### Save Moore Street 2016

Presentation to the Moore Street Consultative group on Wednesday 7th of December 2016

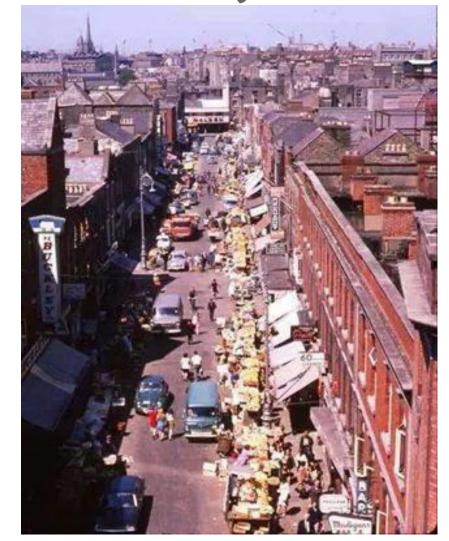
Our vision for the entire Battlefield site and National Monument

#### Save Moore Street 2016

- Save Moore Street 2016 is a community campaign, emerging from the January occupation of the National Monument to prevent it's demolition.
- Our aim is to keep the entire battlefield site and national monument in public hands and ensure it's restoration.
- The restoration should be of the entire area not just the buildings currently under the government's ownership.
- The restoration should be carried out with transparency and accountability using independent inspections.
- Ensuring proper restorative practices are used and in keeping with the areas historic past.
- Moore Street remains and developed as a market trading area.

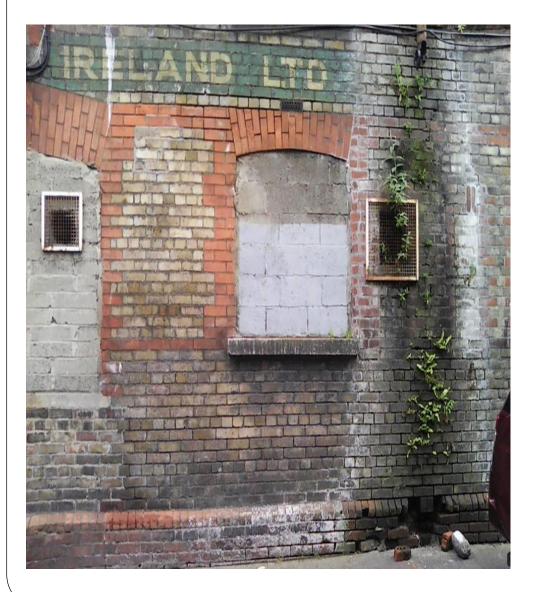
## Moore Street – A brief history





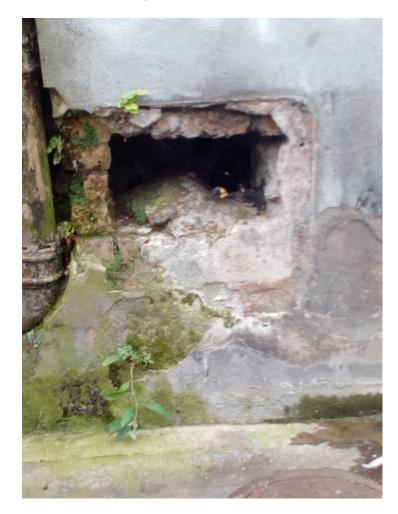
## Stop the Neglect

- Moore Street has been neglected in a number of ways:
- The physical neglect of the entire national monument including the street and laneways.
- The economic neglect by successive Government's, Developers and Local Authorities.
- The restoration neglect by builders, Developers, Local Authorities and successive Government's.













