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SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of South Dublin County Council May 2026 Lucan / Palmerstown / North Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 26th May 2026 through Microsoft 365 Teams and in Person in the Council Chambers. Today's Area Committee Meeting was webcast as the Council has extended webcasting to all Area Committee meetings from January 2023. The extension of webcasting Area Committee meetings demonstrates our commitment to promoting transparency and supporting understanding and participation in local democracy.

Councillors Present

Caroline Brady
Vicki Casserly
Helen Farrell
Alan Hayes
Madeleine Johansson
Tanya McDonald
Glen Moore
Liona O'Toole
Joanna Tuffy
Tanya McDonald

Officials Present

Senior Executive Officers	Vivienne Hartnett, Amanda Mills
A/Senior Executive Officers	Paul Fusco, Fiona Hendley
Senior Engineers	Gary Walsh, John Hegarty, Jonathan Hennessy
Senior Planner	Stephen Willoughby
Senior Executive Engineer	Andrew O'Mullane
Senior Executive Parks Superintendents	Laurence Colleran, David Fennell
Senior Executive Librarian	Rosena Hand
Local Sports Co-Ordinator	Thomas McDermott
Senior Staff Officer	Sile Dinneen
Staff Officer	Eimear O'Sullivan
T/Assistant Arts Officer	Richie O'Sullivan
Clerical Officers	Dylan Hayes, Chloe O'Neill

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Caroline Brady presided.

LPNC/275/H1/0526 Item ID:91328 - Minutes

Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting of April 2026 Lucan Palmerstown North Clondalkin ACM dealing with business relating to Transportation, Planning, Economic Development, Libraries, Corporate, Performance & Change Management, Environment, Water & Drainage, Public Realm, Housing, Community.

It was proposed by Councillor C Brady and seconded by Councillor T McDonald and RESOLVED: "That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the 28th April 2026 be ADOPTED and APPROVED."

[H1- Minutes of April 2026 LPNC ACM](#)

LPNC/276/0526 – Questions

It was proposed by Councillor C Brady and seconded by Councillor L O'Toole and RESOLVED "That pursuant to Standing Order No.13 that Questions 1 – 20 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**".

Housing

LPNC/277/Q1/0526 Item ID:91381 – Stock Condition Survey Programme

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the stock condition survey programme for social housing units in the Lucan LEA, noting that tenants have begun receiving survey notifications. Can the Chief Executive confirm when surveys will be completed, outline the timeline for retrofit works including windows, doors and energy efficiency upgrades, and set out what the survey process involves for tenants, including access and duration?

REPLY:

The council has commenced periodic property inspections, whereby properties will be inspected on a 5-year cycle. The findings of the surveys will feed into an ongoing multi-annual Stock Investment Programme which will include the Window and Door Replacement Programme, with the aim to reduce the current level of reactive maintenance requests and to improve the overall value for money and enhanced delivery of the service to tenants.

Advance notification letters were issued to residents in the Lucan electoral area last month. It is anticipated that the surveys will commence in Q3 this year and will take approximately three to four months to complete.

Tenants will be contacted directly by our appointed service providers, Gleeds Ireland Limited or JP O'Reilly Chartered Surveyors, to arrange a suitable appointment. Each survey is expected to last approximately two hours and will

include photographic documentation of both the interior and exterior of the property.

Upon completion of the surveys, a comprehensive assessment of the housing stock will be undertaken. The findings will inform the development of future planned maintenance programmes.

LPNC/278/Q2/0526 Item ID:91396 – Market Sale Price for Newly Constructed Units

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report setting out, insofar as information is available to the Council, the average private market sale prices being achieved for newly constructed residential units within recent, current and forthcoming housing developments in the Adamstown and Clondalkin areas, including a breakdown by development where possible. And further, to provide details of the average purchase price or acquisition cost being paid by South Dublin County Council for residential units acquired within these developments for social and/or affordable housing purposes, together with the relevant unit types and delivery arrangements, insofar as same can be disclosed.

REPLY:

Information in relation to private market sale prices for residential properties, including newly constructed units, is publicly available via the Property Price Register, which provides sale price data on a transaction-by-transaction basis. As such, detailed and up-to-date information on individual developments in the Adamstown and Clondalkin areas may be accessed directly from this source. The council does not routinely collate or publish average private market sale prices by development.

With regard to the acquisition of residential units by SDCC within private developments, such acquisitions are generally undertaken in accordance with the provisions of Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). The cost of acquisition can vary depending on a range of factors, including unit type, size, specification, and the terms agreed as part of the Part V arrangement. Accordingly, average purchase prices are not directly comparable to private market sales values.

Notwithstanding this, acquisitions continue to be secured across a range of unit types within developments in the Adamstown and Clondalkin areas, contributing to the delivery of social and affordable housing in line with statutory requirements and housing delivery objectives.

LPNC/279/H2/0526 Item ID:91401 - Housing Delivery Quarterly Report

This report was presented by Vivienne Hartnett Senior Executive Officer

[HI2 - Housing Delivery Report](#)

Following contributions from Councillors J Tuffy, L O'Toole and C Brady, Vivienne Hartnett Senior Executive Officer Responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted.**

LPNC/280/H3/0526 Item ID:91403 - Quarterly Report on Anti-Social Behaviour

This report was presented by Fiona Hendley A/Senior Executive Officer

Anti-Social Behaviour report up to 31st March 2026.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORTING & STATISTICS FOR LUCAN, PALMERSTOWN, NORTH CLONDALKIN						
Incidents	2025 TOTAL	1st Qtr 2026	2nd Qtr 2026	3rd Qtr 2026	4th Qtr 2026	2026 TOTAL
CATEGORY A						
Drugs Activity reported to SDCC	26	9				9
Criminal Activity reported to SDCC	3	1				1
Joyriding reported to SDCC	0	0				0
Violence/intimidation/harassment reported to SDCC	44	9				9
CATEGORY B						0
Squatters/unauthorised occupiers reported to SDCC	24	6				6
Vandalism reported to SDCC	10	1				1
Physical condition of property reported to SDCC	11	2				2

Physical condition of Garden reported to SDCC	66	12				12
Racism reported to SDCC	1	0				0
Vacant House reported to SDCC	16	8				8
Neighbour Dispute (including parking) reported to SDCC	11	3				3
CATEGORY C						0
Noise/disturbance reported to SDCC	11	2				2
Pets/animal nuisance reported to SDCC	5	1				1
Children Nuisance reported to SDCC	3	1				1
Selling alcohol	0	0				0
Total Incidents reported to SDCC	251	57				57
Total Complaints reported to SDCC	177	46				46
Total Actions taken by Allocations Support Unit Staff - Main actions listed below	1832	329				329
						0
House call / Inspection	210	66				66
Demand for Possession Section 15 & 17	1	0				0
Abandonment notice served	2	1				1
Surrenders Obtained (including Termination	22	0				0

of Tenancy under Section 15)						
Warnings issued	58	12				12
Interviews held (formal office and by phone)	191	51				51
Pre-Tenancies (includes Group meetings for new developments & following up Tenancy Checks)	397	7				7
Complaints received by WhatsApp	12	0				0

The report was **Noted**.

LPNC/281/H4/0526 Item ID:91406 – Housing Allocations Quarterly Report

This report was presented by Amanda Mills Senior Executive Officer

[HI 4 - Q1 Housing Allocations Report](#)

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole, C Brady, T McDonald, A Hayes and J Tuffy, Amanda Mills Senior Executive Officer Responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/282/H5/0526 Item ID:91309 - Balgaddy Housing Quarterly Update

This report was presented by Amanda Mills Senior Executive Officer and Fiona Hendley A/ Senior Executive Officer

[Q1 Balgaddy Report](#)

Following contributions from Councillors A Hayes, M Johansson and T McDonald, Amanda Mills Senior Executive Officer Responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/283/C1/0526 Item ID:91295 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

Community

LPNC/284/Q3/0526 Item ID:91363 – Waiting List for Lucan Swimming Pool & Gym

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify whether the current waiting list for Lucan Swimming Pool & Gym, operated by Aura Leisure, is due to capacity constraints, or if there are other operational factors involved, and if a statement can be provided on the matter.

