

Q.1 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if she will arrange to have the tree at the junction of 67 Merrion Road / Wanderers RFC entrance removed, as discussed with Dublin City Council some years ago. The tree obscures the line of sight at the entrance and adjacent entrances and recently a cyclist was knocked down at the location.

Q.2 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the TAG to increase the pedestrian crossing time at the crossing at the junction of Belmont Avenue and Morehampton Road. Because of the staggered railing half way across, the current timings do not give sufficient time for elderly people or those with young children and buggies.

Q.3 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange to have the footpaths around the vicinity of the entrance to St. Mary's Church, Anglesea Road and Simmonscourt Road upgraded as the constant encroachment of heavy trucks and buses has caused and severe subsidence and disturbance.

Q.4 Councillor Ruairi McGinley

To ask the manager to repair traffic signals at *details supplied.

Q.5 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager give an update on the proposal for modular homes on a vacant site in Fishamble Street?

Q.6 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager carry out a survey of the water pipes and drainage in Glovers Court as they have ongoing problems in the flats and the public area with lack of water - low water pressure and regular periods of no water?

Q.7 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager carry out a survey of the drainage and waste water run-off in Glovers Court as they have on-going problems with flooding of the public area?

Q.8 Councillor Chris Andrews

Will the manager ensure that the bins are regularly emptied as they are constantly overflowing with rubbish on City Quay and Lombard Street and given that this is an historical area with both a lot of tourists and local residents living in the area, can more resources be put in to make sure the area is cleaned and kept clean on a regular basis?

Q.9 Councillor Chris Andrews

Will the manager indicate when the trees that are marked for felling in Beech Hill will be taken down?

Q.10 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the streets swept in Beech Hill estate on a regular basis?

Q.11 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager give an update on the proposals for the development of housing in Luke Street?

Q.12 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager list the various sites in the South East where housing developments are proposed and a timeline for each?

Q.13 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue as a priority: two paving areas outside the offices of KTA, Fleming Court, Flemings Place, Mespil Road, Dublin 4 need to be repaired as soon as possible as they are broken, uneven and dangerous.

Q.14 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue: A tree outside 83 Stella Gardens, Irishtown, Dublin 4 was recently reduced in height by six feet by the Parks Department, but light to this house is still blocked as the tree needs further pruning.

When the work is to be done, could the owner be contacted beforehand, (details supplied).

Q.15 Councillor Paddy McCartan

Dublin City Council proposed the compulsory acquisition of 30 Merlyn Road, Dublin 4 under the Derelict Sites Act 1990. Has there been any objection to the proposal and, if so, on what grounds?

Q.16 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the traffic manager to assess by how much, if at all, the southbound, outer lane on Morehampton Road / Donnybrook Road, from Herbert Park Road to Anglesea Bridge, improves the flow of traffic and whether this lane could be put to better use? E.g. increased paving for pedestrians, protected cycle lane, etc.

Q.17 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask manager to examine road section (details supplied) to arrange for resurfacing and repair works.

Q.18 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to repair footpath at (details supplied)

Q.19 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to repair major road pothole (details supplied).

Q.20 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to report on completion of improvement works promised for Neagh Road playground in 2014.

Q.21 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to install "Children at Play" and "Slow" signs on Neagh Road, Terenure due to risks associated with traffic and increasing number of children at play.

Q.22 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to initiate steps to create an Area of Special Planning Control for Dartmouth Square and environs having regard to particular conservation value of area and to set out the necessary steps required.

Q.23 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to remove the 'remains' of two lampposts replaced by the City Council but never removed. One is in Beechwood Road beside the LUAS stop and

the other is in Moyne Road. The stumps of the originals have been left in place for at least three months.

Q.24 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to take steps to place 17 Grosvenor Road, Rathgar on list of protected structures.

Q.25 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager outline what works are Ecochem carrying out in order to comply with environmental concerns that residents have with the way they operate in the Poolbeg area?

Q.26 Councillor Frank Kennedy

Given the very large numbers of children travelling to many schools in the area on this route, to ask the area manager to install a pedestrian crossing at the top of Marlborough Road to allow pedestrians cross from one side of Sandford Road to the other (traversing the top of Marlborough Road).

Q.27 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the area manager whether it would be possible for the tenant at [details supplied] could be entitled to a parking permit. He has no space at the premises as it is not part of his tenancy and he is self-employed and requires a car to travel the country as part of his work. If the resident is not allowed a permit, what is the basis for this?

Q.28 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the area manager to erect a sign on Synge Street which makes clear that the parking hours applicable to the single yellow line on one side of Synge Street do not apply to the parking bays on the other side, because many people are under the mistaken impression that this is the case and then are clamped.

Q.29 Councillor Frank Kennedy

With regard to traffic matters on Heytesbury Street, to ask the area manager (a) to erect a sign at the intersection of Heytesbury Street with Pleasants Street which makes clear that Pleasants Street is one-way, as cars unknowingly turn right from Heytesbury Street on it all the time, causing the risk of a serious accident, and (b) in circumstances where residents often cannot find parking on weekday evenings on Heytesbury Street and given the council's desire to encourage people to live in the city, to ask the area manager (1) to ensure greater enforcement against those who park without paying on Camden Street and (2) to formulate a strategy which ensures that residents on such roads can actually be assured parking with consistency.

