

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



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Minutes of South Dublin County Council March 2026 Tallaght Area
Committee Meeting held on Monday 23 March 2026

PRESENT

Cllr M Duff	Cllr Britto Pereppadan
Cllr L Dunne	Cllr D Richardson
Cllr P Holohan	Cllr A Smyth
Cllr K Keane	Cllr J Spear
Cllr Baby Pereppadan	Cllr N Whelan

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Senior Executive Officer	M Murtagh, S Conroy, A Mills
A/Senior Executive Officer	P Fusco
Senior Executive Planner	J Phelan
Senior Planner	S Willoughby
Senior Engineer	J J Hegarty,
Executive Librarian	E Edwards
Arts Officer	O Scannell
Administrative Officer	M Connell, J Lumumba, M Nugent

Senior Staff Officer	M Brown
Staff Officer	E Meyler
Assistant Staff Officer	M Travers, B Fowler

Councillor L Dunne, presided

H1/0326 Item ID:90372

Proposed by Housing Administration

Minutes from Tallaght Area Committee Meeting 23rd February, 2026

Minutes from Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on Monday 23rd February 2026

Minutes of Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on 23rd February 2026 which had been circulated, were submitted, and APPROVED as a true record and signed. It was proposed by Cllr L Dunne, seconded by Cllr A Smyth, and RESOLVED:

Questions 1- 17

It was proposed by Cllr L Dunne, seconded by Cllr P Holohan, and RESOLVED:” That pursuant to Standing Order No 1, Questions 1-17 be Adopted and Approved.

Corporate Support

H2/0326 Item ID:90386

Proposed by Corporate Support

New Works (No Business)

C1/0326 Item ID:90375

Proposed by Corporate Support

Correspondence (No Business)

Performance Change Management

H3/0326 Item ID:90391

Proposed by Performance Change Management

New Works (No Business)

C2/0326 Item ID:90379

Proposed by Performance Change Management

Correspondence (No Business)

Environment

Q1/0326 Item ID:90573

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"That this committee ask the council to look into installing a temporary camera at the Kiltalown Heights entrance to the Kiltalown Park due to ongoing problems with fly tipping in the area?"

REPLY:

Enforcement and licensing sections will review reports of fly tipping in the area mentioned. In adherence to the LGMA's codes of practice for the use of CCTV for the prevention, detection and prosecution of litter and waste offences, the use of CCTV should be considered a last resort, and other measures should be deployed in the first instance. These measures will be deployed in conjunction with our colleagues in the Public Realm section and reviewed to determine their efficacy.

Should these measures not address the issue, then a business case for CCTV may be prepared in the future.

Q2/0326 Item ID:90565

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask to provide a report on litter and illegal dumping enforcement in 2025 in the Tallaght area, including the number of reports or complaints received, the number of fines issued, and the number of warning letters issued and followed up?"

REPLY:

All incidents of illegal dumping reported or detected in any area are investigated by the Council's Litter Warden Service and all dumped material is searched for evidence. Where evidence is found, the appropriate enforcement action is taken under the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended. Increasingly, it is found that no personal information relating to

polluters is contained within the dumped material, with personal information having been removed or shredded.

The Environmental Complaints System operated by SDCC provides a statistical breakdown by designated Litter Warden areas. It is not possible to provide a detailed report for the Tallaght area.

The total number of complaints made under the Litter Pollution Act 1997 and investigated by the Litter Warden service across the county in 2025 was 1,361.

The total number of fines issued under the Litter Pollution Act 1997 in 2025 was 221.

The total number of notices served under the Litter Pollution Act 1997 in 2025 was 63.

