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Observations:

Theme 1: Shaping the City

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That the Development Plan reaffirms the policy of the 2016-22 Development Plan that “that Dublin will remain a predominantly low-rise city with defined height in limited locations” and specifically affirms the neighbourhoods of Broadstone, Phibsborough, Stoneybatter, Cabra, Glasnevin and Drumcondra as low-rise areas.

Planning reason:

Dublin is historically a low-rise city and this principle of Dublin being a low-rise City must be retained in the Development Plan. This does not preclude criteria being developed for areas which can accommodate some height. Moreover, as the CE points out in his report greater density can be achieved without the need for excessive heights. The areas of Broadstone, Phibsborough, Glasnevin and Drumcondra are characterised by 18th / 19th century architecture and not suitable for high rise development.

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That the Development Plan ensures that there is not an over-concentration of student accommodation, co-living and build to rent units in any one area. Applications for student accommodation, co-living developments and build to rent units should be accompanied by a map showing existing developments or those granted planning permission within a 2 km radius.

Planning reason:

The current Development Plan acknowledges that there is a need for balanced development “providing for a variety of housing typologies and tenures that are adaptable, flexible and meet family needs and the changing needs of people throughout their lives”

At present almost all prime sites are being developed for transient populations only. This has resulted in locking people out of the market in the area where they grew up. While there is a need for quality rental accommodation certain areas are becoming saturated with such developments to the extent that transient student populations are outnumbering the local population. The Development Plan should ensure an adequate balance in the types of accommodation permitted.

While the 2016-22 Development Plan seeks a map of existing student accommodation within a 1km radius, this does not give an accurate picture of developments in the area. The maps should include all student accommodation, co-living and build to rent units and should cover a 2km radius.

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That the area of Stoneybatter bounded by Infirmary Road, the North Circular Road, Prussia Street, Brunswick Street, Grangegorman Lower and Arbour Hill will be the subject of a Local Area Plan.

Planning reason:

Reason: The present Development Plan listed Stoneybatter as one of the Areas to be the subject of a LAP but the area was not prioritised and was not reached

Given the rapid demographic change in the area with thousands of students about to access the Technical University Dublin the need for a sustainable urban village and the need to provide a range of amenities.

A number of strategic sites have yet to developed e.g., Department of Defence lands on Infirmary Road, St Bricin's Hospital, Prussia Street, Benburb Street, Manor Street/Stoneybatter, Brunswick Street, Stoneybatter/Manor Street and Stanley Street.

A holistic approach is required for outstanding development in the area.

See attached Map

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Attachments:

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1. That the Area of Drumcondra bounded by Phillipsburgh Avenue/Richmond Road and Jones's Road to the East, Griffith Avenue to the North, Finglas Road and Botanic Road to the West and Whitworth Road/Royal Canal to the South be the subject of a Masterplan. See attached Map.

Planning reason:

A number of key sites, including Tolka Park, the old Smurfit site and Conliffe are yet to be developed. A holistic approach is required for remaining development sites in the area. Moreover, the quantity and quality of educational facilities and heritage/historic sites in the area make it suitable to be an educational/cultural hub.

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 DCC-C33-MOT-82-1458 - Drumcondra LAP.JPG

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That the areas of Drumcondra and Glasnevin be the subject of a Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP).

Planning reason:

These are urban village areas and would benefit enormously from a coherent policy of environmental improvements, including enhanced public realm, pedestrian linkages between parks and open spaces, development of walks linking Canal and River Tolka.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to have a Local Area Plan for Phibsborough.

Planning reason:

The previous LAP lapsed and was not replaced. There are a number of key development sites within the Phibsborough Area and a LAP which would take a holistic approach to development in the area would be important instead of the piecemeal approach that has taken place in relation to the Hendron's, Phibsborough Shopping Centre, and the Bakery sites all of which have been subject to SHD applications. The Hendon's one has been refused by An Bord Pleanála and DCC is recommending rejection of the Baker site. A LAP could better plan for the future of Phibsborough.

