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

Minutes of South Dublin County Council June 2018 County Council Meeting held on 11th June 2018

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| **Councillors** |  | **Councillors** | |
| Bonner, B. |  | Leech, B. | |
| Casserly, V. |  | Looney, D. | |
| Donovan, P. |  | Mahon, K. | |
| Duff, M. |  | Mc Cann, C. | |
| Duffy, F. |  | McMahon, C. | |
| Dunne, L. |  | McMahon, R. | |
| Ferron, B. |  | Russell, R. | |
| Foley, P. |  | Murphy, M. | |
| Genockey, M. |  | Nolan, R. | |
| Gilligan, T. |  | O’Brien, D. | |
| Gogarty, P. |  | O’Brien, E. | |
| Hendrick, E. |  | O’Connell, G. | |
| Higgins, E. |  | O’Connor, C. | |
| Holland, S. |  | O’Donovan, D. | |
| Johansson, M. |  | O’Toole, L. | |
| Kearns, P. |  | Richardson, D. | |
| Ward, M. |  |  | |
| Timmons, F. |  |  | |
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**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

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| Chief Executive | D. McLoughlin. |
| Directors/ Heads of Function  A/Head of Function  Head of Finance | B. Coman, L. Maxwell, T. Walsh  L. Leonard.  R. FitzGerald |
| Senior Executive Officer | H. Hogan, M. Staunton, S. Deegan |
| Administrative Officers | C. Murphy, N. Noonan, |
| Staff Officer  Clerical Officer  IT. Support  Sord | K. Dunne.  M. Dunne.  D. Cairnduff.  A. O’Brien. |

The Mayor P. Gogarty Presided.

Apologies were received from Councillors K. Egan, J. Graham, C.King, W. Lavelle, B. Lawlor and E. Murphy

**H1/0618 CONFIRMATION AND RE-AFFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the May County Council Meeting on 14th May, 2018 which had been circulated were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed in the proposition of Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by D. Richardson

Minutes of the May Special County Council Meeting on 21st May, 2018 which had been circulated were submitted and **APPROVED** as a true record and signed in the proposition of Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by D. Richardson

**H2a)/0618 REPORTS OF AREA COMMITTEES - RATHFARNHAM/TEMPLEOGUE- TERENURE AREA COMMITTEE – 8TH MAY 2018**

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

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

**H2b)/0618 REPORTS OF AREA COMMITTEES - CLONDALKIN AREA COMMITTEE – 16TH MAY 2018**

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

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

**H2c)/0618 REPORTS OF AREA COMMITTEES - TALLAGHT AREA COMMITTEE – 21ST MAY 2018**

 Dealing with Public Realm, Water & Drainage, Housing, Community, Planning, Economic Development, Libraries & a) **Arts (1 report for approval).**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was presented by Mr. S. Deegan, Senior Executive Officer, for Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development, and was **CONSIDERED**:

**“Application for Arts Grants**

Sounds Ensemble, Tallaght has requested event support towards the cost of hosting a joint concert with the Ottawa New Horizons Band which is a group of fifty older musicians.  Sounds Ensemble are the only Irish member of the New Horizons International Music Association.  The concert, scheduled for the 28th of June at the Civic Theatre, will form part of the Canadian group’s Irish tour.

The Arts Office recommends a contribution of €750 be allocated to Sounds Ensemble under the Arts Grant Act 2003 to support the presentation of a joint concert with the Ottawa New Horizons Band in Tallaght.

It was proposed by Councillor C. King and seconded by Councillor B. Ferron 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 P. Gogarty seconded by Councillor D. Richardson and **RESOLVED**:

“That the recommendations contained in the foregoing report of The Tallaght Area Committee 23rd 2018 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.**”

**H2d)/0618 REPORTS OF AREA COMMITTEES -** LUCAN **AREA COMMITTEE – 22ND MAY2018**

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

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

**H3a/0618 STANDING COMMITTEES ORGANISATION, PROCEDURE & FINANCE- 24TH MAY - DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETING DATES**

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Performance 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 24th May.

