**COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS  
SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

Minutes of South Dublin County Council June 2017 County Council Meeting held on 12th June 2017.

**PRESENT**

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| **Councillors** |  | **Councillors** |
| Bonner, B. |  | Lawlor, B. |
| Casserly, V. |  | Leech, B. |
| Dermody A-M. |  | Looney, D. |
| Donovan, P. |  | Mc Cann, C. |
| Duff, M. |  | McMahon, R. |
| Duffy, F. |  | Mahon, K. |
| Egan, K. |  | Murphy, E. |
| Fanning, E. |  | Murphy, M. |
| Foley, P. |  | Nolan, R. |
| Genockey, M. |  | O’Brien, D. |
| Gogarty, P. |  | O’Brien, E. |
| Graham, J. |  | O’Connell, G. |
| Higgins, E. |  | O’Connor, C. |
| Holland, S. |  | O’Donovan, D. |
| Johansson, M. |  | O’Toole, L. |
| Kearns, P. |  | Richardson, D. |
| King, C. |  | Timmons, F. |
| Lavelle, W. |  | Ward, M. |
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**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

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| Chief Executive | D. McLoughlin. |
| Directors/ Heads of Function  Head of Finance | B. Coman, F. Nevin, E. Taaffe, L. Maxwell, T. Walsh.  R. FitzGerald. |
| Senior Executive Officers | H. Hogan, M. Staunton, M. Maguire, C. Ward, L. Leonard, T. Shanahan. |
| County Librarian | B. Fennell. |
| Administrative Officers  Senior Staff Officer | C. Murphy, E. Leech, M. Kavanagh.  R. McGarry. |
| Staff Officer  Assistant Staff Officer  Clerical Officer  Programmer  Sord | P. Brennan.  M. Somers.  M. Dunne.  O. Woods.  A. O’Brien. |
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The Mayor G. O’Connell Presided.

Apologies were received from Councillor N. Coules, L. Dunne, B. Ferron and T. Gilligan.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting a minute’s silence was observed as a mark of respect for the victims of the terror attacks in Manchester and London.

### **H1/0617 CONFIRMATION AND REAFFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

a) Minutes of Special County Council Meeting 2nd May 2017which had been circulated were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed in the proposition of Councillor G. O’Connell seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

b) Minutes of County Council Meeting 8th May 2017which had been circulated were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed in the proposition of Councillor G. O’Connell seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

At this point the Mayor Councillor G. O’Connell proposed and the Members **AGREED** to vary the sequence of items on the agenda in order to take Headed Item no.16 **(H16)** next:

### **H16/0617 UPDATE ON DUBLIN MOUNTAINS PROJECT**

### The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development and the presentation was made by Mr. Paul Keogh, from Paul Keogh Architects and were **CONSIDERED:**

**“**At the May Council meeting a presentation was given to the members on the project at the Hellfire club/Masseys Wood. In that presentation the following next steps were identified:

* Await response to ABP correspondence.
* Respond to Failte Ireland approval for project
* Finalise EIA & planning documentation.
* Prepare model & present to Members before formal planning process.
* Lodge with Board June/July 2017. (Or possibly SDCC process but considered unlikely).

As indicated in the last bullet point, An Bord Pleanala have now confirmed that the application should be made to them. Accordingly, the required plans and documents are being finalised for lodgement with the Board. As also undertaken at the May meeting a project model and the plans will be presented at the June Council meeting prior to the July application to the Board.”

[**Presentation**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2017/June/June2017CountyCouncilMeeting/e7a0bbec-a0bc-4ded-b2f3-62a24b2747b0.ppt)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors M. Johansson, D. O’Donovan, S. Holland, P. Gogarty, D. Looney, B. Bonner, P. Kearns, B. Leech, P. Foley, E. Fanning, P. Donovan, K. Mahon, R. McMahon, B. Lawlor, M. Murphy, D. Looney, E. Higgins and G. O’Connell.

### Mr. D. McLoughlin, Chief Executive, Mr. F. Nevin, Director of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development, Mr. Seamus McArdle, Roughan O’Donovan, Consulting Engineers, Mr. Paul Keogh and Mr. Richard Butler, Cunane, Stratton, Reynolds- Landscape/Planning responded to the Members queries.

### The reports were **NOTED** and it was **AGREED** that the completed documentation be lodged with An Bord Pleanala in July 2017. It was also **AGREED** that an informal briefing be arranged for Members prior to lodgement.

### **H2a/0617 REPORTS FROM AREA COMMITTEES - RATHFARNHAM/TEMPLEOGUE-TERENURE AREA COMMITTEE – 9TH MAY 2017**

*Dealing with Public Realm Water and Drainage, Housing, Community, Planning, Transportation, Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management*

It was **NOTED** that there was **NO** Business under this Heading.

**H2b/0617 REPORTS FROM AREA COMMITTEES - CLONDALKIN AREA COMMITTEE – 17TH MAY 2017**

*Dealing with Public Realm, Water & Drainage, Housing, Community, Planning, Transportation, Economic Development, Libraries & Arts, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management*

It was **NOTED** that there was **NO** Business under this Heading.

**H2c/0617 REPORTS FROM AREA COMMITTEES - TALLAGHT AREA COMMITTEE – 22ND MAY 2017**

*Dealing with Public Realm, Water & Drainage, Housing, Community, Planning, Transportation, Economic Development, Libraries* ***& Arts (1 - report Arts Grant)****, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management*

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development, and was **CONSIDERED**:

**“Application for Arts Grants**

**Youth Horizons**

 In reference to the attached application, Youth Horizons, which is based in Tallaght, is seeking grant assistance towards a drama and film project based on themes from Shakespeare’s Hamlet.

Youth Horizons is a centre for early school leavers in Jobstown. The group is comprised of teenagers who have left the formal school system but who are motivated to continue their education but through a different route.

South Dublin Arts Office recommends that a grant of €1000 be made under the Arts Act Grant 2003, towards a drama and film project based for early school leavers.

It was proposed by Councillor M. Genockey and seconded by Councillor D. Richardson and **RESOLVED:**

“That this Committee recommends that South Dublin County Council approve payment of the above grants recommended in the foregoing report”.

**Platform One**

In reference to the attached application, Platform One, which is based in Rua Red, South Dublin Arts Centre, is seeking assistance towards the cost of inviting professional writers who are established nationally to speak to the group and provide writing workshops and information on becoming published.

Platform one is a group of twenty five writers, who have been established for six years, who meet on a monthly basis. Some of the writers in this group have been published and a number of them are award winners. It also provides support to those hoping to develop careers as professional writers, through peer critique, creating opportunities for public readings and development workshops in writing skill and industry information. This group is strategically important to arts development in the county in the field of literature and contributes to a number of programming initiatives.

The Arts Office recommends that an award of €1000 be made to Platform One, under the Arts Act 2003, to support a development programme for writers in the county.

It was proposed by Councillor C. McCann and seconded by Councillor M. Duff and **RESOLVED:**

“That this Committee recommends that South Dublin County Council approve payment of the above grants recommended in the foregoing report”.

**TC Arts & Media**

In reference to the attached application TC Arts &Media which is based in Rua Red, Tallaght, is requesting grant assistance towards the cost of developing a theatre project *Waking Up the Irish.* This production series will be written by ethnic minorities living in South Dublin County and will be directed by Ray Yeats with support from Writer Colm Keegan.

There are three stages to the project. This stage is stage 1 and it will involve up to 60 migrants living in South Dublin County.

South Dublin Arts Office recommends that a project grant of €1000 be made under the Arts Act Grant 2003 to support the TC Arts & Media to initiate a theatre project engaging with migrants in the County.

It was proposed by Councillor D. Richardson and seconded by Councillor N. Coules and **RESOLVED:**

“That this Committee recommends that South Dublin County Council approve payment of the above grants recommended in the foregoing report”.

The report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor C. King seconded by Councillor D. Richardson and **RESOLVED**:

“That the recommendations contained in the foregoing report of The Tallaght Area Committee 22nd May 2017 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.**”

**H2d/0617 REPORTS FROM AREA COMMITTEES - LUCAN AREA COMMITTEE – 23RD MAY 2017**

*Dealing with Public Realm, Water & Drainage, Housing, Community, Planning, Transportation, Economic Development, Libraries &* ***Arts (1 - report Arts Grant)****, Corporate Support, Performance & Change Management*

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development, and was **CONSIDERED**:

**“Application for Arts Grants**

An Application for an Arts Grant under Section 6 of the Arts Act 2003, has been received from the organisation listed below. Payment of this grant, in accordance with the conditions of the Scheme and in the amount set out hereunder, is recommended for approval:-

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| **Ref:** | **Name of Group** | **Type of Application - Grant** | **Date Received** | **Amount**  **€** |
|  | Carline Learning Centre | Grant to be used to run an 8 week drama course, for young people attending centre. | May | €1,000 |

It was proposed by Councillor L. O Toole and seconded by Councillor D. O’Brien and **RESOLVED:**

“That this Committee recommends that South Dublin County Council approve payment of the above grants recommended in the foregoing report”.

The report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor G. O’Connell seconded by Councillor L. O’Toole and **RESOLVED**:

“That the recommendations contained in the foregoing report of The Lucan Area Committee 3rd May 2017 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.**”

**H3a/0617 STANDING COMMITTEES - ORGANISATION, PROCEDURE & COMMITTEE - 18TH MAY 2017 - DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETING DATES**

### The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Services and Change Management and were **CONSIDERED:**

“The following Draft Calendar of Meeting dates was **APPROVED** by the Members at the Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee Meeting held on 18th May 2017.

**“July - October 2017**

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|  | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 03/07 | **Corporate Policy Group**  (Preliminary Budget Discussion) | 3.00 pm – 4.30 pm |  |
| Tue. | 04/07 |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 05/07 |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 06/07 |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 07/07 |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 10/07 | **County Council Meeting** | 3.30pm – 7.00pm | 26/06/2017 |
| Tue. | 11/07 |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 12/07 |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 13/07 |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 14/07 |  |  |  |
| **No Meetings in August** | | | | |
| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 04/09 |  | 3.00pm -4.30pm |  |
| Tue. | 05/09 | **Environment, Water & Climate Change SPC** | 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm | 03/08/2017 |
| Wed. | 06/09 | **Arts, Culture, Gaeilge, Heritage & Libraries SPC** | 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm | 04/08/2017 |
| Thur. | 07/09 | **Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development SPC** | 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm | 08/08/2017 |
| Fri. | 08/09 |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 11/09 |  |  |  |
| Tue. | 12/09 | **Audit Committee**  **Rathfarnham/Templeogue- Terenure Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 8.00 am – 9.30 am  3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 30/08/2017 |
| Wed. | 13/09 |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 14/09 | **Housing SPC** | 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm | 15/08/2017 |
| Fri. | 15/09 |  |  |  |
| *\*Planning file requests to be received by 06/09/17* | | | | |
| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 18/09 | **CPG Meeting including**  **LPT Variation & Budget Strategy?** | 3.00pm – 4.30pm |  |
| Tue. | 19/09 | **Traffic Management Meeting**  **Tallaght Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 2.15pm – 3.00pm  3.00pm – 6.00pm | 05/09/2017 |
| Wed. | 20/09 | **Clondalkin Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 07/09/2017 |
| Thurs | 21/09 | **Traffic Management Meeting**  **Clondalkin Traffic Management Meeting**  **Rathfarnham/Templeogue-Terenure**  **Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee (**in committee)  **Social and Community SPC** | 2.00 pm- 2.45 pm  2.45 pm – 3.30 pm  3.30 pm – 6.00 pm  6.00pm – 7.30pm | 08/09/2017  18/08/2017 |
| Fri. | 22/09 | **Joint Policing Committee** | 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm |  |
| *\*Planning file requests to be received by 14/09/2017* | | | | |
| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 25/09 | **County Council Meeting** | 3.30 pm – 7.00 pm | 11/09/2017 |
| Tues | 26/09 | **Traffic Management Meeting**  **Lucan Area Committee**  P*ublic realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation,\* Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 2.15 pm – 3.00 pm  3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 13/09/2017 |
| Wed. | 27/09 | **Deputations** | 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm |  |
| Thurs | 28/09 | **Land Use Planning & Transportation SPC** | 5.30 pm – 6.00 pm | 29/08/2017 |
| Fri. | 29/09 |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon | 02/10 | **CPG Meeting including Budget update** | 3.00 pm – 4.30 pm |  |
| Tue | 03/10 |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 04/10 |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 05/10 |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 06/10 |  |  |  |
| *\*Planning file requests to be received by 20/09/2017* | | | | |
| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 09/10 | **CPG Meeting Surplus/Deficit** | 3.00pm – 4.30 pm |  |
| Tue. | 10/10 | **Rathfarnham/Templeogue – Terenure area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 27/09/2017 |
| Wed. | 11/10 |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 12/10 |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 13/10 |  |  |  |

*\*Planning file requests to be received by 04/10/2017*

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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon.  Mon. | 16/10  16/10 | **Possible CPG Meeting**  **County Council Meeting** | 2.00pm  3.30 pm – 7.00 pm | 02/10/2017 |
| Tue. | 17/10 |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 18/10 | **Clondalkin Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 05/10/2017 |
| Thur. | 19/10 |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 20/10 |  |  |  |

*\* Planning file requests to be received by 13/10/2016*

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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 23/10 | **Tallaght Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 10/10/2017 |
| Tue. | 24/10 | **Lucan Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*\*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00 pm – 6.00 pm | 11/10/2017 |
| Wed. | 25/10 | **Deputations** | 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm |  |
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| Thur. | 26/10 |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 27/10 |  |  |  |

*\* Planning file requests to be received by 12/10/2017 \* Planning file requests to be received by 13/10/2017*

**Notes:**

Tallaght Area Committee Meeting moved to 19th September due to Council Meeting on 25th September

Special Budget O, P&F 9th November 2017

Social and Community SPC moved to after the Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee on Thursday 21st September 2017 after discussion at May O,P. & F Committee

The Draft Calendar of Meeting Dates was **APPROVED** on the proposition of Councillor G. O’Connell and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons.

**H3b/0617 STANDING COMMITTEES - ORGANISATION, PROCEDURE &FINANCE COMMITTEE - 18TH MAY 2017 - REPORT ON CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Services and Change Management and were **CONSIDERED:**

“The following Report on Conferences/Seminars was **APPROVED** by the Members at the Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee Meeting held on 18th May 2017

“[**Section 142 (5) of Local Government Act 2001**](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/zza37y2001s142.html) provides for the authorization of Members’ attendance at conferences both home and abroad.

Listed below are conferences which have been notified to South Dublin County Council and whose appropriateness has been vetted by the members’ working group in accordance with Circ. Letter 02/10.

**Conferences Notified**

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| **Conference** | **Host** | **Venue** | **Date** | **Members Attending** |
| A Briefing for Elected Members on Community Development initiatives - Urban and Rural | Association of Irish Local Government | Arklow | 09/05/2017 | Cllr E. Murphy |
| AILG Training  A Briefing for Elected Members on Community Development initiatives - Urban and Rural | Association of Irish Local Government | Castlecourt Hotel  Westport  Co. Mayo | 13/05/2017 | Cllr R. Mc Mahon  Cllr K. Egan  Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr Brian Lawlor Cllr C. King  Cllr L. Dunne  Cllr D. Richardson  Cllr G.O’ Connell |
| AILG Training  A Briefing for Elected Members on Community Development initiatives | Association of Irish Local Government | Lakeside Hotel, Ballina/Killaloe, Co. Tipperary | 18/05/2017 | Cllr T. Gilligan |
| Rural Revitalization |  | University College Dublin | 26/05/2017 |  |
| Brexit, Regional Planning and EU Affairs | Association of Irish Regions | Parkview Hotel  Newtounmountkennedy | 26/05/2017 |  |
| AILG Training | Association of Irish Local Government | Dundalk | 10/06/2017 |  |

**Conferences Attended since March**

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| **Conference** | **Host** | **Venue** | **Date** | **Members Attended** |
| Tourism Seminar   Collaborate Locally to Compete Globally - Local Authorities Supporting Tourism | Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport | River side Park Hotel Enniscorthy Co. Wexford | 29– 30/03/2017 | Cllr G, O’ Connell  Cllr B. Lawlor |
| AILG Conference | Association of Irish Local Government | West County Hotel,  Ennis Co. Clare | 6th - 7th April | Cllr W. Lavelle  Cllr B. Lawlor  Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr K Egan  Cllr E. Higgins  Cllr P. Donovan  Cllr A.M. Dermody Cllr C. King.  Cllr L Dunne  Cllr C. Mc Cann  Cllr G. O’Connell  Cllr P. Kearns  Cllr R. Mc Mahon  Cllr D. Richardson |
| LAMA Annual Conference | Local Authorities Association | City North Hotel,  Gormanston  Co. Meath | 28th -29th April 2017 | Cllr G. O’Connell  Cllr B. Lawlor  Cllr C. King  Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr K. Egan  Cllr A. M. Dermody  Cllr L. Dunne  Cllr C. Mc Cann  Cllr D. Richardson  Cllr L. O’Toole |

As authorisation under this section is a reserved function Members are required to pass the following resolution:

“In accordance with Section 142 (5) of the Local Government Act, 2001 attendance by Members at the Conferences / Seminars outlined in the report is hereby authorized.”