Henry place, this is what every tourist sees when walking on a guided tour to Moore Street. There have been repeated calls to the council to enforce a clean up but to no avail



## The Economic Neglect

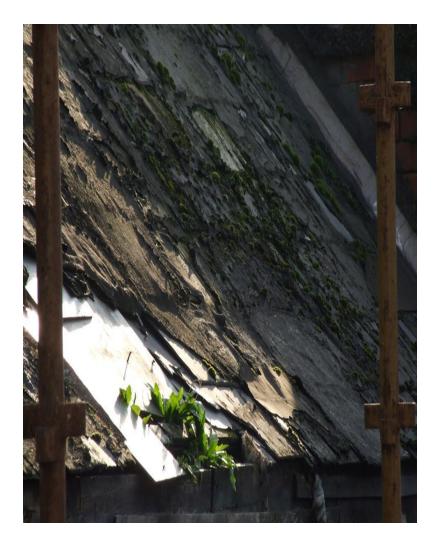
• told by previous owner and developer Joe O' Reilly to the Public Accounts Committee.



23 July 2015 Joe OReilly on Moore Street National Monument at Inquiry.mp4

## The Economic Neglect





# The Restorative Neglect





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#### The potential of Moore Street

- DCC promotes Moore Street from its cultural offices and advertises it in all its overseas material. While another Department of DCC are trying to demolish it.
- Tourism Ireland reported that Ireland had it's "Best Ever Year" in 2016. A record number of tourists at 10.5 million surpassing all records.
- Tourism Ireland predicts these figures to increase in 2017.
- In 2015 Dublin 4.9 million tourists- 86% of those were interested in cultural/historical sites. 4.3 million engaged with historical/cultural sites.
- Their spending power was 30% on food and drink and 13% on shopping

### The potential of Moore Street

- Kilmainham Gaol is one of the top ten attractions for tourists in Ireland
- It had over 330,000 paid visitors in 2014
- The recent revamp of the attraction potentially sees an increase of 500,000 tourists.
- The reason we have Kilmainham today, is because of a community campaign, that fought for the gaol to be restored and remain in public hands.
- Moore Street has even more potential than Kilmainham with it's city centre location as a revolutionary quarter.

### The potential of Moore Street

Cork's English Market

- A great example of how to run a market in modern Ireland while maintaining a strong customer base and attracting tourists.
- The market is publically owned, run by Cork City council which brings in a revenue stream for CCC.
- There is no reason Moore Street cannot have the same potential it just takes political will



#### Our vision for Moore Street

- We envision Moore Street as a revolutionary quarter. A space within our capital city to celebrate, honour and remember our revolutionary past.
- We envision Moore Street as an integral part of the community not just locally but nationally.
- We envision Moore Street not just as a historical space but also a space for local produce, crafts, pubs, restaurants and local art.
- Moore Street can be a space to showcase not just Irish produce, it can also celebrate our diverse population.

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- We envision Moore Street being a community space for crèches, gatherings, meetings, groups, education, recreation and public housing.
- The North Inner city badly needs regeneration. A revolutionary quarter would be a welcome neighbour to the new cultural quarter planned for Parnell Square
- Moore Street's laneways are living, breathing battlefield sites. Street art and murals can bring this history to life for everyone.
- We envision Moore Street as a historical, educational, economically viable tourist and community area that everyone can enjoy.

#### What we don't want for Moore Street

- A continuation of the last 15 years of corruption, lack of accountability and transparency by Dublin City Council, successive Government's and Developers.
- For our National Monument to be destroyed and a plastic version squeezed into a tiny museum that will be dwarfed by yet another shopping centre, hotel and car park, while also destroying our very own living breathing battlefield site.
- Developers continuing to profit off what belongs to the people on this island.
- The high ranking public servants who have been responsible for the mess that is Moore Street, no longer continue to have that responsibility, and they are made accountable for their actions.

## What should happen next

- We welcome Judge Barrett's ruling .
- We ask this forum to use its influence to call on the minister to withdraw her appeal
- That all of Moore Street and what encompasses the national monument be CPO'd by Dublin City Council and the area zoned to protect it for the future.
- The entire site is independently inspected by restoration experts so we know how to proceed in the restoration and planning for Moore Street.
- All works and inspections to be made public and open to scrutiny

#### Save Moore Street 2016

• On behalf of the campaign, thank you for this opportunity today

• We will now take any questions or comments