H4/0326 Item ID:90388

Proposed by Environment

New Works (No Business)

C3/0326 Item ID:90373

Proposed by Environment

Correspondence (No Business)

M1/0326 Item ID:90476

Proposed by Councillor L. Dunne

Seconded by Cllr P Holohan

"This Area Committee requests a detailed headed item report on the ongoing issue of illegal dumping in Montpelier Estate. The report should outline: All enforcement actions taken to date, including investigations initiated, fines issued, prosecutions pursued, and any surveillance or monitoring measures implemented; A clear timeline of interventions undertaken and proposed next steps; The level of resources currently allocated to addressing the issue, including staffing, surveillance, clean-up costs; Details of coordination with relevant internal departments, including Waste Enforcement, Environmental Services, and any other relevant departments; A targeted action plan with defined timeframes aimed at resolving this persistent problem. Given the ongoing impact on residents' quality of life, this Committee seeks a structured, time-bound, and

adequately resourced response to address and prevent further illegal dumping in the estate?"

Illegal Dumping

There were contributions from Cllr L Dunne, Cllr K Keane and Cllr P Holohan

Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer, agreed to look at further measures and to keep councillors informed

The Motion was AGREED

M2/O326 Item ID:90564

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

Seconded by Cllr N Whelan

"To ask the manager to proceed with the installation of CCTV at the bottom of Aylesbury to deter the ongoing issue of illegal dumping?"

REPORT:

Enforcement and licensing sections will review reports of illegal dumping in the area mentioned above. We have received 1 litter complaint to date in 2026, 1 litter complaint in 2025 and 6 in 2024 of which 4 of these were in relation to vehicles.

In adherence to the LGMA's codes of practice for the use of CCTV for the prevention, detection and prosecution of litter and waste offences, the use of CCTV should be considered a last resort, and other measures should be deployed in the first instance. These measures will continue to be deployed in conjunction with our colleagues in the Public Realm section and reviewed to determine their effectiveness.

Should these measures not address the issue, then a business case for CCTV may be prepared in the future.

Motion 2 was taken with Motion 3

M3/O326 Item ID:90550

Proposed by Councillor N. Whelan

Seconded by Cllr A Smyth

"This area committee notes the efforts by residents of Aylesbury and Old Bawn to keep the area clean and tidy. Despite their efforts, there is a black spot for illegal dumping at the end of Aylesbury field on Dalepark Road. Measures already taken have not deterred this, so this committee calls on

the manager to assess the suitability of the area for CCTV, in line with the LGMA's code of practice?"

REPORT:

Enforcement and licensing sections will review reports of illegal dumping in the area mentioned above. We have received 1 litter complaint to date in 2026, 1 litter complaint in 2025 and 6 in 2024 of which 4 of these were in relation to vehicles.

In adherence to the LGMA's codes of practice for the use of CCTV for the prevention, detection and prosecution of litter and waste offences, the use of CCTV should be considered a last resort, and other measures should be deployed in the first instance. These measures will continue to be deployed in conjunction with our colleagues in the Public Realm section and reviewed to determine their effectiveness.

Should these measures not address the issue, then a business case for CCTV may be prepared in the future.

There were contributions from Cllr A Smyth, Cllr N Whelan and Cllr L Dunne

Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer, agreed to explore what measures could be put in place such as increasing litter patrols

The Motions were AGREED

Water Drainage

Q3/0326 Item ID:90574

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"That this committee ask the council is there any update on works to stop flooding on the N81 from the entrance to Killinarden Estate up to the Jobstown House Pub?"

REPLY:

Natural Water and Road Maintenance are not aware of drainage issues in this area of the N81.

Could a more specific location be supplied please, so the matter can be investigated.

Q4/0326 Item ID:90562

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the manager provide a report on flooding in the Tallaght area at the last storm And report what preventions will be put in place?"

REPLY:

The National Catchment-based Flood Risk Assessment and Management (CFRAM) Programme was a comprehensive national study initiated by the Office of Public Works (OPW) in collaboration with Local Authorities and supported by external consultants. This programme identified and mapped both existing and potential flood risks in specific areas that were considered to be at significant risk from flooding, referred to as Areas for Further Assessment (AFAs). As part of its remit, the CFRAM Programme produced detailed flood risk maps and identified a range of structural and non-structural measures to manage the assessed risks within each AFA at a national scale. The outcomes and recommended management strategies were compiled into a series of 29 'Flood Risk Management Plans' published in 2018.

