

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON 20TH JANUARY 2020

Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask the Council if a decision has been made to have cycle lanes painted as part of the Dublin Road improvement scheme.

REPLY:

I refer to the R445 Dublin Road and the overlay scheme that was completed between the Annacotty and Kilmurray roundabouts in 2019.

I confirm that the cycle lanes cannot be painted onto this road for the following reasons;

- *The traffic volumes on the R445 Dublin road is 20,000 AADT. It is recommended that cycle lanes are placed if the traffic volumes are less than 8000 AADT*
- *The speed limit on this section of road is 60kmph. It is recommended to place cycle lanes only where the speed limit is 50kmph*

Consulting Engineers have been employed to investigate smarter travel proposals on the R445 Dublin Road. I will comment further when they conclude their investigation.

Yours Faithfully
John Sheehan
A/SEE Metropolitan Roads
Limerick City and County Council
13/01/2020



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Question Submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask the Council what progress, if any, has been made to advance the project on upgrading Lower Golf Links Road near O'Shea's Pub and why the Part 8 planning application has not yet been lodged to-date.

Reply:

The Part 8 for Golf Links Road involves works on lands, which have been identified as requiring flood defence measures under CFRAM. The Council has been in discussion with Office of Public Works regarding the flood study for the bridge and flood protection measures. The Council is finalising the documents for the Part 8 and it is planned to lodge planning in Q1 2020.

Seamus Hanrahan
A/Director of Service
15th January 2020

Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meeting to be held on Monday, 20th January 2020

Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask the Council when the Burial Ground Strategy will be presented to the relevant SPC as that was supposed to happen in late 2019 and whether consideration has been given to either acquire more land at Kilmurry or create another cemetery for Castletroy.

REPLY:

Limerick City and County Council has commenced work on the Burial Ground and Interment Strategy. There will be a workshop with each Metropolitan/Municipal Districts in Quarter 1 2020 to discuss the draft strategy prior to it being considered by the Community, Culture and Leisure SPC. The need for additional burial grounds for the Metropolitan area will be considered as part of the strategy.

***Gordon Daly
Director of Service
Community Development Directorate
20th January 2020***

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

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Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will ask at the next Meeting can Limerick City and County Council consider the placement of stickers stating 'parked illegally fine issued' in collaboration with Gardaí to increase awareness of enforcement due to the high level of indiscriminate parking in the city.

REPLY:

Limerick City and County Council consider that the introduction of such a "sticker" placement programme is unwarranted for the following reasons :

- Unlikely to have or sustain any significant impact.
- Likely to encourage others to engage in similar practice.
- Would contribute to the creation of unnecessary littering of the city.
- Prohibited under the provisions of the Litter Pollution Acts, 1997 – 2009.

Kieran Lehane
Director of Service
Service Operations Directorate.



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Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will ask at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council consider the placement of a semi-permanent structure with appropriate facilities to enable musicians and cultural organisations to perform in the People's Park.

REPLY:

The Council is receiving an increasing number of requests for use of the Peoples Park for events of this nature. There is a band stand in the Park and also two small shelters. Having regard to the request, the proposal will be examined further to determine any power upgrades that may be required and an update will be provided in the near future.

Gordon Daly,
Director of Service
Community Development Directorate
16th January, 2020



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Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on the Southside Master Plan and what progress has been made since public meetings in 2018.

Response to Question

The Southside Masterplan consists of three stages as follows:

- STAGE A: SURVEY AND ANALYSIS. This stage is complete.
- STAGE B: DRAFT PLAN. This stage is complete.
- Stage C: FINAL PLAN. This stage has commenced, with outstanding tasks to complete including updating Toppin's Field masterplan, landscape updates, access, streets and utilities update, cost plan updates to inform funding applications, client review and sign off before draft masterplan can be workshopped with Councillors and proceed to public display. It is anticipated that public display will commence in Q1 2020 with final adoption in Q2 2020.

Aoife Duke
Director of Service
Housing Development
15th January 2020

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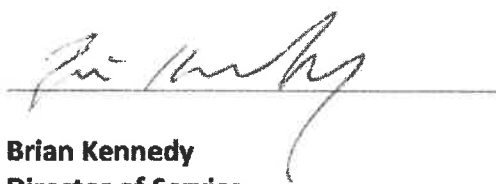
Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next Meeting if there is currently a tree planting and wildflower strategy for the Metropolitan area, and if not are there plans to develop one.

REPLY:

At present the Council does not have a tree planting and wildflower strategy. As was indicated at the recent Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment SPC, the Council intends to develop a tree strategy which will only deal with trees that the Council is responsible for. This Strategy will be prepared by the Physical Development Directorate and should be drafted by the end of 2020, subject to the resources available in the Directorate.

