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SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL



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Minutes of South Dublin County Council June 2026 Tallaght Area
Committee Meeting held on Monday 22 June 2026

PRESENT

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

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Senior Executive Officer	M Murtagh
Senior Executive Officer	A Mills, F Hendley
Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer	B Redmond
Senior Executive Engineer	A O'Mullane, J McCormack
Senior Engineer	J Helbert, J Hennessy
Senior Clerk of Works	B Orr
Senior Executive Librarian	L Corry
Arts Officer	O Scannell
Administrative Officer	M Connell, J Lumumba
Senior Staff Officer	M Brown
Staff Officer	E Meyler

Councillor L Dunne, presided

H1/0626 Item ID:91556

Proposed by Housing Administration

Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 25th May 2026.

Minutes from Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on Monday 25th May, 2026

Minutes of Tallaght Area Committee Meeting held on 25th May 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 P Holohan, and RESOLVED:

Questions 1-11

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

Planning

H2/0626 Item ID:91576

Proposed by Planning

New Works (No Business)

C1/0626 Item ID:91564

Proposed by Planning

Correspondence (No Business)

Transportation

Q1/0626 Item ID:91678

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Could the Manager arrange for an inspection of the Mayberry Road, from the Greenhills Road to the Belgard Road, as there are a number of potholes on that stretch of road, that urgently need repair?"

REPLY:

There has been some pothole repair carried out on this road earlier this year and a further two have been listed on foot of this question.

Mayberry Road is showing signs of reflective cracking and will be listed for consideration for future programmes

Q2/0626 Item ID:91741

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Manager report on road repairs in the Tallaght area as some estates are in bad condition with potholes?"

REPLY:

The 2026 roadworks programme allocated €855,000 to road repairs across 14 locations in the Tallaght LEAs. These works are tendered and expected to commence in Q3.

In addition to this there is additional funding available for repairing potholes. If there are specific locations you have concerns about please contact us with the details

Q3/0626 Item ID:91770

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Manager report on parking at new apartments at Airtown Road as residents don't have anywhere to park also at Cookstown as residents in Cairnwood estate are experiencing problems getting blocked in with people parking in the estate. What plans have the council to help with this problem?"

REPLY:

New apartment developments are being built with reduced parking provision in line with national planning policy and the car parking standards approved in our South Dublin County Council development plan 2022-2028. Developments are designed with sustainable car parking provision together with connections to public transport and active travel infrastructure aims to reduce dependency on private cars.

The Council has followed up with the management team of Airton Plaza in relation to several car parking enquiries in recent months. The Airton Plaza management team have examined the car parking provision and offered a small increase in car parking provision. They have maximised the car parking in the available space. The management team also said they were actively managing car parking allocations within the complex.

In relation to the Cairnwood Estate, the Council has installed double yellow lines along Cairnwood Avenue. The Council has not received any further customer complaints since then.

Where additional parking issues arise in estates or surrounding areas, these can be discussed at Traffic Management meetings and appropriate measures will be considered and implemented where feasible. The Council will continue to monitor issues such as those reported at Airton Road and Cairnwood Estate, Cookstown, and assess possible interventions where appropriate.

Q4/O626 Item ID:91753

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask the Manager to outline what engagement has been made with regards to the taking in charge for Marlfield estate and if there has been any contact from or to the registered landowner?"

REPLY:

There is an official Taking in Charge (TIC) application received for the 52m of footpath and public lighting along Marlfield Row. This is a very small section of the entire estate. This is the only official Taking in Charge application for the Marlfield estate that South Dublin County Council has on file.

The Marlfield Row application (52m of footpath and public lighting) is in the earliest stages of checking. Our initial assessment is that there are several problems identified with the construction of this area. Unless all built elements are constructed to the South Dublin County Council TIC standards, then the Council cannot take those elements into our charge.

No valid Taking in Charge application form has been received by the Council for the vast majority of the Marlfield estate.

If a valid TIC application were received by the Council for the rest of Marlfield estate, there would follow a detailed assessment of all elements offered for

Taking in Charge. If it was found that any elements were not constructed to the TIC standards, then these would need to be rectified by the owner or designated body managing that section of the estate before the Council could complete the TIC process.

The Council is going to make contact with the registered owner/landowner in the next number of weeks to see if progress can be made on getting the main parts of the Marlfield estate taken in Charge. It is very important that a valid TIC application is made to the Council and that the developer diligently engages with South Dublin County Council to get all the necessary build quality checks completed to SDCC's satisfaction.

