COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÃTHA CLIATH THEAS  
SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL



Minutes of Social and Community Strategic Policy Committee

Held on the 19th May 2015

In the Community Services Conference Room

Attendance

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| **Members** | **Officials** |
| Cllr D. Looney | B. Coman Director |
| Cllr C. O Connor | P. Murphy Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr S. Holland | P. McALerney Senior Community Officer |
| Cllr K. Egan | A. Silke Sports Officer |
| G Ní Mhuirí PPN | C. Purdy RAPID Officer |
| L Kelly PPN |  |
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Apologises:

Cllr J. Graham

Cllr V. Casserly

Minutes of February 2015 Meeting:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2015 which has been circulated were approved.

Community Initiative

P Murphy presented the updated version of the proposed Community Initiative Scheme following the work of the Sub Committee. The Chair noted that the Scheme has been presented to and agreed at full Council. It was noted that it is proposed to announce and publish the scheme by the end of the month.

A discussion in relation to the adjudication process took place. The adjudication panel will be made up of officials from neighbouring local authorities. The Senior Community team (Senior Community Officer & Area Community Officers x 3) will be at hand at all stages to provide their local knowledge to the judging panel. The Committee approved this proposal.

Endeavour Awards

P Murphy presented the output from the Sub committee on the Endeavour Awards which the Chair also noted had been agreed in principle at full Council. The Plan is to host the ceremony in November. Quotations and options in this regard are to be presented at the next SPC in September subject to a venue being booked if necessary in the interim. Proposed venues and package to be provided will tabled for decision as required.

A suggestion to publish the title of each award in both English and Irish was agreed and to amended award (j) to read “Gradam” rather than “Duais”

SPC members were asked to consider options for an MC for the event while keeping costs to a minimum. Subject to the above, the Committee approved these proposals.

Healthy City

B Coman & C Purdy presented a proposal for Tallaght to become a healthy city with the long term goal of South Dublin becoming a Healthy County.

Reference was made to the excellent work already underway in Galway has received the Healthy City Status – details of the projects can be found at [www.galwayhealthycities.ie](http://www.galwayhealthycities.ie)

It was noted that findings from the HANA Report (Health and Needs Analysis) are due to be published on 14th September next during Health and Wellbeing week.

Following discussion the Committee endorsed this application.

SPORTIVATE South Dublin

A Silke presented a summary of the proposed programme which is a joint venture with the ETB. The DSP will work alongside SDCC and the ETB to support the participants of the programme.

Following discussion the Committee endorsed this application.

Community Grants Scheme

The Chair summarised for the benefit of the Committee the sequence of events since the last recommendation of the Committee. After a discussion it was agreed that the Community Grants Scheme will be opened for applications twice yearly in March and September.

For 2015 a revised plan was agreed as there are already a number of applications already made. In the interest of fairness these applications with the exception of Start up, summer projects (and one or two others deemed (by Senior Community Officer & Team) to be a priority will be processed and recommendations made to the Area Committees and the full Council. The remainder will be held to be assessed when others are received following the announcement of the funding stream being opened.

The advertisement of this grants scheme is to be done via the website, PPN, Community Team, social media but it was noted that an advertisement in the local papers is not anticipated.

It was reiterated that all groups seeking funding must be registered members of the PPN.

These revised proposals were recommended for approval by the full Council.

AOB

B Coman highlighted that Health & Well Being week, the launch of which will take place on the 14th of September in Tallaght Stadium, is likely to occur before the next meeting of the Committee. Members were encouraged to attend as many of the events as possible. This year’s programme of events which is being finalised will build on the success of last years programme.

The meeting concluded at 7pm.