The OPW and South Dublin County Council (SDCC) are working together to implement the schemes arising from the CFRAM Programme, in line with the recommendations outlined in the 'Flood Risk Management Plans'. Several flood alleviation schemes (FAS) are currently underway.

- The River Poddle Flood Alleviation Scheme (FAS) is presently at the construction stage. Significant components of this scheme have been completed, including the development of a new attenuation area in Tymon Park. This new infrastructure proved effective during Storm Chandra, helping to mitigate downstream impacts and resulting in substantially lower water flows into the Kimmage and Harolds Cross areas.
- The Whitechurch Stream FAS is also currently under construction.
- The River Camac FAS is at the design stage.

Several additional schemes are being considered for future implementation:

- Future phases of the River Dodder scheme: Phase 3 will cover Clonskeagh to Orwell Road, with Phase 4 planned for the SDCC area.
- Owendoher FAS.
- Shinkeen FAS.

- Chapelizod FAS (from Lucan to Chapelizod), a project being led by Dublin City Council under a Framework for Consultancy Services.
- Griffeen FAS.

Regular updates on both current and planned flood alleviation schemes are provided to the Environment, Public Realm, and Climate Change Strategic Policy Committee (SPC). In addition, these schemes are included in SDCC's Capital Programme updates, which are shared with Councillors.

Further details regarding ongoing, completed, and future flood relief schemes managed by the OPW can be accessed online at www.floodinfo.ie/scheme-info

To enhance the ongoing monitoring of flood risk throughout the county, SDCC's Natural Water division is exploring the installation of additional river level gauges at key strategic locations along local rivers. These gauges may be further upgraded through the integration of still cameras and alarms on the river screens to provide real-time data and alerts.

Met Eireann has announced ongoing work to develop a more localised weather warning system, set to replace county-wide alerts by the end of the year. This new system aims to deliver more targeted emergency preparedness, focusing on those most at risk. Local Authorities and the National Directorate for Fire and Emergency Management will contribute to the development of this approach.

H5/0326 Item ID:90395

Proposed by Water Drainage

New Works (No Business)

C4/0326 Item ID:90383

Proposed by Water Drainage

Correspondence (No Business)

Public Realm

Q5/0326 Item ID:90495

Proposed by Councillor D. Donnelly

"Is there an active tree nursery in the Tallaght area growing native trees (saplings) to be used around the area for future planting?"

REPLY:

Trees for local planting projects are sourced through public procurement. The Council actively encourage local suppliers including nurseries in the wider Tallaght area to come forward and tender.

Q6/O326 Item ID:90577

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask the Council for a report on the litter and usage of the newly installed solar bins in the Tallaght Area since they have been installed?"

REPLY:

A total of 34 solar-powered compacting bins were installed in Tallaght during the first phase of the rollout across the County in high-profile towns and village areas. The introduction of these bins has contributed to cleaner public spaces, reduced bin overflow, and an improved visual appearance in busy locations, helping to enhance the overall environment for residents and visitors.

The bins provide significantly increased storage capacity through on-board compaction and use fill-level monitoring technology to support data-led servicing. Collections are undertaken based on demand rather than fixed schedules, allowing resources to be deployed more efficiently and reducing unnecessary servicing visits.

Between 02/02/2026 and 15/03/2026, a total of 74,483 litres of waste was collected and contained within the solar-powered bins in Tallaght, demonstrating their effectiveness in managing litter volumes in high-footfall areas. Operational data indicates that the increased capacity provided by these bins has resulted in a 61% reduction in bin-emptying requirements across the Tallaght area. During this period, there were 729 bin collections in total. This reduction in servicing demand has allowed staff resources to be redirected towards other public realm works within the area. Staff observations also note reduced litter levels around bin locations, with public spaces appearing noticeably cleaner as a result.

H6/O326 Item ID:90393

Proposed by Public Realm

New Works (No Business)

C5/0326 Item ID:90381

Proposed by Public Realm

Correspondence(No Business)

Housing

Q7/0326 Item ID:90549

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

"What homeless services are available in the Tallaght area for a parent who has shared custody of their child?"