H3/0626 Item ID:91995

Proposed by Mbakure Johnson

Construction for the Tallaght to Clondalkin Cycle Scheme Phase 1

Tallaght to Clondalkin Cycle Scheme Phase 1, Commencement of Works

Andrew O'Mullane, Senior Executive Engineer, presented the Tallaght to Clondalkin Cycle Scheme Phase 1 report

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

The Report was **NOTED**

H4/0626 Item ID:91578

Proposed by Transportation

New Works (No Business)

C2/0626 Item ID:91566

Proposed by Transportation

Correspondence (No Business)

Libraries Arts

H5/0626 Item ID:91568

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Library News & Events

Library Event Stats

Tallaght, Castletymon ad Mobile Libraries ACM report

Liz Corry, Senior Executive Librarian, presented the Library News and Events reports

There were contributions from Cllr L Dunne

The Reports were **NOTED**

H6/0626 Item ID:91580

Proposed by Housing Administration

Arts Programme Update

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Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, presented the Arts Programme Update

There were contributions from Cllr D Donnelly, Cllr P Holohan and Cllr L Dunne

The Report was **NOTED**

H7/0626 Item ID:91574

Proposed by Libraries Arts

NEW WORKS (No Business)

C3/0626 Item ID:91562

Proposed by Libraries Arts

Correspondence (No Business)

Economic Development

H8/0626 Item ID:91571

Proposed by Economic Development

New Works (No Business)

C4/0626 Item ID:91560

Proposed by Economic Development

Correspondence (No Business)

Performance Change Management

H9/0626 Item ID:91575

Proposed by Performance Change Management

New Works (No Business)

C5/0626 Item ID:91563

Proposed by Performance Change Management

Correspondence (No Business)

Corporate Support

H10/0626 Item ID:91570

Proposed by Corporate Support

New Works (No Business)

C6/0626 Item ID:91559

Proposed by Corporate Support

Correspondence (No Business)

Environment

Q5/0626 Item ID:91677

Proposed by Councillor M. Duff

"Would the Manager please indicate an approximate timeline for construction to commence on the Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme?"

REPLY:

South Dublin County Council has been approved to procure a works contractor for the construction of the *Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme - Phase 2: Castletymon Library to Main Road Tallaght* project. Subject to a successful procurement process, it is intended to appoint a works contractor during the summer and commence works shortly thereafter. Prior to works commencing councillors will be advised.

A public consultation was held in relation to the scheme in early 2024, details are available, at

<https://consult.sdublincoco.ie/en/consultation/castletymon-road-south-part-8-active-travel-scheme>

Q6/O626 Item ID:91772

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Council request a dust level test around Fettercairn area from the Roadstone quarry?"

REPLY:

There are 6 dust monitoring points around the perimeter of the Roadstone quarry. Results are received from Roadstone on a quarterly basis as part of their planning conditions.

The Principal Environmental Health Officer will be visiting Roadstone Quarry during the week beginning 15th June to meet with the Environmental Manager to discuss the effectiveness of the current monitoring programme and the dust mitigation measures in place.

Should additional assessment be deemed necessary for the Fettercairn and wider area, a programme of air quality monitoring will be undertaken.

Q7/O626 Item ID:91751

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask the Council for a usage report for 2026 for pavilion in Dodder Valley Park with reference to the type of groups?"

REPLY:

The pavilion facilities at Dodder Valley Park have recorded consistent usage for the period 1 January 2026 to mid-June 2026, with activity across a range of community and recreational groups.

Summary of Usage:

- Total Bookings: 319
- Active Hours: 914

Types of Groups Using the Pavilion:

Use of the pavilion is largely driven by organised sporting and community groups, including:

- **GAA Clubs:**
 - *Thomas Davis GAA Club*

- *Croí Ró Naofa GAA Club*
These groups represent a significant proportion of usage, primarily utilising Grass Pitch 2 and Changing Room A, with typical session sizes of approximately 40 participants
 - **Rugby:**
 - *Tallaght RFC*
This group accounts for large-scale bookings, using both pitches and associated facilities
 - **American Football:**
 - *South Dublin Panthers / American Football Club*
Regular users of both pitches and pavilion facilities, with variable group sizes depending on training or events.
 - **Community / Recreational Use:**
 - *Park Run* (weekly recurring use of pavilion facilities)
 - *Park Tennis*
 - *SDCC Active Travel initiatives*
These represent ongoing community-based and recreational use of the pavilion, typically at smaller or variable scales.
 - **Facility Usage:**
The most frequently used elements of the pavilion include:
 - Changing Room A (primary facility)
 - Grass Pitch 2 (Adult GAA)
 - Storage and referee rooms
 - Additional changing rooms and soccer pitch as required
- Overall, the pavilion continues to support a broad mix of organised sport, structured training, and community activity, with strong representation from local clubs and regular weekly programmes.