**Draft Calendar of Meeting Dates**

**July – October 2018**

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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 2nd July | **Corporate Policy Group**  CPG Preliminary Budget Discussion | 3.00pm 4.30pm |  |
| Tues. | 3rd July |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 4th July |  |  |  |
| Thurs | 5th July |  |  |  |
| Fri | 6th July |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 9th July | **County Council Meeting** | 3.30pm – 7.00pm | 25/06/2018 |
| Tue. | 10th July |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 11th July |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 13th July |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 14th July |  |  |  |
| No Meetings in August | | | | |
| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 3rd Sept | **Corporate Policy Group**  2nd CPG - LPT variation & budget strategy (with Sept Council CPG) | 3.00pm – 4.30pm |  |
| Tue. | 4th Sept | **Environment, Water & Climate Change SPC** | 5.30pm – 7.00pm | 03/08/2018 |
| Tue. | 5th Sept | **Arts, Culture, Gaeilge, Heritage & Libraries SPC** | 5.30pm – 7.00pm | 06/08/2018 |
| Wed. | 6th Sept | **Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development SPC** | 5.30 pm – 7.00pm | 07/08/2018 |
| Thur. | 7th Sept |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | |  | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 10th Sept | **County Council Meeting** | 3.30pm – 7.00pm | 27/08/2018 |
| Tue. | 11th Sept | **Rathfarnham /Templeogue-Terenure Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00pm – 6.00pm | 28/08/2018 |
| Wed. | 12th Sept | **Audit Committee** | 8.00am – 9.30am |  |
| Thur. | 13th Sept | **Housing SPC** | 5.30pm – 7.00pm | 13/08/2018 |
| Fri. | 14th Sept |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 17th Sept |  |  |  |
| Tue. | 18th Sept | **Social &Community SPC** | 6.00 pm – 7.30pm | 10/09/2018 |
| Wed. | 19th Sept | **Clondalkin Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00pm- 6.00pm | 05/09/2018 |
| Thur. | 20th Sept | **Traffic Management Meeting**  **Clondalkin Traffic**  **Management Meeting**  **Rathfarnham/Templeogue-Terenure**  **Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee (**in committee) | 2.00 pm- 2.45 pm  2.45pm – 3.30pm  3.30pm – 6.00pm | 06/09/2018 |
| Fri. | 21st Sept | **Joint Policing Committee** | 3.00pm – 5.00pm |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 24th Sept | **Traffic Management Meeting (Tallaght)**  **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 | 04/09/2018 |
| Tue. | 25th Sept | **Traffic Management**  **Lucan 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 | 11/09/2018 |
| Wed. | 26th Sept | **Deputations** | 2.00 pm – 5.00pm |  |
| Thur. | 27th Sept | **Land Use Planning & Transportation SPC** | 5.30pm – 7.00pm | 28/08/2018 |
| Fri. | 28th Sept |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 1st Oct | **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP**  CPG 3rd Meeting (Oct Council CPG) Surplus / Deficit? | 3.00pm – 4.30pm |  |
| Tue. | 2nd Oct |  |  |  |
| Wed. | 3rd Oct |  |  |  |
| Thur. | 4th Oct |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 5th Oct |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 8th Oct | **County Council Meeting** | 3.30pm – 7.00pm | 24/09/2018 |
| Tue. | 9th Oct | **Rathfarnham/Templeogue-Terenure Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00pm – 6.00pm | 26/09/2018 |
| Wed. | 10th Oct |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 15th Oct |  |  |  |
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| Wed. | 17th Oct | **Clondalkin Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00pm –6.00pm | 05/10/2018 |
| Thur. | 18th Oct |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 19th Oct |  |  |  |
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| **DATE** | | **MEETING / FUNCTION** | **TIME** | **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BUSINESS** |
| Mon. | 22nd Oct | **Tallaght Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00pm – 6.00pm | 11/10/2018 |
| Tue. | 23rd Oct | **Lucan Area Committee**  *Public realm, Environment, Water & Drainage, Community, Housing, Transportation, \*Planning Libraries & Arts, Economic Development, Corporate Support, Performance & change Management* | 3.00pm – 6.00pm | 12/10/2018 |
| Wed. | 24th Oct | **Deputations** | 2.00pm – 5.00pm |  |
| Thur. | 25th Oct |  |  |  |
| Fri. | 26th Oct |  |  |  |