The Council is currently piloting three wildflower areas in Limerick, and in accordance with our commitments under the All Ireland Pollinator Plan, intends to create more pollinator friendly and wildflower planting areas in Limerick.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Brian Kennedy', is written over a horizontal line.

Brian Kennedy
Director of Service
Physical Development Directorate.
16 January, 2020.



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Question Submitted by Councillor E O'Donovan

I will ask at the next Meeting what standards and design guide the Council followed for cycle infrastructure on Parnell, Davis and Wickham Street upgrade scheme? Whom agreed to the final design of Davis and Wickham Street and what will the finalised works for Parnell Street consist of?

Reply:

The Parnell Street, Wickham Street & Davis Street Urban Realm and Street Improvement Works has been designed following the guidance provided in the following documents:

- Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS)
- National Cycle Manual
- Traffic Signs Manual

The design has developed through the Part VIII Planning process along with consultations with local residents, traders and stakeholders as well as LCCC and the NTA. Part VIII Planning Approval was granted in December 2015.

Works are now substantially complete

Seamus Hanrahan
A/Director of Service
15th January 2020



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Question Submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District, for an update on the Part 8 development approved for the 5 properties on Kileely Road and if possible to include an expected start and completion date.

Reply:

Tenders from building contractors for the construction of the 5 houses at Kileely Road have been received by LCCC. These will be opened on 16th January 2020. A Stage 4 application will be submitted to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government (DHPLG) within the coming two weeks, with an anticipated site start of March 2020. The contract period is 12 months in duration.

Seamus Hanrahan
A/Director of Service
15th January 2020



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Metropolitan District of Limerick to be held on: Monday 20th January 2020

Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District, how many families with children are living in student villages under each of the following: HAP, RAS, long term lease and temporary contracts.

REPLY:

HAP	RAS	Long Term Lease	Temporary Contracts
21	0	13	4

On the 21 HAP we don't have the specific details in relation to families.

Rob Lowth, Housing Support Services

14/01/2020



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Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District, how many Council tenants are currently on the transfer list and of those, how many are seeking a transfer on overcrowding grounds and how many on medical grounds.

REPLY:

At 31st December 2019, There are 186 Local Authority Transfers approved within the Metropolitan Area (i.e. existing council tenants).

62 are approved based on health grounds.

54 are approved based on overcrowding.

Rob Lowth, Housing Support Services

13/01/2020



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Question submitted by Councillor C Sheehan

I will ask at the next Metropolitan Meeting of Limerick City and County Council in relation to the response to my question at the October Metropolitan Meeting for a copy of the report that was supposed to be circulated to Members in response to my previous question on the progress for the proposed Corbally playground and if the report/consultative committee have identified a site for the proposed playground and for a presentation on the plans for the playground to be made to Elected Representatives.

REPLY:

At the Metropolitan District Meeting of Limerick City and County Council held on July 16th 2018 a proposal to allocate groups funding under the GMA was made under item 13 of the agenda. The Notice of Motion was submitted by Councillors M.Hourigan, V.Crowley, F.Daly, J.Costelloe & J.Gilligan and it asked to agree to nominate a number of groups for funding out of the GMA including 'Corbally Group Park Enabling Association for €15,000. The motion was proposed by Councillor Hourigan and seconded by Councillor Daly.

A progress report and presentation on the project as outlined in the notice of motion has been requested from Corbally Group Park Enabling Association and a response is awaited.

**Gordon Daly
Director of Services
Community Development Directorate
15th January 2020.**

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Question submitted by Councillor B. Leddin

I will ask Limerick Council to provide a full breakdown of its traffic and parking enforcement resources, i.e. number of traffic wardens employed by Limerick Council, what areas do they cover, what are their working hours, and to provide the annual cost to Limerick Council of traffic and parking enforcement.

REPLY:

Limerick City and County Council currently employs seven Traffic Wardens and one Traffic Warden Supervisor in the Metropolitan District. In February 2020, an additional Traffic Warden will commence employment.

Traffic Warden duties involve the enforcement of traffic and parking regulations including bye laws, which control paid parking.

Traffic Wardens are employed on rostered duty, Monday – Friday, 8.30am to 6.00pm and 9.00am to 4.00pm Saturdays.

The total cost of operating the parking enforcement service, including administration and so on, is €680,000.00

**Kieran Lehane
Director of Service
Service Operations Directorate.**

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Metropolitan District of Limerick

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Question submitted by Councillor B. Leddin

I ask at the next Meeting how many properties were added and removed from the derelict sites register in 2019, and to be provided with a list of said properties and their addresses.