Q8/O626 Item ID:91783

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask the Council for an update on what is being proposed (if anything) for the junction on the N81 at Tallaght Village/Old Bawn Road?"

REPLY:

N81 Tallaght Village / Old Bawn Road Junction

The N81 at Tallaght Village intersects with Old Bawn Road at a key junction carrying approximately 30,000 vehicles per day, alongside significant pedestrian and cyclist activity. The route is a strategic corridor serving

Tallaght and the wider Dublin area, with Old Bawn Road, Greenhills Road, and Belgard Road providing important local connections. It is part of the National road network under the control of TII.

Two key issues are being considered in the development of this section of the N81:

- **Road Safety:** The current 80 km/h speed limit is not considered appropriate for an urban setting with multiple busy junctions and has been associated with a poor safety record based on RSA collision data.
- **Sustainable Travel:** Existing cycle facilities are of earlier design, and the current road layout acts as a barrier to meaningful development of walking and cycling in Tallaght. Due to junction complexity, there are multiple locations where pedestrians must cross vehicular traffic lanes, several of these crossings do not have controlled crossing facilities. Improvements are planned on adjoining roads, particularly on Old Bawn Road and Belgard Road, and there is Urban Greenway link from the Dodder Greenway to the junction from Avonbeg.

A feasibility and options study is underway to identify potential improvements to the N81 and the Old Bawn Road junction. This will aim to balance traffic function, safety, and sustainable transport needs, with stakeholder and public consultation to follow.

H11/0626 Item ID:91690

Proposed by Housing Administration

Part 8 Proposals for Noting for the following:

- Installation of rooftop solar PV and heat pump system at SCD Leisure, Tallaght, Fortunestown Way, Tallaght, Dublin 24, D24 KX38.
- Installation of rooftop solar PV at South Dublin County Council County Hall and Library, Tallaght, Dublin 24, D24 XOWP.
- Installation of heat pump system at Civic Theatre, Parthalán Place, Belgard Rd, Tallaght, Dublin, D24 NWN7.
- Installation of heat pump system at Rua Red, Tallaght, Dublin, D24 KV8N.

Part 8 Proposals Noting for Tallaght Leisure Centre, County Hall Civic Theatre and Rua Red -for installation of heat pumps and solar panels

Julienne Helbert, Senior Engineer, presented the proposals for noting for Tallaght Leisure Centre, County Hall, Civic Theatre and Rua Red

There were contributions from Cllr A Smyth, Cllr P Holohan and Cllr D Donnelly

The Reports were **NOTED**

H12/0626 Item ID:91928

Proposed by Alanagh Gannon, Andrew O'Mullane

Safe School Zones Update

SSZ School Update Tallaght June 2026

Andrew O'Mullane, Senior Executive Engineer, presented the Safe School Zones Update

There were contributions from Cllr D Donnelly

The Report was **NOTED**

H13/0626 Item ID:91992

Proposed by Andrew O'Mullane

Non-Statutory Public Consultation for Old Bawn Road Active Travel Scheme - Southern Junctions

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Jonathon Hennessy, Senior Engineer, presented the Non-Statutory Public Consultation for Old Bawn Road Active Travel Scheme - Southern Junctions

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

The Report was **NOTED**

H14/0626 Item ID:91572

Proposed by Environment

New Works (No Business)

C7/0626 Item ID:91557

Proposed by Environment

Correspondence (No Business)

Water Drainage

H15/0626 Item ID:91579

Proposed by Water Drainage

New Works (No Business)

C8/0626 Item ID:91567

Proposed by Water Drainage

Correspondence (No Business)

Public Realm

H16/0626 Item ID:91577

Proposed by Public Realm

New Works (No Business)

C9/0626 Item ID:91565

Proposed by Public Realm

Correspondence(No Business)

M1/0626 Item ID:91650

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

Seconded by Cllr D Donnelly

"This TAC calls onto SDCC to engage with the residents of Belgard Heights regarding the fence erected on the green?"

