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25th November 2021

Re: Dalymount Park, Japanese Knotweed Inspection Report

Site

Dalymount Park, Phibsboro

Client

Dublin City Council

Inspection date

5th November 2021

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Introduction

This is a follow up inspection to an initial inspection in September 2019. This is the fourth inspection on this area.

Aims of the report

The report is to inspect the effects of treatment from last report, inspect the current level of weed on site and recommend further actions.

The site

The site to be inspected is a football stadium with car park and stands around the pitch itself. There are abandoned/closed off stands with vegetation and over grown areas behind the stands.

Inspection

The site was inspected by walking the entire site as described above.

Findings

The inspection found some small areas of knotweed growth.

The growth was found in five areas which are marked on an attached picture of the area. The car park area had the largest amount of vegetation with a number of small groups running along the boundary wall. There were two more smaller stands of growth in the disused stand.

The knotweed was not found in any new areas.

The knotweed is significantly reduced in all areas. There are currently less than 10no. stalks of green growth on site.

All areas still have green knotweed shoots, but very little.

Recommended treatment

The stalks of Knotweed should be treated with neat Glyphosate and the areas around them cordoned off to restrict access to the plants and any chance of spreading the plant to new areas.

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When brown and desiccated, plant material should be removed and placed in a sealed polythene bag for disposal to a licensed facility.

At the moment the knotweed on site is minimal, it is recommended that a further site inspection takes place in May 2022 to monitor how much knotweed has returned. The rest of the site should be inspected at that point to monitor any spread of the weed but it seems to be contained at the moment.

Actions Taken

All Knotweed found on site was treated with glyphosate, the weed has been left in situ to die off.

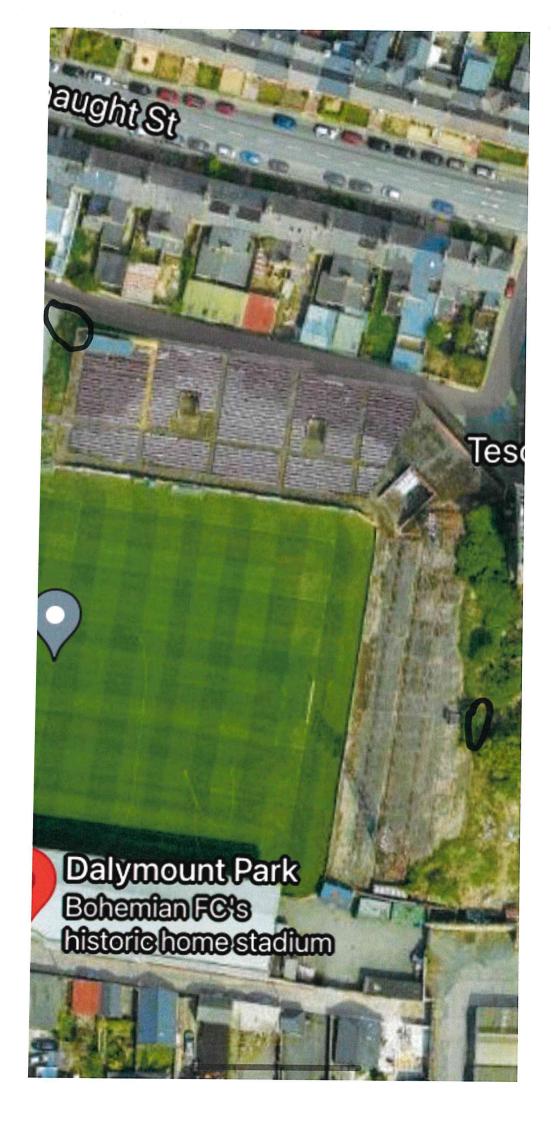
Conclusions

The knotweed has not spread to any new areas, containment measures appear to be working.

The presence of the knotweed has been greatly reduced, there is now very minimal amounts of knotweed on site.

All growth present on site at the inspection has be treated.

Treatment is working to contain the knotweed and a further inspection in May will be required to monitor the situation, it is anticipated there will be very low levels of green knotweed growth on site.



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