Q.30 Councillor Frank Kennedy

With regard to the cleanliness of Heytesbury Street, to ask the area manager:

- a. How often is this street cleaned?
- b. How often are the drains cleaned?
- c. To increase the frequency of both cleanings; and
- d. To install anti dog fouling signage and to enforce dog fouling laws.

Q.31 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the area manager how often is Camden Row cleaned and to request that the frequency be increased because the street is often left in a filthy and neglected condition, largely because of its proximity to Camden Street.

Q.32 Councillor Frank Kennedy

Following the below update furnished to me re the reopening of Kevin Street in February 2016, to ask the area manager for an update as to when it will reopen:

“Thank you for your email regarding Kevin Street library.

Our last update to Council (November 2015) was:

The plans for the refurbishment of Kevin Street library include the provision of a new lift to be built onto the west side of the building. This required the transfer of a small parcel of land from the Dublin Institute of Technology (DIT) to Dublin City Council (DCC). The Board of the DIT approved the sale of the land to DCC at its board meeting of the 30th September. Everything is now in order to proceed with the transfer, allowing DCC to go to part 8 planning with a proposal to include the erection of a lift shaft on the piece of land in question.

We are hoping to go to part 8 soon and we will have a target date for re-opening once a contractor is appointed and the schedule of works agreed.”

Q.33 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the city manager whether flood lights can be installed on the soccer pitches in Herbert Park and whether any funding from the sports national grant have been sought by the council for this purpose.

Q.34 Councillor Frank Kennedy

I received the following response to a question at the November 2016 City Council meeting:

Q.77

In circumstances where the problem of rats at Sandymount Strand is now completely out of control (to the extent that rats are now often spotted there with grey hair, which means that they have successfully survived, likely in the locality, for years), to ask the Chief Executive to take all necessary steps to eradicate this problem.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

Parks and Landscapes Service will contact pest control specialists to carry out an assessment as to the extent of rat infestation in the specified location.

The problem of rats at the bottle bank area opposite the petrol station is now endemic. To ask the area manager (a) what is the result of the “assessment”, (b) for a full report on rats on the Strand and (c) what steps are being taken?

Q.35 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager if 2.4 meter high fence with a gate that was installed in early 2016 at Lakelands is a legally constructed structure on a green walking route. The manager should set out how the opening and closing of a gate on such a structure which has a long standing public right of way should operate or whether the gate should be removed.

Q.36 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager, to get the Traffic Department to replace the filter light into Rathdown Park from Rathfarnham Road. The light has been broken for some time now and is causing difficulties for motorists and residents of Rathdown.

Q.37 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to request the company responsible for clamping to adopt a more tolerant approach to clamping outside small shops and businesses to allow them get deliveries and load cars (i.e. a ten to fifteen minute tolerance period). The current situation whereby delivery vans to small shops on main roads like Harold's Cross Road / Terenure Road North and others in the South East area is presenting great difficulty for these small businesses.

Q.38 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager, of the €8.5m paid out last year in personal injury compensation for claims against Dublin City Council, how many of these incidents took place in the South East Area and can she please provide the details and a full break down of the type of claims and payments paid.

Q.39 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the Dublin House project on Fishamble Street and whether there has been a solution found on how to progress the project.

Q.40 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the progress of the building of the new Educate Together School on Harcourt Terrace and if she can outline a timeline for the commencement and completion of the building.

Q.41 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager to state the number of void dwellings that were refurbished and reallocated in the South East Area in 2016 and the current number of voids in the South East Area as of on 1st January 2017, or the most recent date if number for the later date is unavailable.

Q.42 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager how frequently the containers for the strategic supply of sand bags along Sandymount Strand are used each year.

Q.43 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager for a status update on the Martello Tower on Sandymount Strand.

Q.44 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager when the tree outside *details supplied will be replaced this year.

Q.45 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager take traffic calming measures to reduce rat-running through Rathdown in light of the recent accident?

Q.46 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager consider a pedestrian crossing phase on the cycle at Terenure Cross - at Terenure Road East and at Rathfarnham Road?

Q.47 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager indicate what steps she intends to take re the constant parking on footpaths at Charlemont Street?

Q.48 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager arrange for a rubber surface to be put down in the playground in Eamonn Ceannt Park in lieu of the bark currently in place?

Q.49 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can a railing be put in place outside exit of Belgrave Park onto Belgrave Square West?

Q.50 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can Orwell Road be resurfaced at Supervalu?

Q.51 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue an update with regards the pedestrianisation and the lighting on Crane Lane? Many complaints have been received here from residents and businesses that this walkway is totally dark and dilapidated. There have been a number of incidences in this area and this needs urgent attention.