REPLY:

Upon presentation for homeless services, each household undergoes an assessment to determine their immediate requirement for access to temporary emergency accommodation.

Placements are allocated strictly on the basis of immediate need for individuals who have been assessed as having no alternative housing options available. If a child is already accommodated with a primary guardian, they are not deemed to have an additional immediate requirement for placement in emergency accommodation.

Applicants are advised to submit formal legal or access documentation to ensure their housing file accurately reflects their circumstances. Upon review, this may lead to approval for an additional bedroom allocation on their housing file.

Furthermore, eligible applicants may be assessed for the Overnight Access HAP (Housing Assistance Payment) rate. The Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Scheme is the primary pathway for transitioning from emergency accommodation to a permanent housing solution where shared custody arrangements can be accommodated.

Q8/0326 Item ID:90571

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"That this area committee ask the council to address the ongoing issues affecting the residents living at MacUlliam Lane?"

I have been contacted by residents in the apartment block. Anti-social behaviour including drug use and the preparation of drugs for distribution by people who do not live in the apartments.

On going issues with the codes on the entrance doors, fire alarms been set off repeatedly rubbish been dumped in the communal hallways. There are a wide range of issues affecting the residents. This is a brief oversight into what is going on up there.

REPLY:

The council are aware of the ongoing issues at Mac Uilliam Lane. Scheduled inspections of communal areas are conducted by our Housing Officers regularly. Where illegal dumping is identified during these inspections, we arrange for the removal of waste. Residents are reminded that they play a vital role in keeping our estates clean, safe, and secure. Issues of illegal dumping at council properties can be reported directly to the Estate Management team in confidence for investigation at 01-4149000.

The council have also met with An Garda Síochána to advise of the ongoing issues and request more Garda patrols in the area. Following a recent inspection of communal areas and ongoing discussions with tenants, the entrance codes to the communal area have now been changed. A letter to all tenants instructing them to not share the code with anyone has been sent by our Estate Management Section.

Whilst temporary repair works have taken place following recent damage to the communal door, a robust communal door has been ordered to replace the damaged door. A specialist cleansing company have been instructed to carry out deep cleansing in this block. The council will arrange for the area to be painted once the door has been replaced.

On report of any anti-social behaviour, our Anti-Social Community Safety Officers and Housing Officers carry out investigations, by interviewing tenants, Section 15 Reports when required are also requested through An Garda Síochána, this information is used as part of the overall investigation. If those involved are identified as council tenants, as per the councils Anti-Social Strategy, actions as available to the council will be taken.

The situation will continue to be monitored closely.

H7/0326 Item ID:90389

Proposed by Housing

New Works (No Business)

C6/0326 Item ID:90377

Proposed by Housing

Correspondence (No Business)

M4/0326 Item ID:90332

Proposed by Councillor J. Spear

Seconded by Cllr K Keane

"This area committee agrees that the Council should urgently attend to its property in Marlfield, Tallaght (details supplied) and make the urgent necessary repairs to bring this home back into use. The home has been vacant for 2 years and not maintained at all, causing water damage to the adjacent property?"

REPORT:

This property was previously managed by an Approved Housing Body on behalf of the Council. Responsibility for its management and maintenance has now reverted to SDCC and re-let works are scheduled to commence during the week of 23rd March. Once these works have been completed, the property will be allocated as a priority to an eligible household from the social housing waiting list.

There were contributions from Cllr J Spear

Amanda Mills, Senior Executive Officer, agreed to get the property on CBL as soon as possible after the works are completed

The Motion was AGREED

Community

Q9/0326 Item ID:90551

Proposed by Councillor N. Whelan

"Has there been any progress made on providing a community owned space for the residents of Springfield?"

REPLY:

There is currently no plan to develop a community facility in Springfield. Within the catchment area, there are a number of community facilities available for the local community to use, these include the Springfield Scouts Den which makes their multi use space available for bookings by community groups, the St. Mark's Youth Club & Family Centre and St. Mark's GAA Club both of which accommodate a range of community activities and offer space for community groups to hire.

