DEPUTATION MEETING MINUTES

Date & Time28th November, 2018 @ 3pm

Deputation Group: Templeroan Lodge Residents Association

Councillors Present	Cllr. Paul Foley, Cllr. Brian Lawlor, Cllr. Emma
	Murphy, Cllr. Charlie O'Connor, Cllr. Deirdre
	O'Donovan & Cllr. Rob Russell.
Apologises	Cllr. Pamela Kearns
Deputation	Sue Vincent, Monica Conboy, Fionnuala Kennedy,
	Gerard Mulligan & Vincent Murray.
Council Official Present	
Vincent Heywood	Land Use Planning & Transportation
Shelia Kelly	Land Use Planning & Transportation
Suzanne Furlong	Environment, Water & Climate Control
Brian Carroll	Housing Social & Community Development
Carol McDonnell	Housing Social & Community Development

The meeting was chaired by Cllr. Emma Murphy.

Items discussed:

- 1) Parking concerns at Templeroan Lodge.
- 2) Possible Traffic Calming measures at Templeroan Lodge.
- 3) Ownership of the green spaces at Templeroan Lodge & Boden Park.
- 4) Commitments given at Deputation meeting.

Item 1 - Parking concerns at Templeroan Lodge.

The Group outlined their issues with parking in the area which they believe is due to the significant increase in use of the private medical practice that is located at Templeroan Lodge. The Group gave examples of the problems caused by the on street parking on the road. The group feel that the medical practice no longer fits with the small residential cul de sac. The Group enquired if there had been any correspondence from the medical practice to South Dublin County Council as a solution needs to be found for these parking issues.

Mr. Vincent Heywood, Senior Executive Technician, Land Use Planning & Transportation Department replied to the Group and explained that a lot of parking restriction had already been put into the short cul de sac. Mr. Heywood explained that it is the responsibility of the Gardaí to enforce road traffic legislation regarding parking and it was Mr. Heywood's understanding that the Gardaí have contacted the medical centre requesting that they inform their patients to park at Templeroan Lodge in a responsible manner.

The Group asked if signage could be out up as it is the Groups belief that the patients using the medical practice are not taking notice.

Mr. Heywood informed the group that the Gardaí could do spot checks in the area as it is illegal parking that is taking place. With regard to the signage, Mr. Heywood asked would the Residents be prepared to come up with the signage themselves as the Residents Association. Mr. Heywood explained that the double yellow lines are a statutory measure and that there is no signage that goes with them.

The Group ask if they have the authority to do that.

Mr. Heywood said he would look into it.

The Group asked would they have to pay for those signs.

Mr. Heywood said that it would up to the Residents Association to pay for the signage.

Cllr. Deirdre O'Donovan & Cllr. Foley made contributions in support of the Group.

The Group ask if the medical practitioners had offered a solution to the Council.

Ms. Sheila Kelly, Administrative Officer informed the Group that she was not aware of any communications regarding the issue.

Item 2 - Possible Traffic Calming measures at Templeroan Lodge.

The group explained the issues regarding the volume of traffic coming into Templeroan Lodge and the excessive speeds that cars are travelling at. The Group have serious concerns for the children in the area as speed limits are not being adhered to. Ramps had previously been on the agenda to be put in the cul de sac and the Group are looking for ramps to be placed back on the agenda. One ramp near the entrance and then one ramp further up. The Group think that this would help to alleviate the speeding issues.

Mr. Heywood stated that the parking issues in the area should help with restricting any speeding in the area. Mr. Heywood suggested rescinding some of the yellow lines closer to the entrance as this may be a way of slowing traffic without having to put ramps in. The road could be placed on the Traffic Calming Works list for consideration but Mr. Heywood advised that Templeroan Lodge is too short to meet to criteria for traffic calming.

The Group think that ramps would be the only adequate solution.

Cllr. Foley suggests a simple L shaped white line would make clear where the centre of the road is and cars coming from the Orwell Roundabout side would be less inclined to cut the corner.

Mr. Heywood suggested another solution of narrowing the entrance by putting in a finger island.

Cllr. Murphy suggests that the Group look at an example of a finger island at Pinewood Park at the Green a bit down from the Church in Ballyroan.

Mr. Heywood confirmed that he will include the road for consideration on the Traffic Calming Works list. Mr. Heywood will also do a sketch of a finger island on the map so that the Group can take it into consideration.

The Group also explained the issue with cars stopping at the bus stop to collect people.

Mr. Heywood committed to doing a speed survey at the location to ascertain levels.

The Group asked would the survey be done over a number of days.

Mr. Heywood confirmed that the survey would be done over a number of days

Item 3 - Ownership of the green spaces at Templeroan Lodge & Boden Park.

The Group give a history of the maintenance of the green spaces. The Group state that the spaces are registered partly in the ownership of the Council and partly registered in the ownership of the original developer. The Group would like to know why there is joint ownership and when will the space be fully transferred into the ownership of SDCC.

Ms. Suzanne Furlong, Senior Parks Superintendent, Environment, Water & Climate Control Department replies to the Group confirming that the areas in question have been maintained as public open space since before the formation of South Dublin County Council. Ms. Furlong explains that the spaces are not jointly owned and that SDCC have title to a section of the open public space and the original developer has title to another section. For a transfer to take place the developer normally requests the Council to take the land in charge and then provides the deeds of transfer. The transfer of title is then formalised.

The Group ask how long a transfer of title would take and if the ownership is still with the original developer, can the developer apply to build on the area.

Ms. Furlong explains that the transfer process can take some time. The open space itself is Public Open Space zoned in the County Development Plan and Public Open Space is its existing and long-established use. It is Ms. Furlongs understanding that Planning Permission was sought on the open space within Templeroan Lodge previously but was refused with one of the reasons for refusal cited as its zoning as public open space. Ms. Furlong is satisfied that the area is designated as Public Open Space within the current County Development Plan and the Council intend maintaining it as such going forward. The re-zoning of land is a matter for the elected representatives of the Council and is normally carried out as part of the review of the County Development Plan.

Commitments given:

- 1) Look into the Residents being allowed to put signage on the road at Templeroan Lodge – Vincent Heywood.
- 2) Sketch of a finger island to be sent to the Group Vincent Heywood.
 3) Speed ramps to be included for consideration on the 2019 works programme – Vincent Heywood.
- 4) Speed survey to be carried out on the road Vincent Heywood.