

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



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Minutes of South Dublin County Council May 2026 Tallaght Area
Committee Meeting held on Monday 25th May 2026

PRESENT

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

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Senior Executive Officer	M Murtagh, A Mills, V Hartnett
A/Senior Executive Officer	F Hendley
Local Sports Co-Ordinator	T McDermott
Senior Planner	H Craigie
Senior Executive Engineer	A O'Mullane
Executive Librarian	E Edwards
Arts Officer	O Scannell
Administrative Officer	M Connell

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

Councillor L Dunne, presided

H1/0526 Item ID:91172

Proposed by Housing Administration

Minutes of Meeting held on 27th April, 2026.

Minutes from Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on Monday 27th April, 2026

Minutes of Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on 27th April, 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 K Keane, and RESOLVED:

Questions 1- 13

It was proposed by Cllr L Dunne, seconded by Cllr A Smyth, and RESOLVED:" That pursuant to Standing Order No 1, Questions 1-11 be Adopted and Approved.

Housing

Q1/0526 Item ID:91337

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"To ask the committee if there are any plans for updating moving or changing the use of the SDCC depot in Jobstown?"

REPLY:

There are no current plans to relocate or change the use of SDCC's Housing Depot. The Housing Department is actively liaising with the Architectural Services Department to progress and finalise proposals for the refurbishment and upgrade of the depot and the adjoining property. The proposed

development includes enhanced office accommodation, a dedicated meeting room, and improved staff welfare facilities.

Q2/0526 Item ID:91334

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Manager report on update on purchase of Top shop Killinarden. And what are the plans for it?"

REPLY:

The conveyance process for the former Top Shop premises in Killinarden is at an advanced stage and is expected to complete shortly.

Following the council’s acquisition of the property, it is proposed that a comprehensive refurbishment of the building is carried out to enable it to be brought back into use as part of our social housing stock.

Further updates will be provided as the project progresses.

H2/0526 Item ID:91177

Proposed by Housing

New Works (No Business)

H3/0526 Item ID:91185

Proposed by Housing Administration

Anti-Social Behaviour Report (For Noting)

REPLY:

Anti-Social Behaviour Report up to the 31st March 2026.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORTING & STATISTICS FOR TALLAGHT						
Incidents	2025 TOTAL	1st Qtr 2026	2nd Qtr 2026	3rd Qtr 2026	4th Qtr 2026	2026 Total
CATEGORY A						
Drugs Activity reported to SDCC	95	29	0	0	0	29
Criminal Activity reported to SDCC	9	2	0	0	0	2

Joyriding reported to SDCC	3	1	0	0	0	1
Violence/intimidation/harassment reported to SDCC	73	16	0	0	0	16
CATEGORY B						
Squatters/unauthorised occupiers reported to SDCC	59	15	0	0	0	15
Vandalism reported to SDCC	8	1	0	0	0	1
Physical condition of property reported to SDCC	43	13	0	0	0	13
Physical condition of Garden reported to SDCC	96	33	0	0	0	33
Racism reported to SDCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vacant House reported to SDCC	85	16	0	0	0	16
Neighbour Dispute (including parking) reported to SDCC	13	2	0	0	0	2
CATEGORY C						
Noise/disturbance reported to SDCC	28	7	0	0	0	7
Pets/animal nuisance reported to SDCC	6	2	0	0	0	2
Children Nuisance reported to SDCC	2	0	0	0	0	0

Selling alcohol	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Incidents reported to SDCC	538	138	0	0	0	138
Total Complaints reported to SDCC	341	79	0	0	0	79
Total Actions taken by Allocations Support Unit Staff - Main actions listed below	3020	809	0	0	0	809
House call / Inspection	532	186	0	0	0	186
Demand for Possession Section 15 & 17	1	0	0	0	0	0
Abandonment notice served	13	6	0	0	0	6
Surrenders Obtained (including Termination of Tenancy under Section 15)	54	4	0	0	0	4
Warnings issued	121	58	0	0	0	58
Interviews held (formal office and by phone)	384	90	0	0	0	90
Pre-Tenancies (includes following up Tenancy Checks) Group Tenancies were held in respect of new developments.	230	46	0	0	0	46
Complaints received by WhatsApp	36	5	0	0	0	5

Fiona Hendley, A/Senior Executive Officer, presented the Anti-Social Behaviour Report up to the 31st March 2026