**Notes:**

Budget Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee 8th November

Annual Budget Meeting 15th November 2018

Adjourned Budget Meeting if Necessary 22ndNovember 2018

Oireachtas Meeting to be held 16th July

The Draft Calendar of Meeting Dates was **APPROVED** on the proposition of Councillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor L. O Toole

**H3b)/0618 STANDING COMMITTEES ORGANISATION, PROCEDURE & FINANCE-24TH MAY- REPORT ON CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

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

**“**The following Report on Conferences was **APPROVED** by the Members at the Organisation, Procedure & Finance Committee Meeting held on 24th May 2018

“[**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** |
| AILG Training  Councillor’s and Community Training | Association of Irish Local Government | West County Hotel.  Ennis, Co. Clare | 24th May 2018 |  |
| Policy Forum for Ireland Keynote Seminar  Priorities for implementing ‘Project Ireland 2040’: the National Planning Framework, long-term investment, and meeting the needs of businesses and communities across Ireland | Policy Forum for Ireland | Central Dublin | 31st May 2018 |  |
| AILG Training | Association of Irish Local Government | Dundalk | 23rd May 2018 |  |

**Conferences Attended Since March**

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| **Conference** | **Host** | **Venue** | **Date** | **Members that attended** |
| LAMA Annual Conference   New National Planning Framework | Local Authority Members Association | Central Hotel Donegal Town | 5th -7th April 2018 | Cllr C. King  Cllr P. Kearns  Cllr D. O’ Donovan  Cllr R. Mc Mahon  Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr K. Egan  Cllr B. Lawlor  Cllr C. Mc Mahon, Cllr E. Higgins |
| AILG Annual Conference | Association of Irish Local Government | Park Hotel  Dungarvan | 12th -13th April 2018 | Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr D. O’ Donovan, Cllr G. O’ Connell  Cllr. B. Lawlor  Cllr. R. Mc Mahon  Cllr C. Mc Mahon  Cllr C. King  Cllr K. Egan  Cllr M. Ward  Cllr E. Higgins  Cllr L. O’Toole |
| Irish Planning Conference  Ireland 2040 and Beyond | Irish Planning Conference | Rose Hotel ,  Tralee, Co. Kerry | 19th -20th April 2018 | Cllr B. Lawlor  Cllr V. Casserly.  Cllr Kenneth Egan, Cllr C. Mc Mahon |
| Accessibility & Inclusion through Infrastructure | Institute of professional Training | Sea Lodge Hotel, Waterville  Co. Kerry | 11th -13th May 2018 | Cllr B. Lawlor  Cllr K. Egan  Cllr E. Higgins Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr. C Mc Mahon, Cllr R. Mc Mahon |
| AILG Training  Councillor’s and Community Training | Association of Irish Local Government | Castle Court Hotel, Westport, Co. Mayo | 19/05/2018 | Cllr B. Lawlor  Cllr V. Casserly  Cllr K Egan |

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 P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor R. Nolan.

**H4a)/0618 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES - ENVIRONMENT**, **PUBLIC REALM & CLIMATE CHANGE SPC**

1. [Report of Meeting 1st May 2018](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/37aa5931-d0f1-49ff-8cd3-d5dfe5e003ee.docx)
2. [Minutes of Meeting 6th February 2018](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/45bd83e9-1457-40a5-93e8-513a2f869c8a.docx)

**H4b)/06118** **STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES -** **ARTS, CULTURE, GAEILGE, HERITAGE & LIBRARIES SPC**

1. Report of Meeting 2nd May 2018

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

**Officials present:**

Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Service.

