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Minutes of South Dublin County Council June 2026 Lucan / Palmerstown / North Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 23 June 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
Daniel Loftus
Tanya McDonald
Glen Moore
Liona O'Toole
Joanna Tuffy

Officials Present

Senior Executive Officer	Sharon Conroy
A/Senior Executive Officers	Paul Fusco, Maria Nugent
Senior Engineers	Gary Walsh, John Hegarty, Jonathan Hennessy
A/Senior Planner	Will Byrne
Senior Executive Planner	Caitlin O'Shea
Senior Executive Engineer	Andrew O'Mullane, Ger Staunton
Senior Executive Parks Superintendent	David Fennell
A/Senior Community Officer	Aoife Troy
Senior Executive Librarian	Sarah McHugh
Area Community Officer	Deirdre Cleary
Road Safety Officer	Orlaith Maguire
Senior Staff Officer	Sile Dinneen
Staff Officer	Eimear O'Sullivan
Assistant Staff Officer	Vikki Cyran
Clerical Officer	Dylan Hayes

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Caroline Brady presided

LPNC/346/H1/0626 Item ID:91997 – Minutes
Confirmation & Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting of May 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 H Farrell and RESOLVED: "That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the May 2026 meeting be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED".**

H1 Minutes of May 2026 LPNC ACM

LPNC/347/0626 – 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 1-18 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED".**

Planning

LPNC/348/Q1/0626 Item ID:91790 – Adamstown Civic Building
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

Now that the planning application process for the Adamstown Civic Building has concluded can the Chief Executive advise whether a separate briefing or meeting can be arranged for Councillors to discuss the outcome in detail, including the key elements of the proposal, any amendments arising during the planning process, the proposed delivery programme and the next steps for the project? Given the significance of the facility for the Adamstown and wider Lucan area such a meeting would provide an opportunity for Councillors to gain a fuller understanding of the project and its future delivery.

REPLY:

Dear Cllr. O'Toole,

The Civic Building project has been the subject of a number of briefings and updates to Members from its initial conception and through the planning process.

The project was a headed item at the ACM on the 27th May 2025, at which a request was made for a dedicated briefing on the proposal. This request was accommodated through a specific briefing held on the 23rd July 2025. The Civic Building has also been included in the quarterly SDZ update briefings provided to Members (September 2025, February 2026 and May 2026 briefings). In addition, a

dedicated briefing ("Adamstown Civic Building Planning Application and Phasing Requirements Consultation") on the planning application was held on the 20th January 2026.

As with all planning applications, the statutory planning process included an initial five-week public consultation period during which observations could be submitted. A total of six submissions were received and considered as part of the assessment of the application. Adamstown Civic Building was granted planning permission on the 18th of March 2026 and as is typical with projects of this nature, a certain number of conditions require the submission of further details to the Planning Authority for compliance purposes, which is underway. While some design elements will require further detailed development as part of this process, it is not considered these matters will affect the permitted uses of the building or the approved floor area.

As outlined at previous briefings, additional funding has been sought (through the Towns and Cities Regeneration Investment Fund) to supplement the existing URDF funding already approved for the library element of the development. As is common with projects of this scale and complexity, a detailed public procurement process will now be undertaken. This process will inform the development of a comprehensive programme for the project, including key milestones (from procurement through to construction, completion and handover to SDCC).

It is not proposed to arrange a further dedicated briefing at this time. Updates on the progression of the project will continue to be provided to Members through the established quarterly SDZ briefing process (with the next briefing scheduled for 23rd September 2026).

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Willoughby
Senior Planner

LPNC/349/H2/0626 Item ID:91530 – St. Edmundsbury Hospital

The following report was presented by Caitlin O'Shea Senior Executive Planner and Will Byrne Senior Planner

Proposed Strategic Infrastructure Development Application – Mental Health Hospital, St. Edmundsbury, Lucan

Proposed Strategic Infrastructure Development Application â€' Mental Health Hospital, St. Edmundsbury, Lucan

This Headed Item was taken out of order after Headed Item 6

Following contributions from Councillors H Farrell, J Tuffy, M Johannson, O Toole, T McDonald and C Brady, William Byrne A/Senior Planner responded to queries raised and this report was **Noted.**

LPNC/350/H3/0626 Item ID:91521 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/351/C1/0626 Item ID:91508 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

Transportation

LPNC/352/Q2/0626 Item ID:91842 – Public Lighting Stock Upgrade
Proposed By Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the public lighting stock upgrade to LED in the LPNC Area.

Q2 PL Planned Upgrades 2026 in LPNC Area

REPLY:

Please find below a table showing how many upgrades have been completed from 2024 to date under the current upgrade programme that we are carrying out with ESBN on the remaining older stock.

Also please find attached a list of all the estates in the Area that

- are currently on site

- planned for completion this year. This programme is entirely dependent on ESBN resource allocation and will more than likely carry over to 2027 at this stage.

Upgrades from SON or SOX to LED in the LPNC Area since 2024 to Date			
		Village Name	Number
Clondalkin	757		
Lucan	238		
Palmerstown-Fonthill	359		
Grand Total	1354		

LPNC/353/Q3/0626 Item ID:91812 – Parking Fines Issued 2026
Proposed by Councillor A. Hayes

To ask the Manager how many parking fines have been issued in Palmerstown Fonthill in the previous 12 months and to break it down into fines issued at designated pay & display areas and fines outside of pay & display areas.

REPLY:

Traffic wardens are solely engaged to patrol pay-and-display areas within villages in the SDCC administrative area. The Palmerstown area is subject to regular enforcement and in the 12-month period from June 2025 to June 2026, the following fines were issued in the Palmerstown area:

Vehicles committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display/Permit Parking Area Regulations – 318 fines issued

All other offences - 228 fines issued

LPNC/354/Q4/0626 Item ID:91630 – Foxborough Boundary Wall Cost
Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald

Could the Manager provide an estimate of the cost of finishing the Foxborough boundary wall that borders the R136?

REPLY:

The plastering of large wall sections of wall is not a standard activity undertaken by Road Maintenance and so no rates are available to apply to this project. As a result, we cannot provide a cost estimate for this

LPNC/355/Q5/0626 Item ID:91632 – Bus Stop Shelter Criteria
Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald

Can the Manager confirm what set of criteria are used when allocating shelters for bus stops?

REPLY:

Bus shelter allocation and approval is managed by the National Transport Authority (NTA) under the Bus Shelter Enhancement Programme (BSEP). SDCC's role is to identify, design, and propose suitable locations for bus shelters in conjunction with the NTA. However, the final decision regarding the approval and installation of bus shelters rests with the NTA.