The report on Conferences/Seminars was **APPROVED** on the proposition of Councillor G. O’Connell and seconded by Councillor D. O’Donovan.

**H3c/0617** **NOMINATIONS FOR THE FORMATION OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE NAMING COMMITTEE**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. E. Taaffe, Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation, and the following nominations were received and were **CONSIDERED:**

**“**At the Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee Meeting held on 20th March 2014 the following report was considered:

“Nominations for the formation of an Infrastructure Naming Committee is now before the Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee for consideration.

It was proposed by Councillor B. Ferron and seconded by Councillor M. Ward and **AGREED** that ***Councillor Cathal King*** be appointed to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor P. Donovan and seconded by Councillor and **AGREED** that ***Councillor William Lavelle*** be appointed to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor C. O’Connor and seconded by Councillor P. Foley and **AGREED** that ***Councillor Ed O’Brien*** be appointed to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor P. Kearns and seconded by Councillor B. Bonner and **AGREED** that ***Councillor Mick Duff*** be appointed to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor D. O’Donovan and **AGREED** that ***Councillor Dermot Looney*** be appointed to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor D. Looney and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **AGREED** that ***Councillor Gus O’Connell*** be appointed to the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

This matter is now before the Council for approval.”

The sitting Mayor of South Dublin County Council will be a de facto Member of the Infrastructure Naming Committee.

Nominations for the Formation of An Infrastructure Naming Committee were **APPROVED** on the proposition of Councillor G. O’Connell and seconded by Councillor D. Looney.

**H3d/0617 REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Services and Change Management and were **CONSIDERED:**

“At the Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee Meeting held on 18th May 2017 the following report was considered:

**"Review of Standing Orders**

Following a Meeting of the Group Leaders held on the 12th May 2017 to review Standing Orders there was broad agreement that the following amendments should be made to the existing Standing Orders:

**Council and Area Committees Standing Orders**

(a) The Standing Orders sequence were adjusted to reflect the natural progression of business from the submission of items through to the order of business at the Meetings.

(b) The wording of a small number of existing Standing Orders were amended for clarification purposes.

(c) Insertion of 12 additions/amendments to Standing Orders.

(d) Insertion of 5 additions/amendments to SPC Standing Orders.

Standing orders (in numerical order)

**9.**

*Insert*

Notice of meeting including Agenda is also published on our website [www.sdcc.ie](http://www.sdcc.ie/) for Public and Media inspection.

**12.**

*Insert*

At the start of every meeting a roll call is taken to establish the number of Members present and to verify that there is a quorum.

During discussions at the Meeting the Members requested that the amendment at 13 (f) below be removed:

**13 (f)**

*Amend*

Members can submit four (4) items of business, either 4 questions or 3 question and one (1) motion.

The Members then requested that the existing wording of standing order of 13 (f) be reinstated (see below)

**13 (f)** existing standing order content.

Members can submit six (6) items of business, either 6 questions or 5 question and one (1) motion.

**13 (k)**

*Amend*

Business submitted by The Mayor/An Méara will be limited to not more than two motions (the Mayors business cannot be co-signed) but without prejudice to his/her right, as a Member, to submit questions and motions in the ordinary way (see standing order 13f).

**13 (L) (4)**

*Delete*

and a second motion once in every quarter.

**15 (5)**

*Delete*

proposed without notice

*Insert*

be submitted to The Mayor/An Méara and the Meeting Administrator prior to 12 noon on the day of the meeting for consideration. The decision of the Mayor/An Méara and the Meeting Administrator shall be final.

**42.**

*Insert*

When there is a Roll Call taken a Member must be present when their name is called to vote, otherwise their vote is not recorded.

**51.**

During discussions at the Meeting the Members requested that an amendment be made to the proposed standing order 51.

*Insert*

**Broadcasting**

No cameras of any kind or sound recording or communication equipment (including all Social Media) may be used at meetings without the prior approval of the Council.

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The amendment requested by the Member to standing order 51 was the removal of the wording **(including all Social Media)** in the text.  See final agreed standing order below.

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**52.**

*Insert*

**(b)** **Request for presentations at a deputation**.

(i) Establish a number of meetings (twice yearly) to facilitate the making of presentations by groups to the full Council Membership. These meetings to be serviced by the community Department in conjunction with the current deputation’s process.

(ii) Applications should be submitted by a Member on behalf of a group through the Mayor’s office giving details of the group and the proposed content of the presentation.

(iii) Applications will be considered at CPG Meetings and dates decided if approved.

**77.**

**Suspension of Standing Orders**

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Subject to the provisions and requirements of the Local Government Act 2001, or of any other enactment, any Standing Order (other than those relating to the revocation of a resolution – S.O. no. 16, dealing with urgent business – S.O. no. 15(5) or methods of voting – S.O. no. 46), may at any time be suspended on a motion, for the purpose of enabling any specific requirement defined in the suspensory motion to be considered and dealt with by the Council. Such motion shall be submitted prior to 12 noon on the day of the meeting to the Mayor/An Méara and the Meeting Administrator for consideration. The decision of the Mayor/An Méara and the Meeting Administrator shall be final. The suspension of Standing Orders is subject to the requirement that two-thirds of the Members present vote in favour.

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(1)    A casual vacancy shall be filled in accordance with Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2001.

(2)   In the event of a casual vacancy caused by the resignation of a Non Party Councillor, the co-option nominee will be made by the Outgoing Councillor at time of resignation.

(3)    (a) In the case of death in service of a Non Party Councillor, the co-option replacement will be made on the previous nomination of the Councillor.

(b) Where no such nomination exists the co-option nomination will be made by the deceased Councillors next of kin.

During discussions at the Meeting the Members requested that the amendment to Schedule A below be removed:

## Schedule A

Council Meeting:-

*Amend*

* Four (4) items of business, not more than one (1) motion.

Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee Meetings:-

*Amend*

* Four (4) items of business, not more than one (1) motion.

The Members then requested that the existing wording of Schedule A be reinstated (see below)

## Schedule A

Council Meeting:-

*Amend*

* Six (6) items of business, not more than one (1) motion.

Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee Meetings:-

*Amend*

* Six (6) items of business, not more than one (1) motion.

**Strategic Policy Committees Standing Orders**

Standing orders (in numerical order)

**1.**

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(Social and Community SPC 6.00pm to 7.30pm).

**3.**

*Amend*

The quorum for meetings of the Committee shall be 3 members, at least 2 of which must be Councillors, with the exception of the Economic Development Enterprise and Tourism Committee and Housing Committee, whose quorum will be 4 members, at least 3 of which must be Councillors. If after 30 minutes from the agreed starting time of an ordinary meeting, a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to a date to be determined by the Chairperson.

**5.**

*Amend*

The total membership of each Committee shall be in accordance with the scheme for the establishment of strategic policy committees 2014

**14. (b)**

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business items not reached at previous meeting.

**26.**

During discussions at the Meeting the Members requested that an amendment be made to the proposed standing order 26.

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**Broadcasting**

No cameras of any kind or sound recording or communication equipment (including all Social Media) may be used at meetings without the prior approval of the Council.

No Member shall disclose the content of any discussions held in the confidential part of a meeting.

All Report/Replies on an Agenda are confidential until they are reached at a meeting.

Any Tweeting/Social Media sharing of items of business prior to it being reached at a meeting is prohibited.

The amendment requested by the Member to standing order 26 was the removal of the wording **(including all Social Media)** in the text.  See final agreed standing order below.

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This is now before the Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee for consideration."

The report was **NOTED** and it was **AGREED,** on the proposal of Councillor D. Looney, seconded by Councillor F. Timmons, to recommend that the Council adopt the changes proposed in the foregoing report.

Proposed amendments to the Standing Orders were **APPROVED** on the proposition of Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor D. O’Donovan.

### **H4a/0617 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES- ARTS, CULTURE GAEILGE, HERITAGE & LIBRARIES SPC**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Councillor D. Richardson Chair of Arts, Culture, Gaeilge, Heritage & Libraries SPC and were **CONSIDERED:**

1. **Report of Meeting 3rd May 2017**

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| “Cllr. Dermot Richardson (Chair) | Cllr. Brian Leech |
| Cllr. Breeda Bonner | Cllr. Madeleine Johansson |
| Cllr. Dermot Looney | Ms. Deirdre Mooney |
| Cllr. Cora McCann | Mr. Peadar O’Caomhanaigh |

**Officials present:**

Mr F Nevin, Director of Service.

Ms Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian

Ms Orla Scannell, Arts Officer

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| **Headed Item 1: Minutes of SPC meeting 1st February 2017**  **Minutes were AGREED.**  **Matters arising: None** |
| **Headed Item 2: Civic Theatre Update**  **Michael Barker-Caven, Artistic Director of the Civic Theatre gave a snapshot overview of the work and programmes of the Civic Theatre. Members complimented the ongoing work of the Civic Theatre. Following a discussion to which all contributed the report was NOTED.** |
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| Headed Item 3: **RUA RED Update**  Maolíosa Boyle, Executive Director of RUA RED, South Dublin Arts Centre, presented a report on the RUA RED programme for 2017/2018. Members complimented the work staff carry out in the Arts Centre and praised its efforts to engage with local schools in the area. Following some questions and discussion the report was NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 4: Creative Ireland**  Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, outlined South Dublin County Council’s involvement in the Creative Ireland Programme, a five-year initiative which places creativity at the centre of public policy. The report was NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 5: AOB**  A discussion on Whitchurch Library was postponed until the next Arts SPC meeting.  **Meeting concluded at 7.10pm.”** |

1. **Minutes of Meeting 1st February 2017**

**Attended**

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| “Cllr. Dermot Richardson (Chair) | Mr. Peadar O’Caomhanaigh |
| Cllr. Breeda Bonner |  |
| Cllr. Dermot Looney |  |

**Officials present:**

Mr F Nevin, Director of Service.

Ms Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian

Ms Orla Scannell, Arts Officer

**Apologies**:

Cllr. Cora McCann

Cllr. Brian Leech

Cllr. Madeleine Johansson

Ms. Deirdre Mooney

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| **Headed Item 1: Minutes of SPC meeting 2nd November 2016**  **Minutes were AGREED.**  **Matters arising: None** |
| **Headed Item 2: Library Projects Report**  BF outlined a presentation on Library Capital Projects. Members complimented the ongoing work of our library service. Following a discussion to which all contributed a report was NOTED. |
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| **Headed Item 3:  Work Matters: business initiatives in Libraries**  BF presented a report on Work Matters outlining free services available to library members supporting work and enterprise initiatives within the county. Following some questions and discussion the report was NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 4: In Context 4 IN OUR TIME**  OS outlined South Dublin County Council’s Public Art Programme 2016-2019 under the Per Cent For Arts Scheme. A presentation was given on the selection process and the selected project proposals which were welcomed by the Members.  The report was NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 5: A Framework for Collaboration: Arts Council/CCMA**  OS outlined a new framework agreement between the Arts Council and Local Government to collaborate on the Arts. The report was NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 6: AOB**  A discussion was held on the heritage of the Round Tower, Clondalkin and the importance of Irish to the area. There was also a brief discussion on Creative Ireland and the citizen’s engagement with cultural creativity and heritage.  **Meeting concluded at 6.50pm.”** |

**H4b/0617 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES – ECONOMIC, ENTERPIRSE DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM DEVELOPMENT SPC**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Councillor C. O’Connor Chair of the Economic, Enterprise &Tourism Development SPC and were **CONSIDERED:**

1. **“Report of Meeting 10th May 2017**

**PRESENT:**

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| Members | Council Officials | |
| Cllr C. O’Connor (Chair) | Frank Nevin | Director of Services |
| Cllr. R. McMahon | Colm Ward | Head of Enterprise |
| Cllr. G. O’Connell |  |  |
| Cllr. P. Foley |  |  |
| Cllr. B. Ferron |  |  |
| Cllr. F. N. Duffy |  |  |
| Cllr. A.M. Dermody |  |  |
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| Representatives: | | |
| Tara de Buitlear | | |
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| Apologies: | | |
| Cllr. E. Higgins, Damien Roche, Sherri Brennan | | |
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Before the agenda items were discussed, Cllr. Ferron raised an issue relating to the recording of attendance at meetings of this Committee in 2016 which F. Nevin said would be examined.

**H-1(1) – Minutes of Economic SPC Meeting on 8th February 2017.**

The minutes of the Economic and Tourism Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 8th February 2017 and 23rd February were **AGREED.**

**H-1(2) Update on Mountains Project**

The report provided giving an update on the proposed Dublin Mountains Project was **NOTED**

**H-1(3) Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2017**

Mr. F Nevin presented a report on the Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2017**.**

Following contributions from Cllrs. Duffy, Ferron, O’Connell, Dermody, McMahon & Foley and T.de Buitlear which were responded to by F. Nevin, it was agreed that the scheme be advertised with as much information as possible including examples pf previous approved schemes.

The report was NOTED and it was AGREED that staff from the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development Department should seek expressions of interest from interested parties by way of public advertisement, assess the submissions received and submit proposals to the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. It was also agreed that the SPC not meet again prior to closing date for submissions of 30th June 2017.

**H-1(4) Tallaght Community Council Tourism Proposals**

Mr C Ward presented a report outlining the Council’s position on the Tallaght Community Council Tourism Proposals referred to the Committee from the Tallaght Area Committee meeting on 24th April.

The strategic importance of the County Town in the development of the County particularly in Tourism terms was agreed and the ongoing measures in this regard were noted and agreed. C Ward and F Nevin outlined the future roll out of projects in this regard and undertook to update the SPC members in this regard.

Contributions and queries from Cllr. O’Connell, T. de Buitlear, Cllrs. Foley, Ferron, Duffy, McMahon and O’Connor were responded to by F. Nevin & C. Ward and the reportwas **NOTED.**

**H-1(5) LECP Update**

Mr C. Ward presented a report outlining 2017 actions and current update on the economic elements of the LECP 2016 – 2021. Members of the Committee agreed to review the report and to provide any input, feedback or queries to C. Ward as required and the report was **NOTED.**

**H-1(6) AOB**

  There was no business under this item.”

1. **Minutes of Meeting 8th February 2017**

**“Attended**

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| Cllr A. Dermody |
| Cllr B Ferron. |
| Cllr P. Foley |
| Cllr. E .Higgins |
| Cllr R. McMahon |
| Cllr G O Connell |
| Cllr C. O Connor (Chair) |
| S. Brennan |
| T.de Buitlear |
| S. Reid |
| D. Roche |

**Officials present:**

Frank Nevin, Director of Services (FN)

Colm Ward – Head of Enterprise (CW)

**Also in attendance:**

Ms. Andrea Carroll, Sustainable Business Programme Manager, South Dublin Chamber.