Ms. Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian

Ms. Margaret Bentley, Senior Executive Librarian

Ms. Bernie Meenaghan, Senior Executive Librarian

Ms. Orla Scannell, Arts Officer

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| Headed Item 1:   Minutes of SPC meeting 7th Feb 2018  Minutes were AGREED.  Matters arising: None |
| Headed Item 2: Ruaille Buaille Lucan Children’s Music Festival  Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, gave a presentation on the Ruaille Buaille Festival which will take place in Lucan from 6th-9th June 2018. There are three strands to the festival which include: schools performances & workshops; Library events; and Park events. Mr. Peadar O’Caomhanaigh noted that it is a wonderful festival.  The report was NOTED. |
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| Headed Item 3:   Creative Ireland Update  Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, outlined that Cruinniú na nÓg, a national Children’s Day of Culture will take place on 23rd June 2018 and details of events planned in the County were given. As part of the Decade of Centenaries, the library service will lead on research and a planned exhibition on themes identified for 2018. A commission for vocal ensemble with Music Generation will take place in Whitechurch Library. As part of the development of the Cultural Quarter planned initiatives were outlined as well as events for Blian na Gaeilge 2018.  Following a question from Ms. Deirdre Mooney on recruitment for the Music Generation ensemble, the report was NOTED. |
| Headed Item 4:   SDCC Library Development Plan 2018-2022  Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian & Margaret Bentley, Senior Executive Librarian, presented an update on the draft Library Development Plan for 2018-2022 including six key objectives and actions planned during the period of the plan. Members discussed economic indicators, CSO figures, services to schools, heritage & local studies, marketing & promotion, as well as the planned Capital budget programme. It was recommended by the SPC committee that the draft Library Development Plan 2018-2022 would be listed at the next Council meeting on 14th May.  The report was NOTED. |
| Headed Item 5: Healthy Ireland at Your Library  Bernie Meenaghan, Senior Executive Librarian, gave a presentation on the Healthy Ireland at Your Library initiative, which was a national initiative which took place from November 2017- April 2018. South Dublin Libraries provided a range of resources, services and supports on health issues to users and communities in South Dublin. Funding from Pobal was received for health related events and book stock, which was supplemented through SDCC libraries budget.  The report was NOTED. |
| **Headed item 6: Video: A Whole World at Your Library**  South Dublin Libraries in conjunction with Fingal, Dublin City & Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown undertook a promotional campaign to increase library membership, make potential users aware of our services and to give key messages to the public. This resulted in a video being produced ‘A Whole World at Your Library’ which has been promoted through social media and is available at [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ebxI9Xr9\_6Y**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ebxI9Xr9_6Y)  The video was viewed and NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 7: AOB**  There were no items under AOB.  **Meeting** concluded at 6.50pm.” |

1. **Minutes of Meeting 7th February 2018**

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

**Officials present:**

Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Service.

Ms. Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian

Ms. Margaret Bentley, Senior Executive Librarian

Ms. Orla Scannell, Arts Officer

**Apologies**:   Cllr. Dermot Looney

            Ms. Deirdre Mooney

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| **Headed Item 1:   Minutes of SPC meeting 1st Nov 2017**  **Minutes were AGREED.**  **Matters arising: None** |
| **Headed Item 2:** **2018 SPC Work Programme – support the promotion of the “Cultural Quarter” around the Civic Theatre, Rua Red and the County Library.**  Frank Nevin, Director, gave an update on the additional budget provided in Budget 2018 to the Civic Theatre and Rua Red to provide community engagement programmes in conjunction with the County Library. Plans are ongoing for the redevelopment of The Square Shopping Centre and this could lend to the advancement of an upgrade around the cultural quarter. Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, outlined that the Arts Council is carrying out a review of cultural venues around the country. Suggestions from the Members included looking at a music venue/bar; Farmer’s market; People’s Art and perhaps running some small gigs.  The verbal report was NOTED. |
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| **Headed Item 3:  2018 SPC Work Programme – Creative Ireland**  **Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, outlined that the submission date for the Culture and Creativity Strategy 2018-2022 is 21st February 2018. Feedback from the November Arts SPC is reflected in the draft, and the introductory sections are being finalised. The funding for 2018 has not been confirmed yet. It is planned to build on the initiatives of 2017, to support Artists and emerging Artists. A national Children’s Day of Culture is planned for June 2018.The report was NOTED.** |
| **Headed Item 4:   2018 SPC Work Programme - Library Development Plan 2018-2022**  Margaret Bentley, Senior Executive Librarian, presented the draft Library Development Plan for 2018-2022. Members complimented the staff on the wide range of services that are offered in branch libraries. There was a discussion on marketing and promoting library services, along with some of the future challenges that libraries might face.  The report was NOTED. |
| **Headed Item 5: 2018 SPC Work Programme – Delivery of the Arts Strategy 2016-2020**  **Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, presented an update on the Arts Development Strategy 2016-2020 under the themes 1 Sustainability; 2 Engagement, Learning and Participation; 3 Infrastructure and Points of Access and 4 Developing the Arts Service.**  **The report was NOTED.** |
| **Headed item 6: 2018 SPC Work Programme – Arts and Cultural Events that enhance Tourism activity in the County.**  Frank Nevin, Director, gave an update on the Mountains Project; the Round Tower; Rathfarnham Castle; and Events and Festivals. A second round of consultation is taking place on the Mountains Project. It is anticipated that an Oral Hearing will take place in early summer. In the Round Tower, Volunteer Guides have been trained through funding from a community grant. School visits continue to take place. Work is planned for the upgrade of the courtyard at Rathfarnham Castle in conjunction with the OPW. Planning for Red Line Book Festival in October 2018 is progressing.  The verbal report was NOTED.” |

