council have in place for the protection of the protected habitats and what management plans are in place for events such as the recent orienteering event that utilised , protected areas and re-wilded areas and what criteria were applied to ensure protection of the protected habitats was in place before giving approval.

### **REPLY:**The map at Fig. 1 attached indicates the Development Plan Land-Use Zoning and Objectives while the map at Fig. 2 below indicates the Preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept for the land beside the woodlands. Fig. 2 includes the locations and extents of the protected habitats, including Hay Meadow, Immature Woodland and Orchid Rich Grassland. The extent of these habitats was presented and debated during the process of making the SDCC Development Plan 2022-2028 and informed the Development Plan zoning decisions which included a reduction in the area zoned for residential development. The subsequent Preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept was presented to Council in May 2023 and the Housing Department is now progressing a design with a view to a future planning proposal.

There is no formal management of the area by the Council at the moment. However, during preparation of the Preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept (presented to Council in May 2023), it was ensured that the proposed land use and movement concept largely avoided the general woodland area and the protected habitats and it was also proposed to include a mature planted boundary to the woodland to act as a buffer, giving the woodland area further protection (see Fig. 2 attached).

[Maps](http://intranet/cmas/documentsbyitem.aspx?itemid=82065)

**C/93/24 – H15 Item ID:82060 – New Works**

(No Business)

**C/94/24 – H16 Item ID:82316 – 2nd Public Consultation – Clondalkin pre-draft LAP**

The following report was presented by Ms, H. Craigie, Senior Planner and Ms. A. Hyland, Senior Executive Planner.

[2nd Public Consultation – Clondalkin pre-draft LAP](http://intranet/cmas/documentsbyitem.aspx?itemid=82316)

A discussion followed with contributions by Councillors F. Timmons, W. Carey, E Ó Broin, L. Donaghy and S. O’Hara.

Ms, H. Craigie, Senior Planner and Ms. A. Hyland, Senior Executive Planner., responded to members queries and the report was **NOTED.**

### **C/95/24 – C10 Item ID:82049 – Correspondence**

### (No Business)

### **C/96/24 – M9 Item ID:81770 – Public Car Park Rathcoole Park**

### Proposed by Councillor S. O’Hara and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

### That this Area Committee requests an update from the Executive on the examination of the location of the Public Carpark for Rathcoole Park, the route for construction traffic access to the Department of Education site adjacent to the Rathcoole Woodlands, and whether the opportunity exists to combine the location of the public carpark with the route for vehicular access to the Department of Education site

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

### The preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept for the area incorporating the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022-2028 was presented to Council at the May 2023 Council Meeting. The Housing Department is now progressing a design with a view to a future planning proposal. The preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept includes access from Mullaly’s Lane. The car parking arrangements for the residential, playing fields and the existing park require consideration through the progression of the concept to a planning proposal.

The Department of Education have lodged a planning application for a school at this location and it is being considered by the Planning Authority.

[Rathcoole May 2023 Presentation to Council](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=81770&itemTxt=Mot9)

**C/97/24 – M10 Item ID:81956 – Clondalkin conservation plan**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor W. Carey.

That this Area Committee requests that SDCC actions a preliminary conservation plan regarding Clondalkin's built heritage ie the old walls of Clondalkin, before the final conservation plan becomes part of the LAP. The people of Clondalkin can't afford to lose any more of our heritage and demand immediate action.

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

The County Development Plan, adopted in June 2022, included objective QDP14 Objective 3 to prepare a local area plan for Clondalkin which would include:

A vision for the development of Clondalkin

Wider urban design principles

Framework plans for larger infill sites

A Conservation Plan

A local Green Infrastructure strategy derived from the County GI Strategy

Transport movement study

Conservation consultants have been employed by the Council as part of the preparation of the local area plan. Recommendations emerging from the work being carried out by the consultants will be included in the draft LAP, due to be on public display in September of this year. Pre-draft public consultation was undertaken in March – May 2023 and further pre-draft public consultation will be held from the end of this month into March 2024. This second pre-draft consultation will provide information on work to date and seek feedback from the public. Any recommendations arising from the conservation report will only have effect where they go through a statutory process. The forthcoming draft LAP will provide for that process.