The key considerations typically include:

- Passenger usage levels at the stop
- Safety and accessibility requirements
- Available footpath width and site constraints
- Proximity to junctions, driveways, utilities, or underground services

- Ability to accommodate Accessible Bus Stop design standards
- Operational considerations for buses and pedestrians
- Requests and feedback received from local communities and elected members

Each proposed location is assessed individually, and in some cases physical or technical constraints may prevent the installation of a shelter.

LPNC/356/Q6/0626 Item ID:91845 – St. Joseph's College Safety Audit
Proposed by Councillor J. Tuffy

To ask for an update on the Stage 4 Safety Audit that was to be requested of the developer following on from Motion 6 at the Area Committee Meeting Tuesday, January 27, 2026 which related to recent changes to the entrance to St. Joseph's College and St. Mary's Church off the Lucan Heights Road.

REPLY:

Following Motion 6 at the Area Committee Meeting of 27 January 2026 regarding the recent changes to the entrance to St. Joseph's College and St. Mary's Church off Lucan Heights Road, the Traffic Section engaged with the developer seeking an update on the completion of a Stage 4 Road Safety Audit (RSA).

The developer initially advised that a Stage 4 RSA was not specifically conditioned as part of the planning permission and queried the requirement for same. The Council responded by strongly reiterating that the responsibility for ensuring that the completed road infrastructure is appropriately audited and verified from a road safety perspective rest with the developer and the project design team, in line with accepted engineering practice.

Following further correspondence, the developer has confirmed that they are now progressing arrangements for the completion of a Stage 4 Road Safety Audit and are engaging with the Department of Education in this regard.

The Traffic Section will continue to engage with the developer to ensure the Stage 4 RSA is completed and submitted to the Council.

LPNC/356/Q7/0626 Item ID:91856 - Fingal County Council Wall Discussions
Proposed by Councillor J. Tuffy

To ask the CEO for on update on whether it has had any discussions with Fingal about the Ongar Barnhill Road and continuation of this road across to South Dublin.

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council has written to Fingal County Council to see what plans, if any, they have on the continuation of Ongar-Barnhill Road, some of which has been delivered already.

When SDCC have met with our Fingal colleagues in relation to this matter, SDCC will update the local members by email of the discussions that have taken place and report any concrete plans that Fingal County Council may have in place for road extensions, and in particular roads that might link to South Dublin Local Authority area.

LPNC/357/H4/0626 Item ID:91525 – Taken in Charge of Roads
The following Report was presented by John Hegarty Senior Engineer

Proposed Declaration of Roads to be made Public Roads, Consultation regarding Taking in Charge of Aderrig Park Avenue.

Aderrig Park Avenue Roads Schedule
Aderrig Park Avenue TIC Map

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council proposes to take in charge (TIC) Aderrig Park Avenue and Airlie Park Road. These TIC proposals were advertised in a Public Consultation on the **16 April 2026,** and the details of that public notice are detailed below:

Public Notice:

STATUTORY NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF AREAS TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended) and Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, South Dublin County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to consider the making of a declaration that the roads listed hereunder be public roads.

Aderrig Park Avenue and Airlie Park Road, ADAMSTOWN, CO. DUBLIN

In accordance with the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), the Council considers the Taking in Charge of the Class 1 green open spaces (where applicable), sewers, watermains, storm drains and public lighting within the attendant ground of the development.

Please note that Class 1 large green areas will be Taken in Charge and cut by the Council, however the small verge grass areas will be Taken in Charge but the maintenance / grass cutting of these areas will remain the responsibility of the residents of the estate.

This matter will be considered by South Dublin County Council at its Council Meeting on **13th July 2026**.

Maps showing the roads and the areas to be taken in charge, will be published separately (x4) and will be available for viewing at the Council's public consultation portal at http://consult.sdublincoco.ie from **16th April 2026** until **29th May 2026**.

Objections or representations regarding of the above proposals may be made via the portal or in writing to the Senior Executive Officer, Planning and Transport, South Dublin County Council, County Hall, Tallaght, Dublin 24, D24 A3XC.

The latest date for receipt of postal objections or representations via the portal is **29th May 2026.**

Objections or representations referencing the relevant schemes should be made in one Medium only and will only be accepted in either format outlined above.

Submissions Received:

No submissions were received by the Council during the prescribed time period.

Executive Technical Opinion:

The proposed infrastructure that is intended for taking in charge is built to a high-quality standard which conforms with the South Dublin County Council taking charge standards.

ACM Members Recommendation:

Lucan Palmerstown, North Clondalkin Area Committee agree to recommend that the Aderrig Park Avenue and Airlie Park Road be taken in charge, and that the Headed Item go forward to the full Council meeting on the **13th of July 2026** for full ratification.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole and C Brady, John Hegarty Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and this Report was **Noted.**

LPNC/358/H5/0626 Item ID:91960 – Taken in Charge of Roads
The following Report was presented by John Hegarty Senior Engineer

Proposed Declaration of Roads to be made Public Roads, Consultation regarding Taking in Charge of Adamstown Way.

Adamstown Way Roads Schedule
Adamstown Way TIC Map

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council proposes to take in charge (TIC) Adamstown Way. This TIC proposal was advertised in a Public Consultation on the **16 April 2026,** and the details of that public notice are detailed below:

STATUTORY NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF AREAS TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended) and Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, South Dublin County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to consider the making of a declaration that the roads listed hereunder be public roads.

ADAMSTOWN WAY, ADAMSTOWN, CO. DUBLIN

In accordance with the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), the Council considers the Taking in Charge of the Class 1 green open spaces (where applicable), sewers, watermains, storm drains and public lighting within the attendant ground of the development.

Please note that Class 1 large green areas will be Taken in Charge and cut by the Council, however the small verge grass areas will be Taken in Charge but the maintenance / grass cutting of these areas will remain the responsibility of the residents of the estate.

This matter will be considered by South Dublin County Council at its Council Meeting on **13th July 2026**.

Maps showing the roads and the areas to be taken in charge, will be published separately (x4) and will be available for viewing at the Council's public consultation portal at http://consult.sdublincoco.ie from **16th April 2026** until **29th May 2026**.

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The latest date for receipt of postal objections or representations via the portal is **29th May 2026.**

Objections or representations referencing the relevant schemes should be made in one Medium only and will only be accepted in either format outlined above.