**H4c)/0618**   **STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES -** **ECONOMIC, ENTERPRISE & TOURISM DEVELOPMENT SPC**

(i) Report of Meeting 9th May 2018

“**PRESENT:**

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| Members | Council Officials | |
| Cllr. C. O Connor (Chair) | Frank Nevin | Director of Services |
| T. de Buitlear | Colm Ward | Head of Enterprise |
| Cllr. C. McMahon |  |  |
| Cllr. G O Connell |  |  |
| Cllr. R. McMahon |  |  |
| Cllr. B Ferron. |  |  |
| S. Brennan |  |  |
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| Representatives: | | |
| Tara de Buitlear | | |
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| Apologies: | | |
| Cllr. W. Lavell, Cllr F. N. Duffy, Sean Reid, Damien Roche | | |
| Also in attendance:  Mr. John Kearns, Chief Executive, Partas / Social & Local Alliance. | | |

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| The meeting was Chaired by Cllr C. O Connor. |
| It was agreed that the agenda would be varied to take a presentation from Mr. John Kearns under Headed Item 2 Enterprise/Innovation Space at the start of the meeting.  Mr. J. Kearns presented the proposals for “The Edge”, a Social & Local Alliance project for the reconfiguration and redevelopment of enterprise space at both Bolbrook Enterprise Centre and Tallaght Enterprise Centre, noting that the proposal has been approved for funding of €1.1million from Enterprise Ireland under the Regional Enterprise Development Fund 2017-2020.  Nevin also noted the approval by the Council for a section 183 disposal of lands at Bolbrook Enterprise Centre by way of lease at the Council meeting on 12th March 2018.  Following contributions and queries from Cllr. R. McMahon, T. de Buitlear, and Cllrs. O’Connell, C. McMahon & Foley which were addressed by J. Kearns, F. Nevin and C. Ward, it was NOTED that the Council will provide support in the sum of €200,000 from the Business Support Fund for the matched funding required for this project subject to the project proceeding and subject to all other required funding and planning approvals being in place.  Mr. Kearns then left the meeting and the agenda resumed with Item 1.     |  | | --- | | Headed Item 1: Minutes of Economic Development, Enterprise & Tourism SPC Meeting of 14th February, 2018  The Minutes of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development SPC Meeting of 14th February 2018 were AGREED. | | Headed Item 2: Enterprise/Innovation Space  F. Nevin reported on the feasibility study process undertaken by the Council to assess both the demand and optimum location for new Enterprise/Innovation Space in the County.  Following questions and contributions from Cllr. Ferron, T. De Buitlear, Cllrs. Foley, R. McMahon, O’Connell & O’Connor and S. Brennan which were responded to by F. Nevin & C. Ward, the report was NOTED and the Committee AGREED that staff in EETD would now develop criteria to assess the final two shortlisted options to determine the preferred location for potential development of new Innovation/Enterprise Space in the County and report back to this Committee. | | Headed Item 3 – Tourism Update  F. Nevin and C. Ward provided updates to the Committee on the implementation of the tourism strategy and related actions including:   * Development of a new Dublin tourism logo, tagline & brand by Failte Ireland; * Proposals for a Dublin Canals Greenway; * The position on the proposed Dublin Mountains Project with An Bord Pleanala; * Progress on works & proposals for Rathfarnham Castle; and * A 10 K Race from Grange Castle through Corkagh Park and Clondalkin in July.   After questions and contributions from Cllr. R. McMahon, T. de Buitlear, Cllrs. B. Ferron, C. McMahon, O’Connell & O’Connor and S. Brennan to which F. Nevin & C. Ward replied, the report was NOTED. | | Headed Item 4 – Brexit Update  C. Ward presented the range of actions and events being undertaken by the Local Enterprise Office to assist businesses that may be affected by Brexit.  Following contributions by S. Brennan & Cllr. P. Foley, the report was NOTED.  Headed Item 5 – Any Other Business:  F. Nevin advised that there will be a joint information meeting held for both this Committee and the Land Use, Planning & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee in advance of the next scheduled Committee meeting in September  The meeting ended at 7:15pm” | |  | |