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That the Phibsborough Local Environmental Improvements Plan be included in the Development Plan

Planning reason:

The current LEIP which has replaced the lapsed LAP does not have a statutory basis as it is not included in the current development plan. A LEIP embedded in the Development Plan would give statutory recognition to the policies contained within it.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan includes a policy to implement the existing Dorset Street Together Plan.

Planning reason:

The Dorset Street Together Plan was funded by Dublin City Council and was widely supported by the local community. The Dorset Street Together plan should be implemented in the Development Plan for the betterment of Dorset Street and surrounding areas.

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Theme 2: Climate Action

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1. That it is an objective of the Development Plan to achieve the targets set out in the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan and identify opportunities for Greening Strategies in each of the neighbourhoods between the Canals through the development of small green areas, tree planting, and the development of larger parks.

Planning reason:

The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan and Neighbourhood greening strategies will greatly enhance biodiversity across the City and contribute greatly towards the reduction of carbon emissions.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to facilitate, promote and support the creation of Sustainable Energy Communities (SECs) and makes provision for those initiatives already started in Phibsborough, Cabra and Stoneybatter.

Planning reason:

To embed the SECs in the Development Plan and provide support to initiatives already started.

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That the building standards in Development Plan require developers to enable District Heating Systems wherever that option is available and requires that all new development be future-proofed to allow connection to District Heating Systems at a later stage, when such connections become feasible.

Planning reason:

District Heating is the most cost-efficient means of heating homes and also contributes significantly to the reduction of carbon emissions. Dublin City Council proposes to heat the entire City in this way, yet the creation of District Heating systems is dependent on Developers agreeing to connect to such networks . Where this option is available, it should be a condition of planning that the developer connect to a District Heating System.

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That building standards in the Development Plan encourage and promote the use of building materials from renewable sources and those which have the least negative affect on the environment and least carbon emissions.

Planning reason:

Building materials, especially cement, can be a major producer of green house gases.

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That the Development Plan provides a strategy for the retrofitting of the entire housing stock in the City both public and private over the next decade.

Planning reason:

Heating of homes by fossil fuel is one of the main causes of emissions and if Dublin and Ireland are to meet its agreed targets for climate change retrofitting of homes is essential. Moreover, it will provide such employment and greatly reduce energy bills.

Theme 3: Quality Housing and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

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That the City Development Plan states as its policy that all suitable land sites and properties owned by Dublin City Council be used for public housing, community and cultural facilities

Planning reason:

To embed in the City Development Plan a clear policy on the use of Council owned lands in accordance with the Dublin Agreement.

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That the Development Plan affirms the need for balanced development “providing for a variety of housing typologies and tenures that are adaptable, flexible and meet family needs and the changing needs of people throughout their lives” (Dev Plan 2016-2022). To that end the Development Plan seeks to promote a housing typology in the DCC Central Area that promotes housing suitable for home ownership and long-term rentals as outlined in the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy housing typologies. The Development Plan should avoid an over-concentration of student accommodation, co-living and build to rent units in any one residential area.

The City Development Plan should seek to promote home-ownership, affordable purchase and cost rental, while imposing development restrictions on hotels, student accommodation and build-to-rent development in the DCC Central Area which has seen huge increase in such accommodation over the period of the previous Development Plan.

All applications for student accommodation, co-living and build to rent units should be accompanied by a map outlining the number of each of these type of developments within a 2km radius.

Planning reason:

To ensure a fair balance of housing typologies and avoiding an over-concentration of any one type as well as promoting a mixed, socially cohesive community. A good mix of size and tenure is essential to building sustainable communities. The NTA has recently endorsed this view in its submission on the proposed build to rent development at the Bakery Site, Cross Guns Bridge

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Theme 3: Quality Housing and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

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That is an objective of the Development Plan to provide for senior citizens/sheltered housing developments within existing urban neighbourhoods .

Planning reason:

As the population ages, there is a need for safe and secure housing for senior citizens who want to live independently and close to the area they have lived most of their lives. Such sheltered accommodation in communities where people have lived most of their lives, would allow for downsizing and free up housing in the City.

