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Friday, 15th January 2026

To Each Member of the Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters)

Dear Councillor

A meeting of the **Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters)** will be held **Hybrid** in the **Council Chamber - Grove Road, Blanchardstown/MS Teams** at **3.30 pm** on **Thursday, 22nd January, 2026** to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

Ciara O hAodha
Meetings Administrator
Corporate Services

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QUESTIONS

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"To ask the Chief Executive to provide additional information on works at Porterstown Park, including whether athletics will still be allowed on the older 400m grass track?"

- 3 Councillor S. Shovlin - Additional Lighting at Dublin Bus Stop 1808, Morgan Place, Castleknock - AI105804**

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- 5 Councillor S. Shovlin - Dog Off Leash Area in Millennium Park - AI105924**

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if there are plans for a small dog off leash area to be developed in the Millennium Park and if so, could details be provided?"

- 6 Councillor S. Shovlin - Update on Improvement Works at Ashtown Gate - AI106038**

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the status of the improvement works at Ashtown Gate?"

7 Councillor J. Walsh - Update on Kellystown Cemetery - AI105890

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the completion of Kellystown cemetery?"

8 Councillor J. Walsh - Provision of a Bench on Castleknock Road - AI105898

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a bench and a small bike rack near bus stop number 1690 (Pecks Lane) on Castleknock Road beside the bus shelter?"

9 Councillor J. Walsh - Christmas Trees for Clonsilla - AI105897

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of two Christmas trees for Clonsilla in 2026, including one in its present location and one adjacent to St. Mary's Church, Clonsilla?"

10 Councillor J. Walsh - New Planted Area - Castleknock Road to Dunsandle Court - AI105899

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a new planted area with a bench, surrounded by a low curved stone wall opposite the pedestrian entrance from Castleknock Road to Dunsandle Court (similar to the one at the entrance to Peck's Lane)?"

11 Councillor J. Walsh - Update on Millennium Park Playground - AI106040

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a progress update on the refurbishment of the playground in Millennium Park?"

12 Councillor J. Walsh - Provision of Yellow Box at Hazelbury Park - AI106224

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a yellow box at the entrance to Hazelbury Park?"

13 Councillor J. Walsh - Tree Pruning in Rockfield Drive, Coolmine - AI106225

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include a tree at (details supplied) Rockfield Drive, Coolmine, Dublin 15 for inspection and pruning in the current tree works programme for 2025-2026?"

14 Councillor A. Donnelly - Additional Costs incurred by Bus Enhancement Programme in this LEA - AI106063

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on any additional costs, including manpower, incurred by the implementation of the National Transport Authority's bus enhancement programme in this Local Electoral Area?"

15 Councillor A. Donnelly - Service Agreement - ESB Repair Work in this LEA - AI106066

"To ask the Chief Executive if there is a service level agreement with the Electricity Supply Board for repair work to traffic lights in this Local Electoral Area as the traffic lights at Hartstown School were broken for a considerable time?"

16 Councillor A. Donnelly - Report on Damage to Bins and Benches in this LEA AI106068

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on how many bins and benches have been damaged in this Local Electoral Area in 2025?"

17 Councillor E. Troy - Update on Clonsilla Road/Shelerin Road Junction Works - AI106215

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update of when works will commence on the Clonsilla Road/Shelerin Road Junction?"

18 Councillor B. Hanaphy - Graffiti Removal at Snugborough Road Interchange - AI106229

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange, with the Art's Office, to have the graffiti removed from the mural in the underpass of the Snugborough Road Interchange and also the information signage which names the artist, title and description of the work, repaired or replaced?"

19 Councillor B. Hanaphy - Removal of Hoarding at Corduff Park - AI106230

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for the removal of the hoarding in Corduff Park, which is between the all-weather pitch and St. Patricks School, as this is an area which is used for drug taking, dealing and anti-social behaviour?"

20 Councillor B. Hanaphy - Cleaning of Road Signage in this LEA - AI106231

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for road signs, in this Local Electoral Area, which are covered in mould and mud to be cleaned?"

21 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Update on Rehabilitation work in Mulhuddart Cemetery - AI106234

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the proposed rehabilitation work in Mulhuddart Cemetery and to confirm if the project is still on course regarding completion date and budget?"

22 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Update on Rehabilitation Work in Kellystown Cemetery - AI106235

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on works at Kellystown Cemetery which are due for completion in Q1 of 2026 and to confirm if the project is still on course regarding completion date and budget?"

**OPERATIONAL
NEW WORKS, ETC.**

23 Draft Programme of Works 2026 - Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Operational Area

MOTIONS

24 Councillor T. Leddy - Public Parking - Tyrellstown Park - AI105737

"That the Chief Executive directs the Parks Department to develop a public parking facility at Tyrrrelstown Park."

25 Councillor E. Carbone-Mangan - Review of Licensing Agreement at Porterstown Park - AI105757

"That the Chief Executive review the current licensing agreement at Porterstown Park to enable community access to public slots at the facility."

26 Councillor S. Shovlin - Safer Pedestrian Crossings at Laraghcon Hill Roundabouts - AI105758

"That the Chief Executive explore options to create safer pedestrian crossings at Laraghcon Hill roundabouts, while also looking at what works were done in other areas such as Coolmine Roundabout."

27 Councillor A. Donnelly - Installation of Guardrail at Hartstown/Huntstown FC - AI106065

"That the Chief Executive considers installing a low guardrail around the pitch used by Hartstown/Huntstown Football Club as their main pitch, to prevent damage to the pitch as a result of scrambler use."

28 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Speed Cushion on Tyrrelstown Roads - AI106233

"That the Chief Executive provides an update on the installation of speed cushions on roads in Tyrrelstown where vehicles have been observed speeding dangerously."

29 Councillor T. Leddy - Sensory Playground at Fortlawn - AI105801

"That the Chief Executive commits to delivering a sensory playground in Fortlawn in 2026."

30 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Audit on Condition of Fingal Roads in this LEA - AI106236

"That the Chief Executive commits to conducting an audit on the status/condition of Council roads in this Local Electoral Area, in view of growing complaints by vehicle owners."