The Shalom Parish Centre also provides space for Community Groups to use and has been used by many groups including the recently established Residents Association.

St. Mark's Secondary and National schools also make their halls available for local community use in the evenings and weekend outside school hours.

A small community space is also provided for in the new Maplewood age friendly housing development.

In addition to these local facilities, in close proximity to the Springfield area there are a range of other larger community facilities, catering for a wide range of additional community needs these include, Tallaght County Library, The Civic Theatre, Rua Red Arts Centre, Think Big Space - Foroige Youth Services and Tallaght Leisure Centre.

The local Community Development Team are available to provide advice and support to groups on community facility provisions within the area.

H8/0326 Item ID:90385

Proposed by Community

New Works (No Business)

C7/0326 Item ID:90374

Proposed by Community

Correspondence (No Business)

M5/0326 Item ID:90473

Proposed by Councillor L. Dunne

Seconded by Cllr K Keane

"This Area Committee calls on the Manager of the Architectural Department to urgently undertake a full survey and assessment of the Ardmore Community Centre building, with a view to identifying the works required to bring the facility into full compliance with current health and safety and fire

regulations. Furthermore, this Committee calls on the Manager to engage directly with the Community Section to explore an expedited and practical solution that will facilitate the reopening of the building for community use as soon as possible?"

REPORT:

The Community Facilities team has been working closely with Architectural Services in relation to the Ardmore Neighbourhood Centre. In recent weeks, senior members of the Architectural team have visited the centre and are actively assessing the condition of the building and the potential options available.

Architectural Services are currently working towards identifying a practical solution for the facility. However, it should be noted that there are considerable challenges that must be addressed before the building can be restored to a condition that would allow it to be used safely and in compliance with current health and safety and fire regulations.

Notwithstanding these challenges, both the Community Section and Architectural Services remain committed to progressing this matter and to working towards a solution that will facilitate the reopening of the building for community use as soon as practicable.

There were contributions from Cllr L Dunne, Cllr K Keane and Cllr P Holohan

Joe Lumumba, Administrative Officer, agreed to liaise with the Architects team to see if they can expediate the process without compromising safety

The Motion was AGREED

M6/O326 Item ID:90566

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

Seconded by Cllr N Whelan

"This area committee requests an interagency meeting (or a report from the new safety partnership) to discuss the on going concerns of safety and anti social behaviour across the Tallaght area, which has been highlighted by many motions in the Tallaght ACM over the last number of months?"

REPORT:

The Area Committee's request for either an interagency meeting or a report from the Local Community Safety Partnership is noted. A report of the South Dublin LCSP meeting will issue after the next meeting on the 27th February 2026.

South Dublin Local Community Safety Partnership is a newly established county-wide multi-agency partnership and is currently working on establishing its operational arrangements and work plan in collaboration with its members.

I would also like to highlight that the West Tallaght Community Safety Forum provides a valuable platform for interagency collaboration and community engagement on local safety issues. The forum is currently seeking new community representatives, and this may present a useful opportunity for broader local input into ongoing safety concerns.

There were contributions from Cllr A Smyth, Cllr P Holohan, Cllr N Whelan, Cllr K Keane, Cllr J Spear and Cllr L Dunne

Maria Nugent, Administrative Officer, agreed to issue a report after the April Community Safety Partnership meeting

The Motion was AGREED

Transportation

Q10/0326 Item ID:90496

Proposed by Councillor D. Donnelly

"What is the estimated increase cost on cycle track maintenance going to be by the end of 2026?"

REPLY:

€200,000 has been allocated to cycle maintenance in the 2026 roadworks programme. This figure is for repair and does not include routine maintenance such as sweeping

Q11/0326 Item ID:90497

Proposed by Councillor D. Donnelly

"What is the current time frame to have new bulbs or lighting fixed on public roads and estates in the Tallaght area in 2026 compared to 2025?"