A discussion followed with contributions by Councillors F. Timmons, W. Carey and E Ó Broin.

Mr. E. Burke, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent and responded to the members queries and the motion was **AGREED**.

**C/98/24 – M11 Item ID:82066 – Rathcoole Woodlands**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor S. O’Hara.

That this Area Committee asks the Council in relation to the Rathcoole Woodlands, to show them where the protected habitats are in terms of location and area and say where the protected habitat 91EO alluvial Woodland starts and finishes in Rathcoole and the council to set out and demonstrate what measures the Council have in place for the protection of the protected habitats and what management plans are in place for events such as the recent orienteering event that utilised , protected areas and re-wilded areas and what criteria were applied to ensure protection of the protected habitats was in place before giving approval.

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

The map at Fig. 1 attached indicates the Development Plan Land-Use Zoning and Objectives while the map at Fig. 2 below indicates the Preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept for the land beside the woodlands. Fig. 2 includes the locations and extents of the protected habitats, including Hay Meadow, Immature Woodland and Orchid Rich Grassland. The extent of these habitats was presented and debated during the process of making the SDCC Development Plan 2022-2028 and informed the Development Plan zoning decisions which included a reduction in the area zoned for residential development. The subsequent Preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept was presented to Council in May 2023 and the Housing Department is now progressing a design with a view to a future planning proposal.

There is no formal management of the area by the Council at the moment. However, during preparation of the Preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept (presented to Council in May 2023), it was ensured that the proposed land use and movement concept largely avoided the general woodland area and the protected habitats and it was also proposed to include a mature planted boundary to the woodland to act as a buffer, giving the woodland area further protection (see Fig. 2 attached).

[Fig 1 & 2](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82066&itemTxt=Mot11)

A discussion followed with contributions by Councillors F. Timmons, W. Carey and S. O’Hara.

Mr. E. Burke, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent and Mr. C. Harte, County Architect responded to the members queries and the motion was **AGREED**.

**C/99/24 – M12 Item ID:82151 – Car Park for Rathcoole/Saggart People’s Park**

Proposed by Councillor S. O’Hara and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

That this Area Committee requests an update on plans to provide a public car park for users of Rathcoole / Saggart People's Park

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

The preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept for the area incorporating the South Dublin County Development Plan 2022-2028 was presented to Council at the May 2023 Council Meeting. The Housing Department is now progressing a design with a view to a future planning proposal. The preferred Land-Use and Movement Concept includes access from Mullaly’s Lane. The car parking arrangements for the residential, playing fields and the existing park require consideration through the progression of the concept to a planning proposal.

A discussion followed with contributions by Councillors S. O’Hara and F. Timmons.

Mr. E. Burke, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent and responded to the members queries and the motion was **AGREED**.

**C/100/24 – M13 Item ID:82180 – Pole on Fonthill Road**

Proposed by Councillor T. Gilligan and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

That this Area Committee asks that the manager outlines what this pole is. Is planning permission required. And how many have been erected in this LEA? correspondence from SDCC noted below. Image attached also for your convenience.

I believe a staff member previously replied to the below but in case it was missed, I believe it's a telecommunications pole and is not related to SDCC traffic.

Please could I ask you for the exact location of the below pole along Fonthill Road (is it easily identifiable from the Clondalkin Primary Health Centre)? Thanks

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

The photo and details provided relate to Section 254 license S25422/07, granted by SDCC on 31/03/23 for a period of 3 years. The description provided by the applicant (Cignal Infrastructure Ltd) is as follows:- 18m Alpha 3.0 Streetpole Solution with antennas and ground equipment cabinet on grass verge along the north side of Fonthill Road South. More particularly, the mast is located behind the rear boundary of the Clondalkin Primary Health Centre along Fonthill Road. This mast is to improve telecommunications network coverage in the area. A search of 254 licenses involving telecommunications in the ACM's area indicates 6 applications granted, 1 refused and 2 at further information stage.