**Comhairle Contae Fine Gall
Fingal County Council
BLANCHARDSTOWN-MULHUDDART/CASTLEKNOCK/ONGAR
AREA COMMITTEE
(Services A – Operational Matters)
Thursday 18th December 2025**

A meeting of the Members of the Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services A-Operational Matters) was held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Blanchardstown, at 3.30pm on Thursday 18th December 2025

PRESENT

John Burtchaell	JK Onwumereh
Eimear Carbone Mangan	Patrick Quinlan
Kieran Dennison	Helen Redwood
Breda Hanaphy	Siobhan Shovlin
Angela Donnelly	Ellen Troy
Tom Kitt	John Walsh
Mary McCamley	Ted Leddy
Gerard Sheehan	

The Area Chairperson, Councillor Eimear Carbone Mangan, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Vanessa Carey (Senior Executive Officer); Deirdre Sinclair (Administrative Officer); Hugh James (Senior Executive Engineer); Quintin Grealley (Executive Engineer); Greg Quinn (Executive Engineer); Colin Gilhooly (Area Inspector); Stephen Johnson (Executive Parks & Landscape Officer); Karen Leeson (Senior Executive Engineer); Lourda Darcy (Assistant Parks & Landscape Officer); Ronan Davis (Staff Officer); Elaine Tobin (Assistant Staff Officer)

The following agenda items were considered during the meeting:

CMA/247/25 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of the Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters) Meeting held on Thursday the 27th November 2025

Minutes of the Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services A – Operational Matters) held in the Council Chambers on Thursday 27th November 2025 which had been circulated were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record.

It was proposed by Councillor M. McCamley and seconded by Councillor T. Leddy and **RESOLVED**:

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services A- Operational Matters) Hybrid Meeting held on Thursday 27th November 2025 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

CMA/248/25 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor J. Walsh and seconded by Councillor B. Hanaphy and **RESOLVED**:

“That pursuant to Standing Order No. 51, Questions numbered 02 to 16 inclusive be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

CMA/249/25 (Agenda Item No 2)

Councillor S. Shovlin - Update on Boundary between Hamilton and Mulberry Estates - AI105187

CMA/250/25 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor S. Shovlin - Update on Ash Dieback Replacement in Clonsilla - AI105399

CMA/251/25 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor S. Shovlin - Update on Planting at Shackleton Garden - AI105560

CMA/252/25 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Update on Gritting of Roads in this LEA - AI105504

CMA/253/25 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor E. Carbone-Mangan - Installation of Yellow Box - Collegewood, Carpenterstown Road - AI105654

CMA/254/25 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor P. Quinlan - Update on Road Resurfacing Works in this LEA - AI105669

CMA/255/25 (Agenda Item No 8)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Leaf Clearing Requests in this LEA - AI105707

CMA/256/25 (Agenda Item No 9)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Nitrous Oxide Cannisters in this LEA - AI105709

CMA/257/25 (Agenda Item No 10)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Replacement of Benches in Hartstown Park - AI105710

CMA/258/25 (Agenda Item No 11)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Non-Wooden Benches in this LEA - AI105711

CMA/259/25 (Agenda Item No 12)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Tree Planting Programme in this LEA - AI105712

CMA/260/25 (Agenda Item No 13)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Provision of Christmas Tree in Hartstown - AI105713

CMA/261/25 (Agenda Item No 14)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Ash Tree Replacement in Ravenswood - AI105714

CMA/262/25 (Agenda Item No 15)

Councillor E. Troy - Road Resurfacing at Beechpark Lawn and Avenue - AI105708

CMA/263/25 (Agenda Item No 16)

Councillor E. Troy - Material Inspections - Coolmine Recycling Centre - AI105715

OPERATIONAL NEW WORKS, ETC

CMA/264/25 (Agenda Item No 17)

Traffic Calming Scheme 2025 - Porterstown Road

A Presentation was given to the Elected Members on the Traffic Calming Scheme 2025 – Porterstown Road

Following discussion, the Committee **AGREED** the report.

CMA/265/25 (Agenda Item No 18)

**Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Operations 2025
Programme of Works**

A presentation was given to the Elected Members with an update on the 2025 Programme of Works. The presentation included an update on

- Roads Programme of Works – Greg Quinn
- Public Lighting – Karen Leeson
- Traffic Programme of Works – Quintin Greally
- Parks Programme of Works – Colin Gilhooley
- Capital Programme of Works for Parks – Stephen Johnson

Following discussion, the Committee **NOTED** the report.

MOTIONS

CMA/266/25 (Agenda Item No 19)

Councillor J. Walsh - Traffic Survey on the Clonsilla Road - AI105360

The attached Motion in the name of Councillor J. Walsh was proposed by Councillor J. Walsh and seconded by Councillor M. McCamley

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was considered.

Following discussion, the Committee **ACCEPTED** the report.

CMA/267/25 (Agenda Item No 20)

Councillor P. Quinlan - Traffic Calming Measures - Deerhaven - AI105412

The attached Motion in the name of Councillor P. Quinlan was proposed by Councillor P. Quinlan and seconded by Councillor G. Sheehan

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was considered.

Following discussion, the Committee **ACCEPTED** the report.

CMA/268/25 (Agenda Item No 21)

Councillor S. Shovlin - Update on Lighting in Parks in this LEA - AI105398

The attached Motion in the name of Councillor S. Shovlin was proposed by Councillor S. Shovlin and seconded by Councillor J. Walsh

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was considered.

Following discussion, the Committee **ACCEPTED** the report.

CMA/269/25 (Agenda Item No 22)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Planting Scheme - Ongar Distributor Road - AI105688

The attached Motion in the name of Councillor A. Donnelly was proposed by Councillor A. Donnelly and seconded by Councillor B. Hanaphy

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was considered.

Following discussion, the Committee **ACCEPTED** the report.

CMA/270/25 (Agenda Item No 23)

Councillor T. Leddy - Public Parking - Tyrellstown Park - AI105737

It was **AGREED** to defer this item.

CMA/271/25 (Agenda Item No 24)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Utility Companies in this LEA - AI105706

The attached Motion in the name of Councillor A. Donnelly was proposed by Councillor A. Donnelly and seconded by Councillor B. Hanaphy

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was considered.

Following discussion, the Committee **ACCEPTED** the report.

The Meeting concluded at 18:00hrs

AREA CHAIRPERSON

DATED

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BLANCHARDSTOWN-MULHUDDART/CASTLEKNOCK/ONGAR AREA COMMITTEE MEETING (Services A – Operational Matters)

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ITEM NO. 02

UPDATE ON WORKS AT PORTERSTOWN PARK - AI105759

Question: Councillor S. Shovlin

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide additional information on works at Porterstown Park, including whether athletics will still be allowed on the older 400m grass track?”