REPLY:

Lucan Leisure Campus is managed by Aura Leisure Ltd., a Company Limited by Guarantee, which was awarded a management licence to operate the facility.

The management company is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the facility, including membership management and capacity arrangements. As such, all operational queries in relation to waiting lists, capacity, and other related matters should be directed to the local management team at Lucan Leisure Campus, who are best placed to provide detailed information on these issues.

LPNC/285/Q4/0526 Item ID:91397 – Localised Community Engagement

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

To ask the Chief Executive, following the recent public meeting arranged by South Dublin County Council and the new Local Community Safety Partnership in relation to the new community safety structures replacing the former Joint Policing Committee framework, whether consideration will be given to holding a similar public meeting within the Lucan area to ensure greater accessibility and participation for residents living within the north/western side of the County who may find it difficult to travel to Tallaght to attend such events. And further, whether the Council and Local Community Safety Partnership would consider a more localised community engagement approach across different parts of the County as the new structures and strategies are developed and rolled out.

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council, in collaboration with the Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP), notes the importance of ensuring that the new community safety structures are accessible, inclusive, and responsive to the needs of all communities across the County.

The LCSP is currently in the early stages of developing its three-year Community Safety Plan. As part of this process, a programme of public engagement is being designed to capture the views, experiences, and priorities of residents, community groups, and stakeholders across South Dublin.

In this context, the Council and the LCSP are committed to facilitating broad and accessible engagement opportunities. Consideration will be given to holding additional public meetings and engagement events in a range of locations throughout the County.

Furthermore, it is intended that the engagement approach will include a mix of formats and locations, enable more localised participation and reflecting the diverse needs of communities as the new structures are developed and implemented.

The Council will continue to support the LCSP in ensuring that community engagement is inclusive, geographically accessible, and aligned with best practice in the development of the Community Safety Plan.

LPNC/286/H6/0526 Item ID:91303 – Emerging Talent Bursary 2026

This report was presented by Thomas McDermott Local Sports Co-ordinator.

[hi-6Emerging Talent Bursary 2026](#)

Following contributions from Councillors J Tuffy, L O'Toole, A Hayes and T McDonald, Thomas McDermott Local Sports Co-ordinator Responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/287/H7/0526 Item ID:91305 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/288/C2/0526 Item ID:91292 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

Transportation

LPNC/289/Q5/0526 Item ID:91367 – Bridge Repairs

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask the Manager for an update on the expected repair to the bridge parapet beside the Garda Station and to report on the cracks on the Griffeen Bridge piers also.

REPLY:

The area engineer is awaiting delivery of a suitable stone for the parapet repairs at the Garda Station.

We will inspect the cracking on the Griffeen Bridge and action as necessary

LPNC/290/Q6/0526 Item ID:91369 – Traffic Survey on Kennelsfort Road and Coldcut Road

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask the Chief Executive if a traffic survey has been carried out in relation to localised congestion on Kennelsfort Road and Coldcut Road due to vehicles

queuing to turn right at the Silver Granite onto Wheatfield Road; and if a statement can be made on the matter.

REPLY:

It is noted that traffic control measures at this location are limited, with a pedestrian crossing provided on Kennelsfort Road only, and no signal control on the Wheatfield Road arm of the junction.

Given concerns regarding queuing and potential congestion on Kennelsfort Road and on adjacent roads, it is recommended that a traffic survey be carried out to assess traffic volumes, turning movements, and the operational performance of the junction. The findings of such a survey would inform any future decisions regarding possible junction improvements or traffic management measures.

Any proposed works arising from the traffic survey would be considered by the Council and would be subject to the availability of funding and resources.

LPNC/291/Q7/0526 Item ID:91395 – Footpath Repairs & maintaining trees in Castle Gate / Adamstown Area

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update regarding the proposed works currently planned in the Castle Gate / Adamstown area in relation to the large mature tree and adjoining footpath infrastructure, including a breakdown of the nature and extent of the works proposed, the current stage of the project and how the Council intends to complete the necessary footpath repairs while protecting and retaining the tree in situ. And further, given the significant local concern regarding the future of the tree to ask that elected members and the local community be notified well in advance of any proposed changes to its status, removal or substantial alteration arising from the works process.

REPLY:

Trees are currently being surveyed by an arborist on behalf of Public Realm. This will identify what trees may be retained as part of these works.

The current proposal is for footpath works to commence in late Q3 due to the nesting season.

We'll liaise with Cllrs closer to the works date when exact works are known

LPNC/292/H8/0526 Item ID:91316 – Roads to be Taken in Charge

Proposed Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads (No Business)

LPNC/293/H9/0526 Item ID:91314 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/294/C3/0526 Item ID:91301 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/295/M1/0526 Item ID:91345 – Street Light Repairs

Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald, seconded by Councillor C Brady

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to repair the cable fault between Street Light 7 and Street Light 8 on Elderwood Road in Palmerstown, in order to prevent constant tripping and restore full functionality to the street lighting.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

Elderwood Road was recently upgraded to LED as part of the Woodfarm Acres Programmed Upgrade with ESNB.

Subsequent to this, technical issues have been identified at P6 and P7.

About 70% of our upgrade programme consists of single poles that are directly fed off an ESNB supply pillar. ESNB are requested to attend on site with us to unbundle poles like this from their minipillar. Once that is done, we can proceed with the LED Upgrade.

However, the remaining 30% of our poles are fed in a 'daisy chain' from the poles described above. We don't need ESNB to unbundle these but we do have to fit a device in the second daisy-chained pole to make it safe.

At Elderwood, P7 is supplied from P6 in this manner and the safety device in P7 keeps tripping. This means that there is a residual fault previously undetected in the underground cabling between P6 and P7 and this will now need to be replaced.

The civil works here will require the granting of a road opening licence and are quite extensive. We hope to have a permanent solution to this problem in place by the end of July at the latest.

Following contributions from Councillor T McDonald, Gary Walsh Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/296/M2/0526 Item ID:91383- Repainting of road markings in Johnsbridge Estate

Proposed by Councillor V. Casserly, seconded by Councillor C Brady

To call on the manager for an update on repainting of road markings in Johnsbridge Estate. This has been requested and passed as a motion previously but with no update of works to be completed.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

This work has been passed to our road marking contractor. The area engineer will follow up with the contractor to try progress this

Following contributions from Councillor V Casserly, Gary Walsh Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/297/M3/0526 Item ID:91392 – Private Vehicles parking in Bus Corridor

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, seconded by Councillor C Brady

That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to provide an update regarding the longstanding issue of private vehicles parking within the bus lane corridor extending from the Castle Gate area towards the Adamstown Link Road and to outline what measures, engagement, communications strategy or enforcement planning has been undertaken or is proposed in advance of any future expansion or introduction of additional bus services within the Adamstown area. And further, having regard to the fact that sections of this bus lane have remained largely unused for public transport purposes for many years, during which time significant numbers of local residents have come to rely upon the area for informal parking due to ongoing parking pressures within Adamstown to ask how the Council intends to manage any future transition away from such usage in a manner that minimises conflict with residents while facilitating the delivery of enhanced public transport infrastructure and bus connectivity within the wider Adamstown area.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The bus lane along Adamstown Link Road is currently marked and lined as a bus lane as part of the strategic transport infrastructure for the Adamstown area. While it is accepted that there are presently no active bus services operating along this specific route, the infrastructure has been preserved to facilitate future public transport provision in line with wider transport planning objectives.

The Traffic section is aware that informal parking has developed within the bus lane, largely due to ongoing parking pressures in the Adamstown area.

