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Minutes

Meeting	Community Liaison Committee
Date-Time-Location	Wednesday 16 July 2025 / Online
Members present	Jenny Donohoe (JD) Acting Chair; Grainne O’Leary (GOL) GDA Comms; Derval Concannon (DC) GDA Comms; Joanne Kearney (JK) TU Dublin Estates; Luke McManus (LMM) Community; Rónan Whelan (RW) D7ET; Jason Aughney (JA) TU Dublin SU; Garda Amy Murtagh (GCF); Kathleen McCann (KMC) BTLF; Brian Murphy (BM) TU Dublin; Naomi Sebastine (NS) TU Dublin SU President; Mina Eusebio (MB) TU Dublin SU; Katie Markham (KM) GDA;
Apologies	Fionnuala McHugh (FMH) D7ET; Cllr John Stephens (JS); Sharon Griffin (SG) DCC; Nigel Thompson (NT) Director of Corporate Services & Community (Acting); ; Paul Coleman (PC) TU Estates; Cllr Janet Horner (JH) DCC; Debby Clarke (DC) DCC, Eamon McCluskey (EMC) HSE; Eugene Kelly (EK) Community; Seaneen Sullivan (SS) Community; Cllr Ray McAdam (RMA);

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1. Heading		
1.1	JD welcomed new members Brian Murphy, Mina Eusebio, and Naomi Sabestine. The minutes from the last meeting were agreed.	
2 Project Updates		
2.1	<u>Area D Area</u> : All works are now complete with the last remaining item being the hoarding to be removed, in due course, and the original fence line reinstated.	
2.2	<u>Prussia Street Gate (PSG)</u> : GDA is finalizing the CFI response (Clarification of Further Information) in relation to the Prussia Street Gate Temporary Haul Route Planning Application and has submitted draft swept path analysis drawings to DCC for review. Discussions with DCC and the NTA last week resulted in provisional approval for GDA from the NTA to carry out footpath widening at the Prussia Street Junction for approximately three years, until the Blanchardstown CBC (Bus Connects Corridor) project begins. This is seen as a positive development, allowing for a safer junction in the interim. The CFI response is due by the end of the month, but the aim is to submit it by mid-July, with a decision expected next month August.	

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2.3	<p><u>Geothermal (Gemini Project)</u>: Status of project is at first stage of decarbonisation. Stakeholders include Designer, Codema, GSI and TU Dublin. Reviewing of current proposals from Designer. Development of a Stakeholders & Communications Plan is likely to commence in Q4 not Q3 as Comms tender has been delayed.</p>		
2.4	<p><u>Sports Changing Areas & Print Making Workshop</u>: Planning now granted by DCC for 5 more years for temporary facilities.</p>		
2.5	<p><u>Playground Resurfacing & Mobility Swing Installation</u>: Contractor has now been appointed, and works will start on early September and finish in late October. Playground will be closed for the duration of the works. These works will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extend the playground area to include the mobility swing so it will be fully accessible for all users of the playground. • The mobility swing will be in addition to the existing play equipment and will be in an area of the playground that is currently part of the landscaping. No relocation of existing equipment required. • The swing being installed is EN compliant to European standards, certified and is fully accessible for wheelchairs and can accommodate two wheelchair users at a time. • The agreed timeframe for programme is that works will start in early September and end in late October. • The playground will need to be closed for Health and Safety reasons during the Works timeframe to facilitate the surfacing and the swing installation. 		
	<p>Netting will be looked at as part of a separate future works tender process.</p>		
2.6	<p><u>Academic Hub</u>: Project completion is pending – exact timeline is still to be confirmed.</p>		
2.7	<p><u>Junction of Rathdown Road and Grange Gorman Upper Works</u>: Resubmission of planning permission for Junction of Rathdown Road and Grange Gorman Upper Works to DCC to be lodged on August, date to be confirmed.</p>		
	<p>Comms pack containing letter and updated fact sheet sent to resident group previously contacted in October 2024 will be distributed 7-10 days before PP lodgement date. Parking and Traffic survey that was conducted in March 2025 will also be</p>		

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available to residents by request by emailing GDA comms email or on GDA website.

- 2.8** Grangegorman Employment Charter: Local employment rates for the months of May and June were 8%.
Build to Last Forum: Recruitment to the new Build to Last Forum completed. A community launch event for the Forum will take place in September. Invitations to Forum launch will be shared with CLC members once available.
Joining Up the Dots 4 (JUTD4): There are now printed copies of the latest socio-economic and demographic survey of the Grangegorman Area available. Any CLC members who would like a copy should contact Kathleen McCann. It is freely available to a wide range of organisations, projects and stakeholders in the area to help inform and shape their own priorities and activities.
Grangegorman ABC (Area-based Childhood) Project: Reps from Grangegorman ABC, along with other ABCs around the country, gathered in the National College of Ireland in early June to celebrate ten years of the ABC anti-poverty childhood programme. The Early Learning Initiative (north inner city ABC managed by NCI), replaced TU Dublin as Lead Agency for Grangegorman ABC in January 2025.

3 Community Matters

- 3.1** **GFC** informed group about a public order incident on the campus Friday 11th July and antisocial behaviour on Upper Grangegorman. Patrols have incidents under control. Bridwell station is investigating.
GDA queried about complaints of a burnt out bike at Broadstone Plaza. **GFC** confirmed there was a delay in removing object due to jurisdiction. **JK** noted that the incident was not raised with TU Dublin directly, and informed that any future issues need to be reported to campus estates as they can follow up on support.
- 3.2** **JK** noted that with the Academic Hub nearing completion, that the catering contract is out for tender and will be back on 17th August, similar to the East Quad. No confirmed opening date at this time. **JK** informed group of new campus security contractor 'Taskforce'. There is now increased presence and patrols. Garda clinic since Jan great to see working together. **JK** apologised for delay on sending out written update on lighting to residents. Results on rating and feedback on noise have been gathered and she will link in with **LMM** to discuss. **GOL** queries about telecommunication equipment and **JK** explained that position of the mobile equipment was due to available space and accessibility.

3.3 **JA** provided overview of SU function and events over last year. Introduced new president Naomi and vice president Mina. **GFC** requested if 2025/2026 events calendar could be sent them as patrols can be organised for support, JA agreed to forward on.

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3.4 BM introduced to group; Government & Advocacy lead in TU Dublin. Looking forward to working with group on any issues or concerns. After the public order incident BM will organise to meet with GFC to discuss security around campus events for new academic year. JK noted that the Supervisor in Estate for Security should be included.		
3.5 JD informed group that Grangegorman Histories would have events for Heritage Week (20 th – 28 th Aug) relating to older buildings, link to GGH website to be sent to members for more details. JD recommended that members visit the Grangegorman History exhibition when the Academic Hub opens.	GDA	
3.6 RW informed group that he would be stepping down from CLC and Peter Kinsella would be replacing. JD thanked him for contribution to group and will pass on regards.		
3.7 KM introduced to group; Communications Manager – Special Projects in GDA. Provided overview of Build Digital and forwarded on links to website, and BIM mandate.		
3.8 LMM expressed concern over a need increased security on Grangegorman Lower due to anti-social behaviour. He has spoken with head of estates. Also raised with BM on public groups accessing facilities on campus. BM agreed to discuss further and will be in contact to organise meeting. Queried if there would be an alternative facilities during playground closure, DC will update communication to include alternative playground in D7.		
4. Next Meeting		
4.1 The next CLC meeting is due to take place on 15 October.		