Reply:

The lower field in Porterstown Park is currently being developed. Several meetings have taken place with clubs who may be interested in future allocation of the developing facilities.

While there is no formal allocation of the 400m grass track in Porterstown, this is still being maintained and facilitated within the Park. The Council sees no immediate change to this current arrangement.

Source of Reply:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 03

**ADDITIONAL LIGHTING AT DUBLIN BUS STOP 1808, MORGAN PLACE,
CASTLEKNOCK - AI105804**

Question: Councillor S. Shovlin

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to installing additional lighting at Dublin Bus Stop 1808, Morgan Place, Castleknock to enhance safety at night?”

Reply:

There is an existing light at bus stop 1808 on the Navan Road/R147 and no additional lighting will be installed here.

Source of Reply:

Ms. Karen Leeson, Senior Executive Engineer, Public Lighting, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 04

UPDATE ON PORTERSTOWN PARK ENTRANCE/EXIT - AI105805

Question: Councillor S. Shovlin

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Porterstown Park entrance/exit?"

Reply:

A contractor was appointed for the redevelopment of the overflow car park at Porterstown in Q4, 2025. Fingal included the main car park entrance as part of the tender. Any changes to the current layout would be subject to a road safety audit, and this has been included as part of the tender.

These works are expected to start in Q1 of 2026. Notification will be given to all local stakeholders in advance of work commencing.

Source of Reply:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 05

DOG OFF LEASH AREA IN MILLENNIUM PARK - AI105924

Question: Councillor S. Shovlin

“To ask the Chief Executive to advise if there are plans for a small dog off leash area to be developed in the Millennium Park and if so, could details be provided?”

Reply:

There are currently no plans to install a separate off leash area for smaller dogs at Millenium Park. Any new infrastructure in the park must be considered and installed in a manner which is balanced and suitable to all Park users. The installation of another area for dogs would mean the removal of a section of meadow. There would also be a capital cost with this including fencing, drainage, access paths etc.

Works took place in the dog run at Millenium in 2024 to expand its size to over 3600m². There is now sufficient space for separation between users. Dogs must remain under effectual control of their owners at all times and any issues arising should be reported to Environment@fingal.ie

Source of Reply:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 06

UPDATE ON IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT ASHTOWN GATE - AI106038

Question: Councillor S. Shovlin

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the status of the improvement works at Ashtown Gate?”

Reply:

Over the years, there have been numerous representations both from Councillors and the public requesting the junction of Ashtown Gate to be improved.

The Bus Connects scheme proposes to signalise this junction. This will include signalised pedestrian crossings.

As an interim measure in advance of Bus Connects, the junction will be tightened with road markings and bollards. This interim measure is being implemented to assist motorists at the junction.

This interim measure has been developed by Dublin City Council and Fingal County Council and agreed to by the OPW.

The uncontrolled crossings and road markings are completed, and in the coming weeks, flexible bollards will be installed, completing the interim measure.

Source of Reply:

Quintin Greally, Executive Engineer, Traffic Section, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 07

UPDATE ON KELLYSTOWN CEMETERY - AI105890

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the completion of Kellystown cemetery?"

Reply:

The development of Kellystown Cemetery is ongoing following commencement of site works in Q1 2025. Work is currently progressing well on site with good progress on grave layouts, pathways and buildings.

The construction works have been phased to allow shared construction access to a neighbouring residential development site and works remain on the completion of buildings, boundary, parking areas, planting and utility connections at the cemetery.

Current progress indicates handover in April 2026 subject to utility connections being in place. This may allow for commencement of cemetery operations in late Q2 2026.

This current phase of development works will when complete provide approx. 650 grave plots, structures for the storage of ashes including columbarium walls and memorial plots, a small services building, a carpark and extensive site infrastructure and landscaping.

Source of Reply:

Pat Boyle, Senior Architect, Architect's Department.

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ITEM NO. 08

PROVISION OF A BENCH ON CASTLEKNOCK ROAD - AI105898

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a bench and a small bike rack near bus stop number 1690 (Pecks Lane) on Castleknock Road beside the bus shelter?”

Reply:

Following a discussion with Councillor Walsh, the request for a bench at this location is no longer required by the residents.

Source of Reply:

Colin Gilhooley, Area Inspector, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 09

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR CLONSILLA - AI105897

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of two Christmas trees for Clonsilla in 2026, including one in its present location and one adjacent to St. Mary's Church, Clonsilla?”

Reply:

The Area Inspector has met with the Tidy Towns group with regard to the provision of an additional tree for Clonsilla. As the location proposed at St. Mary's Church would not be suitable, it was agreed that the Tidy Towns Committee would approach Lidl and ask if it would be possible to have a Christmas Tree installed on the paved area to the front of the store.

If agreed, the Operations Department may be able to assist in supplying the tree.

Source of Reply:

Colin Gilhooley, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 10

**NEW PLANTED AREA – CASTLEKNOCK ROAD TO DUNSANDLE COURT
- AI105899**

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a new planted area with a bench, surrounded by a low curved stone wall opposite the pedestrian entrance from Castleknock Road to Dunsandle Court (similar to the one at the entrance to Peck’s Lane)?”

Reply:

This request has been included for consideration as part of the Draft Programme of Works 2026, which is before the Members today for approval.

Source of Reply:

Colin Gilhooley, Area Inspector, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 11

UPDATE ON MILLENNIUM PARK PLAYGROUND - AI106040

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a progress update on the refurbishment of the playground in Millennium Park?”

Reply:

The redevelopment of Millenium Park playground was divided into two phases. Phase One which encompassed the larger northern section opened to the public before Christmas 2025.

The second phase of works will be completed by mid-February 2026.

Source of Reply:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 12

PROVISION OF YELLOW BOX AT HAZELBURY PARK - AI106224

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a yellow box at the entrance to Hazelbury Park?”

Reply:

A Yellow Box at the entrance to Hazelbury Park has been added to the list for it to be considered for inclusion as part of the next contract for lining works.

Lining works have ceased over the winter months, and this request will be considered for 2026 when the new lining contract is in place.

