

DEPUTATION MEETING REPORT

Date & Time:	22 nd November 2023 @ 3.30 p.m.
Deputation Group:	Riversdale Residents Association
Deputation Attendees:	Avril McLoughlin, Jennifer Harte
Elected Members:	Cllr Francis Timmons, Cllr Mark Lynch, Cllr Trevor Gilligan, Cllr Eoin O'Broin,
Council Officials:	David Fennell (Senior Executive Parks Superintendent), Gary Walsh (Senior Engineer), Michael McAdam (Senior Engineer), Sharon Conroy (Senior Executive Officer), Michael Heffernan (Senior Executive Engineer), Sami Ullah Khan (Assistant Engineer), Hazel Craigie (Senior Planner), Tracy McGibbon (Executive Planner), Fionnuala Keane (Senior Staff Officer), Marian Travers (Assistant Staff Officer)

Cllr Francis Timmons presided.

Items discussed:

Item 1: New Lamp Lighting

The group expressed concern that the entrance to the estate is quite dark and wish to also have the yellow lights replaced.

Gary Walsh replied to the groups queries.

Commitment given:

Will add Riversdale to Phase 2 of the replacement lighting programme, hopefully will be done in latter end of 2024, depending on co-operation with ESB. Will add new lantern to the ESB column and will aim it towards the entrance to the estate.

Item 2: Private Horse field on Watery Lane

The group expressed concern over the dumping, graffiti and horse welfare issues in the private field at the junction of Watery Lane and Woodford Walk.

Sharon Conroy replied to the groups concerns.

Commitment given:

Will investigate the illegal dumping immediately. Reports have been received in relation to the graffiti and have been investigated, but the probation services couldn't gain access so the graffiti couldn't be removed. Sharon Conroy will talk to the litter warden re working with the landowner to gain access and will come back to the group. The animal welfare issue has been raised and Sharon Conroy and will come back to the group when they have a report.

Item 3: Cycle Lane Programme

The group expressed concern re the access to the estate.

Micheal McAdam and Hazel Craigie replied to the groups concern and provided a link to the Active Travel website.

Commitment Given:

The route will start at Corkagh Park to Grand Canal and will be progressed within 5 years but needs to be done in conjunction with the Clondalkin Local Area Plan. The plan will be put out to public consultation before any work begins.

Item 4: Riversdale Entrance/Bridge

The group expressed concern that the entrance to Riversdale is in bad repair, the bricks are coming off, railings are rotting, structure of bridge needs to be checked as there no tonnage sign on the new speed sign and buses and trucks are coming into the estate. Road markings need to be repainted.

Gary Walsh responded to the groups concerns.

Commitment Given:

Gary Walsh will go back to the Traffic Section to see what weight restriction was on the bridge and if there was a reason for it being removed, he will check the structural report that was done last year on the bridge and if it flagged minor works he will look at that for next year and he will get back to the group. Gary Walsh will send information on Bye-Laws to group re parking restrictions on commercial vehicles in housing estates.

Road markings will be repainted in the next couple of weeks.

Item 5: Boundary of Riversdale/Mayfield

The group expressed concern about the railings between the bridge and Riversdale and the lack of trees between the estates.

David Fennell replied to the groups concerns.

Commitment Given:

The Council will continue to repair the palisade fence where damaged and will reinforce the beech hedge during the current winter planting programme, on the left-hand side as you come in from Watery Lane. Regarding Phase 1 of Mayfield, David Fennell will consider pruning the shrubbery if it doesn't make the area too open. Regarding Phase 3, David Fennell will pass on any specific concerns he receives from the group if they forward them to him.

The meeting concluded as there was no other business