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That the Development Plan ensure that all private developments contribute 10% social and 10% affordable housing in all housing developments and that developers are not allowed to avoid this requirement through the provision of student accommodation or co-living.

Planning reason:

Developers are avoiding these measures and denying Dublin City Council thousands of homes. The social and affordable contribution must be a condition of all planning applications. The Minister for Housing will be making an order for a percentage of affordable housing in developments by the time the new Development Plan is adopted.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to support and promote urban neighbourhoods as an essential part of the fabric of the City.

Planning reason:

Dublin is a series of neighbourhoods and urban communities and require more substantial support and engagement from Dublin City Council

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to promote cost rental housing on publicly owned lands.

Planning reason:

DCC as the housing authority must restructure the housing model in the interests of the citizens of the City and ensure a supply of cost rental housing. There is a need for alternatives to private rented accommodation.

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That it is an objective of the Dublin City Development Plan to integrate the long-established Docklands and residents in the new and modern developments taking place in the Docklands.

Planning reason:

There is a need for clear policies to develop sustainable communities in the Docklands. Initiatives to support the integration of old and new communities in both private and local authority developments is essential to ensure greater social cohesion.

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Theme 4: The City Economy

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That the Development Plan highlights the role of Dublin City as the economic engine of the country and supports investment plans to maximise its competitiveness and contribution to national economic success.

Planning reason:

Dublin has long been very successful in attracting investment and providing employment. Covid, Brexit and working from home present new challenges to the economy of the City.

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Acknowledging the interdependence of economic, social and urban policies, the Development Plan recognises the importance of social cohesion as a key economic driver for the City and makes a strong commitment to continuing and enhancing regeneration projects and attracting investment in socially disadvantaged areas.

Planning reason:

Social exclusion undermines competitiveness and limits the ability of cities to achieve their potential. Regeneration areas face greater challenges in attracting investment and enterprise.

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That it is an objective Dublin City Development Plan to create strategy for a 15-minute liveable city, one that is safe, clean, green, connected, creative and cultured.

Planning reason:

A key element of the success of any city is its appeal in terms of the quality of life its citizens enjoy. The better the quality of life, the better the competitiveness advantage and the better the happiness of citizens in their living and their work. The 15 minute City improves the quality of life for all residents. This is a principle that should permeate throughout the Development Plan.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to establish and maintain an EU and International Office in Dublin.

Planning reason:

It is important to establish links with other European capitals and to maximise the EU funds and programmes over the lifetime of the plan.

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That the Development Plan includes specific proposals for the regeneration of Dorset Street, Moore Street, the Markets, Broadstone, Phibsborough, Prussia Street, with specific reference to the reuse of underutilised buildings and spaces and living over the shop measures and retail promotion.

Planning reason:

These are key locations within the City that have been neglected. Prussia Street was once one of the finest streets in the city and country is now semi-derelict and is in need of a coherent strategy. Similarly, Dorset Street and Moore Street need regeneration plans to ensure they are restored to the fine streets they once were. Phibsborough and Broadstone and the Markets, have a high vacancy rate. A regeneration/retail strategy needs to be put in place to give each of these areas a lift and renewed economic activity.

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That the Development Plan preclude the full-time use of houses or apartments as short-term lets and has an enforceable and cumulative 30-night per year limit on any short-term tourist rentals. In addition, that the Development Plan preclude the use of student accommodation for short term lets during holiday periods.

Planning reason:

To restrict the use of residential housing for short-term letting by online platforms like Airbnb.

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That the Development Plan enables the designation of public squares and open spaces for casual trading and cultural events. Areas that could be designated include Smithfield Square, the new urban plaza at TU Dublin, Broadstone.

Planning reason:

Potential of urban markets should be recognised and supported and greater opportunities for casual trading should be pursued.

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That the Development Plan support the establishment of a Farmers'/Food Markets in Smithfield.

Planning reason:

Potential of urban markets should be recognised and supported and greater opportunities for casual trading should be pursued. Smithfield Plaza is an under-utilised resource for the City.