**(ii)Minutes of Meeting 14th February 2018**

**“In Attendance:**

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| Cllr. C. O Connor (Chair) |
| Cllr. G O Connell |
| Cllr. P. Foley |
| Cllr. R. McMahon |
| Cllr. B Ferron. |
| S. Brennan |
| Cllr. F. N. Duffy |

**Apologies:**

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| T.de Buitlear |
| Cllr. W. Lavelle |
| S. Reid |
| D. Roche |
| Cllr. C. McMahon |

**Officials present:**

Frank Nevin, Director of Services

Colm Ward, Head of Enterprise

Stephen Deegan, Senior Executive Officer

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| The meeting was Chaired by Cllr C. O Connor. |
| **Headed Item 1: Minutes of Economic Development, Enterprise & Tourism SPC Meeting of 8th November 2017**  The Minutes of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development SPC Meeting of 8th November 2017 were **AGREED.** |
| It was agreed to take **Headed Items 2, 3, 4 & 6** together, covering:   * **Review and support the implementation of the Enterprise Strategy and the Economic element of the LECP;** * **Maximise the opportunities from the business support funding for local business through the LEO;** * **Continue the LEO joint projects with the SD Chamber, particularly on marketing the County from a business perspective;** * **Support the continued roll out of the Tourism Strategy.**   C. Ward presented a report showing the proposed work programme and priorities for the Local Enterprise Office and the County Promotion Unit for 2018 in meeting the objectives outlined above.  Following questions and contributions from Cllrs. O’Connell, Foley, McMahon, Duffy & O’Connor and S. Brennan, which were responded to by F. Nevin & C. Ward, the report was **NOTED.** |
| **Headed Item 5 – Inform the proposed expansion of Grange Castle Business Park and the investment opportunities arising from same**  S. Deegan presented a report outlining the current status of Grange Castle Business Park, the number and small sizes of the sites remaining there, an outline of the variation previously presented to the members at the February Council Meeting and the rationale for that variation in the context of Grange Castle Business Park’s expansion to seek to provide capacity for new FDI and large scale indigenous companies seeking to grow.  After questions and contributions from S. Brennan & Cllrs. O’Connell, Foley, McMahon & O’Connor which F. Nevin & S. Deegan responded to, the report was **NOTED.** |
| **Headed Item 7 – Any Other Business:**  C. Ward advised the Committee of the upcoming schedule for Local Enterprise Week 2018.  **The meeting ended at 7:00pm”** |

**H4d)/0618**  **STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES HOUSING SPC**

1. Report of Meeting 10th May2018

**“PRESENT:**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** | |
| Cllr C. King (Chair) | B. Coman | Director of Services |
| Cllr M. Ward | M. Staunton | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Duff | L. Madden | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr L. Dunne | A. Byrne | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr M. Genockey | M. Murtagh | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr K. Mahon |  |  |
| Cllr Emma Hendrick |  |  |
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| **Representatives:** | | |
| Catriona McClean, PPN | | |
| **Apologies:** | | |
| Betty Tyrrell-Collard, ICTU | | |
| Gillian McWilliams, Outreach | | |
| Cllr. T. Gilligan | | |

**H-1(1) – Minutes of Housing SPC Meeting on 8th February 2018.**

The minutes of the Housing and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 8th February 2018 were proposed by Cllr. C. King, seconded by Cllr. K. Mahon and were confirmed and approved as a true record.