There were contributions from Cllr P Holohan

The Report was **NOTED**

H4/0526 Item ID:91186

Proposed by Housing Administration

Housing Allocation Report (For Noting)

Q1 2026 Housing Allocations Report

Amanda Mills, Senior Executive Officer, presented the Housing Allocations Report

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

The Report was **NOTED**

H5/0526 Item ID:91187

Proposed by Housing Administration

Housing Delivery Report

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Vivienne Hartnett, Senior Executive Officer, presented the Housing Delivery Report

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

The Report was **NOTED**

C1/0526 Item ID:91164

Proposed by Housing

Correspondence (No Business)

Community

H6/0526 Item ID:91500

Proposed by Housing Administration

Emerging Talent Bursary 2026

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Thomas McDermott, Local Sport Co-Ordinator, presented the Emerging Talent Bursary 2026 report

There were contributions from Cllr D Donnelly and Cllr L Dunne

The Report was **NOTED**

H7/0526 Item ID:91173

Proposed by Community

New Works (No Business)

C2/0526 Item ID:91161

Proposed by Community

Correspondence (No Business)

Transportation

Q3/0526 Item ID:91341

Proposed by Councillor J. Spear

"Can the Manager outline the process by which an owner's management company can proceed with a taking-in-charge process when the land is still currently owned by the developer (details supplied)?"

REPLY:

The question relates to the Taking in Charge of the Marlfield estate. The Marlfield estate was offered for Taking in Charge by the developer in 2010. Since that time very little engagement from the developer has occurred in relation to the progressing of the Taking in Charge process. However, in 2025 a small section of road and footpath shown on the attached map has been expedited through the TIC process by the landowner. The full taking in Charge of this small section has not been fully completed. However,

there continues to be little engagement from the developer in relation to the Taking in Charge progress for the rest of the Marlfield estate.

The general process for OMC's to progress a TIC:

Circumstances Where Lands Remain in Developer Ownership

Where the land has not yet been transferred from the developer to the OMC or remains in the developer's ownership, this introduces important constraints:

- The Planning Authority typically requires the consent of the legal owner(s) to proceed with full taking-in-charge.
- Without such consent, certain elements of the process (e.g. transfer of open spaces, infrastructure vesting) may not be completed.

However, the absence of land transfer does not prevent engagement with the local authority. The OMC may still:

- Formally request inspection of the estate,
- Seek clarification on outstanding works and bonds in place,
- Request enforcement action where works are incomplete.

Process Available to the Owner Management Company (OMC)

(a) Submission of Request

If a landowner or developer is no longer in existence, and the deeds of ownership have been transferred to the OMC -the OMC may submit a formal request to the Planning Authority for taking-in-charge consideration. Also, if the developer is not in existence, and a receiver has been appointed, then the management of the assets reverts to the receiver. The receiver can offer elements of the estate for taking in charge.

A taking in charge application from an OMC should include:

- Evidence of Title by the OMC and Evidence that the majority of dwelling owners are in favour of taking the estate in charge (see current issues with the legislation on plebiscite below)
- Estate details and planning references,
- Evidence of completion status (where available),
- Details of any outstanding issues.

(b) Assessment by the Authority

The local authority will:

- Inspect the development infrastructure,
- Assess compliance with planning conditions,
- Identify defects or incomplete works,
- Review any developer bonds or securities.

(c) Engagement with Developer

Where ownership remains with the developer:

- The authority will generally seek engagement or consent from the developer,
- If works are incomplete, enforcement under planning legislation may be pursued. This is only applicable where the statutory timelines for enforcement have not passed. The key legal limit is set out in Section 157(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended:
- A planning authority cannot issue a warning letter, enforcement notice, or initiate proceedings after 7 years:
 - From the date the unauthorised development commenced, or
 - From the expiration of a planning permission (including any extensions).

(d) Partial Taking-in-Charge (Where Applicable)

In some cases, and subject to legal and technical considerations, the authority may proceed with partial taking-in-charge, particularly for roads and services, even where:

- Open spaces or other lands remain unresolved

N.B. The Council would seek legal advice on each case where complications of ownership and management rights were unclear.

(e) Limits at Present:

- A plebiscite of residents is not currently feasible due to the ongoing review of Irish legislative provisions governing such procedures.
- The absence of landowner consent may restrict the authority from completing all elements of the taking-in-charge process (particularly land transfer and vesting).
- The authority is constrained to act within statutory powers and cannot assume ownership of lands without the appropriate legal basis.