**Apologies:** Cllr F. N. Duffy

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| **The meeting was Chaired by** Cllr C. O Connor. |
| **Headed Item 1: Minute of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development SPC Meeting of November 2016**  The Minutes were AGREED. |
| Headed Item 2 Update on Various Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Areas.  A. Carroll outlined the results of the recent survey of local exporters. This survey was conducted by South Dublin Chamber on behalf of the Council and funded from the Council’s Business Support Fund.   Following contributions from Cllrs. McMahon & Higgins, the survey results were **NOTED.**   FN provided an update on various Economic Enterprise and Tourism Development areas including the Tourism Strategy and the feasibility study on potential options for Corkagh Park.  Contributions and questions from Cllrs. Higgins, O’Connell & McMahon and T.de Buitlear were responded to by F. Nevin & C.Ward,  CW provided an update on the Business Support Fund.  Questions and queries from Cllrs. Ferron, Dermody, Foley, McMahon, O’Connell, & O’Connor, S. Brennan & T.de Buitlear were responded to by F. Nevin & C.Ward.  It was **AGREED** that the Business Support Fund should be reviewed in the context of the Draft Local Implementation Plan for Dublin Regional Strategy 2017. |
| Headed Item 3 Draft Local Implementation Plan for Dublin Regional Strategy 2017  C. Ward circulated the Draft Implementation Plan 2017 and it was **AGREED** that a further meeting of the Committee would be scheduled for Thursday, 23rd February to consider this Plan. |
| Headed item 4 – Any Other Business:  None  The meeting ended at 7:30pm” |

1. **Minutes if Meeting 23rd February**

**“Attended**

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| Cllr .F.N. Duffy |
| Cllr P. Foley |
| Cllr R. McMahon |
| Cllr G O Connell |
| Cllr C. O Connor (Chair) |
| S. Brennan |
| T.de Buitlear |
| D .Roche |

**Officials present:**

Frank Nevin, Director of Services (FN)

Colm Ward – Head of Enterprise (CW)

**Apologies:** Cllr B .Ferron, Cllr. E .Higgins, Cllr A. Dermody & S .Reid.

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| The meeting was Chaired by Cllr C. O Connor. |
| **Headed Item 1: Update on Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development matters arising:**  FN updated the Committee the Committee on the visit to the Innovation Factory, Belfast by F .Nevin, C .Ward & S. Deegan on 22nd February. (Report attached)  FN updated the Committee on the launch of the Council’s Tourism Marketing website on 9th February and the hosting of Gaelforce event on 18th February.  On behalf of the Committee, Cllr. O’Connor extended congratulations to the Council, relevant staff and all organisations involved in making both events a success. S .Brennan, Cllrs. O’Connell, Foley & Duffy & T .de Buitlear also made contributions. |
| **Headed Item 2 Draft Local Implementation Plan for Dublin Regional Enterprise Strategy 2017**  C.Ward presented the attached Draft Implementation Plan 2017 to the Committee.  Following contributions and questions from Cllrs. O’Connell, Foley & McMahon and T. de Buitlear, FN & CW provided responses and clarifications.  It was AGREED that the Draft Local Implementation Plan for Dublin Regional Strategy 2017 be recommended to the Council for approval at the next Council meeting.. |
| **Headed Item 3 Business Support Fund 2017**  Further to discussion at the SPC meeting of 8th February, the Committee further considered the operation of the Business Support Grant in 2017 with contributions from Cllrs. O’Connell, Foley, McMahon & O’Connor and S .Brennan, it was AGREED that the grant continue in 2017 with a review of the take up of the grant to be undertaken by the Committee during 2017. |
| **Headed item 4 – Any Other Business:**  None  **The meeting ended at 7:00pm”** |

**H4c/0617 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES HOUSING SPC**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Councillor C. King Chair of the Housing SPC and were **CONSIDERED:**

1. **Report of Meeting 11th May 2017**

**“PRESENT:**

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| **Members** |  | | **Council Officials** | |
| Cllr C. King (Chair) |  | | B. Coman | Director of Services |
| Cllr N. Coules |  | | M. Staunton | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Duff |  | | Y. Dervan | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr L. Dunne |  | | H. Hogan | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Genockey |  | | A. O’Toole | T/Senior Business Transf. |
| Cllr T. Gilligan |  | |  | & Change Manager |
| Cllr K. Mahon |  | | L. Madden | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr M. Ward |  | | M. Murtagh | Senior Staff Officer |
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|  | | **Representatives:** | | |
|  | | Tricia Nolan, Volunteer Centre | | |
|  | | Betty Tyrrell-Collard, ICTU | | |
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|  | | **Apologies:** | | |
|  | | Brendan MacPhiarais, Nabco | | |
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**H-1(1) – Minutes of Housing SPC Meeting on 9th February 2017.**

The minutes of the Housing and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 9th February 2017were proposed by Cllr. M. Duff, seconded by B. Tyrrell-Collard and were confirmed and approved as a true record.

**H-1(2) Overview on progress on Housing Infill projects**

B. Coman provided reports on social housing; Part V and Capital Construction Projects.

[Part V](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=55903)

[Project Update](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=55882)

Cllr. M. Ward enquired regarding the delay in progressing the Oldcastle site. In response B. Coman advised regarding ongoing discussions with the neighbouring school in securing suitable access to the site. H. Hogan advised in relation to arrangement for traveller families living on the site.

B Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to Housing Supply.

### **H-1(3) Housing Systems and Process Improvement Project**

B. Coman introduced Aoife O’Toole, T/Senior Business Transformation and Change Manager with responsibility for the Housing Systems and Process Improvement Project and presented a report on this project.

[Housing Review and Business Transformation Presentation 05 2017](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=55894)

A discussion followed with contributions from A. O’Toole, Cllr. C. King, H. Hogan, B. Coman, Cllr. N. Coules, T. Nolan and Cllr. K. Mahon.

H. Hogan described the customer self-service portal to support the growing demand for online and out-of-hours contact by Housing customers.

T. Nolan enquired in relation to the follow-up of issues logged on the system. A. O’Toole confirmed that all issues logged are tracked in the system with supported reporting and option for e-mail reminders to assigned staff.

A. O’Toole advised that appropriate practical demonstration would be provided to the members.

B Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to the Housing Systems and Process Improvement Project

**H-1(4) HAP Proces**

H. Hogan provided a verbal report on the HAP (Housing Assistance Payment scheme) process he Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) is a form of social housing support for people who have a long-term housing need. HAP provides a more integrated system of housing supports; the scheme aims to allow all social housing supports to be accessed through the local authority and to allow recipients to take up full-time employment and still keep their housing support. Under HAP, local authorities make payments, subject to rent limits and certain conditions, on behalf of the HAP recipient directly to the landlord in respect of rent. The HAP recipient then pays a rent contribution to the HAP Service Hub. The rent contribution is a differential rent – that is, a rent based on income and the ability to pay. There are currently more than 1,600 households receiving HAP support in the South Dublin County Council area.

H. Hogan noted regulations in relation to the transfer list of HAP tenants to social housing. South Dublin County Council applies the existing Allocation Scheme with a two year delay period. HAP provides an entitlement to an immediate transfer, and is not confined to council administrative boundaries. South Dublin County Council is working with the other Dublin Councils to enable a co-ordinated approach and propose to allow HAP tenants to access the Choice Based Letting system based on their time on the housing list. However this will require a new Allocation Scheme.

Cllr. K. Mahon enquired about security of tenure under this scheme. B. Coman advised that this issue is subject to ongoing review as enhanced security of tenure is a key commitment of ‘Rebuilding Ireland’.

B Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to the HAP process.

**H-1(5) Allocations Scheme Review**

H. Hogan provided a verbal report in relation to the Allocations Scheme review.

Cllr. C. King suggested a Subcommittee be formed to work on this and will send an e-mail proposing the formation of this.

**H-1(6) Planned Maintenance DPGs programme**

H. Hogan updated the Committee on the Planned Maintenance DPGs programme.

There are currently 450 applications ranging from minor works such as stair lifts to major works such as extensions.

South Dublin County Council will undertake most of the minor works directly with major works going out to tender. At present there is no tender framework so proposed works are placed on the Quick Quotes system; the Housing Department is working with the Architects Department on the creation of a specific tender framework.

In response to a question from Cllr. L. Dunne, H. Hogan confirmed there are 13 applicants currently on the list for extensions.

Cllr. C. King enquired as to when will the extension works proceed. H. Hogan advised that works such as shower and stair lift installations are proceeding currently but that extensions will progress during the current year.

### **H-1(6) AOB**

Additional Part V

B. Coman provided additional detail on Part V acquisitions, detailing the numbers per quarter of 2017 per electoral area. South Dublin County Council plan to deliver 200 housing units through this process over the 2017 and 2018 period.

Cllr. C. King commended the pepper pot approach. Y. Dervan notes that this approach assists in ensuring consistency in the standard of houses provided.

Anti-Social Strategy

H. Hogan advised that data is currently being collated for consultation on the Anti-Social Strategy which should be ready in Q4 of 2017 for presentation to the members.

Cllr. C. King requested that members be allowed input to the strategy. Cllr. L. Dunne agreed that members should input submissions. H. Hogan confirmed that all suggestions would be most welcome. Cllr. C. King suggested the re-establishment of a Subcommittee to address this.

Submission on funding to direct build housing units

Further discussions were held on the submissions by Cllr. K. Mahon and Cllr. N. Coules to the Committee meeting of 9th February:

[Cllr. K. Mahon Submission](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=6c29bb39-4e99-47ca-bf6b-a72800a75201)

[Cllr. N. Coules Submission](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=e2eb5a27-b6d7-491b-8928-a72800a79822)

B. Coman noted the calculations in Cllr. K. Mahon’s submission appeared to exclude ancillary costs such as provision of infrastructure such as roads and utilities and also ongoing unit maintenance costs. Cllr. K. Mahon asked could specific ratepayer bands be targeted for increased charges as a source of funding. B. Coman advised that this may not be possible but any discussion re rates would form part of the Annual Budget meeting, however the valuation method for ratepayers ensures fairness in ability to pay.

Cllr. N. Coules requested that his proposed costings be fine-tuned by South Dublin County Council staff; this model is independent of Rates funding and he noted the currently low interest rates. There may be an option to support this from funds currently assigned to HAP and RAS. B. Coman asked for clarification in relation to some of the costings, e.g. the Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland currently advise a unit build cost of €320k, this proposal also excludes land and required infrastructure costs.

Cllr. L. Dunne opposed the proposal to self-fund as costs would be carried by South Dublin County Council. Cllr. N. Coules responded that his proposal is designed to generate a return. Cllr. M. Duff noted that costs would fall on the Local Authority. Cllr. C. King stated that this would give Central Government an opt-out from provision of housing. Cllr. N. Coules asked why land costs should be included given the ready availability of South Dublin County Council housing land. Cllr. L. Dunne asked that Cllr. N. Coules bring more such proposals to the Committee. B Coman welcomed input on new ideas to generate social housing and acknowledged that financing such projects can be difficult and complex while trying to minimise financial and reputation risk to the Council.

B. Coman introduced Marguerite Staunton, a new Senior Executive Officer in Housing with responsibility for managing the Grange/Kilcarberry Project as well as Older Age housing projects.

The Committee also congratulated Yvonne Dervan, Senior Executive Officer on the advent of her retirement, thanking her for her work in Housing and on the Committee.

The meeting concluded at 7:11pm.”

1. **Minutes of Meeting 9th February**

**“PRESENT:**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** | |
| Cllr C. King (Chair) | B. Coman | Director of Services |
| Cllr N. Coules | D. O’Connor | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Duff | Y. Dervan | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr L. Dunne | H. Hogan | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Genockey | M. Kavanagh | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr T. Gilligan | L. Madden | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr K. Mahon | M. Murtagh | Senior Staff Officer |
| Cllr M. Ward |  |  |
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| **Representatives:** | | |
| Tricia Nolan, Volunteer Centre | | |
| Betty Tyrrell-Collard, ICTU | | |
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| **Apologies:** | | |
| Brendan MacPhiarais, Nabco | | |
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**H-1(1) – Minutes of Housing SPC Meeting on 10th November 2016.**

The minutes of the Housing and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 10th November 2016 were proposed by Cllr. C. King, seconded by Cllr. M. Ward and were confirmed and approved as a true record.

**H-I (2) – Housing Rents Policy OAPs**

L. Madden presented a report on Housing Rents Policy in relation to Old Age Pensioners.

[Link to Report.](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54762)

Following the presentation a number of questions were forwarded through the chair.

Cllr. C. King, Cllr. N. Coules, Cllr. K. Mahon, Cllr. L Dunne, Cllr. M. Genockey, Cllr. M. Ward, T. Nolan and Cllr. M. Duff contributed to the discussions.

B. Coman thanked everyone for their input. He noted the relatively low differential rent contributing to the cost of housing provision, annual boiler maintenance programme and maintenance of social housing units to such a high standard.

**H-I (3) – Housing Supply Report**

B Coman provided reports on social housing; Housing Supply Update, Profile on Medical Priority and an update on Capital Construction Projects.

[Housing Supply Update](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54754)

[Profile on Medical Priority](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54639)

[Capital Construction Projects Update](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54765)

In response to a query through the Chair, B. Coman confirmed that details in relation to the Mortgage to Rent Scheme are not yet forthcoming.

He provided an overview of the Repair and Lease Scheme to be introduced in 2017. This is designed to target the estimated 3,500 abandoned or derelict units identified in the last census. The funding mechanism for the scheme could be provided through a minimum 20 year lease agreement. The challenges facing this scheme include the ability to contact the owners of these units, e.g. derelict houses may occur due to elderly owners having moved to nursing homes.

Cllr. M. Duff enquired can South Dublin County Council purchase units from RAS landlords selling their properties. B. Coman confirmed that the Council is open to purchasing such units.

Cllr. L. Dunne enquired regarding the availability of further land to build on once the current Part 8 schemes complete. B. Coman confirmed the availability of further sites. A presentation by F. Nevin, Director of Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development on South Dublin County Council Land Banks was noted as scheduled for Tuesday, February 21st.

Cllr. M. Ward enquired in relation to the cancellation of a meeting regarding construction at St. Marks in Clondalkin. M. Kavanagh noted this was not cancelled but postponed until a time convenient for all participants.

Cllr. M. Ward requested a meeting be arranged with residents at Mayfield Park, Clondalkin in relation to queries on an upcoming construction project. B Coman replied that responses had already been provided in relation to all issues of concern. Residents were very positive in relation to responses, it was agreed to repair a portacabin on site and construction hours of work had been agreed.

Cllr. M. Ward also enquired regarding the tenancy of new infill builds at Lealand and St. Cuthbert’s. B. Coman confirmed that all available allocation options would be considered.

Cllr. N. Coules stated his opposition to selling land at the The Grange / Kilcarbery Integrated Housing Project site to the private sector given the large housing list and lack of secure tenure provided to tenants within RAS and HAP schemes. B. Coman replied that it would be unsuitable to have such a large number of social units in one scheme, rather that a mix of tenancies be used to encourage integrated and sustainable communities. Funds realised from this sale would be re-used to provide further social housing. Cllr. N. Coules suggested that South Dublin County Council build all the units on the site and subsequently enable a suitable tenancy mix by means of sales, affordable rent and direct social housing provision. B. Coman confirmed that some 200 units will be used for social housing. The Affordable Rent Scheme would require South Dublin County Council funding which could be enabled by selling landbanks but such funding would be sustainable only for four to five years.

Cllr. T. Gilligan asked if the Accelerated Housing Purchase programme was to continue during 2017. B. Coman confirmed this would not be funded during 2017.

Cllr. C. King requested formal a notification in relation to the cancellation of this scheme. He also requested an update on the The Grange / Kilcarbery Integrated Housing Project for the next SPC meeting.

B Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to Housing Supply.

**H-I (4) – Proposal to direct build by LA on foot of borrowings over a 25 year period**

B. Coman presented a report on a proposal to direct build by LA on foot of borrowings over a 25 year period.

[Link to Report](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=54778)

The report concluded

‘Currently the Council’s Allocation Scheme allows for a max income for a couple to €36,750. In order to service the cost of the Council’s borrowings, the income criteria for housing applicants (a couple) would have to increase to €75,500 pa. (from €36,750) to allow for weekly Differential Rent based on 10% household income.

If and where income ceiling was increased, this would be counterproductive insofar as the current income threshold for a House Purchase Loan per couple is €75,000 household income.’

Following the presentation a number of questions were forwarded through the chair.

Cllr. N. Coules, Cllr. C. King, Cllr. K. Mahon, Cllr. L Dunne, Cllr. M. Genockey, Cllr. M. Ward and Cllr. T. Gilligan contributed to the discussions.

Alternative means of addressing the funding issue were discussed, also the incremental impact on the Housing List should earnings ceilings be raised.

Cllr. K. Mahon and Cllr. N. Coules both submitted working papers on funding proposals.