**Transportation**

**C/101/24 – Q11 Item ID:81958 – Movement Study for Rathcoole, Saggart, Greenogue and Newcastle**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons.

To ask the Chief Executive when he will apply to TII for funds to carry out the traffic survey-plan for Rathcoole , Newcastle and Saggart as per and to comply with the objective in the County Development plan?

**REPLY:**The County Development Plan has the following Transport Objective (SM6 SLO 1: ) To conduct traffic and transport study for Rathcoole, Saggart and Newcastle and the surrounding areas following the publication of the GDA Strategy review to 2042 which will clarify the context within which the road network in the area will function and to include a review of HGV movement.

I have been in contact with the NTA in relation to funding this detailed transport and sustainable movement study.

I have been asked by the NTA to compile a scoping document setting out the terms of reference for this sustainable movement study. The NTA will review this scoping document with a view to deciding if they will fund a detailed sustainable movement study for the Rathcoole, Saggart and Newcastle areas.

### **C/102/24 – Q12 Item ID:82135 – Traffic Speeding at Rathcoole Boys FC**

### Proposed by Councillor W. Carey

### To ask the Chief Executive, to install additional traffic calming at Foresthills approx 100yds from entrance to Football grounds and prior to bend. Unfortunately, traffic speeds out from the grounds and further from estate towards bend. local residents are extremely concerned here.

### **REPLY:**A related item was raised under Item 81435 in December 2023. In that answer, I said the item would be examined and brought back to a TMM. Part of this proposal is to install a stop line at the end of the access road from the football grounds. This proposal will be brought back to TMM in March. This measure will slow drivers coming from the football ground.

After this stop line is installed, we will do further traffic speed surveys to see if a speeding problem still exists at this location. If it does we will take further appropriate actions.

**C/103/24– H17 Item ID:82039 – Proposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads**

(No Business)

**C/104/24 – H18 Item ID:82362 – Bawnogue Shopping Centre Car Park**

The following report was presented by Mr. G. Walsh, Senior Engineer.

[Bawnogue Shopping Centre Car Park](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82062&itemTxt=H-I18)

A discussion followed with contributions by Councillors W. Carey and F. Timmons.

Mr G. Walsh, Senior Engineer responded to members queries and the report was **NOTED.**

**C/105/24 – H19 Item ID:82362 – Kishoge Special Speed Limit**

The following report was presented by Mr. J. Hegarty, Senior Engineer and Mr. E. Burke, Senior Planner:

[Kishoge Special Speed Limit](http://intranet/cmas/documentsedit.aspx?id=82362&itemTxt=H-I19)

A discussion followed with contribution from Councillors W. Carey and F. Timmons.

Mr. J. Hegarty, Senior Engineer and Mr. E. Burke, Senior Planner responded to the members queries and the report was **NOTED**.

**C/106/24 – C11 Item ID:82051 – Correspondence**

(No Business)

**C/107/24 - M14 Item ID:81654 – Driveway Access**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor S. O’Hara and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

That this Area Committee requests SDCC address the driveway access to (address supplied), lowering kerb and cementing grass verge and to also indicate cost to house owner for this.

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

It is the responsibility of the owner to arrange a road opening licence to enable them to lower the kerb. As part of this a lowering of footpath application will be required.

These works must be carried out by a contractor who is registered on the Maproad system to apply for a road opening licence.

It will be the responsibility of the owner to negotiate the cost with the contractor so we could not provide an answer to this.