However, the Council's position is that:

- The bus lane designation remains in place intentionally and is being protected for future operational use.
- Enforcement of parking restrictions within the bus lane is not currently being prioritised, given that the lane is not yet in active use for bus services.

- The existing informal parking arrangement is not giving rise to significant or immediate road safety concerns at this time.

The Traffic section believes it inappropriate to formally re-designate the area as car parking, as doing so would create greater conflict and disruption at a later stage when bus services are introduced and the lane must revert to its intended purpose.

In terms of future commencement of Bus Routes:

Advance public communication will be undertaken once details of new or expanded bus routes are finalised and publicly announced. The NTA will lead on the communication of any bus route changes. This communication will ensure that residents are given adequate notice of the need to cease parking in the bus lane.

Following the commencement of bus services, an Garda Síochána and the Council will implement appropriate enforcement measures to ensure the bus lane operates effectively and safely.

In summary, when better bus services are introduced, it is expected that less car use will be necessary in the Adamstown area. And consequently, the overspill of car parking to the bus lane will be unnecessary. The actions outlined above, are considered the most practical measures the council can undertake in relation to the bus corridor item raised.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole and J Tuffy, John Hegarty Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/298/M4/O526 Item ID:91346 – Cutting of overgrown Hedging

Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to arrange for the urgent cutting back and maintenance of the overgrown hedging on Ballyowen Lane between Ballyowen Hall and Droim na Coille, as the current condition has rendered the footpath impassable, and to restore the pathway to a safe and accessible condition as soon as possible.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The area engineer has inspected and will arrange for the hedge to be cut back on H&S grounds

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate**.

Planning

LPNC/299/Q8/0526 Item ID:91347 – Future Plans of Land located opposite Di Bella and bordering Griffeen Avenue and Oldbridge

Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald

To ask the Manager to report on the future plans for the parcel of land located opposite Di Bella and bordering Griffeen Avenue and Oldbridge Estate, and to clarify whether there are still proposals as per the original Clonburris SDZ plan to provide an attenuation pond on this site, following the recent clearing of overgrowth from the area.

REPLY:

The area referred to forms part of the wider Clonburris SDZ lands and is located adjacent to the Griffeen Community College site, which is currently under construction.

The indicative area referenced forms part of the permitted Stage 2A North Link Street infrastructure works, with a small portion also interfacing with future Stage 2B infrastructure works (Please refer to planning register references SDZ24A/0033W. The primary infrastructure proposed within this area as part of Stage 2A relates to underground attenuation infrastructure and associated surface water management works.

Full details of the Stage 2A planning permission, including relevant drawings and associated documentation, are available to view on the Council's Planning Portal under Reg. Ref. SD24A/0033W.

In relation to zoning, the lands form part of the Clonburris SDZ lands. Details relating to zoning objectives and permitted land uses are available within the Clonburris SDZ Planning Scheme documentation.

With regard to land ownership, ownership information and associated mapping are publicly available through the Land Registry via Landdirect.ie. In addition, the Land Development Agency has published mapping of State-owned lands, which is also publicly available.

Any future development proposals relating to these lands would be subject to the relevant statutory planning processes.

LPNC/300/Q9/0526 Item ID:91375 – Ownership and Zoning Status of Land

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify the ownership and zoning status of the lands located adjacent to Griffeen Avenue, the R136 Outer Ring Road and the Griffeen Community College development (see attached photo) and to outline any existing or proposed plans for these lands and whether elected members and the local community will have an opportunity for input into any future proposals relating to the site.

Q9- Landownership GCC Build

REPLY:

The area referred to forms part of the wider Clonburris SDZ lands and is located adjacent to the Griffeen Community College site, which is currently under construction.

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With regard to land ownership, ownership information and associated mapping are publicly available through the Land Registry via Landdirect.ie. In addition, the Land Development Agency has published mapping of State-owned lands, which is also publicly available.

Any future development proposals relating to these lands would be subject to the relevant statutory planning processes.

LPNC/301/H10/0526 Item ID:91312- New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/302/C4/0526 Item ID:91299 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/303/M5/0526 Item ID:91376 – Heritage Sites

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, seconded by Councillor L. O'Toole

Cathaoirleach's Business

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to report on all heritage sites within the Lucan / Palmerstown / North Clondalkin LEA, including but not limited to the recent funding awarded to Aderrig, and to provide a comprehensive update to members. The report should identify the full range of heritage sites across the LEA and set out, for each site, its current status, whether any projects are active, planned or proposed, any funding secured or being pursued, and timelines for delivery where applicable, including both Council-owned and privately owned sites.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

In response to the Motion please find attached a list of all relevant heritage and conservation projects identified within the LEA including the status, whether there is an active project on site, a planned or proposed project, funding secured or proposed alongside timelines for delivery. Column H also includes details relating the relevant area of responsibility.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Site/Building Name	Site/Building Description	Active Projects Y/N	If Active Describe	Planned/Proposed Projects	Funding Secured	Timeline for Delivery	Section/staff responsible for delivery/project lead.
Liffey Valley proposed Natural Heritage Area (pNHA)	Riverine habitats on both banks of the River Liffey, including woodland, meadows, and parkland.	Y	<i>'Community and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy for the River Liffey Fish Migration Barriers Project'. A partnership project with Fingal County</i>	N/A	Inland Fisheries Ireland.	Q4 2026	Fingal Co.Co. are lead partners.

			Council, Dublin City Council, and Inland Fisheries Ireland, with an objective to restore effective fish passage on the river by altering/removing existing fish barriers and weirs where appropriate.				
Grand Canal proposed Natural Heritage Area (pNHA)	Canal water, towpaths, and associated bankside habitats, between Kildare border at Hazelhatch and the County boundary at Ballyfermot (6 th Lock).	N		N	N/A	N/A	Planning/Heritage
Liffey Valley Special Area Amenity Order (SAAO)	Woodland, riparian habitat, meadows, and parkland on both	N	Areas of the Liffey Valley are subject to a SAAO due to the outstanding natural	N	N/A	N/A	Planning/Heritage

	banks of the River Liffey.		beauty and the special recreational value of the area.				
Aderrig Church (Protected Structure Ref. 110)	Ecclesiastical Remains (Church ruins & Graveyard, Lucan)	N		The preparation of a Conservation Management Plan. The project team which is led by Conservation Architects on behalf of private owner applicant are working on finalising a timeframe and will confirm shortly.	€30,000 (Stream 2-CMF 2026)	To be completed by 16 th October as per CMF grant conditions.	Architectural Conservation Officer, Architectural Conservation Section.
Lucan House and Demesne	Lucan House and Demesne (House, Stables, Gate Lodges, Bath House, grounds, Church)	Y	Finalising procurement process to progress to Part 8, Detailed Design and Construction	Lucan House and its surrounding Demesne will be regenerated and transformed to establish a vibrant, inclusive, and sustainable visitor destination that enhances both community and tourism infrastructure in line with the proposals of	€200,000 Thrive Funding for development of Masterplan. Funding opportunities being explored for next phase of development	Q4 2026 – Q4 2028. SDCC will deliver the masterplan through a phased approach, allowing for progressive opening of amenities	Economic Development

				the Lucan house and Demesne Masterplan		s and facilities	
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Following contributions from Councillors C Brady and L O'Toole, Stephen Willoughby Senior Planner responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/304/M6/O526 Item ID:91385 – Parking Charges at The Crossings Adamstown

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, seconded by C. Brady

That this Council requests the Chief Executive to engage with the owners/operators of the multi-storey car park at The Crossings, Adamstown regarding the recent introduction of parking charges and associated minimum spend validation arrangements and to examine the wider planning and accessibility implications this may have for residents, visitors, local businesses and public transport users within the growing Adamstown area. And further, to clarify whether the current parking arrangements align with the overall vision and planning objectives envisaged by South Dublin County Council for the Adamstown Strategic Development Zone, particularly having regard to the limited on-street parking provision within the wider area, the role of The Crossings as a key town centre and transport hub and the need to maintain accessible local services and amenities for all members of the community.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

Thank you for your motion regarding car parking charges at The Crossings, Adamstown.

