DEPUTATION MEETING REPORT

Date & Time 23rd October 2024 @ 4.00 p.m.

Deputation Group Rath Geal Residents Association

Deputation Attendees Darren Hennessy, Tayna Chakarova

Elected Members Cllr Francis Timmons, Cllr William Carey, Cllr Linda DeCourcy,

Cllr Trevor Gilligan, Cllr Eoin Ó Broin

Council Officials David Fennell (Senior Executive Parks Superintendent), Farhan

Nasiem (Senior Executive Engineer), Mark Brown (Senior Staff Officer), Marian Travers (Assistant Staff Officer), Margaret

Farrell (Clerical Officer)

Cllr Francis Timmons presided.

Apologies received from Cllr Liona O'Toole

Items discussed

1. Refuse bin availability within Rath Geal/Deansrath College areas

The group expressed concern that this is a high traffic area due to the college, school and parks and that there is a need for more litter bins

David Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, replied to the groups query

Commitment given:

 To do install the concrete base for the bin on 30th October 2024 at Westbourne Rise/Westbourne Drive and once that is set will install the bin

2. St Cuthberts Park (Telly Tubby Hill) develop and enhance

The group expressed concern regarding the current use of the hill and would like to know the plans for the development of the hill. The group would like to see simple improvements and a rebranding of the hill to enhance the footfall and regeneration of the park.

David Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, replied to the groups query

Commitment given:

• It is not possible to include the hill in the current works being carried out but if it becomes possible in the future it can be considered

3. Redevelopment of roundabout area outside St Ronans Church/St Cuthberts Road

The group expressed concern that this roundabout tends to look a little neglected and needs a revamp to enhance the community

David Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, replied to the groups query

Commitment given:

To improve/enhance what is already there

4. Improved road sweeping/litter picking

The group expressed concern that there is only one road sweeping schedule for the year in this area showing on the website

David Fennell, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, replied to the groups query

Commitment given:

- Road sweeping within Westbourne estate every three months and on St Curthberts Road every fortnight
- To feed the concerns back to the contracts manager to see if changes can be made

5. School crossing/traffic management

The group expressed concern about the volume and speed of traffic on the narrow road around Wesbourne which has a number of schools, creches, colleges, health care facilities and a shopping centre and church. The road is in need of a pedestrian crossing and road calming measures

Farhan Nasiem, Senior Executive Engineer, replied to the groups query

Commitment given:

- To consider a controlled pedestrian crossing, between the two roundabouts, in the 2025 works
- To refer the road markings to Traffic Management section
- To look at further traffic calming measures, e.g. installation of ramps or driver feedback signs in the 2025 review, on receipt of the traffic calming application form from the Residents association