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That the Development Plan recognises the contribution of entrepreneurial activity to the City economy and specifically the contribution of immigrant entrepreneurs and provides an infrastructure for the development of networks of entrepreneurs.

Planning reason:

The Development Plan needs to foster a culture of innovation and entrepreneurial activities and recognise the contribution that migrant cultures make. Innovation and diversity in cities are central to building competitive advantage. Diverse and tolerant cities are more likely to attract skilled workers who possess the creative capital to power knowledge economies (Richard Florida).

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That it is an objective of the Dublin City Development Plan to explore the full potential of social innovation (including social entrepreneurship and social enterprise) to advance the city's development objectives with a special focus on transport, energy, climate mitigation, community engagement, inclusive employment, and digital social innovation. In this regard, the Dublin City Council will seek to maximise European funding opportunities, in particular through working with the proposed new National Competence Centre in Social Innovation to be developed in Ireland by Rethink Ireland, Genio and the Department of Rural and Community Development as part of an EU consortium.

Planning reason:

Social innovation, social enterprise & social entrepreneurship have a significant role to play in developing and spreading new approaches to developing the city that support inclusive growth, within the limits of the planet and while promoting social inclusion. Dublin City should seek to take full advantage of European collaboration funding opportunities as the EU Commission has a 90% allocation rate on social innovation initiatives, compared to a normal 50% on other projects.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan limit the number of hotels in the City Centre and seeks to have more options for hotel / quality hostel accommodation in urban villages.

Planning reason:

Hotels tend to be located in clusters in City Centre. A better spread would provide a more balanced city and provide more footfall and employment locally.

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That the Development Plan facilitates the sharing of Third Level/Further Education and Municipal facilities such as Libraries, Sports Grounds, school halls, IT facilities, and that the development plan includes proposals for an educational hub involving third level and further education facilities across the North Inner City with a view to providing a more comprehensive service to all residents and particularly with a view to catering for those in disadvantaged areas.

Planning reason:

Third level and further education tend to be provided in silos. There is need for educational hubs to provide a more balanced offering and incorporate the needs of the local community.

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That the Development Plan includes an objective to facilitate and promote the use of Dublin City Libraries as resource centres for those who are unemployed and seeking information on job-seeking skills and facilitate online learning and training.

Planning reason:

Dublin City Council as a local authority can make significant interventions in tackling poor educational attainment through the work of its libraries and community facilities.

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That the Development Plans provide a comprehensive strategy for dealing with institutional care in the community. It must provide for proper purpose-built centres, hostels and outreach in each electoral area on an equitable basis. All hostel and health centres must be subject to the normal planning process to allow communities participate in the planning process. It should continue to be a condition of any new social service to be accompanied by a map of all social care facilities within a 2km radius of the proposed development.

Planning reason:

The Central hosts a large number of community and outreach facilities and services, particularly in the context of drug treatment. There are a number of similar homeless services. Both the health and homeless community services and outreach services are operating in an ad hoc and non-structured fashion. The greatest concentration in the city is in the postal areas of Dublin 1 and Dublin 7. Because of the lack of planning and the stigma that can be associated with such facilities, they are located by health and housing authorities in residential areas of least resistance rather than on any coherent basis. North Frederick Street has three hostels causing grief to the residents and businesses within the local community. Likewise, the North Circular Road, one of the finest streets in the capital, has been turned into a wasteland because the houses are big and can accommodate a large number of institutional accommodation. The Development Plan must ensure that there is not an over-concentration of social services within any one postal district and ensure all new developments require planning permission.

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Theme 5: The City, Urban Villages and Retail

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It is an objective of the Development Plan to promote participation in the Shop Front Improvement Scheme and that the scheme is extended to cover the entire Central Area.

Planning reason:

To improve the appearance of shopfronts and business premises and promote the commercial potential of neighbourhoods. To provide support for enhanced shop front/signage, particularly in regeneration areas.

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Theme 5: The City, Urban Villages and Retail

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That the Development Plan include a strategy for Living over the Shop, drawing on the experience of other European countries to effect changes necessary in present policy. Such a strategy should combine an effective tax on vacant or underutilised property and the carrot of incentivisation through loans and grants and EU programmes. Commitments from the Government need to be obtained now at the outset of the Plan so that a coherent and workable package can be prepared.