As detailed at the Cllr SDZ briefing the Council is engaging with the developer in relation to this and will arrange a meeting to discuss the matter further in due course.

The developer has advised that the multi-storey car park, which opened in 2023 operated at that time as a paid parking facility and around December 2024 until recently, a temporary arrangement providing 90 minutes free parking was introduced to support retail units establishing themselves. The developer has indicated that this arrangement was not intended to be permanent having regard to the significant private capital investment associated with the delivery of such infrastructure.

Parking standards for the SDZ are set out in Section 2.4(vii) of the Adamstown Planning Scheme (as amended). Parking provision within Adamstown is considered

to align with the vision, requirements and objectives of the Scheme, with parking provision assessed as part of each individual planning application.

Should there be any further developments following engagement with the developer an update will be provided as part of the SDZ briefings provided.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole, J Tuffy, H Farrell, and T McDonald, Stephen Willoughby Senior Planner responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

Economic Development

LPNC/305/Q10/0526 Item ID:91411 – Supports for Lucan Village

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the implementation of the February 2026 motion regarding supports for Lucan Village businesses affected by Village Green works, including any measures identified, constraints encountered, and timelines for reporting back to Members. Item 91094.

REPLY:

In line with the commitment given, the Economic Development and Tourism functions have progressed a targeted support response. The Tourism Section has engaged with local businesses and agreed a 4-week social media campaign, including business spotlights, promotion of local events, and content highlighting things to see and do in the area, aimed at increasing footfall and reinforcing that Lucan Village is open for business.

It is noted that public infrastructure investment is delivered for the collective benefit of the community and local economy, and there is no statutory mechanism to compensate individual businesses for temporary impacts arising from such works.

In parallel, the Council's broader approach to supporting local economic activity is focused on addressing commercial vacancy and facilitating new enterprise. This includes targeted supports to bring vacant and under-utilised premises back into use, reduce barriers for start-ups and small businesses, and support the regeneration and vitality of village centres such as Lucan. This approach is intended to strengthen the overall trading environment and complement the promotional measures now being implemented.

Cross-departmental engagement will continue to support a coordinated approach to activity in the village. Discussions are underway to explore the feasibility, scope, coordination and promotion of events and initiatives in the Lucan area, having

regard to resources, stakeholder involvement and alignment with existing strategies.

The outcome of this work will inform any future proposals. The Area Committee will be kept informed of progress.

LPNC/306/Q11/0526 Item ID:91366 – Public Events planned into Summer Months and the Autumn

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask the Manager for details of public events planned for Lucan House, Lucan Demesne, Lucan Village, Lucan Promenade and Weir for the summer months and into the Autumn?

REPLY:

The following public events have been confirmed for the summer and autumn period:

- 16th May - The Junior Liffey Descent - Lucan Demesne/Promenade,
- 6th June - Ruaille Buaille Lucan Children's Music Festival – grounds of Lucan House
- 5th September - Lucan Festival – grounds of Lucan House

A market event has also been scheduled to take place on the grounds of Lucan House on 6th December. At this time, there are no additional public events confirmed for the specified locations over the summer and autumn period, however the Council will continue to engage with community groups and event organisers, and any further events that are confirmed will be communicated in due course.

LPNC/307/H11/0526 Item ID:91307 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/308/C5/0526 Item ID:91294- Economic Development

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/309/M7/0526 Item ID:91378 – Liffey Descent and local events

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, seconded Councillor L. O'Toole

Cathaoirleach's Business

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to consider the development of a local event or series of events in Lucan to coincide with the annual Liffey Descent, making use of the upgraded Liffey Weir and surrounding public realm. This would provide an opportunity to animate the area, support local

business, community activity, and maximise the benefit of recent investment in the public space.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

It is acknowledged that the Liffey Descent presents a valuable opportunity to promote Lucan as a vibrant destination, while supporting local businesses, enhancing community engagement and maximising the benefit of recent public realm investment in the area.

Cross-departmental discussions will be undertaken to explore the feasibility, scope, and potential programming of such an initiative. Consideration will be given to logistical requirements, resource implications, stakeholder engagement and alignment with existing events and strategies. The outcome of these discussions will inform any future proposals regarding the development of events associated with the Liffey Descent in Lucan. The Area Committee will be kept informed of progress in due course.

Following contributions from Councillor C Brady, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/310/M8/0526 Item ID:91387 – Audit of Vacant Commercial Premises in Lucan Village

Proposed by Councillor V. Casserly, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Committee requests an audit of vacant or soon to become vacant commercial premises within Lucan Village and a report on measures available to support occupancy, meanwhile use and village regeneration.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The issue of commercial vacancy is being considered on a county-wide basis, recognising that patterns of vacancy and re-occupation vary over time. A recent assessment of commercial properties across South Dublin identified a significant number of premises, but follow-up analysis confirmed that many of these have already returned to use, highlighting both ongoing market activity and the need for continuous monitoring rather than one-off audits.

This broader analysis also points to underlying challenges affecting occupancy, including a shortage of suitable premises for modern business needs, barriers facing start-ups in accessing affordable space and changing trading patterns and cost pressures

In response, the current approach is focused not only on identifying vacancy, but on actively addressing it through targeted supports aimed at reuse, meanwhile use, and regeneration.

We are delighted to confirm that measures have been developed to support the activation of vacant and under-utilised premises, particularly within town centres and village main streets such as Lucan. These include financial support for the fit-out and upgrade of long-term vacant units, assistance for adaptation works to make properties suitable for new enterprise uses, encouragement of temporary uses including pop-up occupation, and support for the subdivision of larger premises to create smaller, more affordable units for emerging businesses.

These interventions are designed to reduce vacancy levels and improve visual amenity, accelerate the re-use of premises, lower barriers to entry for new businesses, and support the broader regeneration and vitality of villages and town centres.

Applications for such supports are assessed on their merits, with particular regard to location, job creation, level of investment, length of vacancy, and the contribution of the proposal to the vitality of the local area.

Accordingly, while a focused audit of Lucan Village could provide a snapshot at a point in time, the current approach seeks to address vacancy in a more proactive and sustained manner, combining ongoing monitoring with practical supports to bring premises back into use and strengthen village regeneration.

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate.**

Libraries & Arts

LPNC/311/H12/0526 Item ID:91304 – Library News and Events

This report was presented by Rosena Hand Senior Executive Librarian

[HI-12 Library Event Stats](#)

[HI-12LPNC Libraries report May](#)

Following contributions from Councillor L O'Toole, Rosena Hand Senior Executive Librarian responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/312/H13/0526 Item ID:91306 – Arts Programme Update

This report was presented by Richie O'Sullivan T/Assistant Arts Officer

[HI13- Arts Programme Update](#)

Following contributions from Councillors M Johansson, J Tuffy and L O'Toole, Richie O'Sullivan T/Assistant Arts Officer responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/313/H14/0526 Item ID:91310 – Application for Arts Grants

This report was presented by Richie O’Sullivan T/Assistant Arts Officer

[HI14-Arts Grants - LPNC May 2026](#)

Following contributions from Councillors J Tuffy and C Brady, Richie O’Sullivan T/Assistant Arts Officer responded to queries raised and the Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/314/C6/0526 Item ID:91296 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

Corporate Support

LPNC/315/C7/0526 Item ID:91537 - Correspondence

Correspondence Re HSE (Item 90558) for Noting

(i) Reply from HSE re Item 90558 March 2026 LPNC ACM

(ii) Reply from Waterways Ireland re Item 90563 March 2026 LPNC ACM

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[\(ii\) Response from Waterways Ireland re Item 90563 March 2026 LPNC ACM](#)

This report was **Noted**.