1. McClean enquired what statistics were available on the new loan scheme as discussed at the previous meeting. L. Madden advised that these were not yet published. B. Coman advised that the Housing Agency is to analyse the applications over an appropriate period of time and is expected to report by September. C McClean requested that an age profile of applicants be included in the reporting.

**H-1(2) – Allocations Policy - Homeless/RAS.**

A Byrne provided a verbal report on the Homeless and RAS aspects of South Dublin County Council’s (SDCC) Allocations Policy. The Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Scheme is the primary form of social housing support provided to assist cases of homelessness. Choice- based letting (CBL) is also an option; homeless applicants are prioritised and any time spent as homeless is added to their time on the Housing List.

1. B. Coman noted that the inherent principle for allocating Social Housing is an applicant’s time spent on the Housing List. Government policy also makes exceptions in cases of homelessness. CBL proves a fair and transparent option for all given it is inclusive of Medical, Transfers, Homeless and General applicants. Cllr. C. King agreed it seems the fairest approach, however noting instances where it appeared that cases of homelessness were prioritised over applicants who had spent a long time on the waiting list.

Cllr. M. Ward raised an issue whereby a reported 102 RAS tenants have been served with notices to quit; he has reported some of these cases to the Residential Tenancies Board (RTB). He would like to see these tenants been given access to CBL.

1. L. Madden advised that South Dublin County Council strives to prevent these cases and to keep these housing units within the RAS scheme. B. Coman advised that current regulations don’t permit such former RAS tenant direct access to the HAP scheme nor for RAS Landlords to switch to HAP; he has however raised this issue with the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government (DHPLG) who are to review the regulations. L. Madden also noted that SDCC attempts to buy RAS units when up for sale in order to keep the tenant housed, she is currently in negotiations on a number of these.

Cllr. K. Mahon asked for confirmation that SDCC continues to allocate evenly across Medical, Transfers, Homeless and General applicants. B. Coman advised that the full scope of the Allocations Scheme is used to get the agreed mix, noting however that this isn’t possible for all cases given the nature of available units. Cllr. K. Mahon noted that homeless people entering into HAP accommodation often find this is not the permanent solution they expected. A. Byrne advised that should former RAS tenants gain access to CBL it could impact more long-term applicants by pushing them back down the waiting list. Cllr. C. King noted that nonetheless we have a duty of care to RAS tenants made homeless, we need a solution to housing these. M. Staunton asked to clarify was the request that only homeless former RAS tenants be given access to CBL. L. Madden noted that not all the 102 tenants served with notices to quit will be made homeless. Cllr. C. King stated that tenants should not have to go directly from RAS units into emergency accommodation. Cllr. M. Genockey clarified that the time in RAS accommodation and when homeless is combined for the purposes of the Housing List.

Cllr. L. Dunne raised the issue of young families coming from homelessness, particularly those with health issues, being allocated unsuitable accommodation, e.g. apartments where they need to carry buggies or with where they can’t open windows but later have issues over dampness. Cystic Fibrosis is a very debilitating illness but is not currently a qualification for Medical needs. Cllr. C. King noted that life expectancy should be factored into time spent on the waiting list. Cllr. M. Ward requested that a refusal of unsuitable accommodation in these cases should be accepted as being on medical grounds and not prove a bar to future accommodation offers.

1. Coman noted that the length and detail of this discussion was a testament to the complexity of the issues faced in Housing and noted that the Subcommittee was due to meet again and report back at the September SPC meeting. Cllr. C. King asked for this subcommittee to meet within a fortnight.
2. Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to the Allocations Policy.