Submissions Received:

No submissions were received by the Council during the prescribed time period.

Executive Technical Opinion:

The proposed infrastructure that is intended for taking in charge is built to a high-quality standard which conforms with the South Dublin County Council taking charge standards.

ACM Members Recommendation:

Lucan Palmerstown, North Clondalkin Area Committee agree to recommend that the **Adamstown Way** be taken in charge, and that the Headed Item go forward to the full Council meeting on the **13th of July 2026** for full ratification.

Following contributions from Councillor L O'Toole and C Brady, John Hegarty Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and this Report was **Noted.**

LPNC/359/H6/0626 Item ID:91961 – Taken in Charge of Roads
The following Report was presented by John Hegarty Senior Engineer

Proposed Declaration of Roads to be made Public Roads, Consultation regarding Taking in Charge of Adamstown Boulevard.

Adamstown Boulevard Roads Schedule
Adamstown Boulevard TIC Map

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council proposes to take in charge (TIC) Adamstown Boulevard. This TIC proposal was advertised in a Public Consultation on the **16 April 2026,** and the details of that public notice are detailed below:

STATUTORY NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF AREAS TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended) and Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, South Dublin County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to consider the making of a declaration that the roads listed hereunder be public roads.

ADAMSTOWN BOULEVARD, ADAMSTOWN, CO. DUBLIN

In accordance with the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), the Council considers the Taking in Charge of the Class 1 green open spaces (where applicable), sewers, watermains, storm drains and public lighting within the attendant ground of the development.

Please note that Class 1 large green areas will be Taken in Charge and cut by the Council, however the small verge grass areas will be Taken in Charge but the maintenance / grass cutting of these areas will remain the responsibility of the residents of the estate.

This matter will be considered by South Dublin County Council at its Council Meeting on **13th July 2026**.

Maps showing the roads and the areas to be taken in charge, will be published separately (x4) and will be available for viewing at the Council's public consultation portal at http://consult.sdublincoco.ie from **16th April 2026** until **29th May 2026**.

Objections or representations regarding of the above proposals may be made via the portal or in writing to the Senior Executive Officer, Planning and Transport, South Dublin County Council, County Hall, Tallaght, Dublin 24, D24 A3XC.

The latest date for receipt of postal objections or representations via the portal is **29th May 2026.**

Objections or representations referencing the relevant schemes should be made in one Medium only and will only be accepted in either format outlined above.

Submissions Received:

No submissions were received by the Council during the prescribed time.

Executive Technical Opinion:

The proposed infrastructure that is intended for taking in charge is built to a high-quality standard which conforms with the South Dublin County Council taking charge standards.

ACM Members Recommendation:

Lucan Palmerstown, North Clondalkin Area Committee agree to recommend that the **Adamstown Boulevard** be taken in charge, and that the Headed Item go forward to the full Council meeting on the **13th of July 2026** for full ratification.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole and D Loftus, John Hegarty Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and this Report was **Noted.**

LPNC/360/H7/0626 Item ID:91523 – Taken in Charge of Roads
The following Report was presented by John Hegarty Senior Engineer

Proposed Declaration of Roads to be made Public Roads, Consultation regarding Taking in Charge of Palmerstown Way.

Proposed Declaration of Roads to be made Public Roads, Consultation regarding Taking in Charge of Palmerstown Way.

HI.7 Palmerstown Way Roads Schedule

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council proposes to take in charge (TIC) Palmerstown Way, Clondalkin, Dublin 22. This TIC proposal was advertised in a Public Consultation on the **16 April 2026,** and the details of that public notice are detailed below:

STATUTORY NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF AREAS TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended) and Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, South Dublin County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to consider the making of a declaration that the roads listed hereunder be public roads.

Palmerstown Way, Clondalkin, Dublin 22

In accordance with the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), the Council considers the Taking in Charge of the Class 1 green open spaces (where applicable), sewers, watermains, storm drains and public lighting within the attendant ground of the development.

Please note that Class 1 large green areas will be Taken in Charge and cut by the Council, however the small verge grass areas will be Taken in Charge but the maintenance / grass cutting of these areas will remain the responsibility of the residents of the estate.

This matter will be considered by South Dublin County Council at its Council Meeting on **13th July 2026**.

Maps showing the roads and the areas to be taken in charge, will be published separately (x4) and will be available for viewing at the Council's public consultation portal at http://consult.sdublincoco.ie from **16th April 2026** until **29th May 202**6.

Objections or representations regarding of the above proposals may be made via the portal or in writing to the Senior Executive Officer, Planning and Transport, South Dublin County Council, County Hall, Tallaght, Dublin 24, D24 A3XC.

The latest date for receipt of postal objections or representations via the portal is **29th May 2026.**

Objections or representations referencing the relevant schemes should be made in one Medium only and will only be accepted in either format outlined above.

Submissions Received:

1no. submission was received. The submission was not valid because it related to another housing estate in another jurisdiction.

Executive Technical Opinion:

The proposed infrastructure that is intended for taking in charge is built to a high-quality standard which conforms with the South Dublin County Council taking charge standards.

ACM Members Recommendation:

Lucan Palmerstown, North Clondalkin Area Committee agree to recommend that the **Palmerstown Way** be taken in charge, and that the Headed Item go forward to the full Council meeting on the **13th of July 2026** for full ratification.
HI.7 Palmerstown Way TIC Map

Following contributions from Councillor A Hayes, John Hegarty Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and the following Report was **Noted.**

LPNC/361/C2/0626 Item ID:91510 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/362/M1/0626 Item ID:91843 – School Warden Review
Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, Seconded by Councillor T. McDonald

Cathaoirleach's Business

That this Committee calls on the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update on the School Warden review and school crossing surveys within the Local Electoral Area, including a breakdown by school of the surveys undertaken, the outcomes of those surveys, which schools met or did not meet the relevant thresholds for further intervention, and the current status of any proposed measures, including school wardens, technical solutions, Active Travel measures, Safe Routes to School, or School Streets initiatives.

1. St Josephs BNS
2. St Josephs BNS
3. Talbot SNS
4. Back to School Road Safety

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

A "Schools Count" process took place in Q4 2025. The nine schools concerned were:

- Adamstown ETNS
- Gaelscoil Naomh Padraic Esker
- Glenasmole
- Lucan Community NS
- St Dominic's NS
- St Joseph's BNS
- St Kevin's BNS
- St Maelruains JNS
- Talbot SNS

The results are currently being compiled, and the schools will be notified shortly of the results. During the interim the following measures were undertaken at some of the above schools:

- Road Safety Education Programme was delivered to Talbot SNS and St Joseph's BNS. (photo attached).