[Cllr. K. Mahon Submission](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=6c29bb39-4e99-47ca-bf6b-a72800a75201)

[Cllr. N. Coules Submission](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=e2eb5a27-b6d7-491b-8928-a72800a79822)

On the suggestion of Cllr. C. King it was agreed to set up a new Subcommittee of the Housing SPC over the next six weeks to further examine this item.

**H-I (5) – Housing Needs Assessment Statistics**

B. Coman presented a report on Housing Needs Assessment Statistics.

Following the presentation Cllr. C. King enquired regarding the figure of 18% non- responders cancelled; an increase on the previous year. H. Hogan noted this occurrence due to applicants selecting South Dublin County Council as a second choice to other Housing Authorities; former applicants having moved house or left the area; literacy and other issues. Other Housing Authority had higher levels of non-responders.

**H-I (6) –** **Review of Housing Allocations Scheme**

H. Hogan provided a verbal report on the Housing Allocations Scheme, proposing that South Dublin County Council broadens the choices available under the Choice Based Lettings Scheme to take an agreed proportion of medical and homeless. He suggested a multiparty discussion to formulate an agreed view on this. Cllr. C. King suggested a sub- committee of the Housing SPC to manage this. H. Hogan asked that views on this be forwarded to him to enable formulation of a proposal. B. Coman asked that this initially be brought to the Housing SPC. H. Hogan agreed to bring this to the next meeting of the Housing SPC.

**H-I (6) – Any other business:**

B. Coman reported on NAMA properties offered to South Dublin County Council. Of the 500 units offered at Tallaght Cross South Dublin County Council accepted 65 units; this reduced density to assist the development of sustainable communities, also there was a question of snagging issues on the building finish. In retrospect this building proved unsuitable as there was over €10m of works required to complete cladding. Cllr. C. King also noted that an intensive residential development such as this would be contrary to the Tallaght Masterplan.

The meeting concluded at 7:25pm.”

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**H4d/0617 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES - ENVIRONMENT, WATER & CLIMATE CHANGE SPC**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Councillor P. Kearns Chair of the Environment, Water and Climate Change SPC and were **CONSIDERED:**

1. **Report of Meeting 16th May 2017**

**“Elected Members**

Councillor Pamela Kearns, Chair

Councillor Danny O’Brien

Councillor Ed O’Brien

Councillor Frances Timmons

**Sectoral Interests**

Connie Kiernan

**Officials**

Teresa Walsh, Director of Service

Chris Galvin SE

Mary Maguire, SEO

Sorcha O’Brien, EAO

Cathaoirleach Councillor Pamela Kearns presided.

**Item 1: Minutes of Environment SPC meeting held on 6th February 2017**

The Minutes of Environment SPC meeting held on **6th February 2017** were proposed by Councillor D. O’ Brien, seconded by Ms Connie Kiernan.

**Item 2: Review of Social Credit Scheme**

A comprehensive report on the recent and ongoing review of the Social Credit Scheme was presented by Environmental Awareness Officer Sorcha O’Brien. The review focused on certain aspects including:

* **Participation / Registration of new groups**
* **Communications / promotion mechanisms:**
* **Continuous assessment of benefits and rewards available / availability / distribution of materials / Potential for expansion – non monetary assistance**
* **Potential for greater interdepartmental collaboration**

**Item 3: Solar (Big Belly) Bin Pilot - Selection of location for On - Street Pilot**

The meeting agreed to a more comprehensive “on-street” Solar (Big Belly) Bin Pilot than initially envisaged, and Rathfarnham Village area was deemed most suitable for this pilot.

It was agreed that 5 Solar (Big Belly) Bins be provided, and it was also agreed to liaise with DLR Co. Co. who had already significantly invested in these bins.

The outcome of this pilot will inform whether or not a future replacement programme (on a phased basis) can be considered.

**Item 4: River Basin Management Plan for Ireland (2018-2021)**

A presentation was received on the second cycle Draft River Basin Management Plan which is currently out on a six month public consultation process. The second cycle takes a different approach to river basin management planning to that adopted during the first cycle plans. There is a single river basin district approach to plan preparation.

Implementation structures have been strengthened to ensure more effective and coordinated delivery of measures and it is intended to publish the final approved River Basin Management Plan by December 2017. The discussion that followed focused primarily on the following

* Liffey / Dodder/ Camac
* Priority focus – fish
* Complexity of urban areas / treatment options / “misconnections” - surface v foul network

**Item 5: Climate Change**

A report on progress of the Dublin Regional Climate Change Strategy and the preparation of Climate Action plans such as a ***Local Adaptation and Mitigation Plans*** was noted.

SDCC in conjunction with the three other Dublin Local Authorities and Codema are producing these plans. A cross departmental Climate Change steering group has been established in each Local Authority and have started work in relation to producing the plans.

**Item 6 –Flood Alleviation and Surface Water Schemes**

A report on the following schemes was circulated and Noted.

* **Ballycullen Stream Flood Alleviation Scheme**
* **River Poddle Flood Alleviation Scheme**
* **Camac Flood Alleviation Scheme**
* **Whitechurch Stream Flood Alleviation Scheme**
* **Surface Water Minor Capital Works – 2017 (Multiple )**

***Ongoing works***

*Provision has been made for ongoing maintenance works to address pluvial and other flooding issues at various locations such as the following rivers and streams;*

* *Camac River*
* *Poddle River clearing*
* *Jobstown Stream*
* *Whitechurch Stream*
* *Owendoher stream*

**Item 7 Teen Space - Update on commencement of public consultation**

A report outlining the commencement of consultation process on teen spaces and facilities in 2017 was NOTED.

It is intended to provide facilities for teenagers in parks and open spaces in South Dublin County; including provision of Youth Cafés (where appropriate).

It was noted that the Community Department is also involved in this study which will be reported on to the Elected Members as the study is progressing.

It was agreed to use as many communication channels as possible in order to reach the target audience.

**Item 8 Draft Burial Grounds Strategy**

The meeting noted the development of a draft Burial Ground Strategy, which is being informed by an internal review of processes, procedures, capacity, costs and charges.

Further analysis of these areas is required before strategy is finalised.

**Item 9 Graffiti Removal Protocol**

A discussion on graffiti took place with particular focus on the blight of graffiti on utility boxes and the potential to develop street art / street canvas in similar fashion to that developed in certain areas of the city.

It was noted that the concept of placing art of utility boxes in the County is currently being explored: issues to be considered include budgetary and procurement requirements, planning permission requirements, insurance requirements, cross departmental liaison and external stakeholder collaboration.

The position will remain under review in terms of potential for 2018 or further years.

The meeting concluded at 19.25”

**(ii)** [**Minutes of Meeting 7th February 2017**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2017/June/June2017CountyCouncilMeeting/b97f439b-f428-4d40-a337-9a0a2fb40e76.doc)

**H4e/0617 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES - SOCIAL & COMMUNITY SPC**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Councillor D. O’Donovan of the Social & Community SPC and were **CONSIDERED:**

**(i) Report of Meeting 23rd May 2017**

**“Attendance:**

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| **Members** | **Officials** |
| Cllr. D. Donovan | B. Coman Director |
| Cllr. Emma Murphy | A. Casserly Sports Officer |
| Cllr. J Graham | P. McAlerney Senior Community Officer |
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| Cllr S. Holland | A. Byrne Administrative Officer |
| Cllr. V. Casserly | T. McDermott SDC Sports Partnership |
| G. Ní Mhuirí PPN |  |

**Apologies:** Cllr. K. Egan

**Minutes of February 2017 Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held in February 2017 which have been circulated were proposed by Cllr. Donovan, seconded by Grainne Ní Mhuirí and agreed.

**Dates of Meeting**

It was proposed by the Chair and agreed by all members that the meetings of this SPC would take place after the Organisations, Procedure and Finance (OP&F) meetings in future where the dates suited. The next meeting will follow the September OP&F meeting.

**Flavours of South Dublin County - Food Festival**

A presentation was given detailing the ongoing work on the food festival which will be held in Rathfarnham Castle Park on Sunday 25th June, 2017.

Following discussion it was agreed that members would forward on contact details for groups in the county, including food businesses and the Clonskeagh Mosque. The Rathfarnham and District Festival (RADfest) will be run in the week leading up to the Festival and it was agreed that this will benefit both festivals.

**Community Initiative Fund (CIF) and Community Grants**

Applications for funding under CIF and Community Grant Scheme closed on 31st March and assessment is almost complete.

**Community Initiative Fund**

53 applications were received and of these 42 were deemed eligible due to some being incomplete or being received following the closing date. These are now assessed and it is proposed that a report on the successful applicants under CIF will be given to the next CPG meeting.

**Community Grants**

155 applications were received and these are currently been assessed. It is intended a headed item detailing the successful groups will be presented to the June Council meeting for approval.

A further round of Community Grant Funding will be advertised in September.

**Sports Partnership Strategic Plan.**

A presentation was given which explained the plan is based on 3 main principles:

* To Lead
* To Inspire
* To Enhance

The target group are Older Adults, Children, Teenage Girls, People with a disability, minority groups, etc. The intention is to engage those not currently involved with clubs and those not engaged in sport or recreation.

The members agreed that this should be made known to local groups and clubs and following on from all planning and any additional consultation, the members agreed to launch this during Health and Wellbeing Week.

**South Dublin Schools Cross Country Programme 2017**

A report was presented on the successful programme which has just finished. It was acknowledged it is now the largest event of its kind in the country for the age group of 3rd to 6th class in primary school.

The inclusion of the Paralympic Section in the programme was welcomed.

It was agreed that the presentation would be circulated as it was acknowledge that while the schools and some local groups are aware of the programme, it is not widely known outside of this circles. The PPN was acknowledged as a good opportunity to highlight this successful programme.

There is a programme run by the Sports Partnership, the daily mile that is available to younger children. This will be pushed in September.

The staff who recently joined the Council joined existing staff to support this event and consideration is being given to an events corp made up of Council staff. This will give staff the opportunity to see the work that is ongoing throughout the county.

**SDCC Education Bursaries with IT Tallaght**

A presentation was given detailing the success of recipients of the previous bursaries. The possibility of this being extended to other schools was discussed but acknowledged that this is not possible due to current resources and the schools involved in the scheme give the most return for the funding available. Details of the award ceremony in October will be circulated.

**Any other business**

**Community Endeavour Awards**

An update will be presented to the September meeting. Members gave feedback following the last awards scheme and these will be considered in the planning.

**Sportivate**

The Sportivate programme will begin again in September and members were provided with the brochure and asked to notify any young people who might benefit from this.

**Resignation**

Layton Kelly has resigned from this SPC and a replacement will be put forward by the PPN and this will be presented to the Council for ratification. The Chair, Cllr Donovan thanks Layton for his commitment and work on the SPC.

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The meeting concluded at 7 pm.”

1. **Minutes of Meeting 21st February 2017**

**“Attendance:**

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| Members | Officials |
| Cllr. D. O’Donovan | B. Coman, Director of Services |
| Cllr. Emma Murphy | A. Byrne Administrative Officer |
| Cllr. V. Casserly | A. Silke Sports Officer |
| G. Ní Mhuirí PPN | T. McDermot SDC Sports Partnership |
| L. Kelly PPN | M. Finn, Social Inclusion Officer |
|  | P. McAlerney Senior Community Officer |

**Apologies:** Cllr. K. Egan, Cllr S. Holland

A quorum was not reached. It was agreed to report on the items on the agenda and present a report in this regard.

**Minutes of September Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held in November were noted.

**Matters arising**

A number of awards were received since the last meeting

Pride of Place Dominic’s Community Centre

Chamber Awards Health and Wellbeing

Lama Kishogue

National Volunteer: Sharon Byrne

Confirmation will be sought on the nominating arrangement for the LAMA Awards

**Community Initiative Fund and Community Grants**

P. McAlerney gave a presentation outlining the following dates;

Both will be advertised and open for applications from Monday 6th March 2017

Closing Date for receipt of applications is Friday 31st March 2017

Community Grant Workshops will be delivered across the County

Workshop dates will be circulated shortly.

**Participatory Budget – Lucan Clondalkin**

B. Coman reported on the preparations for the launch of the **Participatory Budget** which will be held on 28th February. Three workshops will be held to explain and promote the project.

A further four sessions will be held later with focus groups. Details will be circulated via social media, PPN etc.

**Food Festival**

B. Coman reported that contact has been made with the Migrant Forum. A number of ideas have been put forward by them and these will be followed up. Schools, IT Tallaght and community organisations will all have an input. A time scale of June has been put forward.

A report will be available for the May meeting.

**Transport Survey and Report**

This was discussed and it was agreed to circulate the full report via the SPC on the CMAS system

**AOB**

Cllr. O’Donovan congratulated Cllr. Murphy on finishing the Gaelforce challenge.

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**The meeting concluded at 7.30 p.m.**

**H4f/0617 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE - LAND USE, PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION SPC**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Councillor W. Lavelle Chair of the Land Use, Planning & Transportation SPC and were **CONSIDERED:**

1. **Report of Meeting 25th May 2017**

**“PRESENT:**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** | |
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| Cllr Wm Lavelle (Chair) | E. Taaffe | Director of Services |
| Cllr P. Donovan | L. Leonard | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr. L. O’Toole | S. Kelly | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr. P. Gogarty | B. Keaney | Senior Planner |
| Cllr. R. Nolan | I. McLoughlin | Conservation Officer |
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| **Non-Elected Members:** | | |
| Siobhan Butler | | |

**An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Wm. Lavelle presided.**

**H.I. 1. Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Land Use Planning and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee held on 16th February 2017 were proposed by Cllr. Wm Lavelle, seconded by Cllr. L. O’Toole and **AGREED.**

**H.I. 2. Draft Traffic Calming**

**Draft Traffic Calming Criteria Document**

Mr. E. Taaffe, Director of Services gave a quick outline of what the Traffic Calming Criteria contained. He informed the meeting that the next step would be to bring the final document to the June Council Meeting for adoption.

Following a discussion with queries and contributions made by Cllrs Donovan, Cllr O’Toole, Cllr Lavelle and Cllr Gogarty, Eddie Taaffe answered the queries and concerns raised by the members.

It was agreed that the Criteria Document would go to the full Council meeting with the following amendment under **Section 6 Assessing Traffic Calming Requests**

“Any locations chosen, can be accompanied by a written petition if available. This must show that the majority of the residents are in favour of the traffic management. (Show total number of houses and number in favour - One signature per household).”

**Amended to read:**

“Any locations chosen, can be accompanied by a written petition if available. One signature per household”

This was agreed as some estates only want ramps on certain roads within the estate and not throughout the entire estate. Members agreed that they would reflect the wishes of the majority of the residents and that schemes should be agreed by the Area Committee Meeting.

The report was **AGREED with amendment.**

**H.I. 3 Architectural Conservation Forum**

[H13 Ballymount Gate Lodge.docx](Items/H13%20Ballymount%20Gate%20Lodge.docx)

Ms. Irenie McLoughlin, Conservation Officer, gave the report.

It is recommended that the works at this location should be done on a phased basis because of where the Gate House is situated (next to the Luas Line). The first works to be done would be to get a contractor to carry out biocide spraying and cutting back of ivy on the structure and remove the areas of dense vegetation and tree growth. This will allow a conservation engineer to carry out a structural assessment of the structure to ascertain what works require to be carried out to safeguard the structure.

Following a discussion in which Irenie answered the queries raised by the members, the report was **NOTED.**

**H.I. 4 Extension of Life of Fortunestown Local Area Plan**

[**Extension of Life of Fortunestown LAP 2012.htm**](Items/H14%20Extension%20of%20Life%20of%20Fortunestown%20LAP%202012.htm)

Mr. Brian Keaney, Senior Planner, presented the report in which he informed the meeting that Section 12 of the Planning and Development Act 2010 introduced a new provision that amended Section 19 of the Planning and Development Act 200, whereby a Planning Authority may extend the life of an existing LAP which is normally 6 years, for a further four years i.e. up to a total of 10 years from adoption. As the Fortunestown LAP was adopted in May 2012 it will remain in force for 6 years from its adoption until 2018. This gives the Local Authority the option to extend the Fortunestown LAP to June 2022.