Response to Question

Properties Added to the Derelict Sites Register 2019 – 43

DS-116-17	Main Street, Oola, Co. Limerick.
DS-042-17	Moore Street, Cappamore, Co. Limerick.
DS-063-16	Main Street, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick.
DS-065-16	Lower Main Street, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick.
DS-090-17	88 Sheelin Road, Caherdavin, Limerick.
DS-052-17	84 Hyde Road, Prospect, Limerick.
DS-075-16	34-41 Catherine Street, Limerick.
DS-069-16	20 Elm Park, Croom, Co. Limerick.
DS-076-17	37 Windmill Street, Limerick
DS102-17	3 Long Lane, Sir Harry's Mall, Limerick.
DS-007-12	53-54 Clare Street, Limerick.
DS-004-19	Culliney Mhór, 1 Ennis Road, Elm Park, Limerick.
DS-002-19	Dock Road, Limerick. V94 D407
DS-081-17	3 Mount Vincent Place, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick. V94 NPD3
DS-115-17	35 Lord Edward Street, Limerick. V94 TD56
DS-019-18	Ground Floor, Barrow House, Michael Street, Limerick
DS-069-17	2 Dromore Rise, Raheen, Limerick.
DS-028-18	3 Knockane Road, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick
DS-016-15	Maiden Street, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick.
DS-138-18	98 Arra View, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick.
DS-043-19	21-23 Old Clare Street, Limerick.
DS-015-19	Knight's Court, Cullinagh, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick
DS-089-16	Lord Edward Street, Limerick. V94 YH27
DS-054-19	14 The Glebe, Monagea, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick. V42 A407
DS-055-19	15 The Glebe, Monagea, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick. V42 HR92
DS-056-19	21 The Glebe, Monagea, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick.
DS-057-19	22 The Glebe, Monagea, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick.
DS-049-16	1 Collins Avenue, Kincora Park, Southill, Limerick. V94 DXY6
DS-070-16	Tournafulla, Co. Limerick
DS-053-17	85 Hyde Road, Prospect, Limerick.

DS-079-17	Melrose, Ballysimon Road, Limerick.
DS-017-17	The Square, Galbally, Co. Limerick
DS-023-19	11 & 12 Clontarf Place, Limerick.
DS-047-19	15 O'Callaghan Avenue, Kileely, Limerick.
DS-028-16	46 Garryglass, Ballinacurra Weston, Limerick.
DS-011-19	4 Shelbourne Terrace, High Road, Thomondgate, Limerick.
DS-042-16	Mulcair Drive, Annacotty, Co. Limerick.
DS-053-19	Fuller's Folly, Bridge Street, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.
DS-085-19	Former Railway Station, Kilreash, Ardagh, Co. Limerick.
DS-142-19	Wolfe Tone Street, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick.
DS-017-18	Ballyania, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick.
DS-111-18	6 & 7 St. Gerard Street, Limerick.
DS-099-18	26 Seán Heuston Place, Limerick.

Properties removed from the Derelict Sites Register 2019 - 10

DS-002-94	3 James Street, Limerick.
DS-003-94	2 James Street, Limerick.
DS-004-94	7 Upper Mallow Street
DS-005-94	6 Upper Mallow Street
DS-002-11	111 Hyde Road, Prospect
DS-009-08	Fordgefield Pallaskenry
DS-004-12	27 Quins Cottages, Rosbrien
DS-020-12	23 Roches Road, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick.
DS-094-17	7 Mulgrave Street, Limerick.
DS-006-17	Main Street, Cappamore

Gordon Daly

Director of Service

Community Development Directorate

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Question submitted by Councillor B. Leddin

I ask at the next Meeting whether the introduction of the MyPoint system has resulted in an increase in participation in public consultations, and whether internal capacity exists within Limerick City and County Council to make minor improvements to the system.

REPLY:

MyPoint is a digital alternative to receiving submissions through traditional means, e.g. hard copy submissions and is not a replacement. Since launching My Point in April 2019, 14 consultations and 2 citizen surveys have gone live on the portal. Part VIII submissions received in hard copy are now routinely uploaded to MyPoint along with the digital uploads allowing citizens to view every submission in one location.

Depending on the nature of the consultation, participation can vary. The recent O'Connell Street Revitalisation Project received 64 submissions from engaged citizens, 58 of these submissions were made via the online portal. This has reduced Limerick's carbon footprint by eliminating the need for paper and the system is available to our citizens 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

The Business Improvement Department is the primary contact for the administration of MyPoint and is continually assessing the system for potential improvements.

**Sean Coughlan,
Deputy Chief Executive
Director of Service Support Services.**