

Briefing Note

Dublin City Council Control of On-Street Sustainable Deliveries Eco Hub Bye Laws 2018

Sustainable delivery Eco Hubs.

Dublin City Council (DCC) and United Parcel Service (UPS) have successfully operated a pilot project to trial an alternative delivery method within the City Centre using an Eco Hub (currently situated on Wolfe Tone Street).

The Eco Hub uses a covered trailer, delivered in the morning to Wolfe Tone Street, to bring parcels and packets to the City Centre. These are delivered to customers throughout the day by UPS personnel on cargo bikes, electric cargo bikes and on foot.

The trial has been in operation since the 1st of June, 2017, and is proving to be very successful, with the removal of up to 200 vehicle movements per day from the city centre. DCC are committed to developing a long term delivery strategy for the city centre, which will seek to review and improve existing loading bays, look at using electric vehicles to make deliveries and progress the use of consolidated loads and consolidation centres. DCC also wish to provide sites on- and off-street for hubs and depots.

Using our powers under Section 36 of the Roads Traffic Act 1994:

—(1) A road authority may make bye-laws for the control and regulation of the parking of vehicles in places specified in the bye-laws (in this section referred to as parking places) on public roads within their functional area and shall in the bye-laws provide for the payment of fees in respect of such parking.

The Draft Dublin City Council Control of On-Street Sustainable Deliveries Eco Hub Bye Laws 2018, copy attached, are being proposed for public consultation with a view to regulating the operation of sustainable delivery Eco Hubs. The number of Eco Hubs and the cost of licences will be determined during this process - at present a fee of €150 is proposed.

At its meeting of 22nd November, 2017, the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee considered the above report. It was agreed to recommend to the City Council the holding of the statutory public consultation process on the proposed Draft Dublin City Council Control of Sustainable Deliveries Eco Hub Bye Laws 2018 (copy attached).

At its monthly meeting on 4th December 2017, Dublin City Council approved the initiation of the consultation process in relation to formulating the Bye Laws.

This Briefing Note on the proposed Bye-Laws together with a copy of the draft Bye-Laws may be inspected during normal office hours over the period Monday 16th July to Tuesday 14th August 2018 inclusive at the offices of the Environment & Transportation Department, Floor 6, Block 2, Civic Offices, Fishamble Street, Dublin 8. Copies of the Briefing Note, and the draft Bye-Laws are available free of charge from this office, telephone (01) 222 2232 or on the web at www.dublincity.ie.

Dublin City Council will consider submissions made by any person in relation to the draft Bye-Laws. Submissions must be made in writing to Ms. Céline Reilly, Executive Manager, Environment & Transportation Department at the above address or electronically at www.consultation.dublincity.ie before 16.30hrs on Tuesday 28th August 2018. Submissions received will not be individually acknowledged.