The process set out under S.19 of the P&D Acts 2015 requires that the members can resolve to extend the life of the LAP. A report will be prepared for consideration of Members at the June 2017 Council Meeting. If the extension is not agreed at the Council meeting the Plan will lapse.

The Councillors for the area will be emailed in advance of the Council meeting in this regard.

Mr. Keaney responded to questions raised by Cllr. Lavelle, Cllr Gogarty, Cllr Donovan the report was **NOTED**

**H.I.5 Weston Aerodrome**

[Items\H 16 Weston Aerodrome Land Use Planning Framework Review.htm](Items/H%2016%20Weston%20Aerodrome%20Land%20Use%20Planning%20Framework%20Review.htm)

Brian Keaney, Senior Planner, presented the report. SDCC intends to facilitate a public consultation and review of the land use planning framework governing the future development and operation of Weston Aerodrome with reference to changing European safety requirements, economic development opportunities for the County and the impact on neighbouring residential communities. This consultation process will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of Policy IE9 Objective 6 of the SDCC Development Plan 2016 – 2022.

The consultation will take place over a six week period. All submissions received will be analysed and summarise in a Planning Framework report, which will be issued for noting at the November 2017 Land Use Planning and Transportation SPC meeting. Submissions will play an important part in guiding the review of the future development and operation of Weston Aerodrome.

Mr. Keaney and Mr. Taaffe responded to questions and comments raised by Cllrs. O’Toole, Gogarty and Lavelle.

It was requested by the members that the consultation period should be during a non- holiday period. It was agreed that the process would commence before the holiday period and it was agreed that the report would be brought to the June ACM.

The report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 6. Cycle Forum SPC report**

[**Items\H1 5 Draft Minutes of February SPC Cycling Forum.docx**](Items/H1%205%20Draft%20Minutes%20of%20February%20SPC%20Cycling%20Forum.docx)

Cllr Paula Donovan, Chair of the SPC Cycle Forum gave the report on the last two meetings of the group. Items discussed at the two meetings included:

Speed Limit Review which is now adopted in place

NTA funding – disappointed with this but hopeful that extra funding would be received before year end.

The group were in the process of drafting a cycling strategy for the County and that this should be finalised at the June Forum.

Bike Week is 11th to 18th June.

Cllr Lavelle asked Mr. Taaffe was there any update on the NTA funding. Mr. Taaffe responded by saying that it was too early to say, depends on unspent funding and that the Council would probably be notified in September of same.

Following further discussion to which Cllr Lavelle, Cllr Gogarty and Siobhan Butler contributed, Mr. Taaffe responded to the queries and the report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 8 Update on Cattle Grids.**

Eddie Taaffe gave the update on this. The Council have received advice from IPB in this regard and they have agreed with the opinion of the Consultants on their recommendations. The Council’s view in the regard hasn’t changed.

Mr. Taaffe outlined the Council’s concerns from a H&S perspective if the grids were installed and a member of the public was injured or killed as a result. Mr. Taaffe invited the members to bring forward alternative suggestions.

Cllr Donovan and Siobhan Butler contributed to the discussion.

Cllr Donovan said she would let the other Councillors know the Council’s position and thanked Mr. Taaffe for clarity on issue and will co-ordinate.

The report was **NOTED**

**H.1.9 School Bus Study**

Cllr Lavelle gave the meeting the update on this. It is proposed that the SPC write to Dublin Bus, NTA, Relevant Minister in Department of Transport, and Relevant Minister in Department of Education inviting them to attend a special meeting in relation to this matter and for them to provide a written statement of their position on the possibility of working with SDCC on a pilot bus service.

This approach was agreed by the members and **NOTED**

**H.1.10 AOB**

Laura Leonard gave the meeting an update on the GO Car Project which was launched during the week. There are now 7 locations identified across the County, and after three months the scheme will be reviewed.

Bike Week is 11th to 18th June. Check on Bikeweek.ie for details of events across the County.

Eddie Taaffe advised the SPC of a minor amendment that is required to the Adamstown SDZ.

Cllrs O’Toole, Gogarty and Lavelle raised questions to which Eddie Taaffe responded.

**The meeting concluded at 7.00p.m.”**

**(ii) Minutes of Meeting 16th February 2017**

***“*Present:**

**Elected Members:** Councillor Wm. Lavelle

Councillor Liona O’Toole

Councillor Paul Gogarty

Councillor Paula Donovan

Councillor Mick Murphy

Councillor Ruth Nolan

**Non-Elected** Neil Durkan

**Members:**

**Council Officials:**  Mr. Eddie Taaffe, Director of Land Use

Planning & Transportation

Ms. Laura Leonard, Senior Executive Officer

Ms. Sheila Kelly, Administrative Officer

**In Attendance**: Mr. Eoin Gillard, TII

**An Cathaoirleach, Councillor W. Lavelle presided.**

**H.I. 1. Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Land Use Planning and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee held on 29th September 2016 were proposed by Cllr. Wm Lavelle, seconded by Cllr. L. O’Toole and **AGREED.**

**H.I. 2. N4 and N7 Study**

[**N4N7 Study Summary Feb 17.pptx**](../February/Items/N4N7%20Study%20Summary%20Feb%2017.pptx)

Mr. E. Gillard, TII presented the Study to the meeting.

And the report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 3 M50 Emergency Management**

[**M50 Emergency Management.pdf**](../February/Items/HI%203%20M50%20Emergency%20Management.pdf)

Mr. William Purcell gave the report. He informed the meeting that the TII had a number of requests to put the document on their website and that the Interagency Incident Response Group (IICG) comprised of members of An Garda Siochana, Local Authorities, Dublin Fire Brigade, TII and the Motorway Traffic Control Centre. This group to ensure that there is a co-ordinated response to a major emergency on motorways in the Greater Dublin area and to put in place protocols for the management of such major incidents. He also informed the meeting that SDCC would also put information in this regard on our website to inform the public of the campaign.

Mr. Purcell responded to questions raised by Cllr O’Toole, and Cllr Lavelle regarding the new signage on the M50. The report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 4 Planning Enforcement**

[**Planning Enforcement Report Feb SPC.docx**](../February/Items/Planning%20Enforcement%20Report%20Feb%20SPC.docx)

Following the report questions were raised and were responded to by Mr. B. Keaney and Mr. E. Taaffe.

The reports were **NOTED**

**H.I.5 Update on Vacant Sites Levy**

[**SDCC Vacant Site Register - Draft Presentation to SPC 16-02-17.pptx**](../February/Items/SDCC%20Vacant%20Site%20Register%20-%20Draft%20Presentation%20to%20SPC%2016-02-17.pptx)

The report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 6. Pilot for Supervised School Bus Service**

The report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 7. Ireland 2040 – Our Plan – National Planning Framework**

**Cor (1) Problems with High Hedges and Trees on Neighbouring Properties**

[**Correspondence.docx**](file:///F:\Meetings\SPC's\1%20LANDUSE%20PLANNING%20&%20TRANSPORTATION%20SPC\2016\Item.Reports\November%20SPC\Correspondence.docx)

Correspondence received from Department of Justice.

This was **NOTED**

**H.I. 9 A.O. B.** No other business

**The meeting concluded at 7.15 p.m.**

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The Reports were **NOTED.**

### **H5/0617 REPORTS REQUESTED BY AREA COMMITTEES**

It was **NOTED** that there was **NO** Business under this Heading.

### **H6a/0617 JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2016**

[Joint Policing Committee Annual Report](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?noinc=true&id=56191)

**H6b/0617 REPORT FROM JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE**

The Joint Policing Committee met on Friday 26th May 2016 in County Hall Tallaght

  Documents presented at the meeting are available on the CMAS system.

**Attendance: Committee Members:**

Cllr. Deirdre O’Donovan (Chair), Cllr Paula Donovan; Cllr. Louise Dunne; Cllr Brendan Ferron; Cllr Paul Foley; Cllr. Paul Gogarty; Cllr Pamela Kearns; Cllr Cathal King; Cllr Guss O’Connell; Cllr. Liona O’Toole; Sean Crowe T.D.; John Curran T.D.; John Lahart T.D., Chief Superintendent Orla McPartlin; Chief Superintendent Lorraine Wheatley; Gemma Carton, Garda Diversion; Ann Corrigan, PPN; Tara Deasy, PPN; Eamon Dolan D&ATF; Michael Noonan, PPN.

**In attendance:** Sgt Denis Beatley, Harcourt Street; Inspector Karen Clifford; Superintendent Brendan Connolly; Superintendent Dermot Mann, Andy Lane, Cathy Purdy

**Apologies:** Noreen Byrne, Billy Coman, SDCC; Superintendent Peter Duff, Cllr Pamela Kearns;

  The following is summary of business of the JPC:

* **Scramblers**

Correspondence had been received from Fingal, Kildare and Meath JPCs supporting the JPC position on the need for legislation to address the scrambler problem.

**2          Neighbourhood Watch Schemes**

            A presentation was given by Sgt Denis Beatley

**3          Garda Reports**

Reports were circulated by Chief Superintendent Orla McPartlin on behalf of the DMRS region and by Chief Superintendent Lorraine Wheatley on behalf of the DMRW region.

* Concern was raised about drug dealing near schools, joy riding, anti-social behaviour and the relationship and sharing of information between elected representatives and An Garda Síochána
* The JPC agreed to write to the Minister responsible seeking resources for youth work and youth facilities in the Lucan area of the county.

**4          SDCC Home Security Scheme 2017**

The scheme this year had the capacity to do 900 locks, the deadline for applications was the 9th June 2017 and details were on the website.

**5          South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan 2016-2022**

It was agreed to consider further at the next meeting.

**6          JPC Annual Report**

            The draft report was agreed and should be submitted to Council

**7          Code of Ethics for the Garda Síochána**

            The code was noted.

**8          Local Policing Fora Report**

The joint report was circulated on behalf of the four local policing fora in Clondalkin, D12, North Clondalkin and Tallaght:

**Clondalkin LPF:** The Clondalkin section of the report was noted. The next public meeting is set for the 28th September 2017 at 7.30pm in the Green Isle Hotel

**D12 LPF:** The D12 section of the report was noted with a public meeting set for Tuesday 27th June 2017 at 7.00pm in the Greenhills Parish Hall, Limekiln Lane, and Greenhills.

**North Clondalkin LPF:** The North Clondalkin Report covered:

* Estate management issues relating to Balgaddy
* A recommendation in relation to Funfairs
* A recommendation to set up a LPF for the Lucan Sub-district

**West Tallaght LPF:** A successful public meeting was held on the 14th March 2017 in Killinarden Community Centre. The next Public meeting is set for Tuesday 10th October 2017 in Fettercairn Community Centre at 7.00pm

**New LPFs:** Clarification of the area covered by the potential Rathfarnham LPF was that it would cover the Rathfarnham Garda sub-district area which included two EDs in Terenure. It was agreed that the local authority would meet with the Gardaí to consider the way forward on this in terms of addressing the resource implications of more LPFs

**9          PPN- Community Safety Booklet:**

The booklet has been published and copies are available.

**10        JPC Subgroups**

The Drug Subcommittee will report on its agreed area of work at the next JPC meeting.

**11        Upcoming JPC Meetings**

The next meeting is set for: Friday 22nd September 2017

**QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor G. O’Connell, seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **RESOLVED**:

“That pursuant to Standing Order No. 13, Questions numbered Q1 – Q25 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

### **Q1/0617 KEEPING PIGEONS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor S. Holland**

To ask the Chief Executive what the regulations are governing the keeping of racing pigeons by council tenants?  Pigeon racing is a constructive hobby, popular in urban areas.

**REPLY:**

Pigeons are not allowed to be kept by a tenant at a council dwelling. In this regard it would be a breach of section 14 of the Tenancy Agreement which states:

The Tenant shall during his tenancy, keep the premises and every part thereof in a clean, proper and sanitary state and shall not allow any refuse, nuisance or offensive matter to accumulate on any portion thereof. He shall keep the plot free from weeds and otherwise properly maintain and keep the gardens in a clean and tidy condition. He shall not plant any trees or shrubs which shall be or become injurious to the premises or to any adjacent property or allotment, or cut down any trees without the permission of the Council. He shall keep every hedge forming part of the plot properly cut and trimmed. The Tenant shall not keep any horses, poultry, pigs, birds or other animals (other than domestic pets which are not likely to create a nuisance or become a source of annoyance) on the premises or in the vicinity thereof.

If domestic pets are kept by the Tenant he shall ensure that no nuisance is thereby caused and the sheds, shelters or yards where such domestic pets are housed shall be properly constructed, paved and drained. All domestic pets shall be kept under control, confined or tied. The Tenant shall not trespass on any adjoining premises or allow trespass on his own premises.

### **Q2/0617 CONTROL OF HORSES**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor S. Holland**

To ask the Chief Executive whether inspections are carried out at areas where urban horse ownership is prevalent to ascertain whether horses are microchipped and have appropriate paperwork in place?

**REPLY:**

The [Control of Horses Act 1996](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/1996/en/act/pub/0037/index.html) allows the Council to introduce bye-laws designating certain areas as control areas for horses. (The term "horse" under the Act covers horses, donkeys and mules.) When the Council makes such bye-laws, it must follow certain procedures, including giving details of the proposed control areas in local newspapers.

South Dublin County Council's Control of Horses Byelaws were last made in 2014

Horse owners living within a designated control area must have a licence in order to have a horse. A licence normally lasts for a year and the Council keeps a register of all licences issued.

When applying for a licence, applicants must satisfy the Council that they are a fit person to keep a horse and that the horse will be properly maintained and stabled. If a person under 16 owns a horse, the head of the household in which they live is considered to be the owner, as horses may not be sold to anyone under 16 years of age.

Anyone permitted to have a horse in a public place must ensure that it is wearing a bridle and is under adequate control.

It is illegal to allow a horse to graze, feed, stray or remain in a public place without the consent of the local authority.

Anyone wishing to ride your horse on a public road may only do so provided that the horse has a licence, is fitted with a bridle and is under the control of someone over 16 years of age.

### **Inspection and offences**

Gardaí or staff authorised by the Council (currently authorised Contractor) may decide to inspect premises and access must be provided to them to do this. They can also seek evidence of a horse licence and have powers of search and arrest if they suspect cruelty to horses.

The legislation specifies several offences, including failure to remove a horse from a public place or control area and dangerous use of a horse.

Resource required to adequately administer a more extensive inspection regime are currently being examined.

Similarly, the establishment of a subcommittee of the SPC to consider a review of the current Byelaw’s is scheduled for discussion at the September 2017 SPC meeting.

### **Q3/0617 MOUNTAINS PROJECT**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor M. Johansson**

To ask the Chief Executive, to provide a full report on any possible charges at the proposed Hellfire project, including parking charges, general admission fees and specific admission fees for parts of the project?

**REPLY:**

Access to the Hellfire carpark, walks and trails and the building itself is currently free of charge. There are no plans to introduce charges in this regard as part of the proposed project. Obviously, the proposed restaurant will charge for food and beverages and there may be charges for additional services involving guided walks etc.

It is important to emphasise that there will no charges introduced in respect of the casual access and parking arrangements currently enjoyed by the visitors to Montpelier Hill.

### **Q4/0617 MANAGER OF OPERATIONS OF DUBLIN MOUNTAINS PROJECT**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor M. Johansson**

To ask the Chief Executive, to provide a report of any discussions held so far regarding the management and operation of the proposed interpretive centre at the Hellfire?

**REPLY:**

The Mountains project has been brought through feasibility, draft master plan and pre-planning stages based on Memorandum of Understandings between South Dublin County Council and Coillte as the landowner. In order to bring the project through the planning and delivery, (subject to planning and funding approvals), a more detailed agreement and lease will be required between the Council and Coillte. These agreements will include arrangements on the management and operation of the project. Discussions are ongoing in this regard.

### **Q5/0617 PITCH MAINTENANCE**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor W. Lavelle**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a list of playing pitches which are to be subject of improvement works as part of the 2017 Pitch Maintenance Programme?

**REPLY:**

Pitch improvement works as set out in the following list are proposed to be carried out over the 2017/2018 period.

**Drainage works:**

* Re-orientation of pitch at Tymon Park/Colaiste de hÍde, including necessary drainage works.
* Firhouse/Dodder Valley Park, installation of a drainage system on Pitch 107.
* Pitch at Mount Andrew Open Space, installation of a drainage system
* Butler McGee Park (St Mark’s pitch) , installation of a drainage system
* Pitch at Jobstown Park, installation of a drainage system
* Tymon Park Pitch 25, minor drainage works required.