LPNC/316/M9/0526 Item ID:91196 – Abolish Parking Fees at the Crossings, Adamstown

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

To call on the Manager to write to the owners of the Crossings, Adamstown, to abolish the newly introduced parking fee that previously was 90 minutes free. This retrograde step will impact the main anchor tenants of Aldi and Tesco, but disproportionately affect the smaller businesses in the centre, and most egregiously of all, people attending the HSE Primary Care Centre across the road that has zero associated parking spaces.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

If this motion is passed, a letter in this regard will be issued to the owners of the Crossings, Adamstown on behalf of the Local Area Committee. The response, when received, will be circulated to the Members.

Following contributions from Councillors H Farrell, M Johansson, L O’Toole and T McDonald, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

Performance Change Management

LPNC/317/C8/0526 Item ID:91298 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/318/H15/0526 Item ID:91311- New Works

New Works (No Business)

Public Realm

LPNC/319/Q12/0526 Item ID:91379 - Tree Maintenance Programme for Lucan, Palmerstown and North Clondalkin LEA

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the CEO to provide an update in tabular format of the estates/locations in the LPNC LEA listed in the 2026/2028 tree maintenance program and a status report of the 2026 plan indicating where estates/locations are completed, in progress, scheduled, and where scheduled indicate the date scheduled?

REPLY:

The table below provides details of the status of the 49 locations in the 2026/2028 Tree Maintenance Programme for Lucan, Palmerstown and North Clondalkin LEA. Four additional locations were added to the programme that was presented to the ACM in November 2025 and these are included at the bottom of the table.

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1	Airlie Heights		To be surveyed
2	Ardeen	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed
3	Ardeevin		To be surveyed
4	Ballydowd Grove & Roselawn		To be surveyed
5	Ballyowen Estate		To be surveyed
6	Ballyowen Park (off Newlands Road)		To be surveyed
7	Beech Park including os trees	To be scheduled Autumn 2026	To be surveyed
8	Beech Grove including os trees	To be scheduled Autumn 2026	To be surveyed
9	Castlegate streets and os, Adamstown	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed

10	Cherbury estate	To be scheduled Autumn 2026	To be surveyed - OS
11	Cherbury Park Avenue and Beech Grove OS boundary trees overhanging N4 motorway.	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed
12	Chalet Gardens incl entrance trees		To be surveyed
13	Collinstown Park	Complete	Surveyed
14	Collinstown Estate incl. Grove & Crescent		To be surveyed
15	Earlsfort OS entrance mature trees	Complete	
16	Elmbrook		To be surveyed
17	Esker Lodge OS Mature trees		To be surveyed
18	Esker Lane		To be surveyed
19	Glenaulin Rd Palmerstown		To be surveyed
20	Glenfield	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed
21	Grange Castle Road / R136 Kishogue to N7		To be surveyed
22	Griffeen Valley Park, incl Ashpark boundary		To be surveyed
23	Hermitage Estate		To be surveyed
24	Hillcrest		To be surveyed
25	Lucan Village to N4 (R120)	To be scheduled 2026	To be surveyed
26	Kennelsfort Road		To be surveyed
27	Kew Park Estate (street trees)	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed
28	Kew Park Estate (os trees)	To be scheduled Autumn 2026	To be surveyed
29	Meadow View Grove, Greenpark Rd & Westbrook Park		To be surveyed
30	Moyglas open spaces		To be surveyed
31	Oatfield		To be surveyed
32	Old Lucan Rd	Complete	
33	Palmerstown Avenue		To be surveyed
34	Palmerstown Drive & The Oval		To be surveyed

35	Palmerstown Green, Court & Close		To be surveyed
36	Palmerstown Woods		To be surveyed
37	Palmers Estate - Walk, Crescent, Close, Grove, Park, Drive		To be surveyed
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39	St Ronan's	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed
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41	Vesey Park Estate	Complete	
42	Wheatfield Road		To be surveyed
43	Wheatfields mature trees	Complete (except one tree)	Surveyed
44	Wheatfields street trees		To be surveyed
45	Whitethorn		To be surveyed
46	Willsbrook Park (The Park)		To be surveyed
47	Woodfarm Acres		To be surveyed
48	Woodview incl. boundary trees	Complete	
49	Woodville Estate	To be scheduled 2026	Surveyed
Additional locations added to the programme			
1	Tandy's Lane Park	Complete	
2	Ash Park		
3	Mill Lane	Complete	
4	Lucan House	Complete	

LPNC/320/Q13/0526 Item ID:91384 – Griffeen Valley Carpark proposed extension works

Proposed by Councillor V. Casserly

To ask the manager for an update on the Griffeen Valley Carpark proposed extension works in the capital budget.

REPLY:

As previously committed to, an assessment to determine the need to extend the car park has commenced. A full understanding of car park use will be apparent once the GAA pitch nearest the car park is back in play. We will be able to make a decision once all relevant information has been gathered and reviewed. At that stage the Councillors will be updated.

LPNC/321/Q14/0526 Item ID:91365 – Bridge replacement Watertown Park

Proposed by Councillor A. Hayes

To ask the manager for a progress update, including estimated finish date, for the replacement of the bridge in Watertown Park.

REPLY:

The bridge at Watertown Park has been fitted in its final resting position across the Mill Race. The next stage of the project includes the provision of additional fencing at the sides of the bridge at either end. In addition, grading and path surfacing works will be undertaken to tie the bridge into the surrounding landscape. This part of the project will be progressed during Q3.

LPNC/322/Q15/0526 Item ID:91354 – Play Space Survey Results Palmerstown

Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson

To ask the Chief Executive to provide the full survey result for the play space survey in Palmerstown.

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LPNC/323/Q16/0526 Item ID:91377 – Tree Maintenance Programme

Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald

To ask the manager for an update on the Tree Maintenance Programme for Lucan, Palmerstown and North Clondalkin - estates which have been completed, and projected dates for completion of other estates.

REPLY:

The table below provides details of the status of the 49 locations in the 2026/2028 Tree Maintenance Programme for Lucan, Palmerstown and North Clondalkin LEA. Four additional locations were added to the programme that was

presented to the ACM in November 2025 and these are included at the bottom of the table.

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LPNC/324/H16/0526 Item ID:91313 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/325/C9/0526 Item ID:91300 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/326/M10/0526 Item ID:91380 – Include the Paddocks in tree maintenance programme 2026-2028

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, Councillor seconded by T. McDonald

Cathaoirleach's Business

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to include the Paddocks in the 2026-2028 tree maintenance programme, following the taking in charge of the estate.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The 2026-2028 tree maintenance programme as presented to the ACM in November 2025 was compiled based on tree pruning requirement for locations that were in charge and under the maintenance of SDCC at the time. Additional essential tree works are sometimes identified over the course of the programme, and these are added as required. It is important to note that adding locations to the programme can affect the delivery of the programme and must be considered in this context. When a new estate is taken in charge it is not automatically added to the programme as there is an expectation that the trees in the estate will be up to taking in charge standards and not require any works for a number of years.

The Paddocks estate which was recently taken in charge will be inspected. Any trees that are found to warrant essential works will be considered for inclusion in the programme subject to the availability to allocate resources without adversely affecting the overall delivery of the programme.

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate.**

LPNC/327/M11/0526 Item ID:91096

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee requests SDCC to pilot the retention of small, deliberately shaped unmown areas around Lucan House lawns from early summer 2026 onwards, to allow native plant species to emerge, while maintaining sufficient area for amenity and event use. This approach would align with the County Development Plan, the Biodiversity Action Plan, and the SDCC Pollinator Action Plan and wildflowers could be documented with Biodiversity Ireland by local groups, which would further enhance the connection between the community and the demesne.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The lawns around Lucan House have been closely mown prior to it coming into public ownership and maintained as high amenity areas. As a result of this species diversity within these lawns is somewhat limited in nature. The maintenance programme for the lawns for the immediate future is to retain the existing mowing regime that is currently in place for central areas. This approach will enable the continued use of the lawns for park visitors and events such as Ruaille Buaille, Lucan Festival etc.