Source of Reply:

Quintin Greally, Executive Engineer, Traffic Section, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 13

TREE PRUNING IN ROCKFIELD DRIVE, COOLMINE - AI106225

Question: Councillor J. Walsh

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include a tree at (details supplied) Rockfield Drive, Coolmine, Dublin 15 for inspection and pruning in the current tree works programme for 2025-2026?”

Reply:

I wish to confirm that tree pruning works at this location have been completed.

Source of Reply:

Colin Gilhooley, Area Inspector, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 14

**ADDITIONAL COSTS INCURRED BY BUS ENHANCEMENT
PROGRAMME IN THIS LEA - AI106063**

Question: Councillor A. Donnelly

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on any additional costs, including manpower, incurred by the implementation of the National Transport Authority's bus enhancement programme in this Local Electoral Area?”

Reply:

2025 was the first year the Operations Department, in conjunction with the National Transport Authority (NTA), carried out bus stop enhancements in this Local Electoral Area. Both engineering and administrative resources from Fingal County Council were, and will be, used to deliver on the bus stop enhancement projects agreed with the NTA.

The projects agreed with the NTA were put out to tender in 2025 and, due to time constraints, will be delivered in Q1 2026. The infrastructural costs incurred by Fingal County Council on these contracts will be fully reimbursed by the NTA.

Source of Reply:

Hugh James, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 15

SERVICE AGREEMENT – ESB REPAIR WORK IN THIS LEA - AI106066

Question: Councillor A. Donnelly

“To ask the Chief Executive if there is a service level agreement with the Electricity Supply Board for repair work to traffic lights in this Local Electoral Area as the traffic lights at Hartstown School were broken for a considerable time?”

Reply:

The Traffic Section does not have a service agreement with the ESB.

When there is a power fault at traffic lights, the Traffic Section refer the fault to the ESB to address. At that point, the Traffic Section do not influence how quickly the ESB address the matter.

In this particular case, the traffic lights are fed from the public lighting. Fingal's Public Lighting Department needed to investigate if the fault was on the public lighting side first. When it was confirmed this wasn't a matter for Public Lighting then the case was referred to the ESB to address.

Notwithstanding the above, this case was particularly slow to address and in general, when there is a power fault at traffic lights, the ESB are quick to resolve the matter.

Source of Reply:

Quintin Greally, Executive Engineer Traffic Section, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 16

REPORT ON DAMAGE TO BINS AND BENCHES IN THIS LEA - AI106068

Question: Councillor A. Donnelly

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on how many bins and benches have been damaged in this Local Electoral Area in 2025?”

Reply:

Hartstown Park	10 Benches & 1 Bin
Ongar Park	1 Bench
Hollystown Park	1 Bench
Diswellstown Park	1 Bench
Littlepace Park	1 Bench
Lanesborough Park	1 Bin
Solar Bins throughout Dublin 15	5 Solar Bins

Source of Reply:

Colin Gilhooley & Michael Tynan, Area Inspectors, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 17

**UPDATE ON CLONSILLA ROAD/SHELERIN ROAD JUNCTION WORKS –
AI106215**

Question: Councillor E. Troy

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update of when works will commence on the Clonsilla Road/Shelerin Road Junction?”

Reply:

No works are planned for the Clonsilla Road/Shelerin Road junction.

However, there are upgrade works planned to the front of the shops on the Clonsilla Road, near this junction. These works are scheduled to be done in Q 2/3 this year.

Source of Reply:

Hugh James, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 18

**GRAFFITI REMOVAL AT SNUGBOROUGH ROAD INTERCHANGE -
AI106229**

Question: Councillor B. Hanaphy

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange, with the Art’s Office, to have the graffiti removed from the mural in the underpass of the Snugborough Road Interchange and also the information signage which names the artist, title and description of the work, repaired or replaced?”

Reply:

The Arts office has confirmed that the information signage has been fully restored and reinstated this week.

Regarding the mural itself, the responsibility as to who maintains the underpasses and structures at this location is still to be determined i.e. whether it’s Fingal County Council or Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII).

In the meantime, the Council’s Arts Office, who was involved in the installation of the mural, will investigate the appropriate method for the safe removal of the graffiti.

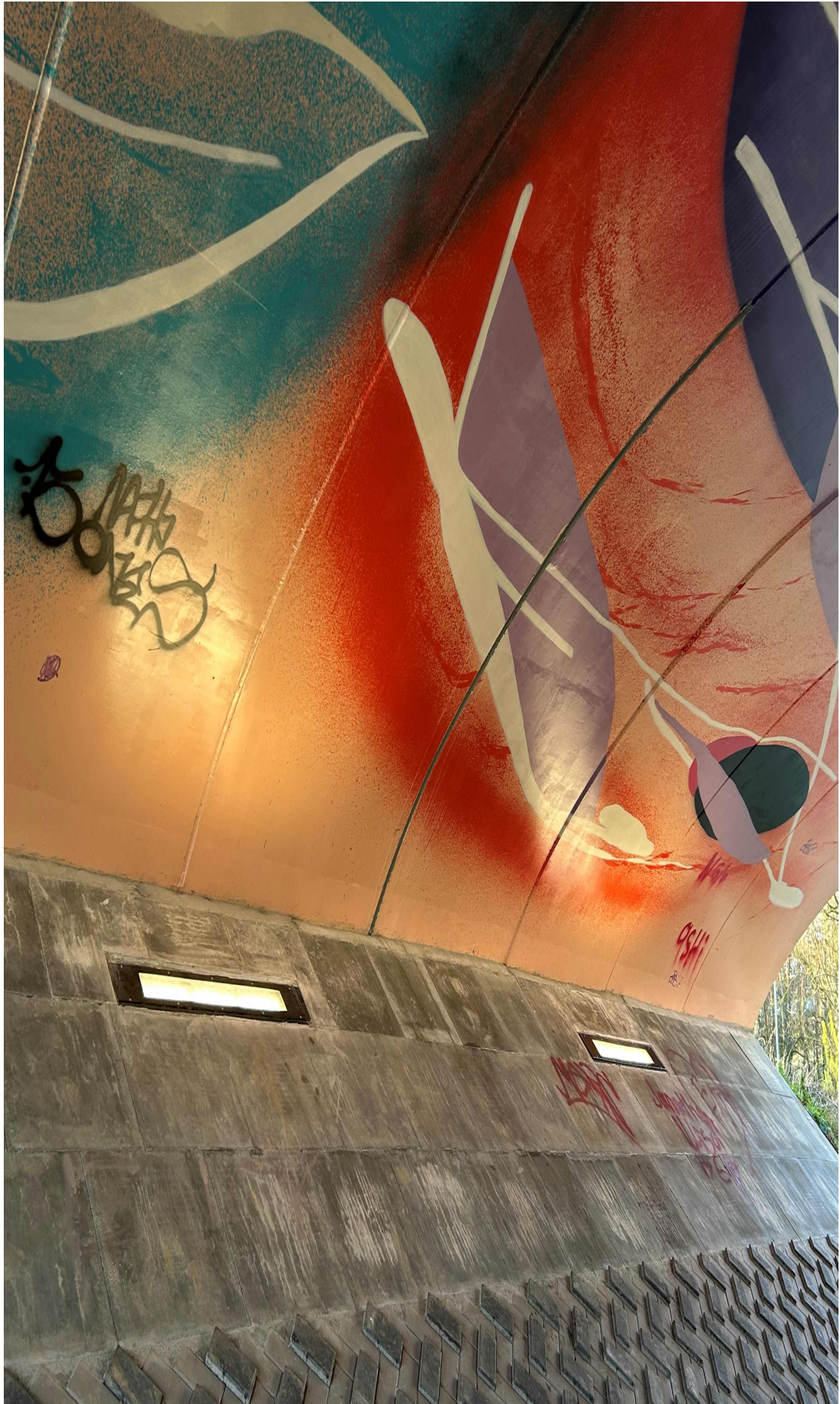
Source of Reply:

Anne Raj, Senior Staff Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 19

REMOVAL OF HOARDING AT CORDUFF PARK - AI106230

Question: Councillor B. Hanaphy

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for the removal of the hoarding in Corduff Park, which is between the all-weather pitch and St. Patricks School, as this is an area which is used for drug taking, dealing and anti-social behaviour?”

Reply:

I wish to confirm the hoarding in question was erected by the contractor engaged by St.Patrick’s Senior National School. Therefore, to request its removal, contact will have to be made with the school directly.

Source of Reply:

Anne Raj, Senior Staff Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 20

CLEANING OF ROAD SIGNAGE IN THIS LEA - AI106231

Question: Councillor B. Hanaphy

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for road signs, in this Local Electoral Area, which are covered in mould and mud to be cleaned?”

Reply:

I wish to confirm these works will be carried as part of our winter works programme.

Source of Reply:

Michael Tynan, Area Inspector, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 21

UPDATE ON REHABILITATION WORK IN MULHUDDART CEMETERY - AI106234

Question: Councillor JK. Onwumereh

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the proposed rehabilitation work in Mulhuddart Cemetery and to confirm if the project is still on course regarding date and budget?”

Reply:

The development includes improvements to the site infrastructure, including changes to car park and boundary alignment and finish at Church Road, and the creation of a new reflection garden and columbarium walls for the storage of ashes.

The tender pack is nearing completion, and will be ready for procurement early in 2026. Subject to procurement outcome, an award of contract is anticipated in Q2 2026 and it is expected that the work will take six months to complete on site.

Works will be phased, to allow for access and the operation of the cemetery to continue. The project budget remains as per the Council's Capital Programme.

Source of Reply:

Pat Boyle, Senior Architect, Architect's Department.

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ITEM NO. 22

**UPDATE ON REHABILITATION WORKS IN KELLYSTOWN CEMETERY -
AI106235**

Question: Councillor JK. Onwumereh

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on works at Kellystown Cemetery which was due for completion in Q1 of 2026 and to confirm if the project is still on course regarding date and budget?”

Reply:

The development of Kellystown Cemetery is ongoing following commencement of site works in Q1 2025. Work is currently progressing well on site with good progress on grave layouts, pathways and buildings.

The construction works have been phased to allow shared construction access to a neighbouring residential development site and works remain on the completion of buildings, boundary, parking areas, planting and utility connections at the cemetery.

Current progress indicates handover in April 2026, subject to utility connections being in place. This may allow for commencement of cemetery operations in late Q2 2026.

This current phase of development works will when complete provide approx. 650 grave plots, structures for the storage of ashes including columbarium walls and

memorial plots, a small services building, a carpark and extensive site infrastructure and landscaping.

The project currently remains within the approved budget.

Source of Reply:

Pat Boyle, Senior Architect, Architect's Department.



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**Blanchardstown-
Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar**

Operational Area

Programme of Works 2026

Summary

Item	Description		Budget
			€
1	Roads -Minor Works Improvement Programme		€543,000
2	Roads – Restoration Improvement Programme		€965,200
3	Traffic – Traffic Management Schemes		€445,000
4	Parks – Parks and Open Spaces Programme		€457,200
5	Public Lighting		€150,000
		TOTAL	€2,560,400

Surface Restoration Improvement & Maintenance Works

Page 61	Minor Works Improvement	€ 543,000
	Restoration Improvement	€ 965,200
	Total	€1,508,200

Restoration Improvement / Maintenance

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Item	Location	Description	Budget (€)
1	Homeleigh Castleknock	Surface Restoration	108563
2	Castleknock Green / Dunsandle Court/Grove	Surface Restoration	109984
3	Mulhuddart Village Junction	Surface Restoration	163440
4	Snugborough Road Corduff (North of Interchange)	Surface Restoration	96000
5	R135 Coolquay	Surface Restoration	168761
6	R108 St Margarets	Surface Restoration	130525
7	Dunbro Lane	Deep Patching & Surface Restoration	45400
8	Whitestown Green, Avenue & Gardens	Surface Restoration	80670
9	Coolmine Park, Blanchardstown and Oak Lawn, Castleknock	Concrete Road Repairs	36320
10	The Boulevard Tyrellstown	Surface Restoration	25537
		Total	€965,200

Minor Works / Footpath Improvements

Item	Location	Description	Budget
1	Park Drive Castleknock	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	68003
2	Portersgate Clonsilla	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	44832
3	Roselawn Road Blanchardstown	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	27240
4	Castleknock Park Castleknock	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	65830
5	Elmwood Mulhuddart	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	38590
6	Willow Wood Green Blakestown	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	24970
7	Huntstown Lawn Blakestown	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	20430
8	Lanesborough Finglas	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	40860
9	Wellview/Warrenstown Mulhuddart	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	22700
10	Whitechapel Hartstown	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	21565
11	Oak Lawn Castleknock	Footpath Improvement Works (Concrete)	37455
12	Dublin 15 Accessibility Dishing	Various Locations Dublin 15	56750
13	Dublin 15 Minor Drainage Works	Various Locations Dublin 15	73775
Total			€543,000