(f) Other considerations:

- Where Infrastructure intended to be taken in charge is not completed to the SDCC Taking in Charge standards and there is no developer or bond

in place to carry out the remedial works, the Council must consider the financial implications of taking the estate in charge. A Council budget would need to be identified to carry out the remedial works necessary before an estate could be recommended to the Council for TIC. Taking in Charge is a reserved function.

Section of Marfield TIC map proposal

Q4/0526 Item ID:91322

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Could the Manager inform this Area Committee if the footpaths in Parkhill, Kilnamanagh are due for footpath maintenance, in particular the footpaths in Parkhill Way?"

REPLY:

This estate is not listed on the current footpath programme.

I will request the engineer to inspect and add to the list for consideration for future programmes if necessary

Q5/0526 Item ID:91323

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Could the Manager please inform this Area Committee as to when the potholes on the Belgard Road will be repaired. There is a significant number of very large potholes along the Belgard Road from the Glen Abbey Complex to the Mayberry Road Junction and potholes are a safety risk to road users?"

REPLY:

SDCC have carried out a number of temporary repairs on potholes along this stretch this year.

The Belgard Road requires a significant volume of resurfacing but as an Active Travel scheme is due to commence here later this year, we are holding off on investing significant money into the road surface.

We will continue to action the worst potholes

Q6/0526 Item ID:91339

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"To ask if there are plans to review the traffic management in the Citywest area, in light of its rapid growth and pressure on public transport?"

REPLY:

The Council acknowledges the significant growth experienced in the Citywest area in recent years and the corresponding pressures this places on the local transport network, including both general traffic movement and public transport capacity. A number of measures are currently underway or being progressed to address these challenges.

The National Transport Authority (NTA), in partnership with the Council, is advancing the **BusConnects Dublin programme**, which includes proposals that directly benefit the Citywest and wider Tallaght Electoral Area.

- The **W6 orbital route** is a key element of the redesigned bus network and will provide improved connectivity between Tallaght, Citywest, and surrounding areas.
- This route is expected to enhance public transport accessibility, reduce journey times, and provide greater reliability for commuters in the Citywest corridor.
- The **Red line Luas** service also serves the Citywest area. The Council is continually working with the Luas operators to ensure a reliable and safe light rail service is available to the commuters in this area.

Ongoing reviews of traffic operations in the area are being supported by the introduction of modern traffic management technologies, including:

Junction Traffic Light Efficiencies:

The Council is implementing enhancements at key junctions through advanced signal control systems.

SMART Micro Traffic Management System:

This system optimises traffic signal timings in real time based on traffic demand, helping to:

- Reduce congestion,
- Improve traffic flow efficiency,
- Support prioritisation of public transport vehicles where feasible.

The Council will shortly organise a dedicated briefing for Elected Members with the NTA to:

- Provide updates on BusConnects proposals affecting the Citywest area,
- Outline implementation timelines,
- Address local concerns regarding transport capacity and integration.

The Council is working with the NTA to improve bus stop facilities across the Citywest area, including:

- Enhanced bus shelter provision, (where feasible)
- Improved accessibility features,
- Upgraded passenger information systems.

No single measure will fully address the transport pressures arising from the rapid development in Citywest. A co-ordinated approach is underway combining infrastructure upgrades, smarter traffic management, and improved public transport services. The Council will continue to monitor conditions in the area and work closely with the NTA and other stakeholders to ensure that transport provision keeps pace with growth.

Q7/O526 Item ID:91332

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Manager report on parking problems at apartments at Airton Road and City West and what solutions they are putting in place?"

REPLY:

The Council is aware of parking pressures at apartment developments along the Airton Road and within the Citywest area. These locations are kept under ongoing review through Traffic Management Meetings. Where issues arise, road markings are installed where appropriate to improve safety and regulate parking in the area. Enforcement of illegal parking is a matter for An Garda Síochána. The Traffic Section will continue to engage with relevant stakeholders and address any issues through the Traffic Management Meetings.

The Council has followed up on queries that have been raised about the management of car parking at Airton Plaza. Limited additional car parking has been identified. The management company at the Airton Plaza has assured

the Council that they are actively managing resident car parking at the development.

H8/0526 Item ID:91131

Proposed by Housing Administration

Sacred Heart SNS Safe Route to School for Tallaght

REPLY:

Following liaison with the principal of Sacred Heart there is a proposal to carry out work in front of the school gate to prevent illegal parking on the cycle track. There will also be remedial work to the pedestrian gate to allow children access the school through the park. It is estimated that 15-20% of students can access this way and thus mean they will not have to access via the main road.