Planning reason:

So much space and accommodation is unused or under-used in the City. With the hollowing out of the City over the Covid pandemic, it is important to encourage more people to live in the heart of the City.

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That the Development Plan designates the North side retail core from O'Connell Street, Henry Street and Moore Street to the Fruit and Vegetable Market as a special strategic area for regeneration with its own implementation and monitoring structure to engage all stakeholders to bring the project to fruition.

Planning reason:

These are core retail areas but have been neglected in the past. There have been many failed plans and attempts to revitalise the area. A formal structure is required to bring all stakeholders together and monitor the implementation of plans to deliver the regeneration.

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That the Development Plan proposes a retail strategy for each of the urban villages of Stoneybatter, Phibsborough/Broadstone, Cabra, Drumcondra, Glasnevin, Ballybough/North Strand and East Wall. Such a retail strategy should include provision for local markets/farmers' markets.

Planning reason:

There is a clear need to develop a retail strategy for each of the urban villages to attract independent quality and diverse retail stores. For example, Phibsborough is heavily dependent on charity shops. A retail strategy to encourage a diverse range of outlets will enhance the urban villages and contribute to the concept of Placemaking.

Theme 6: Sustainable Movement and Transport

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1. That the Dublin City Development Plan seek to promote active travel and actively reduce car travel/commuting into the city by adopting policies that:
 1. Promote and prioritise active travel over car travel in the city centre and urban villages.
 2. Create a segregated cycle network across Dublin, safe and suitable for children to use.
 3. Increase number of pedestrianised streets in the city centre. (College Green, Capel Street, Liffey Street)
 4. Prioritise pedestrians over car traffic.
 5. Widen footpaths and reduce vehicle road space particularly on residential streets.
 6. Improve public realm throughout the city and urban villages, wider footpaths, greening trees, planting, street building outs, bins, seating, street lighting.
 7. Create low traffic neighbourhoods in residential areas.
 8. Prioritise pedestrian & cyclist movements.
 9. Reduce city centre on-street car parking, to create cycle routes, wider footpaths, (exception of disability parking, loading bays, taxi ranks and set down areas). Car parking concentrated in the multi storey car parks.
 10. Reduce the car parking requirements in new residential and commercial developments but provide for car sharing schemes such as Go Cars, so people have access to cars without the need to own and store a car.
 11. Provide for disabled on-street parking locations in residential areas.
 12. Install air quality detectors at busy city junctions.

Planning reason:

Reason: To reduce carbon emissions, improve air quality, reduce noise from car traffic, encourage active mobility, improve health benefits and overall improve the quality of city living for its residents.

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That the City Development Plan supports the introduction of a congestion charge for cars entering the canal ring.

Planning reason:

To alleviate traffic congestion and to encourage use of public transport. A congestion charge has been proven to work in other European and international cities.

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That the City Development Plan includes a commitment to providing the infrastructure for the “Last mile Delivery” within the lifetime of this plan.

Planning reason:

Implementation of the Last Mile Delivery will reduce traffic congestion and will also facilitate loading in urban villages/streets in a more sustainable way.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan includes proposals for the parking of e-scooters – particularly e-scooter sharing schemes, to ensure that such scooters must be parked at designated areas and not abandoned on footpaths etc.

Planning reason:

The experience of other cities is that e-scooter sharing schemes that allow scooters be left in any location create major obstructions on footpaths and are dangerous particularly for visually impaired/mobility impaired people and those with buggies. Regulation of e-scooters must include proper provision for parking e-scooters.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to to create direct links from East Wall to the Docklands Station/North Wall/Royal Canal as outlined in the attached maps

Planning reason:

To develop increased permeability and pedestrian linkages along the city and facilitate access to Docklands station.