REPLY:

We are meeting with our contractors in the next week or so to review the overall outage situation in the county and to evaluate how we can make efficiencies to return to the two week outage repair time for the 80% of our stock, which is LED. We have had quality issues associated with some of the LED stock installed from 2019 - 2022. The upgrade programme is due to speed up in the coming weeks with the introduction of additional resources from ESBN, but that element of progress will very much depend on them.

Q12/O326 Item ID:90570

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"That this area committee ask the council to undertake promised works at Russell Meadows relating to a large pot hole in the area causing disruption to residents trying to leave their properties?"

REPLY:

The Area Engineer will get this repair prioritised

Q13/O326 Item ID:90572

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"That this area committee ask the council to address the issue of the damage on the grass verges at Kiltalown Road between numbers 2 to 16 and to look at options available to stop cars driving /parking on the verges?"

REPLY:

This is a driver behaviour issue. It is illegal to park on verges and footpaths. Any instances of this activity should be reported to an Garda Síochána.

In relation to measures to stop this activity. The traffic section has examined the location, and noted that manhole covers to services are also in the verge. This prevents additional bollards being installed at these locations. Also installing additional bollards will hinder the grass cutting maintenance of the verges.

In summary, the most effective action is to inform the gardai of such instances and allow them to enforce the matter.

Q14/O326 Item ID:90560

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the manager report on road repairs in the Tallaght as roads around the area are in bad repair. Can the manager make a report on this?"

REPLY:

The list of road repair schemes for Tallaght was presented to Councillors at the January ACM and at the February Council Meeting. There is over €1m allocated specifically to road repairs in Tallaght and this will deliver 14 schemes.

Tender documents are currently being prepared.

Q15/O326 Item ID:90561

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the manager make a report on memorials on roadsides when a person has died through an accident. What are the rules around this?"

REPLY:

In practice, South Dublin County Council does not have policy specifically for roadside memorials. Instead, the Traffic / Roads Section manages them case-by-case, mainly based on road safety considerations and national guidance. The general approach used by local authorities including SDCC is broadly consistent with guidance issued to roads authorities.

1. Small memorials are usually left in place

In most cases the council does not immediately remove small memorials such as:

- a small cross
- flowers or photos
- a small plaque

If they are not causing a safety issue, these are generally left in place out of respect for the family.

This is quite common on local roads around estates or rural roads.

1. Safety is the main deciding factor

The council may intervene if a memorial:

- obstructs the footpath or cycle track
- blocks visibility at a junction
- distracts drivers
- encourages people to stop on a dangerous road

If any of these issues arise, the Traffic Section may:

- contact the family if possible
- ask for the memorial to be moved slightly
- remove it if it poses a clear risk.

The council's responsibility as the roads authority means road safety must take priority.

1. High-speed roads are more strictly controlled

Memorials are usually not allowed or removed more quickly if they are on:

- motorways
- major dual carriageways
- high-speed regional roads

The concern is that people may stop their vehicles to visit the memorial, which may create a further serious traffic hazard.

H9/0326 Item ID:90613

Proposed by James Phelan

"Proposed Extinguishment of Public Right of Way between Belgard Square South and N81, Tallaght".

1. Report on Proposed Extinguishment of PRow
2. Drawing No. 301 PRow Map

James Phelan, Senior Executive Planner, and J Hegarty, Senior Engineer, presented the Proposed Extinguishment of Public Right of Way between Belgard Square South and N81, Tallaght

There were contributions from Cllr P Holohan and Cllr L Dunne

The Report was NOTED and AGREED to go to full Council

H10/0326 Item ID:90394

Proposed by Transportation

New Works (No Business)

C8/0326 Item ID:90382

Proposed by Transportation

Correspondence (No Business)

M7/0326 Item ID:90548

Proposed by Councillor J. Spear

Seconded by Cllr L Dunne

"This Area committee agrees that Marlfield Estate, Tallaght, should be taken in charge by the Council and that the manager should outline the process by which residents can initiate this process, including what documentation the Council requires?"

