

Chief Executive's Office

8th February 2017

To / Mayor and each Member

Re: Participatory Budgeting Initiative

Dear Member,

Following on from the adoption of this initiative as part of the 2017 Budget, the Steering Group of members and staff had its inaugural meeting on 31st January. The following matters were determined:

- The attached Framework and Timetable was adopted.
- The launch will take place in the Clarion Hotel Liffey Valley at 7pm on 28th February.
- An extensive PR and media campaign will be designed to run throughout the month of March.
- Three open public workshops in Griffeen, Adamstown and Palmerstown will be facilitated during the month of March.
- These workshops will be supplemented with special interest focus group meetings, with groups to be decided e.g. youth elderly, etc.
- It is to be a two stage process:
 - Stage 1 will involve ideas generation and the making of submissions.
 - Stage 2 will allow those within the Lucan area to vote on the selected ideas.
- An I.C.T. Portal to facilitate consultation, submissions and voting has been identified.
- The IPA (Institute of Public Administration) has been commissioned to publish a research paper on the entire process.
- A brief video of the process is to be commissioned to facilitate ongoing rollout of the initiative.
- The working title of the project will be "Your Community, You Decide" or a derivative thereof to be finalised in the coming weeks.

The next meeting of the group is to be held on the 16th February.

Yours sincerely,

Daniel McLough

Chief Executive