Traffic Management Schemes

Traffic Signals	€ 373,000
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Traffic Calming Replacements	€ 24,000
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Traffic Calming	€ 48,000
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Total	€ 445,000
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Traffic Management

Item	Location	Description	Budget
Traffic Signals	Diswellstown Avenue, Carpenterstown	Upgrade existing ramp into a signalised zebra crossing	€43,000
	Ongar Distributor Road, Station Roundabout	Signalised Pedestrian Crossing	€115,000
	St. Margarets Road	Signalised Pedestrian Crossing	€75,000
	Porters Road, Coolmine Industrial Estate	Signalised Pedestrian Crossing	€55,000
	Ongar Village, Sweeney Mews	Type B Zebra Crossing	€25,000
	Castleknock Manor	Two-number Type B Crossings and associated ramps	€60,000
Traffic Calming Ramps	Lanesborough Road, Charlestown	5 Traffic Calming Ramps	€20,000
	Willow Wood, Hartstown	7 Traffic Calming Ramps	€28,000
Traffic Calming Replacement	Tyrellstown Boulevard	Replace modular speed cushions – 4 sets	€10,000
	Sheepmoor	Replace 3 number ramps	€14,000
		TOTAL	€445,000

Parks and Open Spaces

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Total

€ 457,200

Parks and Open Spaces - Blanchardstown

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Blanchardstown		€
1	Verona	Path Works	7,500.00
2	43 Broadway Road	Pollinator Bed	3,000.00
3	Main Street, Blanchardstown	Landscape Project at hexagonal bed	7,500.00
4	Roselawn Road	Rejuvenate/Replace planters	3,000.00
5	Glenville green	Bench	3,000.00
6	Tolka Valley entance/Mill road	3 Benches	9,000.00
7	St Patricks park	1 Bench	3,000.00
8	St Brigids park	2 Benches Tidy towns	6,000.00
9	Glenville Drive	Bulb planting	6,500.00
10	Boundary Summerfield lawn	Tree and hedge planting along wall	8,000.00
11	Willow wood green	Painting railings	3,000.00
		Sub-Total	59,500.00

Parks and Open Spaces - Castleknock

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Castleknock		€
1	Laurel court/Oak tree	Footpath concrete construction	4,000.00
2	Castleknock road	Footpath restoration around trees	10,000.00
3	Park Manor	2 pollinator beds	6,000.00
Page 68 of 68	Castleknock road/ Dunsandle	Pollinator bed and landscaping feature	10,000.00
	College road	Bulb and pollinator bed planting	2,000.00
	College grove	Pollinator bed and entrance stone rejuvenation	2,500.00
7	Park Manor	1 bench	3,000.00
8	Fairhaven	1 bench	3,000.00
9	Georgian village	1 bench	3,000.00
10	Phoenix park race course open space	3 benches	12,000.00
11	Ashleigh	Boundary planting works - 5 trees and hedging	3,000.00
12	The Beeches	Hedge planting around entrance	1,000.00

Parks and Open Spaces - Castleknock

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Castleknock (Contd)		€
13	Riverwood road	Shrubbery planting	4,000.00
14	Riverwood court	Tree planting x6	1,000.00
15	Riverwood entrance	Brickwork repair	1,500.00
16	Old Navan road	Hedge planting opposite Auburn apts	3,000.00
17	Georgian village	Refurbish entrance stone	500.00
		Sub-Total	69,500.00

Parks and Open Spaces - Clonsilla / Ongar / Littlepace

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Clonsilla/Ongar/Littlepace		€
1	Willows green	Dig out and relay damaged path	8,000.00
2	Lohunda road	Pollinator bed	3,000.00
3	Castlefield woods	landscaping project at entrance	6,000.00
4	Castlefield park	landscaping project at entrance	5,000.00
5	Clonsilla park/close	Planting works	2,000.00
6	Stone bridge drive	Pollinator bed at allendale entrance	2,000.00
7	Aldemere/Windemere	Rejuvenate entrance beds	1,500.00
8	ongar roundabout	Planting and design	2,000.00
9	Mount symon	1 bench	3,000.00
10	Portersgate	1 bench	3,000.00

Parks and Open Spaces - Clonsilla / Ongar / Littlepace

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Clonsilla / Ongar / Littlepace		€
11	Aldemere	1 bench	3,000.00
12	Windemere	1 bench	3,000.00
13	Castlefield court	Bulb planting	6,000.00
14	St Mochtas	New entrance stone	1,100.00
15	Lilys way	Boundary works and planting	2,000.00
16	Windmill open space	Bollards and railings	4,000.00
17	Linnottsfield	18 trees to be planted.	3,600.00
18	Hansfield wood park	Entrance works/landscaping	5,000.00
19	Limelawn entrances/Aspenwood	Painting railings and kissing gates	4,000.00
		Sub-Total	67,200.00

Parks and Open Spaces - Mulhuddart / Tyrrelstown / Meakstown

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Mulhuddart/Tyrrelstown /Meakstown		€
1	Briarwood/ The farm	Renew Footpath 60mx1.8m	6,500.00
2	Bealing close	Renew Footpath 50mx2.5m	7,500.00
3	Heathfield park	New dig footpath 25m x 2.5m	4,000.00
4	Briarwood/ the farm	bulbs and hedgerow planting	2,500.00
5	Saddlers	Pollinator bed	2,000.00
6	Corduff	Pollinator beds x 2	2,500.00
7	Blakestown (opposite community centre)	Pollinator bed and wall	5,600.00
8	Mulhuddart village	2 additional planters	1,000.00
9	Briarwood/the farm	1 bench	3,000.00
10	Stonebridge	1 bench	3,000.00

Parks and Open Spaces - Mulhuddart / Tyrrelstown / Meakstown

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Mulhuddart/Tyrrelstown /Meakstown (Contd)		€
11	Mulhuddart village	Stone wall and bench	6,000.00
12	Newtown cottages	Bulb planting	2,500.00
13	St Margarets	Tidy Towns improvements	2,500.00
14	Tyrellstown openspace	Fencing works	4,000.00
15	Heathfield	Tree planting works 20 trees	3,000.00
16	Hollywoodrath drive	Fencing and planting works	4,000.00
17	Westway	Boundary planting noise mitigation	1,500.00
		Sub-Total	61,100.00