- There are further talks scheduled to take place in the new academic year at Adamstown ETNS and St John the Evangelist NS.

- Road Safety Walk took place on Child Safety Day during National Road Safety Week at St Joseph's BNS (photos attached).

- Students from St Maelruains JNS launched our 'Back to School' campaign last August (photo attached).

Following contributions from Councillor C Brady, Sharon Conroy Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and the following Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/363/M2/0626 Item ID:91532 – Palmerstown Manor Bus Stop
Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That the Chief Executive upgrade the bus stop 2207 outside Palmerstown Manor on the Kennelsfort Road to provide a paved area long enough for a bus. Because of the back door exit on all new buses people have to walk on the grass and mud.

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The requested upgrade of bus stop 2207 outside Palmerstown Manor on Kennelsfort Road has now been recorded on the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme (BSEP) database. This location will be assessed alongside other identified sites and will be considered for future improvement works, including the provision of a suitably sized paved area to accommodate bus boarding and alighting requirements, subject to approval from the National Transport Authority (NTA).

Following contributions from Councillor M Johansson, John Hegarty Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/364/M3/0626 Item ID:91785 – School Safety Meeting
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

Can the Chief Executive arrange an on-site meeting with representatives of the three schools located along Station Road, Adamstown together with relevant Council officials to discuss the ongoing traffic management and road safety concerns on this route? Given that requests for engagement on this matter have previously been raised through the Traffic Management Meeting (TMM) process

can the Chief Executive also provide an update on any actions taken to date and outline what measures are being considered to improve traffic flow, pedestrian safety and school access along this stretch of Station Road?

The following Report from the Chief Executive was read:

The Traffic Section previously considered matters relating to Station Road, Adamstown through the Traffic Management Meeting (TMM) process. The issues raised included the review and updating of existing traffic management measures such as double yellow lines, single yellow lines, "set down only" areas and associated road markings and signage in the vicinity of the schools. These works have been assessed and are currently included on the list of works to be progressed by the Council.

In relation to engagement with the schools, the Traffic Section with Road Safety Officer have liaised with representatives of the three schools and have held an on-site meeting to discuss the ongoing traffic management and road safety concerns along the section of Station Road.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the operational issues being experienced during school drop-off and pick-up periods and to further examine potential measures to improve traffic flow, pedestrian safety and school access in the area. A report from this meeting is now attached.

M3 (ii) Road Safety Report

Following contributions from Councillor L O'Toole, John Hegarty Senior Engineer and Orlaith Maguire Road Safety Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/364/M4/0626 Item ID:91986 – Fonthill Road Path Reconstruction
Proposed by Councillor D. Loftus, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the manager to construct a path between the junction of the L1015 and the Fonthill Road to the entrance of Sean Kavanagh's Garage on the Fonthill Road. Please find image of location

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The need for a footpath along this stretch has been raised and acknowledged previously. There was a desire to deliver this in 2025, but UE have identified the need for a water main on this route which they intend to deliver in the coming months. The provision of a path will be delivered as part of or immediately after this work

Photo

Following contributions from Councillors D Loftus, A Hayes and M Johansson, Gary Walsh Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/365/M5/0626 Item ID:91787 – Community Bus Demand
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Council requests the Chief Executive to examine the need for a dedicated community bus service for the Lucan and wider area, having regard to population growth and the transport needs of community, voluntary, youth, disability and older persons groups. As part of this examination, the Chief Executive is requested to engage with operators and users of the existing South Dublin County Council community bus service to assess demand, usage, waiting times and capacity, and to determine whether there is a need for an additional community bus serving the Lucan and wider area, and to report back to the Council with findings and recommendations.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

There is an existing Community Bus service in operation which is owned by the Council and, in partnership with An Garda Síochána at Tallaght Station, is made available where possible to support the transport needs of the groups outlined in the motion across the wider SDCC administrative area.

The Community Section will assess the demand on the current service and if there is a need for a replication of this service to be based in the Lucan area and, where a need is identified, will examine potential delivery mechanisms. The findings of which will be reported back to the local members.

In addition to this, the Council will write to the National Transport Authority (NTA) to seek its views on the matter. Any response received from the NTA will be circulated to the members of this committee.

Following contributions from Councillor L O'Toole, Aoife Troy A/Acting Senior Community Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/366/M6/0626 Item ID:91987 – Metal Poles at Harelawn Green
Proposed by Councillor D. Loftus, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Manager to replace the metal poles at Harelawn Green with more aesthetic looking bollards. Please find photo attached of location.

M6 (ii) Photo

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The replacement of the steel bollards with a better quality bollard will be carried out in the coming weeks

Following contributions from Councillor D Loftus, Gary Walsh Senior Engineer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

Libraries & Arts

LPNC/367/H8/0626 Item ID:91513 – Library News & Events
The following Report was presented by Rosena Hand Senior Executive Librarian and Aisling Duggan Senior Library Assistant.

Library News & Events

Library Event Stats
LPNC Libraries report June

Following contributions from Councillors H Farrell, A Hayes, J Tuffy and L O'Toole, Rosena Hand Senior Executive Librarian responded to queries raised and this Report was **Noted**.

LPNC/368/H9/0626 Item ID:91519 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/369/C3/0626 Item ID:91506 - Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

Economic Development

LPNC/370/Q8/0626 Item ID:91854 – Lucan Village Enhancement Scheme
Proposed by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Chief Executive whether the Council intends to measure the economic impact of the Lucan Village Enhancement Scheme, including changes in footfall, commercial occupancy, and business activity levels.

REPLY:

While, the Council does intend to review the economic impact of the Lucan Village Enhancement Scheme, there are significant limitations in the availability of sufficiently detailed local data to do so in a comprehensive way. Options such as rates data and GeoDirectory were examined but are not suitable for this purpose.

At present, the data available through the GeoInsights platform is also somewhat limited. While the pilot Mastercard dataset is a useful development, it is currently only available at a South Dublin level and is broken down by sector (for example, bars, pharmacies or electronics), rather than providing an overall measure of spend or activity at a more localised level such as Lucan Village.

In light of this, the Council's approach will be to draw on a mix of the information that is available. This will include analysis of relevant sectoral trends within the Mastercard data, alongside monitoring of the reach and engagement of the "Love Lucan" campaign, and direct feedback from businesses operating in the village.

While this does not allow for a single, definitive measurement across indicators such as footfall, occupancy and overall spend, it will allow the Council to build up a reasonable picture of activity levels and the broader economic impact of the scheme over time.