Andrew O'Mullane, Senior Executive Engineer, presented the Sacred Heart SNS Safe Route to School for Tallaght report

There were contributions from Cllr L Dunne

The Report was **NOTED**

H9/0526 Item ID:91182

Proposed by Transportation

New Works (No Business)

C3/0526 Item ID:91169

Proposed by Transportation

Correspondence (No Business)

Planning

H10/0526 Item ID:91180

Proposed by Planning

New Works (No Business)

C4/0526 Item ID:91167

Proposed by Planning

Correspondence (No Business)

M1/0526 Item ID:91342

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

Seconded by Cllr J Spear

"This Area committee calls for the Council to begin the process of developing a new area plan (or the equivalent) to replace the now expired Fortunestown Local Area Plan covering the Citywest area, with the aim of agreeing a new plan in 2027?"

REPORT:

Fortunestown Local Area Plan was made in April 2012 and was then the subject of a resolution to extend it to 2022. During the process of making the County Development Plan 2022-2028 it was recognised that the Fortunestown LAP would expire shortly after the adoption of the County Plan (September 2022). As significant areas of the lands were already built out, the County Development Plan incorporated relevant objectives and requirements from the LAP so that they would be adequately covered without the need for a new LAP on the lands.

In this regard, the following objectives are specific to the Fortunestown lands and support objectives with wider application within the county:

QDP14 SLO 1: To ensure the sustainable long-term growth of Citywest that continues to promote and facilitate the development of the Citywest / Fortunestown area in accordance with the phasing set out in the Fortunestown Local Area Plan 2012-2022 (as extended) or any superseding LAP, and that appropriate levels of services, social and sports infrastructure, facilities and economic activity is met to meet the needs of the current and future population growth.

SM3 Objective 12: To work with the NTA to secure the expansion of the bus network, including distinct new bus networks as necessary, to serve new development and regeneration areas within the South Dublin County area including Tallaght, City Edge, Adamstown, Clonburris, Fortunestown, Ballycullen and Newcastle.

SM3 Objective 20: To support additional capacity on the Luas Red Line, to service the intensification of development in Tallaght and Fortunestown and the future development of the City Edge lands.

COS2 SLO 1: That Citywest / Fortunestown areas are provided (from within their own community) public, purpose built and suitable amenities including: a Library; a Community centre and a community café; an

Accessible playgrounds / playspaces, teenspaces and youth amenities (such as a skate park); Designed green spaces including a managed public park with adequate, accessible public seating and that can host festivals and community events; Greater biodiversity in the area and more tree coverage; Adequate numbers of pitches and clubhouses / pavilions for sports; Adequate public childcare and afterschool facilities; School sites.

COS3 SLO 2: To deliver a community centre / community facilities within Citywest as part of the delivery of infrastructure identified in the Fortunestown Local Area Plan.

COS5 SLO 2: To require the provision of public open space and to ensure that the location, layout and design of the public open space facilitates the delivery of a sports pitch to facilitate multiuse within the Boherboy lands in the south part of the Fortunestown LAP lands, alongside the residential development that is permitted on these lands.

Significant areas of the Fortunestown LAP lands are now developed with just the Boherboy lands and some lands adjacent to Garter Lane remaining to be developed. Alongside this has been the delivery of schools, retail and open space. There is further commitment for a library and community centre within the lands.

It is also noted that until the new County Development Plan is adopted, a process that cannot commence until the review of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy is completed, there is no mechanism under the Planning and Development Act 2024 for Local Area Plans.

Having regard to the fact that there are comprehensive objectives in the current County Development Plan which reflect key infrastructure and other provisions of the now expired Fortunestown Local Area Plan, and that the review of the County Development Plan will likely commence in 2027, a process of developing a new area plan at this time would not be appropriate and is not considered necessary.

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

Hazel Craige, Senior Planner, agreed to communicate with the councillors during the review of the County Development Plan

The Motion was **AGREED**

Economic Development

Q8/0526 Item ID:91333

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Manager make a report on the shops that have closed in Council-estates? (Fettercairn, Glenshane, Rossfield).

And what are the plans for use of them?"

REPLY:

The former residential shops at Glenshane, Kilcarrig and Kilclare have all recently been closed and subsequently taken back into Council control.