Parks and Open Spaces – Dublin 15

Item	Location	Description	Budget
	Dublin 15	General Improvement Works	€
1	Laraghon lucan	Tree planting x 16 trees and benches x 2	9,200.00
2	Laraghon lucan	Pollinator bed on roundabout	3,000.00
3	Tree planting Street Trees	Dublin 15 areas	25,000.00
4	Seagrave park	Footpath works	25,000.00
5	Mulhuddart / Blakestown road	Landscaping works	20,000.00
6	Clonsilla road	Opposite St Mochtas landscaping project	20,000.00
7	D15 Tree works - Specialised	Tree works	20,000.00
8	Village Floral displays	Planting and Maintenance	42,700.00
9	Residents Bulb allocation	Bulb allocation	15,000.00
10	Coolmine woods	Landscaping works	20,000.00
		Sub-Total	199,900.00
		Total	457,200.00

PUBLIC LIGHTING

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Total

€ 150,000

Public Lighting

Item	Location	Description	Budget
1	Walkway between Willow Wood Grove and Stonebridge Road, Clonsilla	New Lighting scheme across green linking Willow Wood Grove and Stonebridge Road to nearest bus stop on the Ongar Distributor Road.	31,000
2	Old River Rd, Blanchardstown	New lantern to be installed onto existing ESB pole near entrance to Woods End estate. Tree cutting required	5,000
3	Mick Walsh Park, Mulhuddart	New lighting scheme to be installed in car park	8,000
Page 76	Porterstown Overflow Carpark, Porterstown	New lighting scheme to be installed in new overflow carpark.	20,000
	Annaly Grove, Ongar	New lighting scheme to be installed on entrance road into Annaly Grove.	26,000
6	Castleknock Manor, Castleknock	Relocation of existing lighting column to accommodate new road crossing for Traffic Section	3,000
7	College Road/Carpenterstown Road Junction at entrance to Castleknock College, Traffic	New electrical supply for traffic lights at junction of College Road/Carpenterstown Road to decouple from the public lighting supply and protect the supply to the traffic lights	4,000
8	Whitestown Park walkway, Coolmine	New Lighting scheme across green linking Whitestown Park to nearest bus stop on Blakestown Way.	23,000
9	Walkway between Hazelbury Park & Littlepace Park, Littlepace	New lighting Scheme on walkway linking Hazelbury Park to Littlepace Park	16,000
10	Hazelbury Park, Cycleway LED Upgrade	Upgrade of 33 existing 1st generation LED lanterns to new LED lanterns	14,000
		Total	€150,000

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ITEM NO. 24

PUBLIC PARKING – TYRELLSTOWN PARK - AI105737

Motion: Councillor T. Leddy

“That the Chief Executive directs the Parks Department to develop a public parking facility at Tyrrelstown Park.”

Report:

The Parks team in both the Operations and Planning and Strategic Infrastructure Departments have been liaising on how best to proceed with providing additional parking at Tyrrelstown Park.

Currently, an area to the northeast of the park has been identified. Operations will consult with the Planning and Strategic Infrastructure team to determine how best to proceed with the project as the installation of a car park would be a change to the lands current use.

Source of Report:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 25

REVIEW OF LICENSING AGREEMENT AT PORTERSTOWN PARK - AI105757

Motion: Councillor E. Carbone-Mangan

“That the Chief Executive review the current licensing agreement at Porterstown Park to enable community access to public slots at the facility.”

Report:

A management licence agreement between Fingal County Council and Porterstown Recreational Hub (comprising Castleknock Celtic Football Club and Metro St. Brigid's Athletic Club) was signed in September 2023, in respect of the operation, management and maintenance of a running track and an all-weather sporting field, within Porterstown Park.

As per the licence agreement, the anchor tenants, as the managers of this facility, must manage and operate the licensed area in a lawful and non-profit manner for the use of the members, guests, visitors, invitees, licensees and volunteer staff at the licensed area subject to the term and conditions set out in the licence.

It is the policy of the Council to encourage local groups to manage and promote community use of the licensed area for recreational, sporting, educational, cultural and social purposes. In this regard, the licensed area is available to community groups, in particular taking account of specific target groups such as local schools, local area development groups, youth clubs etc.

The Licence agreement allows sports clubs/schools/groups etc. to book a time slot via an online booking system to use the facility. Any club/group/school etc. must upload a copy of their own public liability insurance onto the portal as part of the booking process.

As part of the licence agreement, the licensee has to produce a report in January of each year, which addresses matters such as the use of the licensed area; income; rental charges; costs and sinking fund. The Council, will therefore, be meeting with Porterstown Recreational Hub in Q1 2026, to discuss their annual report, ensuring that all conditions of the management licence are being complied with.

Source of Report:

Deirdre Sinclair, Administrative Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 26

SAFER PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AT LARAGHCON HILL ROUNDAABOUTS - AI105758

Motion: Councillor S. Shovlin

“That the Chief Executive explore options to create safer pedestrian crossings at Laraghcon Hill roundabouts, while also looking at what works were done in other areas such as Coolmine Roundabout.”

Report:

Laraghcon Hill has one footpath on the eastern side of the road, which runs from St. Catherine's Park to Lucan Bridge. Most footpath users would use this footpath given the estate entrances are on that side of the road.

The Laraghcon roundabouts have uncontrolled crossings on each arm. The sightlines on the approach to each roundabout in each direction are good.

The public footpath has a dedicated cycle lane from St Catherines Park to the first roundabout and from there, there are dedicated cycle lanes on both sides of the road.

Regarding traffic calming in this location, there are 50 kph signs on the R149 just before St Catherines Park. There are further speed repeater signs on the road before the Lucan Bridge in both directions.

Each roundabout has 'Roundabout' Warning Signage in advance of each roundabout.

There are numerous 'SLOW' road markings on the pavement surface serving as further traffic calming.

There are traffic calming speed cushions in place from the Laraghcon roundabout to the Lucan Bridge.

Between St Catherines Park and Lucan, there are warning signs advising motorists of 'Caution Pedestrians' and School Children Crossing'.