LPNC/371/Q9/0626 Item ID:91846- Esker Community Initiative
Proposed by Councillor J. Tuffy

To ask for an update on the conditions attached to a disposal of lands approved by Council at the April Meeting held on 11/4/22 to facilitate the building of a new school and in particular the provision that was made in the terms of the disposal that the Esker Community Initiative be accommodated to the largest possible extent in the new facilities. Does the Council have any up to date information of the status of the lands, the proposed building of a school and whether the Esker Initiative which was a coalition of different local community groups is still in place? Are there any circumstances in which the land would revert to the Council.

REPLY:

The disposal approved by Council in April 2022 (Ref. LD 1539) formed part of a broader regularisation of landholdings between the Council and St. Laurence O'Toole Diocesan Trust. This included resolving historic title issues to facilitate certainty around lands associated with existing and potential future school development; however, no specific school development formed part of the terms of the disposal.

As part of this process, the Council disposed of certain lands by way of lease. The terms of the disposal provide that the relevant lands are to be used for non-profit community and recreational purposes for the widest possible community benefit, including provision for groups comprising the Esker Community Initiative and others identified in a Community Department report.

In that context, the Economic Development Department has sought the input of the Community Department regarding the current position in relation to community use of these lands, including the status of the Esker Community Initiative and any related engagement or proposals.

A further update will be provided when this information is available.

LPNC/372/H10/0626 Item ID:91516 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/373/C4/0626 Item ID:91504 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/374/M7/0626 Item ID:91413 – Love Lucan June 2026

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

That this Council requests the Chief Executive to examine complementary town and village support measures, including initiatives similar to the 'Love Sligo' local business card scheme, and to consider whether such approaches could be advanced through the Economic, Enterprise and Tourism SPC and the relevant Area Committee.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The Council is supportive in principle of initiatives such as the 'Love Sligo' local business card scheme as a means of promoting local economic activity. However, it is considered that any such scheme would be most effective if led and driven by the business community itself, with coordination and collaboration between participating businesses.

In this regard, the Council's Tourism Unit will be progressing the 'Love Lucan' social media campaign over the summer period, which seeks to support local businesses and promote the area.

In terms of broader complementary town and village support measures, any relevant initiatives or proposals will be brought forward to Members through the Economic, Enterprise and Tourism SPC and the appropriate Area Committee by the relevant department or business unit, as they arise.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole, J Tuffy and H Farrell, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/375/M8/0626 Item ID:91475 – Lucan Graveyard

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

That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to prioritise the acquisition and formalisation into public ownership of the old graveyard at Lucan Village (Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary), and to provide a report outlining the legal and practical steps required, a timeline for acquisition, and any interim arrangements to regularise SDCC's control of the site. This motion is further to a motion agreed in 2024 and subsequent engagement with the National Monuments Service, noting that the absence of formal ownership is limiting access to heritage and conservation funding. The Committee also calls on the Chief Executive to consider options for restoring managed public access to the graveyard via the Lucan House demesne

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The site referred to does not appear to be registered with Tailte Éireann, and ownership may derive from historic title, which presents challenges in identifying a definitive legal owner.

The Council will continue engagement with the National Monuments Service regarding appropriate future management of the site, noting that previous engagement has not resulted in a definitive outcome to date.

In terms of acquisition, a number of options may be appropriate, including voluntary acquisition (should an owner be identified), compulsory acquisition, or the establishment of title through adverse possession. These options will require further legal and evidential assessment, particularly in the context of an unregistered historic burial ground. It is not possible at this stage to provide a definitive timeline for acquisition. Any process to regularise title is likely to be complex and may take a number of years to resolve.

The Council's Public Realm Section will continue to maintain the site. The feasibility of any interim management or access arrangements will be considered in the context of ongoing engagement with the National Monuments Service and the Council's ownership of the adjoining Lucan Demesne lands.

Following contributions from Councillors H Farrell and J Tuffy, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed**.

Performance & Change Management

LPNC/376/Q10/0626 Item ID:91855 – Lucan Village Smart Town
Proposed by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Chief Executive whether Lucan Village could be considered for a 'smart town' pilot initiative, including digital visitor information, smart footfall monitoring, Wi-Fi analytics, or QR-enabled heritage and business promotion to support economic development.

REPLY:

The Council is positively disposed towards initiatives which support innovation, digital engagement, and local economic development. The proposal to consider Lucan Village as a potential 'smart town' pilot is consistent with the broader objective of enhancing town and village centres, improving the overall visitor and business experience, and greater opportunity for all.

The elements outlined, including digital visitor information, smart footfall monitoring, Wi-Fi analytics, and QR-enabled heritage and business promotion,

reflect approaches that are aligned with emerging smart place-making practices. These would be considered within the wider context of the development of the Smart South Dublin initiative, which will seek to provide a strategic framework for exploring how smart technologies can support communities, local enterprise, and service delivery.

The advancement of such a proposal will require the undertaking of a full scoping exercise to assess feasibility, identify appropriate technologies, and determine the potential benefits for Lucan Village. This would also include the preparation of an appropriate resourcing plan, having regard to existing budgetary commitments and the need to ensure value for money and alignment with Council priorities.

Accordingly, while the proposal is welcomed and will be given due consideration, its progression to a live pilot project would be contingent on the outcome of these assessments, the availability of resources, and engagement with relevant stakeholders.

LPNC/377/H11/0626 Item ID:91520 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/378/C5/0626 Item ID:91507 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

Corporate Support

LPNC/379/H12/0626 Item ID:91515 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/380/C6/0626 Item ID:91503 - Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/381/M9/0626 Item ID:91825 – Letter to Liffey Valley SC
Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this committee agree to write to the owners of the Retail Park at Liffey Valley to request that they install bike parking/racks at a suitable location either at the stores or at the Costa coffee shop.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

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

Following contributions from Councillors M Johannsson, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/382/M10/0626 Item ID:91849 – Letter to The Land Development Agency
Proposed by Councillor J. Tuffy, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That a letter is sent to the Land Development Agency requesting an update for the Area Committee on its cost rental developments in Adamstown and Clonburris and when it expects further phases to be open for application.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

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

Following contributions from Councillor J Tuffy, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/383/M11/0626 Item ID:91827 – Letter to The Minister for Education
Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this committee agree to write to the Minister for Education Hildegarde Naughton to express our concern with the loss of a teacher in Gaelscoil Naomh Padraig in Lucan and in St Lorcan's in Palmerstown which means that classes will have to be combined, and request that the decision be reversed. In addition, we are calling for the Minister to change legislation and reduce the student-teacher ratio across the board.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

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

Following contributions from Councillors M Johannsson and D Loftus, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed**.

