

DEPUTATION MEETING MINUTES

Date & Time: 26th April 2017 @ 3pm

Deputation Group: Concerned Residents of the Grange, Lucan

Councillors Present:	Cllr. Liona O'Toole Cllr. Trevor Gilligan Cllr. Paul Foley Cllr. Deirdre O'Donovan Apologies: Cllr. Danny O'Brien	Cllr. Paul Gogarty Cllr. Ed O'Brien Cllr. Charlie O'Connor Cllr. Vicki Casserly
Deputation:	John Power Mary Byrne Adrian Byrne Hugh Rooney	
Council Officials Present:		
Helena Fallon	Land Use Planning & Transportation	
James Phelan	Land Use Planning & Transportation	
Nicola Lawler	Environment, Water & Climate Change	
Michael McAdam	Environment, Water & Climate Change	
Brian Carroll	Housing, Social & Community Development	
Carol McDonnell	Housing, Social & Community Development	
Richard Wann	Housing, Social & Community Development	

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Liona O'Toole.

It is clarified with the Group that Item 4 on the Agenda i.e. Maintenance of Listed structures will be dealt with by the official responsible, Irenie McLoughlin – Conservation Officer, directly with the Group.

1. Update on progress with the 12th Lock Masterplan.

The Group begin by addressing their concerns on the R120 road. The Group would like to know the present situation and what is the timescale for the upgrade of the R120.

Helena Fallon of the Land Use Planning & Transportation Department replies to the Group to explain that the contract documents are nearly completed, the contractors are pre-qualified and South Dublin County Council will be sending them the contract documents. This process takes a few months before the Council receive the tenders back and there is also a waiting period. The whole process should take a couple of months and should be ready to go to site early July.

The Group enquire about the retention of the Traffic Lights for safety purposes.

Ms. Fallon explains that the lights will not be retained. The new configuration of the road will be much safer for all road users at that location and there will be no need to retain the lights.

The Group ask will the lighting on the road be “Twin Lighting” on the road.

Ms. Fallon replies to the Group to say that “Standard Lighting” will be used on the road.

2. Traffic Safety on the 12th Lock Bridge.

The Group enquire about persistent instances of Loose Horses coming onto the Residents properties from land directly opposite their houses. The Group are looking for ways that this will be curtailed.

Ms. Nicola Lawler of the Environment, Water & Climate Change Department establishes if these incidents are happening on Private Property. Ms. Lawler confirms that a lot of complaints have been received about Loose Horses on the R120 and as of the 16th March 2017, 6 horses had been seized. Ms. Lawler explains that a contractor is in place to deal with any incidents of Loose Horses. It is important that reports of incidents should be made to the Council or the Guards as soon as an incident occurs.

3. Cases of Fly Tipping & security of pedestrians on Green Route.

The Group ask about incidents of fires being lit and Fly Tipping in the area.

Ms. Lawler replies stating that there have been 13 complaints received in the previous 12 months. In relation to Private Land, notice is served on the Land Owner to have the area cleaned up. With regards to Public Land, Litter Wardens investigate any incidents but if there is no evidence contained within the material, fines cannot be issued. Any incidents should be reported to the Council immediately, it will be investigated and removed as soon as possible.

The Group then give a presentation.

4. Drainage for back drain from Grand Canal.

During the presentation the Group discuss the issue of water being channelled into the canal and the need for maintenance to be carried out on the drain that runs behind their houses.

Ms. Fallon responds on this issue to say that she has the latest Drainage Drawings with her. She states that there is additional Drainage provided.

It was agreed that a discussion would take place with the Group after the meeting.

Meeting Ends