**Goal post replacement:**

Beechfield Park, 2 pitches

Ballymount Park Pitch 95

Glenaulin Park Pitch 28

**Goalmouth improvement works:**

* Beechfield Park, 2 pitches.
* Ballycragh Park, 2 pitches.
* Tymon Park, 3 pitches.
* Jobstown Park, 2 pitches.
* Fettercairn/Butler McGee Park, 2 pitches.
* Cherryfield Park, 2 pitches.
* Clondalkin Park Pitch 47
* Clondalkin Park Pitch 49
* Clondalkin Park Pitch 50
* Corkagh Park Pitch 51
* Corkagh Park Pitch 52
* Corkagh Park Pitch 53
* Corkagh Park Pitch 54
* Corkagh Park Pitch 56
* Corkagh Park Pitch 57
* Corkagh Park Pitch 60
* Corkagh Park Pitch 61
* Ballymount Park Pitch 93

**Other works:**

* Ballymount Park Pitch 95, Pitch rotation required.
* Pitches 31, 32, 33, 34 & 163 fertilising and aeration and all goalposts to be painted.
* Griffeen Valley Park, Lucan Sarsfield Pitch no 11 to be fertilised and over seeded, also both goalmouths aerated and re-sodded.
* Pitch no 12 to be fertilized and one goalmouth re-sodded.
* Lucan United pitches 1, 2 & 3 to be fertilised and aerated.
* Hermitage Park Pitches 17, 18, 19, 20 to be fertilised.
* Glenaulin Park Pitch 28, pitch realignment required.
* Griffeen Valley Park  Pitch 13, request for removal of mound of soil going down the side of the main pitch (Johnsbridge housing estate) and landscape afterwards to make room for two Junior pitches.  To be included in 2018 programme of works.
* Tymon Park Pitches 4 & 5, installation of drainage systems to be included in 2018 programme of works.
* Ballymount Park Pitch 94, installation of drainage system to be included in 2018 programme of works.

### **Q6/0617 WETLANDS CONSTRUCTION**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor W. Lavelle**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the funding options available to the Council to progress proposals for the development of integrated constructed wetlands in appropriate areas in our County in a bid to address the problem of polluted storm water drain discharges?

**REPLY:**

SDCC have applied for LIFE funding and Integrated Constructed Wetlands were included in this application. We were unsuccessful in this application and we are currently reviewing our position in relation to the recent call for applications. SDCC are working with a discharge licence holder who is currently installing an ICW on their site. The Part 8 for the housing development at Kilcarbury also includes retention ponds and an ICW in Corkagh Park prior to discharge to the Camac River. ICW's are assessed as a possible solution to water quality issues in new developments. The Midland and Eastern Regional Water and Environment Management Committee meet on a regular basis and we will seek their guidance in relation to potential sources of funding for ICW's.

### **Q7/0617 RATES ALLEVIATION SCHEME**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor W. Lavelle**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the options available to the elected members to introduce Rates Rebate or Grants Schemes for specific classes of commercial premises (e.g. Childcare premises) or premises located in specific types of areas (e.g. area’s zoned as ‘VC’) as opposed to the current Business Support Grant scheme?

**REPLY:**

Local authorities are under a statutory obligation to assess and levy rates on any property used for commercial purposes in accordance with the details entered in the valuation lists prepared by the Commissioner of Valuation.

The Business Support Grant is not a Rates rebate scheme, but is a grant scheme for the support of small businesses, eligibility for which is determined by reference to the annual rates band into which the business falls, i.e. less than or equal to €10,000 p.a.

The Local Government (Rates) Act 1970 provides for the operation of rates waiver schemes. Under the provisions, a rating authority may make and carry out a scheme providing for a waiver of all or a portion of rates due by ratepayers in respect of a specified class or classes of property.

The formulation of such a scheme is a matter reserved for the members of the Council and is subject to the consent of the Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government.

Part 9 of the Local Government Act 2001 provides that the functions of a local authority include providing grants, loans, guarantees or other financial aid to promote the interests of the local community, including economic interests.

A decision under this provision is a reserved function of the Council.

It should be borne in mind that any alleviation of rates for one class of ratepayer could unfairly impact on other businesses by giving a competitive advantage to a certain group through a reduction in costs. In addition, an alleviation scheme could further increase costs on the businesses that are not part of the scheme, as they could be required to make up the cost of the alleviation scheme through the payment of additional rates. This would impose an additional burden on such ratepayers.

### **Q8/0617 HOMELESS NUMBERS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor D. Looney**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the numbers of people presenting as homeless in the County, on the number in emergency accommodation (and type thereof), and on the projected provision of accommodation by SDCC and other agencies for these people in the months ahead, and to make a statement on the matter.

**REPLY:**

The number of registered Homeless for 2017 is as follows:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | **May** |
| **No. Registered Homeless** | 437 | 447 | 459 | 469 | **461** |
| Single Male | 192 | 193 | 201 | 202 | **204** |
| Single Female | 48 | 46 | 51 | 52 | **54** |
| Couples | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | **4** |
| Families | 195 | 206 | 205 | 213 | **199** |

Staff in the housing allocations section are endeavouring to meet the July deadline set by the Minister. This poses a very significant challenge to the Council and is dependent on the availability of suitable family type accommodation being available and ready for allocation.

In the month of May 23 tenancies were allocated. That brings the total number of allocations to homeless persons to date in 2017 to 64.

In the coming months a number of additional properties will become available through the Housing Finance Agency (14) and Dublin Simon (6). This will be in addition to SDCC purchases and vested properties (15) and vacancies arising in our own stock. It is anticipated a further 16 units will come available under Part V in late June/ July.

Where possible one bed units are being made available to persons on the transfer list to downsize thus freeing up additional family type housing.

In addition, the Abberley Court Hotel is in the process of being designated as a facility with enhanced services for families. Communal recreation rooms including play area for children. The conversion works are ongoing and will be completed in the near future.  The services are already available but will be enhanced with the completion of the works.

Tallaght Cross will continue to accommodate up to 64 families.

However, in the month of May there was a significant month on month increase with some 16 families assessed as homeless by SDCC. To date in 2017, 35 families have been assessed as homeless by SDCC.

### **Q9/0617 RATES REVALUATION PROCESS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor D. Looney**

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the Rates Revaluation process, on the consultation with local businesses, and on the next steps, and to make a statement on the matter.

**REPLY:**

Draft certificates of valuation were issued by the Valuation Office on 13th April 2017, advising ratepayers of the proposed valuation which will be effective from 1st January 2018.

From the date of issue of proposed valuation certificate there was a period of 40 days within which a ratepayer who was dissatisfied with the proposed valuation could make representations to the Valuation Office.

Walk-in clinics were held in County Hall, where Valuation Office staff were available to answer any queries from ratepayers.

Final valuation Certificates will be issued by the Valuation office on 15th September next which will be effective for rating purposes from 1st January 2018.

An appeal of the Final Certificate can be made to the Valuation Tribunal, but only in relation to a matter raised in a representation.

### **Q10/0617 DISPOSAL OF SYRINGES**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor E. Murphy**

Can the Chief Executive please detail what provisions are in place throughout South Dublin County for safe disposal of syringes. What training and information is provided to community groups, schools and recreational facilities throughout the County?

**REPLY:**

Staff in Public Realm have been trained in needle stick Awareness training, this is also covered in the Public Realm Risk assessments RA 0001/2/3 which deals with:

Contact with Needle Sticks

Needle Stick Injuries

Disposing of Needle Sticks

Administrative staff are advised that when a report comes in which specifies that there are syringes or drug paraphernalia present in a public park, open space or council facility, that these calls are logged on the Customer Care System (for record) and referred directly to Public Realm.

The relevant Superintendent arranges a crew to attend immediately on site to remove the reported items.

If syringes or drug paraphernalia are discovered by our Litter Wardens during patrol or bag searches they must contact the relevant Superintendent immediately and request the removal of same.  The Litter Warden remains on site until someone from Public Realm attends to remove the material.

Staff have been advised previously that if they receive a needle stick injury they should attend A&E immediately.

The Council does not currently provide needle stick awareness training to Community Groups, we will examine how best needle stick awareness and information can be disseminated to community groups.

### **Q11/0617 REPAIR AND LEASE**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor E. O'Brien**

To ask the Chief Executive if any expressions of interest have been received under the Government Repair and Leasing scheme and if so to detail the buildings in question

**REPLY:**

The Council promoted the Repair and Lease Scheme through the Councils own website and advised all Approved Housing Bodies in our area. An advertisement was also placed in the Echo newspaper on 18th May 2017. Whilst a number of enquiries have been received none to date have progressed. Council staff are also following up on a number of vacant properties to engage with owners under the scheme. The national campaign started on 1st June 2017 with advertisements in national newspapers. The national digital campaign will continue over the next couple of weeks.

### **Q12/0617 COMBATTING DOG FOULING**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor E. O'Brien**

Noting the announcement of increased funding through the Environment Fund for combatting dog fouling, can the Chief Executive indicate if any application has been, or is to be made for such funding to target areas in this County.

**REPLY:**

Recent enquiries were made to the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources following the Minister's recent announcement, and it has been advised that additional funding will be made available to Local Authorities to help tackle dog fouling.

No further announcement has been made yet regarding details of the scheme/applications etc. However, it is being anticipated that such funding will be made available under the remit of Anti-Littering and Graffiti Grant which is operated by the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources. Under such scheme, local authorities can apply for funding for projects aimed at raising awareness of litter issues, including that of dog fouling.

The exact details of the funding are expected to be announced in the coming weeks, and when published, SDCC will make an application for same.

### **Q13/0617 SUMMER PROJECTS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor C. O'Connor**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm what supports are available to community groups throughout the County organising summer projects this year.

**REPLY:**

The Council provides financial support for Summer Projects each year and the projects supported in 2017 is a headed item on today’s Council Meeting Agenda.

### **Q14/0617 WATER**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor C. O'Connor**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm what actions he is taking to ensure that the public water levels in our County are being maintained and will he also give assurances in respect of the water quality available to the public.

**REPLY:**

Irish Water is now the Water Services Authority and it is their responsibility to ensure that public water supplies are maintained and that the water quality meets the requirements set out in the Regulations. We understand from them that there is currently adequate storage to maintain supplies, however it is important that the wastage of water is minimised and water conserved as much as possible.

Irish Water will soon be launching a new facility on their website the give their customer’s details of water quality test results in their area. Historically these results have been published on the SDCC website, however this will cease once Irish Water commence publishing the results from 15th June 2017.

Members are reminded that Irish Water have established a Local Representatives Service Desk which is committed to giving speedy responses to Elected Officials.

This Service Desk can be contacted at [localrepsupport@water.ie](mailto:localrepsupport@water.ie) or at 1890 178 178

### **Q15/0617 PLAYSPACES**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor C. O'Connor**

To ask the Chief Executive to present a report on the progress of the Play Space Programme and will he confirm future plans in that regard.

**REPLY:**

An interim report was presented to the November Council meeting in 2016. The following is the up to date current status of the Play Space Programme 2014-2018.

The following play space projects have been constructed:

* Quarryvale Park, Clondalkin
* Griffeen Avenue, Lucan
* Sarsfield Park, Lucan
* Hermitage Park, Lucan
* Aylesbury Park, Tallaght
* Rathcoole Park, Rathcoole
* Ballycragh, Firhouse
* Knockmitten, Clondalkin
* Riversdale Estate, Lucan
* Killinarden, Tallaght
* Avonbeg Park, Tallaght
* Beechfield Park, Walkinstown
* Brookview Estate, Tallaght
* Sean Walsh, Tallaght
* Glendoher.
* Kilnamanagh (Tree Park and Park Hill)
* Kingswood, Tallaght

 €1,142,550 has been spent to date on 17 play space projects completed at an average cost of €68,000. It is intended to complete the play space programme in the remainder of 2017 and 2018. It is intended to bring an updated programme of delivery to each of the June ACM meetings.

### **Q16/0617 CYCLING SAFETY**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor C. O'Connor**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm efforts he continues to make to encourage cycling throughout our County; will he detail his efforts to ensure the safety of our cyclists and will he make a statement in the matter.

**REPLY:**

Significant efforts continue to be made on a number of fronts to support and encourage cycling in the County. The provision of cycle/walking infrastructure is continuing with the assistance of funding from the National Transport Authority and as a result our network of cycle ways is increasing. Cycle infrastructure is built to design standards as laid down nationally to optimise the safety of cyclists. Cycle skills training is provided to school children throughout the year with the new Cycle Right National training standard being implemented since the start of this year. In addition the Cycle Forum [Sub Committee of the LUPT SPC] is developing a Cycling and Walking Strategy to set out the Councils longer term objectives in this regard.

The introduction of the 30 kph slow zones in residential estates is a measure that was strongly advocated by the cycle forum and will increase safety of cyclists throughout the County.

Bike Week 2017 commences on 10th June 2017 and a schedule of events to promote and support cycling including bicycle maintenance, cycle training for adults and children, schools events and a family cycle event form part of the weeks activities.

### **Q17/0617 HOMELESS FAMILIES**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor C. O'Connor**

To ask the Chief Executive to make a statement on progress he is making to ensure compliance with the directives from the current Minister for Housing in respect of ensuring that homeless families are still not accommodated in hotels following the deadline set by the Minister; will he detail the current situation and will he make a general statement.

**REPLY:**

Staff in the housing allocations section are making every effort to meet the July deadline as directed by the Minister. This poses a very significant challenge to the Council and is dependent on the availability of suitable family type accommodation being available and ready for allocation while presentations by new homeless continues.

Currently, and for the foreseeable future vacant family type housing (with exception of specially adapted housing) is prioritised for Homeless Families.

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In the coming months a number of additional properties will become available through the Housing Finance Agency (14) and Dublin Simon (6). This will be in addition to SDCC purchases and vested properties (15) and vacancies arising in our own stock. It is anticipated a further 16 units will come available under Part V in late June/ July.

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### **Q18/0617 HOMELESS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor D. Richardson**

Has this council any plans to house any families in emergency accommodation in warehouse like DCC are currently planning.

**REPLY:**

The Council has not at this time sourced such type units that would be suitable as emergency accommodation in terms of access, safety and location.

### **Q19/0617 FAMILIES LIVING IN HOTELS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor D. Richardson**

Can the Chief Executive provide information on how many family’s currently living in hotels in the County?

**REPLY:**

The number of homeless families at 31st May 2017 in Hotels (and other homeless accommodation) is as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Total Families** | **199** |
| Tallaght Cross | 64 |
| Abberley | 34 |
| Cuan Alainn | 9 |
| Hotels | 92 |

### **Q20/0617 FUN FAIRS AND CIRCUS EVENTS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor D. Richardson**

Can the Chief Executive report on bylaws on fun fairs and circus events in the county

**REPLY:**

There are no bye-laws on funfairs/Circus events in the County.

South Dublin County Council advertise tenders for the provision of Funfair/Circus within the county at the following park lands;

1. Tymon Regional Park, Tallaght
2. Corkagh Regional Park, Clondalkin
3. Griffeen Valley Regional Park, Esker, Lucan

Certain steps are taken by the Council before the Funfair takes place, one of which is to notify the local Garda Superintendent of the dates and times of the upcoming funfair, including the time allocated for the erection and dis-assembling of the site.

It is a requirement of Council that the Funfair organiser also ensures that their own security measures are in place.

Annually, particular emphasis is placed on dealing with issues that may have arisen during the previous year and the identification of steps to mitigate against reoccurrences.

### **Q21/0617 WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask for a report into the Privatisation of Bins in SDCC and who decided this and how can it be reversed back to SDCC control and when?

**REPLY:**

The decision to sell the Council's waste collection service in 2011 was taken by the Council's management at the time.  It should be noted that the determination of the Council's waste management policy is an executive function. The circumstances which led to the sale in March 2011 were as follows-

* substantially reducing numbers of customers remaining with the Council service arising from increasing competition from private operators, giving rise to a substantially reduced income from the service
* increasing disposal costs which arose from the closure of the Council’s baled waste landfill at Arthurstown
* at the time of sale of the service customer numbers had reduced by around 15,000 in the previous 6 to 9 months and at this time the deficit between the cost of the service and income generated was calculated at €14m per year.