LPNC/384/M12/0626 Item ID:91857 – Area Committee Fingal
Proposed by Councillor J. Tuffy, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That a meeting with the counterpart Area Committee in Fingal side that includes Laraghcon is requested to discuss issues of mutual concern including local traffic congestion and also areas that there could be collaboration on including environmental and heritage protection, and any other matters that councillors should decide in advance.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

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

Following contributions from Councillors J Tuffy, L O'Toole and C Brady, Paul Fusco A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed**.

Environment

LPNC/385/Q11/0626 Item ID:91852 – Grass Cuttings
Proposed by Councillor C. Brady

To ask the Chief Executive for an update in relation to representation Ref. 1922562 concerning reported dumping of grass cuttings in a public open space, and to outline the protocol for dealing with this type of dumping complaint.

REPLY:

CC1922562 was referred to the designated Litter Warden for investigation. The Warden contacted the member of the public that reported the issue of dumping of grass cuttings, they were advised that a witness statement would be required for enforcement action to proceed under the Litter Pollution Acts. The Litter Warden continues to monitor this location. When evidence is uncovered by a litter warden, or when a witness statement is provided, SDCC takes all available action under the Litter Pollution Acts. As a result of this complaint, Litter Enforcement have requested that Public Realm consider the erection of anti-dumping signage at this location.

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.

LPNC/386/Q12/0626 Item ID:91782 – Fines for Dogs
Proposed by Councillor A. Hayes

To ask the manager how many fines have been issued for dogs off leashes in public parks in this LEA in the last 12 months and to identify the number of fines per park.

REPLY:

It is a legal requirement that dogs are always accompanied and kept under 'effectual control' in public places. Under Control of Dogs legislation, SDCC Dog Wardens are authorised to issue fines to dog owners if dogs are not under effectual control.

In 2025, SDCC Dog Wardens issued 5 fines for failure to keep a dog under effectual control. To date in 2026, SDCC Dog Wardens have issued 2 fines for failure to keep a dog under effectual control.

In accordance with SDCC Parks and Open Spaces Byelaws, all dogs must be kept on a leash and under effective control when in any public park or open space in the county.

Park Rangers currently patrol parks on a 7-day per week basis. When Park Rangers witness dogs off leash, they will engage with dog owners requesting the dog to be leashed and highlight the dog run facilities if available. Due to the size of many of our parks and open spaces it is not always possible to have a Park Ranger on hand for all incidents. In the event that a member of the public wishes to report an incident relating to the control of dogs in parks, they can contact SDCC directly by phone and the issue will be reverted to the relevant Supervisor and Park Ranger.

SDCC is committed to promoting responsible dog ownership and will have an increased Dog Warden presence in parks throughout the summer months.

For more information on responsible dog ownership, please see the responsible dog ownership booklet.

LPNC/387/Q13/0626 Item ID:91784 – Lucan Village Finishes
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

Can the Chief Executive confirm whether the limestone surfaces, steps and seating elements installed as part of the Lucan Village Green project have been treated with an appropriate protective sealant to minimise staining, weathering and surface marking? Given the susceptibility of limestone to marking and discolouration can the Chief Executive also outline the maintenance and cleansing programme that will apply to the Village Green, including the frequency of cleaning of the steps and other limestone features and whether a long-term maintenance plan was considered as part of the design and material selection process.

REPLY:

The materials chosen for the Village Green project were selected as they have been successfully installed in similar public realm improvement projects throughout the Country. The limestone material is, in general, self-cleansing during rain events. Localised staining may need to be cleaned from time-to-time

particularly during dry spells of weather. The public realm team will monitor the area in this regard.

A protective sealant is not proposed to be installed at this time. In similar projects throughout the Country this has not been required and a long-term issue with staining has not arisen. However, the area will be monitored during on-going maintenance to ascertain if a long-term issue with staining of the stone persists and if further remedial measures should be considered.

LPNC/388/Q14/0626 Item ID:91789 – Paddocks & Esker Embankment Area
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

That this Council requests the Chief Executive to provide Councillors with an update on the proposed permeability projects relating to the Paddocks and Esker Embankment areas, noting that a considerable period of time has elapsed since any substantive update was provided. The update should include the current status of each project works completed to date any investigations or assessments undertaken any further works or actions proposed any issues affecting progress and details of engagement undertaken or proposed with residents, stakeholders and other relevant parties in relation to these projects.

REPLY:

The Active Travel Team are progressing investigations into the Esker Permeability Scheme. The project team are currently in discussions with the environmental consultant regarding ground investigations. Vegetation clearance is required in advance of undertaking assessment on potentially contaminated material on site.

The next steps in the project involve completing the necessary assessments and investigations, after which key stakeholders will be consulted prior to initiating the statutory process.

The Active Travel Team will investigate the status of the Taking in Charge status of Hillcrest Heights and the Paddocks to ascertain whether the informal permeability link between these developments can be formalised with a bound surface.

LPNC/389/Q15/0626 Item ID:91844 – Speaker's Corner
Proposed by Councillor J. Tuffy

To ask the CEO in relation to the Lucan Village Green and associated public realm could a speaker's corner for e.g. once a week, or once a month, and what would it require to be in place for a speaker's corner at this location, and if he will make a statement on the matter.

REPLY:

Implementing a “speaker’s corner” on Lucan Village Green would depend on the frequency and complexity of the event being proposed. The 2011 SDCC Bye-Laws for Parks and Open Spaces state that such activities are facilitated in Parks (and open spaces) only in designated areas in a park (or open space) and with the prior permission in writing of the Council and subject to terms and conditions and as directed by the Council. In all other circumstances they are prohibited.

In the first instance an application for Hosting an Event in a Park (or open space) must be made. Details can be found at:

Hosting an Event in a Park - SDCC

The following mandatory information must be provided in the application:

- Waste Management Plan
- Vehicle Access / Parking Arrangements (if any)
- Contract Details for On Site Controller
- Contact Details for Safety Officer

For events envisaged to be attended by less than 50 persons no minimum notice period applies, however an event application must be made and granted before an event can take place. For larger events a minimum notice period of 4 weeks applies.

