

DEPUTATION MEETING MINUTES

Date & Time **23rd May 2018 @ 4pm**

Deputation Group: **Oldcourt Field Action Group**

Councillors Present	Cllr Deirdre O'Donovan Cllr Mick Duff Cllr Charlie O'Connor Cllr Paul Foley Cllr Emma Hendrick
Apologises	Cllr Ronan McMahon and Cllr Dermot Looney
Deputation	Aishling Murphy, Roisin Kelly & Colin Conway
Council Official Present	
Chris Galvin	Environment Water & Climate Change
Laurence Colleran	Environment Water & Climate Change
Eamon Harnett	Environment Water & Climate Change
Mary Maguire	Environment Water & Climate Change
Caroline O'Reilly	Environment Water & Climate Change
Brian Leonard	Housing Social & Community Development
Pamela Hughes	Housing Social & Community Development
Ann Ryan	Housing Social & Community Development
Karen O'Neill	Housing Social & Community Development

The meeting was chaired by Cllr. Deirdre O'Donovan

Items discussed

1. Flood Plain.
2. Anti-social behaviour, bonfires, litter/dumping, trespassing.
3. Overall maintenance, grass cutting, protected hedgerows upkeep of stream
4. Local community access & usage, dog walking, access from Oldcourt Road and Nature space.

Items 1

Group informed officials that further to a meeting with Gabrielle McGee there was discussions regarding a water feature and planting of reeds to enhance the open space.

Items 2 and 3

Group informed officials of the ongoing Anti-social behaviour issues, bonfires, damage to trees and grass; site not being regularly maintained. Litter problems with the open space.

Eamon Harnett of the Environment Water & Climate Change department replied stating that had issues this year with maintaining various areas due to the bad weather conditions at the start of the year.

Mary Maguire of the Environment Water & Climate Change department stated that the land is not in South Dublin County Council ownership and that litter legislation put the onus on dealing with illegally dumping on the owner of the land.

Items 4

Group informed officials that they would like to see the space used as follow:

- Mini football pitches.
- Community Garden.
- Dog walking area.

They also expressed concerns about the access to the site and requested a bin for dog waste.

Mary Maguire confirmed that it would not be possible to have a dog run and that any bin can be used to put bagged dog waste. She also informed the group of the Social Credit Scheme that they may avail of to enhance the open space.

Eamon Harnett also said he would discuss the access at the site meeting.

Commitments given:

- Item 1:** Chris Galvin to follow up with Public Realm and Gabrielle McGee regarding previous discussed issues.
- Item 2:** Eamon Harnett is to meet group on site to discuss all issues
- Item 3:** Mary Maguire to establish ownership of the land.
- Item 4:** Groups details to be given to Una Maguire for the Social Credit Scheme.