An unmown strip approximately 2 meters wide will be retained around the riparian edges to allow natural regeneration of vegetation. In time as the park develop and uses change, alternative mowing practices can be considered if appropriate.

Following contributions from Councillors H Farrell, J Tuffy, David Fennell Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/328/M12/0526 Item ID:91344 – Watertown Park Playground

Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to undertake a public consultation on the proposed new equipment for Watertown Park Playground, following the allocation of €20,000 under the Play and Recreation Capital Funding Scheme, and to ensure that wheelchair-accessible and inclusive play equipment is provided in line with previous commitments.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

Public Realm are preparing plans for a major upgrade and expansion of Watertown Park and universal accessibility is central to these plans. We are selecting a wide range of accessible equipment for children of all abilities to play together. We are also integrating many natural play features as part of a broader approach to accessibility. Public Realm have recently surveyed 250 children in

Palmerstown about play and their suggestions will be included in our design plans. We will be carrying out a short online survey (on the consultation portal) to help inform the works and will have an on site meeting happening soon where playground users can share their visions for the new play upgrades with us.

Following contributions from Councillor T McDonald, Laurence Collieran Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/329/M13/O526 Item ID:91351- Public Litter Bin Request

Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That the Chief Executive arrange for the public litter bin to be installed at bus stop 2118 on the Neilstown Road, as has been previously agreed at the June 2025 ACM (Motion 12/ITEM ID: 87735).

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

As reported under Motion 12 at the ACM in June 2025, the location in question was examined in accordance with the Litter Bin Installation Protocol as set out in the Litter Management Plan. There was no identifiable litter issue present at that time and as a result a bin was not installed. Following a further inspection recently a noticeable change in littering was identified and bin will therefore be provided. The bin will be installed in June/July.

Following contributions from Councillor M Johansson, David Fennell Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/330/M14/O526 Item ID:91362 - Secure Glenaulin Park

Proposed by Councillor A. Hayes, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That SDCC secure the boundary of the newly seeded pitch in Glenaulin Park to prevent unauthorised access by electric off-road bikes and others while the ground settles.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The contractor working on the pitch improvements at Glenaulin Park will be on site in the last week of May to undertake any remedial work on the pitch following the establishment period.

It is planned to remove the fencing that is currently protecting the site once this work is completed in early June, however the contractor has been asked to secure the boundary in the meantime.

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate.**

LPNC/331/M15/O526 Item ID:91382 – Crown Life Trees on Hillcrest Green

Proposed by Councillor V. Casserly, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

This committee calls on the manager to crown lift the trees which are hindering safe sight lines for pedestrians and vehicles on Hillcrest Green.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

Hillcrest estate is listed in the 2026-2028 Tree Maintenance Programme and has yet to be surveyed. In the meantime, arrangements will be made to have Hillcrest Green assessed by local depot staff and remove any low branches that are hindering safe sight lines for pedestrians and vehicles.

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate.**

LPNC/332/M16/O526 Item ID:91393 – Audit of Public Litter Bins

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to carry out and provide an audit of public litter bin provision within the Adamstown area and to compare same against bin provision levels within Lucan and surrounding established areas and where significant deficiencies or disparities are identified, to bring forward proposals for the installation of additional public litter bins throughout Adamstown having regard to the substantial population growth and increasing usage of public spaces, parks, transport routes and community areas within the locality.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The provision of bins is carried out in accordance with the Litter Bin Management protocol as set out in the Litter Management Plan 2026-2029. This protocol aims to set out the basic principles for litter bin placement to provide consistency and appropriate coverage in all parts of the county. This should provide greater understanding of litter bin provision and inform requests for new litter bins. Locations where requests for bins should receive priority for litter bin placements are:

- Town and village centres
- Vicinity of shops such as newsagents, food retailers, supermarkets
- Areas where people congregate e.g. bus stops, tram stops, post offices, public service buildings/offices
- Main routes to schools
- Larger parks greater than 16 hectares in size e.g. in the vicinity of playgrounds and dog runs.

Capacity of the location to facilitate safe access for maintenance vehicles (side loader) will be considered in all cases.

Locations that are not considered suitable for litter bin as they tend to attract dumping, vandalism are:

- Residential areas with no mixed usage, especially cul-de-sac type developments, as they attract dumping of household waste around the litter bins
- Parks less than 16 hectares in size where they are in residential areas, unless some demonstrable demand exists that cannot be met by bin placement on street.

In managing this service, the Council is mindful of all costs when considering requests for new bins. These include not just the initial purchase and installation cost but must also have regard to the ongoing maintenance and servicing costs for each new bin. Where a request is received for a new/replacement litter bin, each location will be assessed having regard to the criteria set out above, as well as the existing provision of litter bins nearby i.e., within 400m.

An audit of litter bin provision in the Adamstown area will be carried out by the Public Realm team. The audit will examine bin provision in parks, open spaces and on roads that have been taken in charge. In the event of deficiencies being identified through the audit, this will be addressed by the provision of additional bins. The details of the audit will be provided to the Elected Members when completed.

The provision of bins in areas of Adamstown that have not been taken in charge will be examined having regard to the Litter Management Plan. SDCC requires bins to be provided in parks and appropriate open spaces as part of the conditioned landscape plans for new developments. A review of these areas will be carried out where possible to ensure that this is being complied with. On-street bins are not conditioned in planning permissions however there is a requirement for developers to maintain estates in good condition until such time as it is taken in charge. Providing bins in appropriate locations is one aspect to keeping areas free of litter and it is noted that on-street bins have been provided in some areas of Adamstown. Where bin deficiencies are identified, these will be brought to the attention of the Adamstown Planning Team for liaising with the various developers.

Following contributions from Councillor L O'Toole, David Fennell Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

Environment

LPNC/333/Q17/0526 Item ID:91372 – Type of Planting Installed as part of the Lucan Village Project

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the number and type of planting installed to date as part of the Lucan Village Green project, including trees, shrubs, grasses and other planting, and to confirm what further planting is planned, including the quantity and species to be used and the timeline for completion.

REPLY:

The list of plants for the Lucan Village Enhancement scheme is provided below. The planting will be completed as the when the Liffey Weir Promenade works are completed. This included parts of the Village Green where a number of plants have yet to be planted. The list included the plant name and mature size, and quantity.