**C/108/24 - M15 Item ID:82067 – Rathcoole Cycle Tracks**

Proposed by Councillor T. Gilligan and seconded by Councillor F. Timmon sand unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

Cycle South Dublin (CySD) is a programme of work that reflects the increasing importance of making cycling a realistic and integral part of how people move around the County. It proposes a set of 45 routes that would deliver over 260km of new and improved cycle lanes over the next ten years. A dedicated team has been established to project manage and administer each project on the Cycle South Dublin Programme.

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

The Cycle South Dublin (CySD) Programme illustrates the planned cycle facilities, including Greenways, planned over the next 8 years.

Full details of the CySD programme are available on our website at; <https://www.sdcc.ie/en/active-travel/>

Route 20, which will link Rathcoole to Newcastle, is listed in the "Later" category of projects, meaning that it is intended to progress that project within the next 5 years, resources permitting.

There are no proposals close to Gaelscoil Chrónáin in Rathcoole. In addition to the routes listed on the CySD programme, the National Transport Authority provides funding for works to be carried out on the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programme. Schools that have applied to the SRTS programme will be prioritised for interventions using that funding. Schools that are close to CySD routes being progressed will be incorporated those routes.

**C/109/24 - M16 Item ID:82092 – Footpaths/Roads at Cherrywood Grove, Drive, Lawns, Cressant and Villas**

Proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor S. O’Hara and unanimously **AGREED** without debate to accept the Chief Executive’s report.

That this Area Committee asks the Council to do an emergency assessment of footpaths / roads at Cherrywood Grove, Drive , Lawns , Cresent and Villas Roads and to carry out any emergency work while detailing a long term plan to fully repair.

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

The area will be inspected and any significant hazards will be repaired immediately.

If a wider scheme is required then it will added to the list for consideration in the 2025 RWP.

**C/110/24 – M17 Item ID:82136 – Boot Road Junction**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

That this Area Committee agrees to ask the manager, to organise a working group meeting for SDCC, Councillors, TII and Gardai to discuss proposals for changes in the road configuration and junction at N7 and Booth Road as soon as possible and practical.

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

Meetings with the Councillors (and AGS) on this matter can be arranged when the TII and SDCC traffic department have arrived at a mutually acceptable solution or solutions to address the speeding problem at Boot road. Currently the Traffic Section is working through a range of options with the TII on solutions for the Boot road speeding issue. When the TII and the SDCC traffic team have completed our discussions and come up with a workable solution/s, arrangements can be made to bring these to the Councillors and Gardai for discussion before any measures are implemented.

Solutions suggested by the members to those TII discussions are welcomed and already some points raised by the members have been noted and SDCC has asked that TII investigate increased traffic calming measures to be implemented along the N7 on the approach to the Boot Road junction, also a solution around allowing access off Boot road onto the N7 Slip only as an option.

As the two designated roads authorities for this location, it is important that both the TII and SDCC traffic sections are allowed time to carefully work through the alternatives based on Engineering best practice, compliance with traffic regulations and signage requirements in coming up with a preferred intervention at this location first before we consult on those preferred options with other stakeholders.

As the SDCC representative at these discussions, the Senior engineer will ensure that the solution/s decided allows the maximum safe access along Boot Road.

A discussion followed with contribution from Councillors W. Carey, L. Donaghy and F. Timmons.

Mr. J. Hegarty, Senior Engineer responded to the members queries and the report was **Agreed**.

**C/111/24 – M18 Item ID:82228 – Taking in Charge**

Proposed by Councillor W. Carey and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

That this Area Committee agrees that SDCC should put in train a process to take in charge the public area outside of Sacred Heart School Sruleen (this covers the area from Greenpark Shops as far as junction with St Johns Park East [but should exclude St Johns Gate]

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

### The original builder is no longer legally in business. To date, SDCC have been unable to identify who now owns the area. Until we can identify a legal owner, SDCC cannot proceed with the Taking in charge of this location.

### A discussion followed with contribution from Councillor W. Carey.

### Mr. J. Hegarty, Senior Engineer responded to the members queries and the report was **Agreed**.

### The meeting concluded at 5:46 P.M.

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