In October 2025, a flashing speed reader was placed after St Catherines Park, acting as a further traffic calming measure for the area. The speed reader was strategically placed to advise motorists of their speed as they enter the Laraghcon area.

Notwithstanding the above, the request for signalised crossings at this location will be added to the list for consideration in a future programme of works.

Source of Report:

Quintin Greally, Executive Engineer Traffic Section, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 27

INSTALLATION OF GUARDRAIL AT HARTSTOWN/HUNTSTOWN FC - AI106065

Motion: Councillor A. Donnelly

“That the Chief Executive considers installing a low guardrail around the pitch used by Hartstown/Huntstown Football Club as their main pitch, to prevent damage to the pitch as a result of scrambler use.”

Report:

Hartstown/Huntstown Football Club (HHFC) are allocated five Pitches within Hartstown Park. HT3 is their main pitch. During the previous 6 months HT3 has been unplayable on one occasion from November 7th to November 14th. All other pitches in Hartstown Park were also off at this time.

Fingal acknowledges there has been increased activity from Scramblers within the Park lately, while they may have travelled across the pitch it has not affected the playability of the main pitch. Therefore, the Council wouldn't consider installing a low guard rail at this time.

The Council will continue to work with the club to improve the clubs allocated pitches within the Park.

Source of Report:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 28

SPEED CUSHION ON TYRRELSTOWN ROADS - AI106233

Motion: Councillor JK. Onwumereh

“That the Chief Executive provides an update on the installation of speed cushions on roads in Tyrrelstown where vehicles have been observed speeding dangerously.”

Report:

The Tyrrelstown estates have access/egress points at different locations, but are all connected to the Boulevard. Access to Tyrrelstown is by the Boulevard at two locations from the R121. Tyrrelstown is not used for commuting traffic. Therefore, if there is speeding, it is caused by the people living there, their visitors or couriers/delivery people.

The roads in each estate are short in nature, which makes speeding difficult. Furthermore, these estates are built within the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets.

The layout design in Tyrrelstown estates is in accordance with the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets, which seeks to achieve safe, low-speed environments through a combination of road design, urban design, and urban planning. This includes narrow carriageways, speed-reducing curves and junctions, direct frontage access, overlooking and appropriate building height to road width ratios.

In the first instance, the problematic locations are to be detailed to the Traffic Section for review and monitoring.

It is important to note that the Operations Department is generally reluctant to place ramps in residential estates unless there is clear evidence of a persistent speeding problem. The reason for this is two-fold;

- (a) there is no through-traffic route within the estate and therefore those using the road would by-and-large be the residents themselves in which case any speeding problem is often better addressed by the residents themselves through their resident's association and,
- (b) ramps can be a divisive issue amongst residents and give rise to objections from those whose houses are outside due to the additional traffic noise created.

Notwithstanding that, in order for the traffic section to consider a traffic survey on these roads, which could lead to further traffic calming measures, a petition supporting traffic calming in the form of ramps should be submitted to the Council.

The petition would need to be approved and signed by residents (showing addresses) living in the estate because they are all stakeholders for any traffic measures that may be installed on the roads in question. In order for the petition to have substance, it should show strong support for the traffic survey and ultimately traffic calming measures.

Source of Report:

Quintin Greally, Executive Engineer, Traffic Section, Operations Department.

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BLANCHARDSTOWN-MULHUDDART/CASTLEKNOCK/ONGAR AREA COMMITTEE MEETING (Services A – Operational Matters)

THURSDAY 22ND JANUARY 2026

ITEM NO. 29

SENSORY PLAYGROUND AT FORTLAWN - AI105801

Motion: Councillor T. Leddy

“That the Chief Executive commits to delivering a sensory playground in Fortlawn in 2026.”

Report:

Fingal recognises the importance of play in children's lives. Play spaces improve social skills, cognitive development and creativity while supporting emotional resilience, physical development, confidence and learning. Space for play – A play policy for Fingal provides the guiding design principles that are considered in the design and construction of new or refurbished playgrounds. The policy also sets out areas which require play facilities based on an audit of the existing stock. This ensures that play facilities are delivered in an equitable manner across the county.

Following a review of play facilities within the Fortlawn area, the following distances to the nearest playgrounds/play spaces were determined:

- Hartstown Park playground (Planned) (420m)
- Millenium Park Playground (420m)
- Hartstown Park agility trail (460m)

Upon review of the above, it is therefore only suitable for Operations to make an intervention here which is a Local area of play (LAP). This would use natural

features such as boulders, mounding and landscape planting to create a natural play space.

The Council proposes to meet with the residents in person as originally planned and come up with a proposal based on this. This would then have to go through a non-statutory public consultation. If a majority are in favour, a budget provision will need to be made for these works for consideration in a future works programme.

Source of Report:

Stephen Johnson, A/Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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THURSDAY 22ND JANUARY 2026

ITEM NO. 30

AUDIT ON CONDITION OF ROADS IN THIS LEA - AI106236

Motion: Councillor JK. Onwumereh

“That the Chief Executive commits to conducting an audit on the status/condition of Council roads in this Local Electoral Area, in view of growing complaints by vehicle owners.”

Report:

Fingal County Council allocates a large portion of its annual budget to road maintenance and management. The amount has increased considerably over the past five years, increasing from €17m in 2021 to €28.6m in 2026. The Council also receives €3m per annum in capital funding to resurface the regional roads.

The audit/inspection of the regional and local roads in this county council is an ongoing process. A Pavement Surface Condition Index (PSCI) rating is attributed to each road surface during each inspection. The Road Management Office (RMO) Pavement Management System (PMS) is updated, with these new PSCI ratings, when inspections are carried out.

All resurfacing works done under the Council's annual Programme of Works and Minor Works budgets have a before and after inspection done and a PSCI rating given. Again, these ratings are uploaded onto the RMO PMS. All regional roads in the county were surveyed in 2025. This survey captured machine road condition parameters and visual PSCI condition ratings across the entire regional road network. The resulting condition ratings of each road were put on the PMS.

Inspections of road surfaces throughout the county are also carried out in response to complaints and CRMs received, and also defects recorded by our staff whilst moving about the County in the course of doing their jobs.

Further training of Fingal County Council personnel, in the carrying out of PSCI audits/inspections, is to be done by the RMO in the next few months. This will allow the Council to continue to monitor and maintain the roads it owns to a sufficiently high standard.

Source of Report:

Hugh James, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department