It is not possible to reverse this decision and return the situation to what existed in 2011.  The provision of waste collection services is carried out within an open market.  Since the sale of the Council's service to Greyhound many other service providers have entered the South Dublin County area and in the current circumstances these operators are entitled to continue to operate and compete for business. It was not possible for the Council to compete with these private operators in 2010/2011 and it is clear that it could not be done successfully now.  Householders currently select a service provider on the basis of the quality of service provided and value for money.  It is safe to assume that the Council lost large numbers of customers as we could not match private operators on either or both of these matters.

South Dublin County Council does not propose to re-enter the domestic waste collection market.

### **Q22/0617 SOCIAL CREDITS SCHEME**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask for a report into the uptake of the social credits scheme by area? (as much details as possible)

**REPLY:**

Currently the Social Credits Scheme has:

* 39 regular weekly collections
* 7 regular fortnightly collections
* 6 regular monthly collections

The following materials are provided upon request for clean ups consists of Bags, litter pickers and high vis vests.

All applicants have access to the same support and materials.

Other materials such as paint and plants etc. can be applied for under the scheme

The break down per area by as of May 2017 is as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Area** | **Social Credit Applications** |
| Tallaght | 239 |
| Rathfarnham | 73 |
| Terenure/Templeogue | 5 |
| Newcastle | 22 |
| Rathcoole | 43 |
| Clondalkin | 412 |
| Lucan | 101 |
| Palmerstown | 84 |
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### **Q23/0617 REGISTER OF ELECTORS**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask what steps SDCC is making to ensure that people are registered to vote and if there is a plan to do a campaign to get people to register to vote.

**REPLY:**

Work on the Draft Register of Electors for 2018/19 has commenced and the following procedures will be undertaken:

A personal call is made to each household to ascertain if details on the current register are up to date.

Deletions and additions are noted at this call.

In the absence of a reply at the door an RFA form (registration form) is left.

The RFA form requests that EVERY person in the household entitled to vote be included on the form.  The RFA form is pre-addressed to South Dublin County Council and is FREEPOST to facilitate a safe and speedy return of same.

A Draft Register based on information received at the door and on RFA forms, is published on 1st November each year.  The Draft is produced on Pink Paper to make it easily identifiable and is circulated to every Councillor, T.D., Post Office, Garda Station, Library and Council Office and in the County. A national media advertisement campaign, supported by local media advertising by the Council, is undertaken advising the electorate to check the Draft to ensure that they are registered to vote.   This advertising campaign will specify the time frame within which electors can request additions/ corrections / deletions i.e. 1st November to 25th November.

Following the publication of the Draft Register further necessary changes to be effected will be recorded by means of a "Claims List"(a list of submissions made by electors during the prescribed period 1st November to 25th November)

Following confirmation of the Claims List the Draft Register will be updated accordingly and the Final Register will be published on the 1st February and will come into effect on the 15th February 2018.

In advance of an election or referendum a further opportunity is afforded to potential electors to apply for inclusion in the Supplementary Register of Electors and an advertisement campaign is also carried out.

It must be noted that the ultimate responsibility for ensuring the right to vote rests with the individual and the Local Authority is a facilitator to this process by means of data capture, publication and distribution of the Register of Electors.  Every opportunity is afforded during the compilation of the draft Register, the claims period, and the preparation of the Supplementary Register to ensure that all potential voters the opportunity to check that they are on the Register and to apply for inclusion in the register.

### **Q24/0617 LITTER AND GRAFFITI**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask what measures are being made to combat continuous black litter spots and graffiti spots throughout our county and to ask what is proposed to combat these two anti-social issues given the huge work of local Tidy Towns Groups

**REPLY:**

South Dublin County Council is responsible for ensuring that public roads are kept litter free, in so far as it is practically possible, and the prevention of the creation of litter through the following measures:

* Enforcement and Regulation
* Public Realm operations programmes, including the collection and disposal of litter and the provision and maintenance of litter receptacles
* delivery of Communication, Education & Awareness programmes
* development of protocols for response to service requests

The following is an outline of part of the Council's strategy to deliver an integrated approach to achieving high quality maintenance and improvement of our public realm

**Graffiti:**

Reports of graffiti are sent to our Litter Warden for the area to inspect with a view to establishing whether the graffiti is on (a) utility box (b) private property or (c) public property.

A)    If graffiti is on a utility box the Litter Warden Service identifies the owner (ESB, Eircom, Bord Gais, etc.) and the location is then referred to the relevant utility company requesting removal in line with MOU which are in place and which are the subject of regular review.

B)    If graffiti is on private property a notice issues to the owner requesting removal.  The Protocol published with the Litter Management Plan 2015-2019 provided for the potential to engage with private property owners to assist with removal of graffiti subject to agreement on costs and insurance indemnity.  However, to date there has been no take up on this proposal.

C)    If graffiti is on public (Council) property the Council arranges for removal.

**I**n the course of delivery of the Public Realm service plan, arrangements are made for litter picks in conjunction with grass cuts to ensure litter is kept to a minimum, where possible. Similarly, areas prone to repetitive littering / dumping are cleaned on a weekly basis at a minimum, and bring banks are serviced and maintained.

Assistance in the form of materials is provided through the Social Credit Scheme, and arrangements are made in conjunction with Public Realm to collect the debris / waste following these clean-up events.

The Council continues a high level of enforcement in order to prevent and control litter (including illegal dumping) through the following:

* Targeted focus on known litter generators, particularly around time of known occurrences
* Investigation of all complaints and enforce regulation and legislation as appropriate
* Continued examination of options for surveillance to reduce incidences of littering and dog fouling (CCTV? Audio devices / drones etc.

The Council recently applied for and was successful in being approved for grant aid to tackle three areas which are known for repetitive incidents of littering and illegal dumping through Phase 1 of Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment Anti-Dumping Initiative.

The areas are Sean Walsh Park (Bottle Bank area), Rossfield Estate and Piperstown Road and work will commence on these initiatives shortly.

### **Q25/0617 BUS STOP LOCATION**

### **QUESTION:** **Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask what is the procedure for getting a bus stop located in an area and/or a Bus shelter - who has the responsibility and what role does SDCC have?

**REPLY:**

Bus operators in the first instance apply for an operating licence from the National Transport Authority and then to the relevant Local Authority Traffic Section for approval of stopping points. It is generally the case that applications to use existing bus stops /shelters are made. The authority to grant permission for use and to designate new bus stopping points rests with the Council.

### **H7/0617 DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE MADE PUBLIC ROADS**

### It was **NOTED** that there was **NO** Business under this Heading.

**H8a/0617 PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF PROPERTIES /SITES** - **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF THE FEE SIMPLE AT 95 ARTHUR GRIFFITH PARK, LUCAN, CO DUBLIN**

### The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. Billy Coman, Director of Housing Social & Community Development and were **CONSIDERED:**

“The Council at its meeting held on 10th April 2017 resolved to dispose of the fee simple in land at 95 Arthur Griffith Park, Lucan, Co Dublin to Noel Feeney.

The agreed terms (consideration of €201.76) were in accordance with the provisions of the Landlord and Tenants (Ground Rents) (No 2) Act 1978 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001. Folio No 51146L refers.

The Council has become aware that Margie Feeney wife of Noel Feeney is now on the title deeds to the dwelling and Noel Feeney and Margie Feeney have now applied to acquire by purchase the fee simple in the property.

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| ADDRESS | LESSEE(S) | PURCHASE PRICE |
| 95 Arthur Griffith Park, Lucan, Co. Dublin | Noel Feeney & Margie Feeney | €201.76 |

It is proposed, in accordance with the provisions of the landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No 2) Act, 1978 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, to dispose of the fee simple in the site listed above.

**Daniel McLoughlin**

**Chief Executive”**

**H8b/0617** **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF PROPERTIES /SITES - PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF FEE SIMPLE: 73 ARTHUR GRIFFITH PARK, LUCAN, CO. DUBLIN TO JOSEPH MAHER AND ROSE MAHER**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. Billy Coman, Director of Housing Social & Community Development and were **CONSIDERED:**

**“**The Council at its meeting held on 13th February 2017 resolved to dispose of the fee simple in land at 73 Arthur Griffith Park, Lucan, Co Dublin to Joseph Maher.

The agreed terms (consideration of €233.13) were in accordance with the provisions of the Landlord and Tenants (Ground Rents) (No 2) Act 1978 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001. Folio No 50543L refers.

The Council has become aware that Rose Maher wife of Joseph Maher is now on the title deeds to the dwelling and Joseph Maher and Rose Maher have now applied to acquire by purchase the fee simple in the property.

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| ADDRESS | LESSEE(S) | PURCHASE PRICE |
| 73 Arthur Griffith Park, Lucan, Co. Dublin | Joseph Maher and Rose Maher | €233.13 |

It is proposed, in accordance with the provisions of the landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No 2) Act, 1978 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, to dispose of the fee simple in the site listed above.

**Daniel McLoughlin**

**Chief Executive”**

  It was proposed by Councillor G. O’Connell, seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **RESOLVED**:

“That the proposed Disposals of Fee Simple be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

### **H9/0617 MANAGEMENT REPORT**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. D. Mc Loughlin, Chief Executive and were **CONSIDERED:**

[H9a) Finance Report](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=56161)  
[H9b) Strategy Report](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=56192)  
[H9c) Statistics Report](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=56193)

### Councillor R. McMahon raised a query in relation to Libraries and Tree pruning figures.

### Mr. F. Nevin, Director of Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development and Ms. T. Walsh, Director of Environment, Water and Climate change responded to Councillor McMahons queries and agreed to forward on the information after the meeting.

The Reports were **NOTED.**

### **H10/0617 APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY GRANTS**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. B. Coman, Director of Housing, Social and Community Development, and was **CONSIDERED:**

“Application for grants under South Dublin County Council’s Community Grants Scheme has been received from the organisations listed below. Payment of this grant, in accordance with the conditions of the Scheme and in the amount set out hereunder, is recommended for approval:-

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| **Ref** | **Name of Group** | **Type of Grant** | | | **Amount** | | |
| GF2699 | Peamount United Football Club | Minor Equipment Grant | | | €800 | | |
| GF2735 | 180th Dublin Lucan South Scout Group | Major Equipment Grant | | | €5,000 | | |
| GF2725 | Cuidiu Dublin South West | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | €400 | | |
| GF2664 | Bawnogue Social & Community Club | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | | | €500 | | |
| GF2765 | Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group | Major Equipment Grant | | | €5,000 | | |
| GF2668 | Clondalkin Men’s Shed | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | €500 | | |
| GF2669 | Clondalkin Active Retired | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | €500 | | |
| GF2682 | Knockmitten Youth & Community Association | Environmental Improvements Grant | | | €500 | | |
| GF2655 | Lucan Concert Band | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | €500 | | |
| GF2651 | RAMS Retired Active Men’s Social | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €3,000 |
| GF2661 | Lucan Guild ICA | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €1,739 |
| GF2652 | Quarryvale Community & Leisure Centre | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €2,875 |
| GF2647 | Esker Meadows Residents Association | | Environmental Improvements Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2739 | Adamstown Women Together | | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2680 | Red Lake Football Club | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €5,000 |
| GF2749 | Newtown Rangers AFC | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €5,000 |
| GF2650 | Ballyroan Bowling Club | | Running Costs for Community Groups | | | | €400 |
| GF2711 | Kingswood Youth Choir | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €2,550 |
| GF2705 | Knocklyon Network Ltd., | | Environmental Improvements Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2665 | Boden Park Residents Association | | Environmental Improvements Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2781 | Boden Park Residents Association | | Community Activity Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2721 | Kingswood Heights Residents Association | | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2762 | Dominic’s Active Men’s Shed | | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2698 | Daletree Residents Association | | Environmental Improvements Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2697 | Daletree Residents Association | | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2695 | 158th Castleview Scouting Group | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €800 |
| GF2673 | Tallaght Parish Indoor Bowling Club | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €4,000 |
| GF2649 | Kingswood Kilnamanagh Active Age | | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2727 | Templeogue United Football Club | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €3,000 |
| GF2744 | Perrystown Manor Estate Variety Group | | Community Activity Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2763 | Glenasmole Community Association | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €800 |
| GF2788 | The Web Project | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2678 | St. Jude’s Men’s Shed | | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2657 | Brittas Community Association Ltd., | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €800 |
| GF2670 | Super Troopers | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2633 | NCCWN Women Together Tallaght Network | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €355 |
| GF2703 | St. Mark’s GAA Club | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €5,000 |
| GF2708 | Sundale Residents Association | | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2709 | Russell Square Residents Association | | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | | | | €500 |
| GF2718 | Killinarden Angling Initiative | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €3,000 |
| GF2740 | Glenanne Sports Club | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €800 |
| GF2742 | Glenanne Sports Club | | Community Activity Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2767 | St. John Of Gods Housing Association | | IT Infrastructure Grant | | | | €4,000 |
| GF2786 | An Cosan | | IT Infrastructure | | | | €5,000 |
| GF2641 | Dublin Community Games | | Countywide Community Activity with a Countywide Interest | | | | €3,000 |
| GF2731 | Fettercairn Youth & Community Centre | | IT Networking & Administration Grant | | | | €1,000 |
| GF2642 | Killinarden Primary Prevention Group | | Minor Equipment Grant | | | | €645 |
| GF2796 | WORK Residents Association | | Community Activity Grant | | | | €500 |
| GF2686 | Ladies Social Group Newcastle | | Major Equipment Grant | | | | €1,500 |
| GF2653 | Arthur Griffith Park Football Club | | Major Equipment Grant  \*\* Club must engage in a resolution of current clubhouse issues before drawdown of grant can commence” | | | | €5,000 |
| GF2764 | Tallaght Bridge Club | | | Major Equipment Grant | | €3,000 | |
| GF2700 | The Villagers | | | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | | €500 | |
| GF2754 | Rathfarnham Gardening Club | | | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | | €500” | |

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors C. King and C. O’Connor.

The report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor F. Timmons, seconded by Councillor R. McMahon and **RESOLVED:**

**“**That the recommendations contained in the report be **ADOPTED and APPROVED**.”

### **H11/0617 SUMMER PROJECTS 2017**

### The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. B. Coman, Director of Housing, Social and Community Development, and was **CONSIDERED:**

**“Report on Summer Projects, 2017**

Summer Projects are aimed at providing a supervised programme of recreational and educational activities for young people over a consecutive number of weeks in the summer period. Emphasis is placed on community involvement and the development of resources and groups within localities. A wide range of activities are encouraged such as arts & crafts, sports, educational trips, drama, films, games etc. The use of available community facilities (schools, community centres, halls, open spaces) is also encouraged.

South Dublin County Council assists Summer Projects in the County area by way of grant- aid, assistance in kind, organised activities and staff support. In 2017, it is estimated that approximately 6,000 young people in the Council’s administrative area will participate in projects.

Crosscare provides insurance cover for Summer Projects.