It is anticipated that the three sites mentioned above will be re-developed into small infill housing schemes. Any development works will require a full assessment and feasibility, with an Architectural and Design Team assigned to the sites, along with an approved funding stream. In addition, any proposed re-development for these sites will need approval through the Planning process.

The former shop at Rossfield is being re-developed as part of the approved infill housing scheme, approved by the Members, for the Rossfield area.

H11/0526 Item ID:91175

Proposed by Economic Development

New Works (No Business)

C5/0526 Item ID:91163

Proposed by Economic Development

Correspondence (No Business)

Libraries Arts

H12/0526 Item ID:91171

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Library News & Events

Library Event Stats

Tallaght, Castletymon ad Mobile Libraries ACM report, May

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

There were contributions from Cllr L Dunne

The Reports were **NOTED**

H13/0526 Item ID:91184

Proposed by Housing Administration

Arts Grants-Arts Programme Update

Arts Office Report

Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, presented the Arts Office Report

The Report was **NOTED**

H14/0526 Item ID:91178

Proposed by Libraries Arts

NEW WORKS (No Business)

C6/0526 Item ID:91165

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Correspondence (No Business)

Corporate Support

H15/0526 Item ID:91174

Proposed by Corporate Support

New Works (No Business)

C7/0526 Item ID:91162

Proposed by Corporate Support

Correspondence (No Business)

Performance Change Management

H16/0526 Item ID:91179

Proposed by Performance Change Management

New Works (No Business)

C8/0526 Item ID:91166

Proposed by Performance Change Management

Correspondence (No Business)

Public Realm

Q9/0526 Item ID:91320

Proposed by Councillor N. Whelan

"Could the Manager please advise when the toilet door on the cubicle to the men's toilet in Tymon Park is due to be fixed?"

REPLY:

The toilet door on the men's cubicle in Tymon Park has been fixed.

H17/0526 Item ID:91181

Proposed by Public Realm

New Works (No Business)

C9/0526 Item ID:91168

Proposed by Public Realm

Correspondence(No Business)

Environment

Q10/0526 Item ID:91338

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"To ask the committee for details of the sites the of the most frequent fly tipping in the Tallaght area including how many have been recorded in the past year at each location, and any measures to the address the issue that have been implemented at each location or are under consideration. To ask if fly tipping between Kiltalown Avenue and Kiltalown Road is being monitored, and if there are any plans to address this?"

REPLY:

The Environmental Complaints System operated by SDCC generates statistical reports by designated Litter Warden area and does not have a specific category for fly tipping and refers instead to illegal dumping. The relevant Litter Warden area predominantly comprises of West Tallaght and includes Kiltalown Avenue and Kiltalown Road.

SDCC has received and investigated 442 complaints of illegal dumping under the Litter Pollution Acts throughout this Litter Warden area from 1/1/2025 to 30/4/2026.

From 1/1/25 to 30/4/26, 134 fines have been issued, 35 Notices served, and 61 cases have been sent forward to the Law Department for the initiation of legal proceedings under the Litter Pollution Acts.

With the relevant Litter Warden area, the specific areas with the highest number of reports for investigation under the Litter Pollution Act from 1/1/2025 to 30/4/26 are Kiltalown, Montpelier and Mac Uilliam.

The Waste Enforcement and Public Realm sections are continuing to monitor issues of illegal dumping along Kiltalown Lane, which appear to have increased this year.

A scheme to introduce CCTV for the purposes of prevention, detection and prosecution of waste offences is currently being developed in accordance with the LGMA Codes of Practice and a business case will be submitted to the CCTV oversight board in due course for this area.

Should the scheme be approved, CCTV will be installed for a fixed period over the summer months.

Q11/0526 Item ID:91340

Proposed by Councillor K. Keane

"To ask the committee for information about the process for creating new allotments and if the council would review the potential for allotments in the Bawnlea area?"

REPLY:

SDCC currently manage and provide a total of 443 allotments in Friarstown, Corkagh, Mill Lane and Tymon. The demand for allotments increased during covid but remains at a steady increase over the last number of years.

SDCC's County Development Plan and Parks and Open Space Strategy supports the provision of allotments in new developments. SDCC's county development plan also supports the development of compact settlements and the provision and support of sustainable transport to new developments. The policies supporting smaller gardens in new developments, as per the government published compact settlement guidelines, and increased apartment living, is likely to increase demand for allotments. Provision of allotments contribute to delivering the Green Infrastructure Strategy and Climate Change Action for the county as they act as both a mitigation and adaptation measure to combat Climate Change.