REPORT:

There are currently several legally constituted Owner Management companies operating and maintaining the Marlfield estate. The estate is privately run and managed.

The Council has not received any formal application form to take this estate into our charge. Unless the owner management companies support and initiate a taking in charge process, and submit a formal Taking in Charge application to South Dublin County Council, the Council cannot intervene or progress a TIC process.

The plebiscite process cannot be initiated in this case as there are legal owners in place managing the estate.

There were contributions from Cllr J Spear, Cllr A Smyth and Cllr N Whelan

The Motion was AGREED

M8/0326 Item ID:90333

Proposed by Councillor J. Spear

Seconded by Cllr K Keane

"This area committee agrees that the manager should assess the entrance at Castle Park, Tallaght (details supplied) and modify it to deter e-scooter drivers from entering the estate at high speeds?"

REPORT:

The Council will examine this location to see if it is feasible to modify the existing barriers to slow down e-scooters entering the estate. Please note that any agreed measures can only be carried out when resources including a budget allow.

Castle Park Gate Location - approximately 53.291321, -6.343898

Castle Park Photo

There were contributions from Cllr J Spear and Cllr L Dunne

John J Hegarty, Senior Engineer, agreed to draw up an option and present to the Members

The Motion was AGREED

M9/O326 Item ID:90567

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

Seconded by Cllr L Dunne

"This area committee supports the on going work by the Tallaght Transport forum, in tackling the on going issues of stone throwing and anti social behaviour on our public transport, and support any and all measure which can be implemented to raising awareness and ensuring that this issues can no longer be accepted as to prevent the service being dropped in Tallaght?"

REPORT:

If this motion is agreed, Housing Administration will write to the Tallaght Transport Forum on behalf of this area committee in support of their work tackling on-going issues of stone throwing and anti-social behaviour on public transport. This letter will support all measures which can be implemented to raise awareness and to ensure that such issues are not accepted. This is to prevent the service being dropped in Tallaght.

There were contributions from Cllr A Smyth, Cllr K Keane and Cllr L Dunne

The Motion was AGREED

Planning

Q16/O326 Item ID:90304

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

"To ask the Chief Executive how many houses in total have been built in the Citywest & Saggart area over a 10 year period per year, graph form ? (All housing- both social and private)?"

REPLY:

Prior to the creation of the housing supply monitor to assess the success of the implementation of the development plan the recording of completions was based on the completion of a permission rather than each individual unit. As such the two data sets cannot be correlated into a single graph for the 10-year period 2016 to 2026.

Planning records do show that 3,852 units have been completed since Quarter 4, 2016 to Quarter 1, 2026. Of these 2,045 have been completed since Quarter 1, 2023.

The attached graph provides a breakdown of the units completed by the quarter since then.

The Housing Department has indicated that SDCC haven't direct built any houses in Citywest / Saggart in the last 10 years. While there is a significant number of units delivered under social housing they have all been delivered privately in the first instance.

[Citywest and Saggart Houses Built Graph](#)

H11/0326 Item ID:90392

Proposed by Planning

New Works (No Business)

C9/0326 Item ID:90380

Proposed by Planning

Correspondence (No Business)

M10/0326 Item ID:90569

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

Seconded by Cllr L Dunne

"This area committee agrees that council should prioritise Citywest for a future transport hub in the Tallaght area?"

REPORT:

Sustainable transport/mobility hubs are recognised as an area for further focus by the Planning and Transport (PT) Department. Funding is allocated in the Capital Programme to examine the provision of sustainable

transport hubs, through a study, to promote behavioural change to sustainable modes and reduce car ownership and dependency, where compact residential development is accompanied by neighbourhood parking facilities that

prioritise shared and sustainable transport modes as well as providing some space for other vehicles.

In this regard, the PT Department are in the process of developing a study scope with transport consultants with a view to commissioning research on this matter. It is intended that areas of focus for this study will include Citywest. While yet to be fully finalised, the overall objective of the process will be to identify need and to investigate the benefits, concept design/sizing and feasibility of sustainable transport buildings/hubs with the aim of addressing high levels of car ownership and car use.