Q.52 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report in relation to the provision of public conveniences and wash facilities in the South East Area? At present there is a complete absence of public lavatories. This causes huge inconveniences and stress for the many members of the public, not to mention our senior citizens, tourists, plus those who have disabilities. It is no longer acceptable that this situation prevails.

Q.53 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager examine the possibility of initiating a public campaign in relation to noise pollution? This city is becoming very busy now with many cafés and bars, nightclubs etc. A substantial amount of these are in residential areas. There is a general lack of awareness of law in relation to noise pollution. It is now time that a public campaign was initiated. More and more residents are making complaints. Quite a lot are now considering moving out of the city with their families. Dublin City Council needs to take a much more proactive action here and support the residents and the communities in the city against excessive noise which in the main is coming from business premises such as bars, night clubs etc.

Other jurisdictions, such as London and Barcelona, have a zero tolerance on breeches of their noise pollution laws.

Q.54 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the over-supply of cafés and restaurants and premises along the Camden Street, Wexford Street area. There are grave concerns with the many residents and businesses in this area that there is over reliance on premises which are selling alcohol such as cafés and restaurants, in this area. The area is fast becoming a place to be avoided because of its association with drunkenness. This area needs to be managed appropriately in terms of its overall business. That business is emerging as alcohol and food consumption particularly in relation to its evening economy. This area on weekends can fast become chaotic until the early hours of the morning. Many businesses face a major clean-up outside their premises on a Monday morning and many feel it is time now to put a cap on the amount of premises that are allowed to sell alcohol in this area.

Q.55 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager liaise with the business community of Duke Street and its surrounds with regards offering support financial and otherwise to their Blooms Day celebration festival?

This micro annual cultural initiative has gained great respect and success in the past number of years. It has grown into a significant event despite the lack of funding. It is now time that Dublin City Council (DCC) through its Arts and Cultural Department and South East Area Office come on board and help sustain this fantastic event.

Q.56 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards all former city council dwellings, social housing units that are now vacant in the Townsend Street Area, Moss Street Area of Dublin.

These are to include any lands, sites or vacant units that are being handed over to approved housing bodies.

Q.57 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the ongoing anti-social behaviour and criminal activity at Ringsend Park? Also, what efforts have Dublin City Council (DCC) management made to deal with this issue and also when are they going to remove the covered in seating area (gathering area) that was agreed by the Parks Department.

Q.58 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a report with regards vacant houses on Grantham Street? One of these houses (details supplied) has become a site of anti social behaviour and dumping and has been lying vacant for many years. It is now in a deplorable state and needs attention immediately.

Q.59 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to investigate reports that the building works next door to the Glovers Court flats complex are causing a rat problem in the area and to address any issues caused to residents.

Q.60 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to investigate reports of dirt, noise and light from the hotel building site next door to Glover's Court flats complex.

Q.61 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager for an update on proposals to upgrade the drainage system around the Grand Canal basin to ensure the safety and cleanliness of the water in the basin.

Q.62 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to work with all football clubs in Ringsend and Irishtown to identify a suitable site for a shared changing room facility.

Q.63 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to address the increased anti-social behaviour in Ringsend Park, and to organise a meeting between the relevant council officials and the Gardaí to address the issues in the medium to long term.

Q.64 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager what budget will be made available to implement the Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan.

Q.65 Councillor Claire O'Connor

In circumstances where a new residents' association has been established in Mount Argus can they be facilitated in the following manner:

- a. Installation of children at play signs in Church park and Mount Argus Park
- b. Sequencing of lights to be reconsidered to facilitate exiting both Mount Argus estate and Church Park
- c. Pruning of trees in Mount Argus
- d. Installation of bins in Mount Argus Park
- e. Improvement of visibility of signs re dogs on leash in Mount Argus Park
- f. Improvement of surfaces for wheelchair users between Mount Argus Crescent and Park.

Q.66 Councillor Claire O'Connor

In reference to the Upper Rathmines Road, Rathmines just near the junction that takes you onto Highfield Road (right) or to Brookfield Tennis Club (left), can a speedometer or ramps or a crossing or any other traffic calming measures considered appropriate, be installed to mitigate against a severe or fatal accident?

Q.67 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager put CCTV cameras on the main junction in Rathgar Village, between Orwell Road / Rathgar Road and R114, in circumstances where residents have expressed grave concerns regarding their safety being compromised by drivers who are effectively evading the existence of a red traffic light notwithstanding that pedestrians have the benefit of a 'green man'?

Rathgar is an area in which there are a large number of young children, and there are four crèches and a number of schools within a short distance of the junction in issue; there is also a large elderly local population.

Q.68 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Re Price's Place in Ranelagh can the following measures be taken to support mews residents and business owners against the use of the lane as a rat run and main artery to Rathmines:

- a. Installation of a waling pathway on south side of Price's Place
- b. Removal of double yellow lines on south side of Price's Place
- c. Installation of double yellow lines on east side of Price's Place?

Q.69 Councillor Claire O'Connor

To ask the manager to have 17 Grosvenor Road listed as a protected structure.