A new allotment site has been planned and built in Newcastle and will have approx. 29 sites. The allotments have been built, and all associated infrastructure (car parking, access road, electric gates, power, water) has been delivered. SDCC are currently progressing the taking in charge process with the developer. The proposed allocation model (once available) will be: 5 plots to community groups, 24 plots to individuals living within the SDCC area. Priority may be given to local residents of Graydon, subject to applications. There is currently 1 person on the waiting list from the Newcastle area.

There are also plans for developer delivered allotments as part of the planned delivery of the Clonburriss Strategic Development Zone (SDZ) and the planning scheme in place there. Planning has recently been granted for the parks in the SDZ and include the provision of allotments. Clonburriss has been designed to support sustainable transport and the parks and open spaces will be very accessible via sustainable transport measures.

Within the existing allotment sites, there are plans for repairs to car parks where surfaces have deteriorated, the revamping of plot number signage and the assessment of toilet provision across all sites. Soil improvement works in several locations where plots are currently offline due to standing water issues. Minor improvement works across all sites, such as replacing existing wooden pillar bunkers which will reduce the need for regular replacement and ongoing maintenance.

A provision has been made within the capital budget in January 2026 for the upgrade of existing and provision of new allotments. A review is currently underway evaluating the existing provision ensuring the maximisation of

current allotments with the potential expansion in some of these areas. This review will help identify suitable areas for provision.

Q12/0526 Item ID:91330

Proposed by Councillor J. Spear

"Can the Manager please report on any plans or updates we've received about the Red Cow Active Travel Link for Tallaght?"

REPLY:

An active travel route is proposed near the Red Cow as part of the Cycle South Dublin programme. The route would run from Greenhills Road to the Red Cow, mainly through the open green areas beside the M50.

This would allow people travelling from Tallaght to follow the planned BusConnects corridor along Greenhills Road and then continue to the Red Cow via this new link.

The project is known as the "M50 Greenway" within the Cycle South Dublin programme. However, it is scheduled for a later phase, and work on it has not yet started.

Q13/0526 Item ID:91321

Proposed by Councillor N. Whelan

"Could the Manager please provide an update on the proposed resurfacing of the running track at Tallaght athletics club?"

REPLY:

SDCC engaged a specialist to conduct an evaluation of Tallaght Athletics Track in 2025. Following this, a series of recommendations were made for the upgrade of the facility. With funding allocations in place and Sports Capital Grants available the Council are reviewing requirements. Once complete a tender process will be undertaken to appoint a contractor to conduct the works.

H18/0526 Item ID:91176

Proposed by Environment

New Works (No Business)

C10/0526 Item ID:91160

Proposed by Environment

Correspondence (No Business)

M2/0526 Item ID:91336

Proposed by Councillor J. Spear

Seconded by Cllr L Dunne

"This Area committee agrees that the Council should consider installing goal guard nets at the senior GAA pitch in Ballymount Park, Tallaght, to protect pedestrians?"

REPORT:

The GAA Official Guide Part 2 defines the length of the playing pitch to be a minimum of 130 meters to a maximum of 145 meters long. There is no mandatory setback distance specified behind goal lines however setback zones are expected. These are normally factored into open space design at pitch layout stage. This is the approach that was taken when the pitches in Ballymount Park were being developed. The senior GAA pitch (pitch No 94) is approximately 143 meters long and has been positioned within the open space to provide a setback of approximately 12 meters from the path at the southwest boundary and approximately 17 meters from the path at the northeast boundary.

For many years these setbacks have provided adequate safety zones behind the goal lines while maximising the space available for pitch length. Where concerns are raised regarding safety zones that are no longer providing adequate protection the first course of action is to examine the configuration and layout of the pitch. Adjustments can be made by either moving the pitch or reducing the length of the pitch to ensure adequate safety zones are maintained. It would not be normal to install 'goal guard nets' where the matter can be resolved by making pitch adjustments. This is the approach that will be taken in this instance. Further information regarding the area of concern would be most welcome to enable the matter to be fully examined.

The Motion was taken **WITHOUT DEBATE**

Water Drainage

H19/0526 Item ID:91183

Proposed by Water Drainage

New Works (No Business)

C11/0526 Item ID:91170

Proposed by Water Drainage

Correspondence (No Business)

There was no other business and the meeting concluded at 4.04 p.m.