The work proposed to be carried out will involve an assessment of best practice/case studies, design guidance, funding, operation, maintenance and future usage as travel patterns shift to more sustainable modes of transport.

As works progress on this study it is the intention of the PT Department to update the SPC on progress and the findings of this work including next steps.

There were contributions from Cllr K Keane, Cllr J Spear, Cllr P Holohan and Cllr L Dunne

There was a role call vote

Agreed	Abstain
Cllr L Dunne	Cllr P Holohan
Cllr K Keane	Cllr Baby Pereppadan
Cllr A Smyth	Cllr Britto Pereppadan
Cllr J Spear	
Cllr N Whelan	
Cllr D Richarson	

The Motion was AGREED

Economic Development

H12/0326 Item ID:90387

Proposed by Economic Development

New Works (No Business)

C10/0326 Item ID:90376

Proposed by Economic Development

Correspondence (No Business)

M11/O326 Item ID:90356

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

Seconded by Cllr L Dunne

"This Tallaght area committee call on the council to make a plan to develop the space (attached) in the Cushlawn park area to a green space resource that benefits the residents of the community?"

IMG 3709

REPORT:

The site identified in the motion is already being progressed by the Council as the location for a food production hub, with a specialist design team appointed to prepare draft designs, costings, and related feasibility work, and with funding arrangements still to be finalised as part of that process. Work is anticipated to advance sufficiently this year to allow the Council to assess the full proposal and move toward seeking Part 8 approval, followed by public consultation.

The land is zoned Enterprise and Employment, and the proposed food-enterprise use is consistent with that zoning. Any shift toward developing the space as a community green-space resource would therefore require a material variation to the County Development Plan, alongside a reconsideration of the strategic economic role the site is currently expected to fulfill.

There were contributions from Cllr P Holohan and Cllr L Dunne

The Motion was AGREED

Libraries Arts

Q17/O326 Item ID:90568

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask the council what work is being done to help promote and advertise events and activities across Tallaght and what supports are being placed to support local artists?"

REPLY:

Arts events and activities are promoted across South Dublin through a range of media such as the monthly Arts Office newsletter, all SDCC social media platforms including SDCC's main page, SDCC Arts Office and SDCC Libraries, and using media screens in SDCC County Hall and Parthalán Place. Larger arts events are promoted through partner organisations such as Civic Theatre and Rua Red, Áras Chrónáin, and South Dublin Live. Local community events are promoted through community centres in conjunction with the SDCC Community Department.

The Arts Office provides a range of supports across the year to support local artists. Applications are now open for the South Dublin County Council Artist Bursary Programme 2026, offering a range of funding opportunities to support artists and young musicians. The programme also introduces two new Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) bursaries, expanding supports for under-represented artists. Details can be found here: [Arts Grants and Bursary Awards - SDCC](#)

Through the Community Arts Grants 2026, Amateur, Voluntary and Community Arts organisations are invited to submit applications to be considered for grants of up to €3000. **The scheme will primarily grant aid groups based and performing in the County but also performing at events outside the County. Groups performing in, but not based, in the County will also be eligible to apply for support under the Scheme.**

The activity that can be funded includes training, event subsidy, professional support, materials, project delivery and presentation.

Further details on sdcc.ie or contact cbaker@sdblincoco.ie for further information.

H13/O326 Item ID:90384

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Library News & Events

[Library Event Stats](#)

[Tallaght, Castletymon and Mobile Libraries ACM report](#)

Emma Edwards, Executive Librarian, presented the Library News & Events reports.

There were contributions from Cllr L Dunne

The Reports were NOTED

H14/0326 Item ID:90390

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Arts Grants Report-There is no report since last ACM.

Arts Programme Update.

Arts Programme Update

Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, presented the Arts Programme Update

There were contributions from Cllr K Keane, Cllr L Dunne and Cllr P Holohan

The Report was NOTED

C11/0326 Item ID:90378

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Correspondence (No Business)

There was no other business and the meeting concluded at 5.10p.m.