LPNC/390/H13/0626 Item ID:91672 – Safe Schools Update
This report was presented by Andrew O’Mullane Senior Executive Engineer

Safe School Zones Update

SSZ School UpdateLucan June 2026

Following contributions from Councillors L O’Toole, D Loftus and C Brady, Andrew O’Mullane Senior Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and this report was **Noted.**

LPNC/391/H14/0626 Item ID:91517 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/392/C7/0626 Item ID:91501 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/393/M13/0626 Item ID:91826 – Bike Parking Audit
Proposed by Councillor M. Johansson, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That the Chief Executive carry out an audit of bike parking facilities at shopping centres, supermarkets and neighbourhood centres in the Lucan, Palmerstown and

North Clondalkin to identify gaps in facilities and present a report to the Area Committee.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The Active Travel Section have recently been involved in a number of schemes that have implemented additional cycle parking in the Lucan, Palmerstown and North Clondalkin Area, including:

- Lucan Village Green Enhancement Scheme – 6 New Sheffield Stands Installed
- Lucan Demesne (Car Park) – 5 New Sheffield Stands Installed
- Lucan United Football Club – 10 New Sheffield Stands Installed
- Lucan Village (outside Paddy the Barbers) – 2 New Sheffield Stands Installed
- Sandy Hole Park, Clondalkin – 10 New Sheffield Stand Proposed
- Grand Canal to Lucan Greenway – 12 New Sheffield Stands Proposed
- Doddsborough District Enhancement Scheme – 6 New Sheffield Stands

It should be noted that lands directly surrounding and adjacent to supermarkets may be in private ownership which could present a difficulty for the Council installing public cycle parking. However, the Active Travel Section are happy to meet with members to discuss locations where additional cycle parking is being requested and to investigate if additional facilities can be installed, subject to sufficient funding being available.

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

Water & Drainage

LPNC/394/H15/0626 Item ID:91524 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/395/C8/0626 Item ID:91511 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/396/M14/0626 Item ID:91668 – Lucan Flooding Update
Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, Seconded by Councillor L. O'Toole

Cathaoirleach's Business

This committee calls on the Chief Executive to provide a report on flooding incidents in Lucan, including at Courtney's Corner, AGP, Esker Lane and Lucan Village, and to include areas recently reported, historically affected, and locations

identified as persistently flooding during periods of heavy rainfall. The report should outline the areas the Council has identified as being at risk of flooding, detail the actions taken to date, and set out the plan for summer storm preparedness, including timelines, outstanding works, and measures to ensure mitigation solutions are in place and operational. The report should also set out the process currently in place to ensure flooding incidents reported by elected members and residents are escalated, monitored and responded to effectively.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

Natural Water maintains a works tracker to record members reps and customer cares regarding flooding issues throughout the county. This tracker is used to document the issues and to action site surveys/jetting and other remediation measures. In many instances when we arrive on site the water has receded and it is more difficult to understand the issue. The item will still remain live on the tracker till Natural Water is satisfied that the item is addressed accordingly.

Natural Water has carried out a lot of work this year in the Lucan area:

Hillcrest Estate

A previously covered/inaccessible manhole, beside 28 Hillcrest Walk was identified and reinstated. This has enabled access to the network at this location and facilitated the removal of debris that had been causing a blockage.

We have also appointed a specialist contractor to undertake a comprehensive CCTV survey of the surface water drainage network throughout Hillcrest. This survey is scheduled to be completed during the week commencing 29th June and will provide detailed condition and connectivity data. The findings from the CCTV survey will inform jetting and cleansing operations at locations where obstructions or defects are identified.

Crugh Cross, Finnstown/Esker Road

Natural Water jetter responded to call from **C**ouncillor Brady regarding flooding on morning 11th June - water removed from junction.

Natural Water inspectors have examined the surface water drainage system along the L1011 at the junction with Adamstown Road (Crugh Cross) in Finnstown. They have identified that the line is partially silted up, which is contributing to the flooding recently experienced at this location. A contractor will jet out the SW lines through this busy junction in the coming weeks.

Arthur Griffith Park

Natural Water jetted the SW pipelines earlier in the year. There were still issues arising, so Natural Water engaged a contractor to carry out a CCTV survey of the

surface water drainage network in the area, during which a blockage was identified. We are currently scheduling the necessary works to clear the obstruction and anticipate that this will be completed in the coming weeks.

Lucan Village, Courtneys Corner

Natural Water inspectors have examined the surface water drainage system in Lucan Village where recent flooding occurred. A blockage was identified in the SW line adjacent to Courtney's Pub before where it discharges into the Griffeen River. A contractor is being engaged to complete this work in the coming weeks.

Lucan Heights/St Josephs School

Natural Water engaged with school regarding water running out onto road and down the carriageway. Natural Water cleared the blocked gullies, and the school completed remediation works on their side, and the issue is now resolved.

Following contributions from Councillors C Brady, L O'Toole and J Tuffy, Ger Staunton Senior Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/397/M15/0626 Item ID:91853 – R. Liffey Fish Migration Barriers Project
Proposed by Councillor C. Brady, Seconded by Councillor L. O'Toole

That this Committee calls on the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update on the River Liffey Fish Migration Barriers Project, including what actions are proposed to address the significant build-up of silt behind the weir in Lucan, the likely environmental impact on fish migration and river ecology, and the anticipated timeline for any inspection, dredging, remediation, or fish passage improvement works arising from the project.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

This is a joint project between South Dublin County Council, Dublin City Council and Fingal County Council. Fingal County Council are taking the lead in the project, while both SDCC and DCC are still heavily involved. The project is very much at an investigation and scoping phase of works, so no works have been planned or programmed to date (surveys and investigation works have been planned). The project has run a procurement process for a Consultancy to carry out studies and investigations on the Liffey Barriers, from Island Bridge to Lucan west, in order to identify pressures on fish and aquatic life migration in the River Liffey. Following this procurement process, MKO Consultants have been appointed to carry out studies, including land ownership, biodiversity studies, studies on existing barriers (identifying and looking at options to mitigate or remove barriers) and topographical surveys, including riverbeds and silt levels. These surveys will be taking place over the coming months. The project is also developing a plan for

public and stakeholder consultation. Stakeholder consultation will begin this year and run throughout the project. Public consultation will run early next year. The consultation also envisages presentations to elected representatives. A statutory consultation will also be carried out in conjunction with the planning process. The project is developing a website, this will go live shortly, which will inform interested parties.