AMELANCHIER CANADENSIS (SNOWY MESPILUS/ SERVICEBERRY) 7.5-9 HT X 4.5 6 SPRD M 3

EUONYMUS EUROPAEUS (SPINDLBERRY /OR BURNING BUSH) 4-6 HT X 4-6 SPRD M/ (LARGE SHRUB) 2

ABELIA X GRANDIFLORA (GLOSSY ABELIA) 0.90-1.8 HT X 0.90 -1.80 SPRD M 4

EG ABELIA "EDWARD GOUCHER"(ABELIA EDWARD GOUCHER) 0.90-1.50 HT X 0.90 1.50 SPRD M 8

CARPINUS BETULUS (HORNBEAM) 15-20 HT X 12-15 SPRD M TREE PLANTED AS HEDGE 69

CHOISYA TERNATA (MEXICAN ORANGE) 1.2 2.4 HT X 1.2-2.4 SPRD M 1

HYDRANGEA SERRATA "BLUE BIRD" (HYDRANGEA) 0.90-1.20 HT X 0.90-1.20 SPRD M 15

PR HYDRANGEA SERRATA "PREZIOSA" (HYDRANGEA PRESIOZA) 0.90-1.50 HT X 0.90 1.50 SPRD M 15

PRUNUS LAUROCERASUS "OTTO LUYKEN" (CHERRY LAUREL) 0.5-1/ 1.2 HT X 1-1.5 SPRD M 17

ACHILLEA FILIPENDULA "CORONATION GOLD" (SNEEZEWORT) 60-90 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 12

CQ ACHILLEA MILLIFOLIUM "CERISE QUEEN" (SNEEZEWORT) 30-60 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM

ACHILLEA PTARMICA (SNEEZEWORT) 30-60 HT X 60-90 SPRD CM 14

BG AJUGA REPTANS "BURGUNDY GLOW" (BUGLE) 10-30 HT X 30-45/100
SPRD CM 66

AGAPANTHUS AFRICANUS VAR. "ISIS" (AFRICAN LILY) 60-90 HT. x 45 SPRD. CM
50

ALTHAEA OFFICINALIS (WOOD OR MARSH MALLOW) 60-120/150 HT X 80
SPRD CM 25

ANEMONE HUPEHENSIS VARS. JAPONICA "PAMINA "(JAPANESE ANEMONE) 60-
90 HT. X 60-90 SPRD. CM 7

ANEMONE HUPEHENSIS"PRINZ HEINRICH"(JAPANESE ANEMONE) 60-90 HT. X
60-90 SPRD. CM 5

ANEMONE HYB. X "HONORINE JOBERT"(JAPANESE ANEMONE) 90-120 HT. X
30-60 SPRD. CM 16

ASTRANTIA MAJOR "LARS" (MASTERWORTS) 60-90 /100 HT. X 10-50 SPRD.
CM 23

CERASTOSTIGMA PLUMBAGINOIDES (HARDY BLUE FLOWERED LEADWORT) 22
30 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 19

COREOPSIS GRANDIFLORA "EARLY SUNRISE" (TICKSEED) 30-60 HT X 30-60
SPRD CM 20

COREOPSIS VERTICILLATA "MOONBEAM" (THREADLEAF COREOPSIS) 30-60
HT X 30 60 SPRD CM 20

COSMOS ASTROSANGUINEUS (CHOCOLATE COSMOS) 60-90 HT X 30-60
SPRD CM 24

CROCOSMIA X CROCOSMIFLORA Var. " EMILY MCKENZIE" (MONBRETIA) 60-90
HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 5

ECHINACEA PURPUREA "MAGNUS" (PURPLE CONEFLOWER) 60-90 HT. X 45-
60 SPRD. CM 9

ECHINACEA "TIKI TORCH"(ORANGE CONEFLOWER) 60-90 HT. X 30-60 SPRD.
CM 8

HEMEROCALLIS FULVA (ORANGE DAYLILIES) 60-90 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 8

HEMEROCALLIS "CRIMSON PIRATE" (ORED ORANGE DAYLILIES) 60-90 HT X
30-60 SPRD CM 10

LAVANDULA ANGUSTIFILIA "HIDCOTE" (LAVENDER) 30-60 HT X 30-60 SPRD
CM 12

LIRIOPE MUSCARI (LILY TURF) 30- 45 HT X 40 SPRD CM 25

NEPETA RACEMOSA (CATMINT) 30-60 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 14 €0.00 2.5

PENSTEMON BARBARTUS "COCCINEUS" (BEARDTONGUE) 60-120 HT. X 25-30
SPRD. CM 13

PERSICARIA AFFINE "DIMITY" "(DWARF FLEECE FLOWER OR LESSER
KNOTWEED, HIMALAYAN KNOTWEED) 15/ 20 -25 HT X 30/45- 60/ 75 SPRD CM
12

RUDBECKIA FULGIDA SULLIVANTI "GOLDSTRUM" (CONEFLOWER GOLDSTRUM)
60-90 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 12

SALVIA NEMOROSA "OSTFRIESLAND" (BALKAN CLARY) 30-60 HT X 30-60
SPRD CM 14

SALVIA SPLENDENS (SCARLET SAGE) 30 60 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 13 €0.00 2.5

SALVIA X SYLVESTRIS_MAINACHT (WOOD SAGE) 30-90 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 5

SANGUISORBA OBTUSA (JAPANESE BURNET) 60-90 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 22

SEDUM "MATRONA" (STONECROP) 30-60 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM 18

VERBENA BONARENSIS "CONGLOMARATA" (PURPLE TOP) 150 -250 HT X 10-50
SPRD CM 31

VINCA MAJOR (BIG PERWINKLE) 15-60 HT X 30- 45 SPRD CM AS SHOWN P9 10

CALAMAGROSTIS X ACUTIFLORA " KARL FOERSTER" (REED GRASS) 90-150 HT
X 45 75 SPRD CM

CAREX TESTACEA (ORANGE NEW ZEALAND SEDGE) 40 -60 HT X 60 SPRD CM
11

DESCHAMPSIA CESPITOSA (TUFTED HAIR GRASS) 60-90 HT X 30- 60 SPRD CM
or DESCHAMPSIA FLEXUOSA (WAVY HAIR GRASS) /DROUGHT TOLERANT &
SUN OR PART SHADE 14

MISCANTHUS SINENSIS (CHINESE SILVER GRASS) 50 -90/ 100 HT X 50-100
SPRD CM 2

MISCANTHUS SINENSIS "RED CHIEF" (GRASS) 120-150 HT X 75-100 SPRD CM 3

PENNISETUM ALOPECURIODES (FOUNTAIN GRASS) 60-90 HT X 60-90 SPRD
CM 5

STIPA CALAMAGROSTIS (SPEAR FEATHER GRASS) 60-120 HT X 90-120 SPRD
CM 7

STIPA TENUISSIMA (MEXICAN FEATHER GRASS) 30 -60 HT X 30-60 SPRD CM
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LPNC/334/Q18/O526 Item ID:91386 – Update on Safe Routes to School

Proposed by Councillor V. Casserly

That this Committee requests an update on Safe Routes to School applications and future expansion opportunities for schools across Lucan.

REPLY:

So far, in relation to the LPNC area, safe school streets works have been completed at:

- Griffeen Valley Educate Together NS, Safe School Zone 2025
- SCOIL BRIDE
- SCOIL LORCAIN
- ST BERNADETTE'S JUNIOR N S

An Taisce's Safe Routes to School *SRTS* programme is a national programme of over 900 schools that considers works at the school as well as issues for vulnerable road users in the environs of the schools. Improvements at these schools is delivered by the local Authorities and funded by the NTA.

Delivery of the Safe Routes to School *SRTS* programme is carried out in rounds, the current round of schools in the LPNC area are now at design development stage, a meeting was held with principals and An Taisce has provided the council with an outline delivery plan. The preliminary design will be developed, and a report will be issued in later this year.

Current round schools in the LPNC area are.

- SCOIL AINE NAOFA
- ST THOMAS JUNIOR NATIONAL SCHOOL

Future round schools in the LPNC area are.

- Adamstown Castle Educate Together National School
- GAELSCOIL NAOMH PADRAIG
- SCOIL MHUIRE
- ST BERNADETTE'S SENIOR N S,
- The King's Hospital School

The Council also has a scheme to provide Safe School Zone measures at school entrances under the Safe School Zone programme and includes schools which were not part of the National SRTS programme but have requested measures.

Currently we are developing a scheme at Esker Educate Together NS. A meeting with principal is scheduled for this month, to review traffic issues and potential direction for a scheme design.

Future Safe School Zone will be developed for ST PETER APOSTLE SEN NS and NEILLSTOWN N S, in coordination with the Neilstown district centre enhancement.

Active travel Schemes when passing a school will include measures to improve the entrance are of the school recent works have been carried out at GAELSCOIL EISCIR RIADA

LPNC/335/Q19/0526 Item ID:91364 – Access to Weir Area of Lucan Promenade

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask for a definite date when access to the weir area of Lucan promenade will be fully restored to the public, which has been closed off for a prolonged period, and exactly what further measures are planned and remain outstanding in the area of Lucan Bridge.

REPLY:

The contractor for the scheme, Bretland Construction, has indicated the works at the Lucan Weir Promenade will be complete at the end of May. The current works involve the completion of the stepped plaza concrete pours, lighting works and remaining landscaping. These works are subject to final approval by the scheme architect prior to reopening.