Currently there are only two access routes to the south; Ossory Road and over the Johnny Cullen Bridge. Ossory Rd is a grim, derelict stretch of road but one which people are forced to walk or cycle each day as it's the main connection point to North Strand. A more direct path could take people to Docklands Station on Sheriff Street within minutes and remove the need for a circuitous route around North Strand or over the Johnny Cullen bridge

Work is being carried out at the minute on the Royal Canal cycle route from Sheriff St to Newcomen Bridge. However, East Wall won't benefit from this directly as there will be no bridge across the Canal which seems like a major missed opportunity. Opening up East Wall with a new walkway could be a key measure that could help DCC work towards its sustainability goals and the NEIC objectives as improved pedestrian access would reduce car usage and encourage more people to walk and cycle; East Wall's population has grown significantly over the years and it will continue to grow with new planned developments e.g. application for Hireco site on East Road, proximity to north docks but it has a comparatively high rate of car ownership.

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Attachments:

 DCC-C33-MOT-82-1455 - East Wall Maps-.docx

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That the City Development Plan identify increased sites for Bicycle parking including the provision of covered public bicycle parking in the city centre/urban villages and allows for an increase in the number of bike bunkers.

Planning reason:

More public bicycle parking areas are needed and there is a lack of covered bike parking areas at present. Bike bunkers are required in areas of the Inner City particularly where houses have no gardens/bike storage space.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan for safe school zones to be installed at each primary and secondary school within the North Inner City.

Planning reason:

The majority of North Inner City primary and secondary schools are located in heavily trafficked areas and it is important to have a safe zone in the immediate of the school. Schools zones encourage safe and sustainable transport.

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Theme 7: Green Infrastructure, Open Space, Recreation and Natural Heritage

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That it is an objective of the Dublin City Development Plan to support the development of the City Waterways, including the sea, the River Liffey, the Royal and Grand Canals, and rivers, the Tolka and Dodder, as recreational hubs and as sports and leisure centres of global excellence.

Planning reason:

The recreational amenity of the City's Waterways has been under-utilised and a policy and programme for development of the waterways for recreational use is required.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan prioritise tree planting in private and public developments in the Dublin Central administrative area

Planning reason:

The tree canopy in much of Dublin Central is extremely sparse and trees are excellent carbon sinks.

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That the Development Plan propose a greening strategy for Dublin City Neighbourhoods over the lifetime of the Plan which would be adequately resourced. The Greening Strategy would include a strategy for tree canopy in the North and South Inner City, a programme of shrub, flower and tree planting on public streets and public and private lands, and the creation of a series of parklets on suitable public spaces.

Planning reason:

Dublin needs a greening strategy throughout the City so that greenhouse gases are reduced and the neighbourhoods are healthier and more attractive to live in.

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That the public realm objectives within the Development Plan make provision for adequate public seating and public toilets in parks and urban villages.

Planning reason:

The increase in outdoor activity during Covid is unlikely to be reduced in the future and clearly more amenities are required.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to open Four Masters Park at Berkeley Road/Eccles Street to the public.

Planning reason:

To enhance the public realm by making this much-needed green space accessible to the citizens of Dublin in advance of the development of the proposed Mater Metro station on the site. The opening up of this park was also proposed in the Phibsborough LEIP.

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Theme 7: Green Infrastructure, Open Space, Recreation and Natural Heritage

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That the City Development Plan incorporates the proposal for the North City Walk from the Royal Canal and linking all the main nature and heritage sites between the Royal Canal and the Tolka River, including Croke Park, Holy Cross lands, Clonliffe, the Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin Cemetery, Griffith Park, Mountjoy Prison, Shandon/Mount Bernard Park. A new pedestrian/cycle bridge from Glasnevin Cemetery (West side) across the railway line to the Canal and a further bridge across the canal to Mount Bernard Park would be required.

See attached map.

Planning reason:

To create increased permeability and pedestrian and cycling linkages, develop existing green infrastructure and biodiversity, and provide an attractive and healthy outdoor amenity for the local population.

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Theme 7: Green Infrastructure, Open Space, Recreation and Natural Heritage

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That it is an objective of the City Development Plan to use only peat free compost and plant only native flowers and trees in all Council parks and open spaces.