Following contributions from Councillors C Brady, A Hayes and J Tuffy, Ger Staunton Senior Executive Engineer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

Public Realm

LPNC/398/Q16/0626 Item ID:91792 – Re-opening Of AGP1
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

Can the Chief Executive advise when AGP1 is expected to reopen for use by the club and provide an update on any outstanding works or requirements that must be completed before it can return to operation?

REPLY:

The fences surrounding the pitch have recently been removed and the contractor is now working on grading the boundary and also completing some remedial work on the pitch. The goals are to be erected over the next 6 weeks. It is anticipated that the pitch will be ready at that stage however inspections will take place over this time to make sure that all remedial works are carried out and the pitch is to an acceptable standard for opening by this time.

LPNC/399/Q17/0626 Item ID:92018 – Dog Run Collinstown Park
Proposed by Councillor D. Loftus

To ask the Manager if they can clarify when the Water Station will be installed at the Dog Run in Collinstown Park.

Q16 - Collinstown Park Water Station

LPNC/400/H16/0626 Item ID:91522 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/401/C9/0626 Item ID:91509 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/402/M16/0626 Item ID:91631 – Buirg and Ri Grass
Proposed by Councillor T. McDonald, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

I put in a representation for a patch of grass to be cut in Buirg and Ri back on March 18th this year. Numerous emails have been sent since then, but the grass area is now completely overgrown. The original request was to tidy up the area, cut the grass and plant some pollinator friendly hedging along the fence. This is still outstanding. Could the Manager confirm when this work will be carried out please?

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The area in question will be tidy up in Q3. The works will include the cutting and cleaning of overgrown grass and vegetation. This may necessitate the grubbing out of roots which will in turn require reinstatement with topsoil and sowing grass seed. There is an existing beech hedge growing on the opposite side of the estate boundary fence which protrudes onto the open space. It would be difficult to establish pollinator friendly hedging in this situation given the dominance of the existing hedge. It is therefore recommended that this element of the works are omitted.

Following contributions from Councillors T McDonald, David Fennell Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/403/M17/0626 Item ID:91777 – All Weather Pitch Palmerstown/Fonthill
Proposed by Councillor A. Hayes, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Committee calls on the Chief Executive to deliver a municipal all-weather, multi-use pitch facility within the Palmerstown/Fonthill LEA, supported by appropriate drainage, lighting and ancillary infrastructure, to ensure year-round access for local sports clubs, schools and community groups.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

A sports pitch strategy was adopted in 2020 providing an evidence base and recommendations for future outdoor sports facility development, using analysis of supply and demand for grass and artificial pitches in our administrative area. The strategy was developed based on national policy and guidance, and input from sport governing bodies and local stakeholders. It is focused principally on football, Gaelic games, rugby union, hockey, cricket and athletics and is the primary basis for determining future locations for delivery of additional artificial grass pitches by the council given its detailed analysis of pitch usage and current/projected team numbers.

The strategy recommended the provision of a minimum of five new artificial pitches distributed across the county and implementation to date has seen:

- Two pitches completed (at Airlie Park and Sean Walsh Park).
- Two further pitches with planning permission (one full GAA-size and one for football) in Clonburris SDZ and currently at detailed design stage.
- Another pitch approved this month in Greenhills Park that will now progress to detailed design.

Given the identified and increasing demand for pitches for both training and matches, our current three-year capital programme included an increased allocation of €9.35million for the sports pitch strategy with a view to delivering a number of additional pitches. Accordingly, various sites are currently being considered and evaluated, including a site for a full-size multi-sport all weather pitch in North Clondalkin, details of which are intended to be presented to local elected members in the coming weeks once further feasibility assessments are complete.

Following contributions from Councillors A Hayes and C Brady, Damien Wildes Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer responded to queries and this Motion was **Agreed.**

LPNC/404/M18/0626 Item ID:91788 – Griffeen Dog Park Run
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to revisit previous requests and management responses regarding the provision of a dedicated water tap/drinking point within the Griffeen dog park run and to examine the installation of such facilities having regard to the fact that similar water tap/drinking point facilities are provided within other dog parks across the County and that it would be appropriate for the Griffeen dog park to have the same level of amenity provision for users and their dogs.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The provision of a water supply is subject to the availability of a water source in the area and the approval from Uisce Éireann to facilitate a connection. Uisce Éireann have been contacted in relation to the matter. Should it prove feasible a tap will be listed for consideration in the draft Public Realm Improvement Works Programme for 2027.

Following contributions from Councillors L O'Toole and H Farrell, David Fennell Senior Executive Parks Superintendent responded to queries and this Motion was **Agreed.**

Community

LPNC/405/Q18/0626 Item ID:91848 – Library & Community Report
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole

To ask the Chief Executive for a report from the Library and Community Services Departments detailing the number and type of projects, programmes, initiatives and events delivered for teenagers and young people in the Adamstown area over the past five years broken down by year including: The number and nature of projects delivered each year Participation levels where available Any partnerships with schools, youth services or community organisations The number of young people engaged through, referred to, or connected with the Big Tree Youth Project Any trends in demand, participation or service provision identified over the five-year period.

Adamstown Youth Provision

LPNC/406/H17/0626 Item ID:91512 – Deputations for Noting
Deputations for Noting (No Business)

LPNC/407/H18/0626 Item ID:91514 – New Works
New Works (No Business)

LPNC/408/C10/0626 Item ID:91502 – Correspondence
Correspondence (No Business)

LPNC/409/M19/0626 Item ID:91417 – Lucan Leisure Centre Parking
Proposed by Councillor L. O'Toole, Seconded by Councillor C. Brady

That this Council welcomes the full opening of Lucan Leisure Centre, including the gym and swimming pool facilities which are now experiencing very strong usage levels and reportedly have waiting lists in place. In light of the increasing demand on the existing car park this Council calls on the Chief Executive to examine parking arrangements at the facility including whether areas within the site could be redesigned to provide additional parking spaces and whether separate staff parking arrangements could be explored to maximise public parking availability.

The following report from the Chief Executive was read:

The current number of parking spaces have been provided in accordance with the approved Part 8.

Noting the current demands on the car park; new car park line markings have been applied to maximise the existing car parking.

SDCC are examining and progressing /and costing the feasibility of providing additional parking and staff parking within the current site boundary.

Following contributions from Councillor L O'Toole, Maria Nugent A/Senior Executive Officer responded to queries raised and this Motion was **Agreed.**

Housing

LPNC/410/H19/0626 Item ID:91518 – New Works

New Works (No Business)

LPNC/411/C11/0626 Item ID:91505 - Correspondence

Correspondence (No Business)

Meeting Concluded at 17:20

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