LPNC/336/Q20/0526 Item ID:91370 – Area Quality Sampling

Proposed by Councillor H. Farrell

To ask the Manager if routine air quality sampling is carried out in the LPNC area, where any test stations might be, and if data is publicly available for the last 3 years?

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council have two permanent air quality monitoring stations the closest to the LPNC area is located on the R120 adjacent to St Patricks Catholic Church. This monitor measures PM₁₀ and NO₂. Under Ambient Air Quality and Cleaner Air for Europe (CAFE) Directive the daily limit for PM₁₀ is 50 ug/m³. The limit is deemed breached if more than 35 exceedances occur during the year. The hourly limit for NO₂ is 200 ug/m³. The limit is deemed breached if more than 18 exceedances occur during the year. Neither of these figures were exceeded in 2025. These limits were not exceeded since the commissioning of this Lucan station in 2022.

The results from both the Lucan air quality monitoring station and our other station in Old Bawn, Tallaght are freely available to the public in real time and can be accessed at <https://airquality.ie/>. The information is presented in a user-friendly manner with maps and ratings in relation to the air quality index for health. The national network of air quality monitoring station data is available from this website.

In addition, in 2021 and 2022 SDCC participated in a pilot scheme to monitor NO₂ levels. Diffusion tubes were installed at various location throughout the county which passively monitored for four-week periods. Two of the locations were Esker Hills Willsbrook Park and Chapel Hill Lucan Village. Over the course of the project the results ranged from 7 to 29 micrograms/ m₃ which is noted to be indicative of low levels of atmospheric NO₂ and do not exceed EU NO₂ emission limit values.

LPNC/337/H17/0526 Item ID:91308 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/338/C10/0526 Item ID:91291 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/339/M17/0526 Item ID:91374- Lucan Village Maintenance and Upkeep

Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, seconded by T. McDonald

Cathaoirleach's Business

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to produce a report and plan for Lucan Village Green with specific focus on ongoing maintenance and upkeep. The report should outline the current maintenance regime including cleaning arrangements for steps, glass and railings, and the maintenance of all planting. It should also set out how the Council will ensure that the area is maintained to the standard expected of a key public space.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The Lucan Village scheme is now nearing completion. The Council will collate data on all the new surface typologies, planting, band stand and seating area and canopies with regard to the maintenance requirements for same. This data will be used to inform a future maintenance regime with our Public Realm Section.

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate.**

LPNC/340/M18/0526 Item ID:91352 – Completion of Cycle Lane

Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That the Chief Executive arrange for the completion of the cycle lane on the Northern side of Ballyowen Road L1042 between Ballyowen estate and the roundabout at Ballyowen Lane.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

Ballyowen Road, including the section outlined, forms part of the Cycle South Dublin programme. Following completion of the initial section of the urban greenway between the Grand Canal and Lucan, the Ballyowen Road route will be reviewed alongside other routes in the Lucan, Palmerstown, and North Clondalkin Area, to support the continued delivery of the Cycle South Dublin programme.

Following contributions from Councillor M Johansson, Andrew O'Mullane Senior Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/341/M19/O526 Item ID:91368 – Campaign re dumping illegal waste

Proposed by Councillor A. Hayes

That SDCC undertake a public information campaign utilising social media, website, community newsletters and other relevant mediums to convey the message that dumping domestic garden waste is illegal and highlight the process by which community groups and individuals caring for areas of the public space can have this waste collected.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

SDCC is committed to increasing awareness on dumping of domestic garden waste which if incorrectly disposed of it becomes litter and/or illegal waste. SDCC has recently updated its garden waste signage and where requested, garden waste signage is erected on light poles in areas impacted by illegal dumping of garden waste. The Environmental Awareness section provides updates to residents, via social media posts, to encourage responsible disposal of garden clippings and similar garden waste in the householders own domestic bin or compost unit.

While over 1,750 community group waste collections have been carried out in 2026 to date, SDCC do not provide bags for private garden waste collection through the Social Credit Scheme. Any green waste that is not from community clean ups, communal green areas and green areas, in public spaces, is illegally dumped waste and the garden waste awareness campaign highlights that it is illegal to dump garden waste. On the spot fines of €150 can be issued by SDCC Anti-Litter wardens.

The public information campaign will be extended to include SDCCs newsletter and more frequent social media posts over the summer period to include the promotion of composting at home. Home composting helps reduce the amount of

garden waste and re-uses valuable nutrients that would have otherwise gone to waste.

SDCC frequently engages with Community and Tidy Towns Groups caring for public space areas and in 2025, SDCC funded in excess of €62,500, through the social credit scheme and over €82,000 to Tidy Towns groups. The Environmental Awareness section provide community clean up materials to volunteers, including signage, litter pickers, gloves, refuse sacks, biodegradable leaf bags and gardening tools. In 2025, over 5,500 waste material collections were arranged by SDCC in support of the work completed by volunteers and access to Biodiversity experts is also provided to community groups and schools via the Environmental Awareness team.

This Motion was **Unanimously Agreed and Moved Without Debate.**

LPNC/342/M20/O526 Item ID:91373 – Introduce Bike Share Scheme within Lucan area

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to examine the feasibility of introducing a public bicycle rental / bike-share scheme within the Lucan area including potential locations along the Grand Canal Greenway, Lucan Village, local parks, Adamstown and nearby public transport hubs such as train stations to support the significant increase in cycling and active travel within the area following the recent canal and public realm improvement works and to consider how such a scheme could facilitate bicycles being hired and returned at different locations to improve local connectivity, sustainable transport options, recreation and first/last mile access for residents and visitors.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The provision of a bike share scheme has previously been considered by the Council. A number of attempts to establish such schemes have not been successful, and these initiatives were subsequently discontinued.

Earlier schemes were impacted by relatively low population densities in suburban areas and a limited concentration of trip destinations outside the city centre. These conditions resulted in reduced demand and made it more challenging to achieve the critical mass required for a viable and sustainable bike share operation at that time. A key issue at the time was the tidal flow of demand towards to the city centre in the morning period and lack of recirculation of bicycles.

It is noted that Dublin's existing public bike share scheme ("Dublinbikes"), which operates using docking stations, does not extend beyond the canal cordon. Similarly, dockless bike share schemes are largely confined to within the canal

area, with only limited extension into smaller designated zones outside the city centre.

However, following the recent completion of several major Active Travel schemes, South Dublin County Council have commenced engagement with the National Transport Authority (NTA) to explore opportunities for introducing a new bike share scheme within South Dublin that would be compatible with a potential wider, city-wide network.

Any future proposals may initially be assessed on a county-wide basis, before being refined to identify the most appropriate operational areas.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole, H Farrell, M Johansson and C Brady, Andrew O'Mullane Senior Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/343/M21/0526 Item ID:91388 – Christmas Tree and seasonal lighting in Lucan Village

Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to commence engagement with the Lucan Festival Committee, Lucan Tidy Towns, elected members and other relevant stakeholders regarding arrangements for the Christmas tree and associated seasonal lighting/events on Lucan Village Green for Christmas 2026 and future years, including consideration of the most appropriate location for the tree, associated infrastructure requirements, planting and landscaping considerations and the potential ongoing role of community groups in supporting and enhancing the Village Green as a focal civic and community space within Lucan Village.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The Lucan Village enhancement scheme is nearing completion with the Village Green now reopened. The Council will continue to interact as required with the Village Festival Committee and associated stakeholders to assist in providing for effective operations in the Village during the Christmas period. An appropriate location for the tree will be selected in consultation with the relevant stakeholders taking cognisance of the location of the power supply. The role of community groups such as Lucan Tidy Towns and the Festival Committee is appreciated by the Council and we will continue to work proactively with such groups.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole and J Tuffy, Andrew O'Mullane Senior Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and the Motion was **Agreed**.

Water & Drainage

LPNC/344/H18/O526 Item ID:91315 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/345/C11/O526 Item ID:91302 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

Meeting Concluded at 17:21

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