REPORT:

The Council will engage with the residents of Belgard Heights regarding the newly planted native hedge and temporary protective fencing. The works form part of the agreed 2026 Public Realm Improvement Works Programme, with updates issued in advance of commencement.

There were contributions from Cllr P Holohan, Cllr J Spear, Cllr M Duff and Cllr N Whelan

Brendan Redmond, Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, agreed to meet with the resident's association and discuss any issues

The Motion was **AGREED**

Community

Q9/O626 Item ID:91755

Proposed by Councillor A. Smyth

"To ask the Council for an update on the upgrades /expansion to Dominic's Community Centre and to outline a timeline for expected delivery?"

REPLY:

In relation to the proposed upgrades and/or expansion of St. Dominic's Community Centre, it should be noted that architectural resources are allocated to projects on a sequential basis, and there are currently a number of projects ahead of this scheme within the overall delivery programme.

Notwithstanding this, we are currently undertaking an internal review of our programme of works and are committed to progressing this project at the earliest possible opportunity.

Once an architect has been assigned to the project, we will be in a stronger position to establish a more definitive timeline and to provide clarity in respect of the anticipated programme for delivery

H17/O626 Item ID:91569

Proposed by Community

New Works (No Business)

C10/O626 Item ID:91558

Proposed by Community

Correspondence (No Business)

Housing

Q10/O626 Item ID:91638

Proposed by Councillor P. Holohan

"How many homes in the Tallaght south area have been retro fitted by SDCC in the last 5 years and how many are still to be done?"

REPLY:

The Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Programme (EERP) was launched with the aim of funding the retrofit of local authority social housing to improve the

energy efficiency to a B2 Building Energy Rating (BER) or cost-optimal equivalent. The programme provides for a significant level of funding focusing on ensuring that the fabric of the home is upgraded. Key improvements include installation of heat pumps, wall and attic insulation and new windows and doors.

To date, a total of 82 homes within the Tallaght South area have successfully undergone EERP works. A further 74 homes have been identified and are currently at the contractor stage, with completion anticipated this year.

Additional properties in the area will be identified through ongoing Stock Condition Surveys for inclusion in the energy retrofit programme. Continued investment in retrofitting our housing stock ensures that we provide high-quality, sustainable homes for the future.

Q11/0626 Item ID:91771

Proposed by Councillor D. Richardson

"Can the Manager report on upgrade of Hazel Hill halting site also how many bays are being used?"

REPLY:

There are currently 3 units occupied by tenants in Hazel Hill, one house and two bays. There are also unauthorised occupants living in bays on Hazel Hill, the appropriate action has been taken in accordance with Section 10 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1992.

Two of the day units in the five bays have been extensively fire damaged, due to arson attacks, the council have secured both bays, extensive refurbishment works would be required to bring both units back into use. Considerable refurbishment works would also be required to bring the day unit at bay 1 back in to use, this bay is also secured. Four of the five houses on the site are vacant and secured. Considerable refurbishment works would also be required to bring the four homes back into use.

The Traveller Accommodation Unit are working with the remaining three families on the site to support their current housing needs and examine their future housing needs. We are actively seeking alternative accommodation for one family on site, who have been offered a number of properties to date.

Hazel Hill is part of the Traveller accommodation cleansing schedule whereby at least two clean ups are organised per annum / or when

required. Inspections take place regularly with the last cleansing operation in Q1 2026.

H18/0626 Item ID:91573

Proposed by Housing

New Works (No Business)

C11/0626 Item ID:91561

Proposed by Housing

Correspondence (No Business)

M2/0626 Item ID:91744

Proposed by Councillor L. Dunne

Seconded by Cllr J Spear

"This Area Committee acknowledges that some remedial works have recently been undertaken in response to concerns raised by residents of Mac Uilliam Lane. However, significant issues remain unresolved. Therefore, this Area Committee calls on Management to engage with residents, carry out a comprehensive inspection of the building, and develop a clear action plan to address the outstanding concerns?"

Mac Uilliam Lane

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

Amanda Mills, Senior Executive Officer, agreed that on inspection only minor issues had been identified and these will be scheduled for completion, she agreed to talk to Councillors separately after the meeting regarding individual cases

John McCormack, Senior Executive Officer, agreed to liaise with Architects in relation to the fire hatch

The Motion was **AGREED**

There was no further business and the meeting concluded at 4.48 p.m.