***It should be noted that in some cases the necessary insurance cost will be deducted from the grant provided by South Dublin County Council and will be paid directly to Crosscare.***

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| **Name of Project** | **Type of Grant** | | **Amount** |
| Tallaght Travellers Summer Project | Summer Project | | €2,000 |
| Adamstown Summer Camp | Summer Project | | €1,000 |
| Holy Spirit Summer Project | Summer Project | | €1,000 |
| Citywise Education | Summer Project | | €2,000 |
| St. Kevin’s Family Resource Centre | Summer Project | | €1,500 |
| St. Jude’s Summer Project | Summer Project | | €2,000 |
| Bawnogue Youth & Community Centre | Summer Project | | €1,000 |
| St. Pius X Summer Project | Summer Project | | €1,000 |
| Lucan Youth Fun | Summer Project | | €1,000 |
| Sophia Housing Association | Summer Project | | €500 |
| Glenasmole Summer Project | Summer Project | | €500 |
| Killinarden Community Council Summer Project | Summer Project | €2,000 | |
| Kilnamanagh Summer Festival | Summer Project | €500 | |
| Fettercairn Summer Project | Summer Project | €1,500 | |
| Fettercairn Community & Youth Centre | Summer Project | €1,000 | |
| Quarryvale Summer Project- Kulijuli Summer Project | Summer Project | €2,000 | |
| Whitechurch Ballyboden Summer Project | Summer Project | €1,000 | |
| The Park Community Centre | Summer Project | €1,000 | |
| Jobstown Summer Project | Summer Project | €500 | |
| Knockmitten Youth & Community Centre | Summer Project | €1,000 | |
| Foroige Stay Project | Summer Project | €500 | |
| Web Summer Project | Summer Project | €2,000 | |
| Social Circle | Summer Project | €1,000 | |
| Jobstown SCP | Summer Project | €500 | |
| Killinarden Family Resource Centre | Summer Project | €500 | |
| **TOTAL:** | | **€28,500”** | |

The Report was **NOTED.**

### **H12/0617 TRAFFIC CALMING CRITERIA**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. E. Taaffe, Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation, and was **CONSIDERED**

**[Appendix 1 Traffic Calming Criteria](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2017/June/June2017CountyCouncilMeeting/af047053-f9c9-4254-ae04-d1306798a155.xlsx)**

[**Traffic Calming Criteria**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2017/June/June2017CountyCouncilMeeting/ca8e1158-9158-4d0c-bf22-a6a198f236c9.docx)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors E. O’Brien, E. Higgins, P. Foley, R. McMahon, B. Bonner, D. Looney, W. Lavelle, P. Kearns, M. Murphy, D. O’Donovan and M. Ward.

### Mr. E. Taaffe, Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation responded to the Members queries.

The report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor G. O’Connell seconded by Councillor W. Lavelle and **RESOLVED:**

**“**That the “Traffic Calming Criteria – South Dublin County Council” Policy Document be **ADOPTED and APPROVED**.”

### **H13/0617 EXTENSION OF FORTUNESTOWN LAP**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. E. Taaffe, Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation, and was **CONSIDERED:**

[**Extension of Fortunes town LAP**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2017/June/June2017CountyCouncilMeeting/c853351a-27d6-431f-8a6f-959e83154047.pdf)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors C. King, B. Leech and D. Richardson.

Mr. E. Taaffe, Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation responded to the Members queries.

The report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor G. O’Connell seconded by Councillor C. King and **RESOLVED:**

**“**That the recommendations contained in the report, i.e.:-

*"That this Council approve the procedure to defer the sending of a notice under section 20(3) (a) (i) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 -2010 i.e. notices for making, amending or revoking the Local Area Plans in accordance with Section 19(1) (d) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2015 for the Fortunestown Local Area Plan for a further period not exceeding 5 years."* be **ADOPTED and APPROVED**.”

### **H14/0617 ANNUAL REPORT**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Performance and Change Management, and was **CONSIDERED:**

[**Annual Report**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2017/June/June2017CountyCouncilMeeting/66530d67-1b34-492e-bfb1-c92057000bea.pdf)

### The Report was **NOTED**.

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### **H15/0617 PATICIPATORY BUDGET**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. D. McLoughlin, Chief Executive and was **CONSIDERED:**

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors P. Gogarty, E. O’Brien, B. Leech, C. King, L. O’Toole and G. O’Connell.

**REPLY:**

Mayor of South Dublin Council, Cllr. Guss O’Connell announced the winning projects for this year’s 300K – Have Your Say campaign at a results ceremony in the Clarion Hotel, Liffey Valley at 7pm on the 1st of June.

160 submissions were received during the consultation process with 17 projects shortlisted for the public vote. The voting took place between the 22nd and the 26th of May and 2,598 digital/paper ballot votes were cast. We are pleased to announce the eight winning projects below which over the next 12 months will be implemented by South Dublin County Council.

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| Placement | Project | Votes |
| 1 | Playground in Waterstown Park, Palmerstown | 1184 |
| 2 | Feasibility Study for the Restoration of Silver Bridge, Palmerstown | 1146 |
| 3 | Christmas Lights in Lucan Village | 1074 |
| 4 | Planting Native Apple Trees, Lucan Electoral Area | 933 |
| 5 | Access to Church and Graveyard at Mill Lane, Palmerstown | 867 |
| 6 | Free Library Book Banks in Public Places – Lucan Electoral Area | 864 |
| 7 | Multi-Games Wall in Lucan | 860 |
| 8 | Restoration of King John’s Bridge Griffeen Park – Lucan | 804 |

The process will be evaluated by the Institute of Public Administration (IPA) who are engaged in an independent review of the pilot which, when concluded, will enable South Dublin County Council to plan the next steps.

REPLY:

The total number of votes received was 2,598, voters were able to vote for a number of projects up to the value of €300,000**.**

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| **The vote is broken down as follows:** | |
| Tree Sculpture, Waterstown Park, Palmerstown | 577 |
| Playground in Waterstown Park, Palmerstown | 1,184 |
| Feasibility Study and Seed Capital towards a New Youth Space for Lucan Electoral Area | 656 |
| Grow Your Own Allotments, Lucan | 637 |
| Men’s Shed Esker Cemetery, Lucan | 655 |
| Feasibility Study for New Pedestrian Bridge across the Liffey at Lucan Demesne | 630 |
| Access to Church and Graveyard at Mill Lane, Palmerstown | 867 |
| Feasibility Study for the Restoration of Silver Bridge, Palmerstown | 1,146 |
| Street Sculpture in Lucan Village Centre | 379 |
| Heritage Trail in Lucan Village | 688 |
| Volunteer Public Park Guides – Lucan Electoral Area | 526 |
| Restoration of King John’s Bridge Griffeen Park – Lucan | 804 |
| Christmas Lights in Lucan Village | 1,074 |
| Free Library Book Banks in Public Places – Lucan Electoral Area | 864 |
| Consultation Process for the Construction of New Central Plaza/Focal Point in South Lucan | 584 |
| Multi-Games Wall in Lucan | 860 |
| Planting Native Apple Trees, Lucan Electoral Area | 933 |

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### The report was **NOTED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Ministerial**

### **Co.1/0617** Letter dated 31st May 2017 from Minister of state with responsibility for Defence regarding increasing of wages to Members of the Armed Forces

**Motions for discussion**

**M1/0617 MAYORS BUSINESS – HOUSING LISTS**

### It was proposed by Councillor G. O’Connell and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons:

“The Elected Members commends the Chief Executive for its efforts to address the provision of homes for people in need of public and affordable homes, however given the current housing crises and the fact that it will most likely be with us for some years to come, that the Chief Executive make a written report available to elected members on a fortnightly bases and that it cover: the total on the housing list the day the report is compiled; the numbers moving on and off the list during the previous period stating if they are single people, families, number of children; the type of accommodation provided for those placed in accommodation; progress on the implementation of the Councils housing plan and the number of private houses completed in the County and new planning applications granted; have a special section dealing with homeless persons covering the same headings and to include up to date information on the work of the Homeless Agency during the previous period, the type of accommodation being made available and the immediate, medium and long term plans to provide quality accommodation for homeless persons across the LAs served by the Homeless Agency; and any other information that will keep elected members up to date on local, regional and national efforts to tackle the housing crises.”

**REPORT:**

As advised previously and presented to the Housing SPC at its meeting on 11th May 2017 the Council has embarked on a major Business Transformation programme in the Housing area following an external and independent review carried out in 2016. The process of implementation of those recommendations and further improvements including procuring an Integrated Housing IT System.

South Dublin County Council also, to progress the project, recruited a Senior Business Transformation and Change Manager to undertake this housing integration and change management business improvement. The task will include leading a team in the design, procurement and implementation of a fully integrated housing management system. This will result in the delivery of a high performance housing service, with excellent customer service and value for money.

An important element of this end product will be:

* Greatly improved tenant interface functionality within a digital environment.
* Real time connection between frontline staff and response units.
* Integrated data management systems.
* Enhanced opportunities for mobile working.
* Complete asset management visibility and associated resource allocation.
* Integrated inspection regime across all housing typologies
* Real time management information to inform faster and improved decision making.
* A vastly improved work environment for staff.

And of course an ability to provide a more efficient reporting mechanism facilitating reporting on the statistics as set out in the Motion which will be additional to those statistics presented on a monthly basis currently.

This is a 3 year project which started January 2017 and the evaluations of the tenders submitted in relation to the Integrated Housing IT System is currently underway.

Under current reporting arrangements, homeless statistics form part of the monthly management report presented to the Council meeting - statistical/progress reports are also presented to ACMs supported by statistics obtained from SDCC Planning Department.  The weekly list of planning applications is alerted to the Elected Members by way of email with a link to the planning website.

It should also be noted that providing the listed at this time will be onerous and time consuming as involves extraction of statistics from external bodies such as the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillor G. O’Connell, C. King, D. Richardson and K. Mahon.

Mr. B. Coman, Director of Housing, Social and Community Development responded to the Members queries.

The Report was **NOTED.**

### **M2/0617 NATIONAL SPORTS POLICY FRAMEWORK**

### It was proposed by Councillor E. O'Brien and seconded by Councillor P. Gogarty:

“That this County Council call on the respective Ministers for Sport & Education, to complete and fully implement the proposed National Sports Policy Framework and in particular to review and overhaul the current inadequate physical education syllabus at both primary and secondary level to ensure a proper and coherent sports policy at all levels of participation.”

**REPORT:**

If the Motion is passed a letter will issue to the appropriate Ministers, and when a reply is received it will be issued to the Members.

At this point the Mayor Councillor G. O’Connell asked to suspend Standing Order No. 5 to extend the Meeting time past 7.00pm and the Members **AGREED**.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors E. O’Brien, B. Bonner, P. Gogarty, D. Looney, L. O’Toole, C. King, D. O’Donovan, F. Duffy, P. Kearns and P. Donovan.

Mr. D. McLoughlin, Chief Executive responded to the Members queries.

The Motion was **AGREED**.

### **M6/0617 JAPANESE KNOTWEED**

### It was proposed by Councillor S. Holland and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **MOVED** without debate:

“That this Council make a submission to the consultation on the Draft River Basin Management Plan, to include a map of invasive species (including Japanese Knotweed) in this County and a plan for eradication, together with a request for support for affected homeowners.”

**REPORT:**

As reported previously to the County Council and Area Committee meetings in 2016 and to date in 2017, an exercise to survey and map locations where Japanese Knotweed is in existence in the County is under way.  To date the Dodder river has been surveyed and mapped in its entirety while the Owendoher River and Whitechurch Stream have been surveyed and mapped in part.  The surveying and mapping on the Owendoher River and Whitechurch Stream has now recommenced and will be completed soon while the survey of the Dodder will be reviewed to determine if any changes have occurred since it's completion. In addition to these areas there are a number of known locations around the County where Japanese Knotweed is in existence and these have been mapped and are the subject of an existing treatment programme.  While some treatment of areas on the Dodder, Owendoher and Whitechurch stream has occurred in the past it is planned that an extensive treatment programme, informed by the information gleaned from the surveying and mapping exercise, will commence in September of this year and will run for the recommended period of 4 to 5 years until such time as the problem has been eradicated.  It is known that the problem exists on private property in some areas and the Council intends to inform owners or property affected in this way.

The Motion was **AGREED.**

### **M9/0617 KNOTWEED**

### It was proposed by Councillor D. O'Donovan and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **MOVED** without debate:

“That the Chief Executive writes to the Minister for Environment asking him what plans he has to strengthen legislation in relation to the control of invasive species, including Japanese Knotweed”

**REPORT:**

If the Motion is passed a letter will issue to the appropriate Minister, and when a reply is received it will be issued to the Members.

The Motion was **AGREED.**

The Meeting finished at 7.20pm.

**Motions not reached.**

### **(M3) VALUATIONS OFFICE**

### **Councillor R. McMahon**

To ask the Chief Executive to write to the valuations office with regard to the high increase in commercial rates that the recent valuation is imposing on the inadequate number of nursing homes in our county and for the to review the rateable valuation on nursing homes as a whole for the county.

### **(M4) RATES ALLEVIATION SCHEME**

### **Councillor W. Lavelle**

That this Council welcomes the proposal by Minister Simon Coveney to introduce consolidated new legislation on commercial rates including the proposal to allow local authorities to introduce locally-appropriate Rates Alleviation Schemes; and calls on the Chief Executive to commence a preliminary examination of the feasibility of SDCC (on enactment of the proposed legislation) reducing commercial rates in our County’s traditional Villages to support business and jobs, similar to the 50% reduction that currently applies to commercial development levies for areas zoned as Village Centres in our County.

### **(M5) CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS**

### **E. Higgins, Councillor K. Egan, Councillor P. Donovan, Councillor V. Casserly**

To call on the Chief Executive to explore in monthly programmes for all County Libraries, the inclusion of a session for children with additional needs similar to the latest initiative in Lucan Library making our Libraries Autism Friendly and inclusive for all"

### **(M7) MEDIATION SERVICES**

### **Councillor C. O'Connor, Councillor P. Donovan**

That this South Dublin County Council, recognising the valued work undertaken by South Dublin Mediation Services, calls on the CEO to continue to support the provision of mediation to tenants and residents of South Dublin County to enable them to resolve neighbour and similar disputes in a low cost and effective way and also outline how the Council intends to position mediation as a first step in resolving inter-neighbour and inter-community issues into the future so as to minimise the burden, in time and money, of such disputes and to help achieve successful outcomes to these disputes.

### **(M8) FLEMISH DECREE**

### **Councillor E. Higgins**

That the Chief Executive provides a detailed report on the possible implications the 'Flemish Decree' may have for our County Development Plan and rural housing planning guidelines

Reference: <https://www.oireachtas.ie/parliament/media/housesoftheoireachtas/libraryresearch/lrsnotes/EU-Law-and-Local-Residency.pdf>

### **(M10) VOTING RIGHTS**

### **Councillor F. Timmons**

“That SDCC Support the National Youth Council of Ireland calls for the government to introduce and enact legislation extending voting rights to those who have reached 16 years of age, as advised by the Constitutional Convention three years ago. If passed it would facilitate up to 126,000 young people aged 16 and 17 years to vote and determine who will represent them on local councils and in the European Parliament”.

### **(M11) PLANNING ENFORCEMENT**

### **Councillor P. Gogarty**

That the Chief Executive boosts resources for its Planning Enforcement section and also undertakes to review how the system currently operates with a view to providing greater transparency in responses for elected representatives and members of the public alike, as recent incidences have not served to promote faith in the system.

### **(M12) SDCC DIVERSITY CHAMPIONS**

### **Councillor F. Timmons**

That SDCC applaud DCC in there launch of an LGBT Inclusion Strategy and that SDCC follow suit

### **(M13) WOOD FIRST POLICY**

### **Councillor F.N. Duffy**

That this Council adopts a ‘Wood First Policy’ to facilitate a culture of wood, by requiring the use of wood as the primary building material where practical in all new and modified South Dublin County Council funded buildings. In a manner, consistent with the Irish Building Regulations, and National / EU sustainability policy objectives that substantially reduce embodied energy and CO2 emissions, which in turn protect our environment. Similar policies exist across the globe, some include the Wood First Act in British Columbia, and Japan’s Law No. 36 of 2010 promoting the use of Wood materials for Public Buildings, and closer to home in 2012 Hackney in London became the first Local Authority to promote timber construction in its planning policy.

### **(M14) CONTAINER-DEPOSIT LEGISLATION**

### **Councillor R. Nolan**

That this Council adapts Container-deposit legislation as a pilot scheme, on plastic bottles and aluminium cans, to encourage recycling and less litter. When the container is returned to a reverse vending machine or where purchased, or authorised redemption centre, the method to be decided, the deposit is refunded.

### **(M15) LITTER WARDEN RESERVES**

### **Councillor D. O'Donovan**

That the Chief Executive, in light of the illegal dumping epidemic within the County and the cost to this Council of managing it, explores the possibility of setting up a Litter Warden Reserves Squad, along the same lines of the Garda Reserves Service and deliver a report on same.

### **(M16) IRISH PUBLIC BODIES**

### **Councillor E. Murphy, Councillor E. O'Brien, Councillor P. Foley, Councillor T. Gilligan**

Proposed by Given the allocation of €187m by the Irish Public Bodies to County Councils across Ireland under the "retained earnings distribution fund (2017-2019)" for the purpose of investing this money in the infrastructure of towns and villages in order to prevent accidents on footpaths that South Dublin County Council ensure this payment is ring-fenced explicitly for this purpose and not subsumed into general income by the finance department.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

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