Planning reason:

There are many alternatives to peat compost. Removal of peat compost not only reduces carbon footprint but aids the protection of native peatlands which are carbon sinks and biodiversity hot spots. With the closure of Bord na Mona peat harvesting, there will be increased demand for peat compost from privately owned bogs. Dublin City Council should not be supporting this and could develop alternative composting solutions.

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Theme 7: Green Infrastructure, Open Space, Recreation and Natural Heritage

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Planning reason:

To facilitate the transition to electric driving, a key method to combat climate change and urban air pollution.

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Theme 6: Sustainable Movement and Transport

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Theme 8: Built Heritage and Archaeology

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That the military complexes of Collins Barracks, Arbour Hill, McKee Barracks and St Bricin's Hospital are designated as an Architectural Conservation Area in the Development Plan

Planning reason:

Dublin was very heavily militarised City during the British administration with a number of military buildings on both sides of the Liffey. The greatest preponderance was in an enclave on the northside.

This includes the present day National Museum, Collins Barracks, the longest occupied of any Barracks in Europe. Across the road from the Collins Barracks complex is Arbour Hill which comprises a military prison, Garrison Church and very historic military Graveyard where those executed in 1916 are buried. Next door is St Bricin's Military Hospital and riding stables. Together, they comprise an integral part of our history and built heritage. The Development Plan should include this military complex as an Architectural Conservation Area (ACA) and provide the buildings and environs with appropriate protection.

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That the Development Plan includes plans to incorporate the two National Monuments of the GPO and Moore Street to an historical Battleground trail and further links these to the cultural quarter of Parnell Square and the Architectural Conservation Area of North Great George's Street.

Planning reason:

The enhancement of this rich heritage, market and retail tapestry has the potential to produce an exciting vibrant city core for local Dubliners and visitors alike.

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That the Development Plan includes provision for a Masterplan for the Broadstone CIE Depot which has been identified for future redevelopment. The Masterplan should be put out to public consultation.

Planning reason:

To seek ideas to achieve the best outcomes for the site and local area, without it being developer-led or for a narrow prescriptive end-use.

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Theme 9: Culture

Chapter: Theme 9: Culture

That the "Culture" theme be renamed "Arts and Culture".

Planning reason:

Culture is a very broad term and while it incorporates the arts among a host of other things, Arts/Artists and an arts focus are entitled to recognition in their own right.

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Theme 9: Culture

Chapter: Theme 9: Culture

That it be an objective of the Development Plan to establish a music hub in the City Centre

Planning reason:

The need for such a facility has been identified by the Music Alliance of Ireland, to promote and develop Dublin as a centre of cultural activity.

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Theme 9: Culture

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That the Development Plan contain policies to promote urban renewal & regeneration of Parnell Square as a new cultural quarter of the City, including the development of a new civic theatre in the Cultural Quarter of Parnell Square; improved public realm, increased pedestrian areas and reduced on-street parking; and make increased provision for public art and culture.

Planning reason:

Promotion of the city's cultural attractions and enhancement of the night-time economy in the North Inner City. There is no civic theatre in the city and a small 200 – 300 theatre would greatly enhance the proposals for the Parnell Square Cultural Quarter.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan includes policies to encourage night-time culture in the City including extending opening times for cultural spaces, museums and art galleries.

Planning reason:

This would facilitate music/comedy cabaret theatre and would enhance the night time economy by creating a whole new night-time footfall which would bring the City alive at night in a desirable manner and with an emphasis on cultural activities.

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That the City Council develop a structure for artists to live, work, perform and exhibit in the City.

Planning reason:

Artists are vital to the life of a city and the Development Plan must endeavour to provide for them.

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That the City Development Plan includes an objective to allocate a portion of the Development levies for public art culture in addition to the “percent for art scheme”.

Planning reason:

To ensure community gain and provide employment for artists.

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Theme 10: Sustainable Environmental Infrastructure and Flood Risk

Chapter: Theme 10: Sustainable Environmental Infrastructur...

That it is an objective of the Dublin City Development Plan to develop a strategy to encourage and promote responsible waste management and actively tackle illegal dumping.

