SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF LAND USE, PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION
STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

**HELD ON MONDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2017**

**PRESENT:**

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| **Members**  | **Council Officials**  |
| Cllr Wm Lavelle (Chair) | E. Taaffe | Director of Services |
| Cllr P. Donovan  | L. Leonard | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Murphy | W. Purcell | Senior Executive Engineer |
| Cllr L. O’Toole | R. Dwyer | Heritage Officer |
| Cllr P. Gogarty  | D. Keogh | Road Safety Officer |
| Cllr R. Nolan  |  |  |
| Cllr. E. Higgins (Observer) |
| **Non Elected Members:** |
| Neil Durkan, 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 25th May 2017 were proposed by Cllr. Wm Lavelle, seconded by Cllr. R. Nolan and **AGREED.**

**H.I. 2. DRAFT BIODIVERSITY PLAN**

Ms. Rosaleen Dwyer, Heritage Officer made a presentation on the Draft Biodiversity plan and outlined that the plan which is at draft stage will go forward for a period of public consultation and when adopted be in place for 6 years.

[Presentation on Biodiversity Plan](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=68073d57-f072-4cc9-a59d-a80400a08c86)

[Draft Biodiversity Plan](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=10b6172a-5b81-42d1-9ff0-a80400a178b0)

Following a discussion with queries and contributions made by Cllrs Gogarty, Cllr Murphy, Cllr Donovan, Cllr O’Toole, Cllr Lavelle, and Ms. S. Butler. Ms. Dwyer thanked members for their positive comments and answered the questions and queries raised.

Cllr Lavelle thanked Ms. Dwyer for making the presentation. The report was **NOTED**

It was then agreed to vary the order on the agenda and take HI.5 at this point

**H.I. 5 ROAD SAFETY OFFICER - PRESENTATION**

Mr. Declan Keogh, new Road Safety Officer was introduced and welcomed. A presentation was made by the Road Safety Officer outlining his role and his programme of work for the coming months.

[Road Safety Officer Presentation](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=6ab6bc38-960a-4405-bc58-a66a00bb6341)

Cllrs. R. Nolan, P. Gogarty, W. Lavelle and Ms. S. Butler welcomed Declan and contributed to the discussion. The report was **NOTED**

**H.I. 3 POLICY ON PRIVATE SIGNS ON PUBLIC ROADS**

Mr. E. Taaffe, presented the draft policy document pointing out its context, objectives and implementation to members.

[Draft Policy Private Signs (Way-Finding) on Public Roads](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/viewdocument.aspx?id=c61cd2e5-349d-4944-936e-a80400a5578c)

Mr. Taaffe responded to questions raised by Cllrs and it was AGREED that members consider the draft policy and that it be brought back to the next meeting of the SPC.

**H.I.4 WESTON AERODROME UPDATE**

E. Taaffe, DOS gave the report update on the public consultation process carried out on the Review of the Land Use Planning Framework Governing the Future Development and Operation of Weston Aerodrome.

Cllrs. Lavelle, Nolan, O’Toole and Gogarty contributed to the discussion and raised questions, Mr. Taaffe responded to questions raised and the update was **NOTED**

 **H.1.6 TALLAGHT LAP UPDATE**

E. Taaffe, DOS gave the report update on the pre-draft public consultation process carried out on the Tallaght LAP and acknowledged that a report on same would be brought to the ACM.

Cllrs. Murphy, Gogarty, Lavelle, and Siobhan Butler contributed to the discussion and raised questions, Mr. Taaffe responded to questions raised and the update was **NOTED**

**H.I. 7. CLONBURRIS SDZ UPDATE**

E. Taaffe, DOS gave the report update on progress to date on the Clonburris SDZ, mentioning the forthcoming launch of the Draft Plan and the commencement of the statutory consultation phase thereafter.

Cllrs. Nolan and Lavelle contributed to the discussion and the update was **NOTED**

**H.I. 8 A.O.B.**

1. The Committees attention was brought to responses to correspondence issued on foot of a decision at the last SPC and received from the National Transport Authority, Minister for Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport and Minister for Department of Education & Skills in respect of School Bus Pilot. L. Leonard, S.E.O. advised that follow up was required from the executive and an update would be brought to next SPC
2. Councillor Lavelle before the meeting concluded noted that it was his last meeting as chair and expressed his thanks to staff for their support over the last 3 years. He wished incoming chair Cllr. E. Higgins well in the role.

**The meeting concluded at 7.10p.m.**

Date Signed