Planning reason:

Litter and dumping throughout the City are prevalent and require a comprehensive strategy to tackle them.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan includes an objective for the re-municipalisation of Waste Management

Planning reason:

An efficient waste management system is central to sustainable development, good public health and the protection of the environment. The privatisation of waste management has led to increased littering and dumping and increased emissions since as many as six trucks circulate in each street on bin day. By controlling waste collection and waste disposal the City Council can help reduce emissions, keep the city cleaner and enhance public health and safety.

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That the Dublin City Development Plan maps areas at high risk of flooding in coming years and that an alleviation and mitigation plan be put in place for the city.

Planning reason:

There is a need to ensure that planning takes cognisance of current and potential flooding threats in high-risk areas of the City.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to promote the use of permeable paving, rather than hard concrete surfaces for new development and in the repair/replacement of existing surfaces

Planning reason:

To reduce flood risk, promote a sustainable environmental infrastructure and lower long-term costs.

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That it is an objective of the Development Plan to prioritise the conversion of existing sodium-vapour street lighting to LED-based lighting that minimises light spillage.

Planning reason:

To enhance public safety, public health and the environment.

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Theme 10: Sustainable Environmental Infrastructure and Flood Risk

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That land-use and land-use change be considered as climate action. The City Development Plan should implement policies that support net gain of natural ecosystems and improves connectivity of existing nature reserves and green spaces, which have multiple benefits, including climate adaptation, climate mitigation, the improvement of air and water quality

Planning reason:

The IPCC recognises land-use change as an anthropogenic driver of climate change.

As an example the Sectoral Adaptation Plan for Flood Risk Management already considers active land management or planned retreat as a means for protecting residential, commercial and industrial properties from flood risk. This is a long term action that must consider various factors.

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That in relation to adaptation to climate change, it is critical that the Development Plan consider explicitly and acknowledge the spectrum of climate change impacts from extreme sudden onset events to slow onset changes; how the impacts are being experienced and will be experienced in Dublin and develops associated responses, through appropriate objectives and policies. Further, the compound nature of climate change impacts and their cascading effects, need consideration as flooding will not be the only climate impact experienced in Dublin and Ireland.

- The urban heat island (UHI) effect is anticipated to intensify as temperatures increases, this will have human health consequences and will increase energy demand for cooling. The City Development plan should therefore set out responses to adapt the city to reduce the risk and adverse impacts of UHI, such as greening. This will have co-benefits for flood risk management, air quality, water quality and energy demand.
- The City Development Plan should align with the 12 sectoral adaptation plans, as these plans will impact on all thematic areas of the development plan.
 - For example the Public Realm has a key role in the Health Sectoral Adaptation Plan and reducing key climate related health risks, (i.e. increased heat related illness, respiratory illnesses, cardiovascular disease and skin cancer).
 - and the Critical Infrastructure Adaptation Plan, as a coastal city the vulnerability of key networks – water, gas, electricity, and communication - to sea level rise, extreme weather events, coastal erosion requires that the local authority work with key stakeholders to insure the resilience of these critical networks well into the future.

Planning reason:

The City Development Plan must embed a systems approach to adaptation planning, to ensure appropriate design of the Public Realm, Public and Private Open Space, and use of lands in the city while ensuring that the increased demands for services (housing, transport, energy, food and water) stemming from growing urban populations can be met.

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That City Development Plan recognise the opportunity to build resilience into the energy system and to ensure security of supply by considering the potential of micro generation, district energy systems and how storage of renewable energy generation can be implemented to achieve energy security and resilience, in addition to carbon reduction and efficiency.

Planning reason:

The focus of energy at present is reduction of emissions and the increased renewable penetration, little consideration has been given to the adaptive capacity of the system

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That the City Development Plan considers the development of a food strategy that supports the resilience of the agriculture sector in Ireland to climate change, manage food waste/food surplus and that supports the development of the circular economy.

Planning reason:

There is a rich food heritage from which to build this strategy. Further, this would support the development of the circular economy particularly in the hospitality and tourism sector.

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Boundaries Captured on Map: No