**H-1(3) – Disability Strategy Committee - Allocations/Congregated Settings.**

1. Coman gave a presentation in relation to South Dublin County Council’s Disability Allocations.

[**Allocations made to People with a Disability as of the 31st of December 2017**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59944)

[**Disability Strategy Committee - Allocations/Congregated Settings**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59941)

He noted that this authority is exemplary in its achievements in this area, effected by properly resourcing, having staff dedicated to this role and the setting of ambitious targets. Cllr. M. Ward noted that the HSE appears to operate a ‘2-tier’ system for assisting disabilities, citing the example of Clondalkin services compared to those in Tallaght. B. Coman advised of meetings with the HSE in relation to the strategy and the possibility of new Occupation Therapists in Clondalkin/Lucan area if Deansrath Family Centre can be accommodated in the proposed development of the old Telecom site with Tusla coming on board to assist.

He responded in full to all issues raised in relation to disability allocations.

**H-1(4) – Housing Supply/Delivery Update - Revised National Targets.**

1. Staunton presented the following reports on Housing Supply and Delivery:

[**National Social Housing Targets 2018-2021**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59835)

[**SDCC Housing Capital Supply 2017-2021**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59836)

1. B. Coman confirmed the SDCC national target as 2,993 units supplied by the end of 2021. This is a significant challenge but he is confident we will achieve the target. SDCC will continue constantly seeking other supply sources such as turnkey developments and advanced Part Vs.
2. C. McClean enquired about the planning for an underpass at Palmerston to assist congestion issues and thereby reduce grounds to object to further housing development and SDCC acquire the site. B. Coman advised premature to discuss and progress at this time and to await developments on this by the National Transport Authority prior to progressing any Part 8 activity.

Cllr. K. Mahon sought clarification on the timing of the 110 Senior Citizen units targeted for the year 2020. M. Staunton confirmed this was the expected data of completion and handover.

Cllr. K. Mahon noted the short timescale required to produce rapid-build houses, can this approach be used for future projects instead of traditional builds. B. Coman confirmed this was the objective and advised on the entry of a new steel-framed approach to the Irish market; subject to appropriate certification.

1. B. Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to housing supply targets.

**H-1(5) – Homeless Statistics March 2018.**

A Byrne presented a report on homeless statistics:

[**Homeless Services – Monthly Management Report March 2018**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=59943)

Cllr. C. King enquired about the success of the Dublin Place Finder Service in sourcing housing units. A Byrne confirmed their success in sourcing additional units, in many cases they would have advised more than one party of a unit with the consequence of several viewers turning up to view the property.

Cllr. K. Mahon requested clarification on the method of counting numbers of homeless people. A Byrne advised that only those eligible for housing are counted; consequently numbers will vary from month to month as people can drop off the list. B. Coman advised that the Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE) returns regional statistics on behalf of the Dublin Local Authorities. Some homeless people may be declassified on the basis that they are provided with temporary accommodation. Cllr. M. Ward noted that the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, Eoghan Murphy, TD had mentioned Tallaght Cross so was concerned that homeless figures here were excluded. A Byrne confirmed that she’d counted these in the provided report.

Cllr. M. Ward raised the issue of substandard accommodation in Abberley Court Hotel, Tallaght; this had been raised at the Tallaght Area Committee. B. Coman suggested the SPC members arrange to visit and inspect; this was confirmed by Cllr. C. King.

1. Coman responded in full to all issues raised in relation to homeless statistics.

**H-1(6) – Enhanced Leasing Initiative.**

1. Madden advised that thirty-four applications had been submitted nationally for the new Enhanced Leasing Initiative; two of these related to the South Dublin County Council area. These two are not yet at planning stage and no information is yet available; it could be some years before these become available. M. Staunton advised that the DHPLG may issue a further call for proposals later in 2018.

**H-1(7) – AOB.**

Cllr. C. King announced that this was the final Housing SPC meeting for B. Coman, Director of Services for Housing, Social & Community Development. He thanked him on behalf of all for his help and support over their years working together, recognising the ever-increasing complexity of the housing function and challenges in that time.”

**(ii) Minutes of Meeting 8th February**

“PRESENT**:**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** | |
| Cllr C. King (Chair) | M. Staunton | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Ward | H. Hogan | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr M. Duff | Lorraine Madden | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr L. Dunne | J. Sweeney | Senior Staff Officer |
| Cllr M. Genockey |  |  |
| Cllr K. Mahon |  |  |
| Cllr Emma Hendrick |  |  |
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| **Representatives:** | | |
| Catriona McClean | | |
| **Apologies:** | | |
| Betty Tyrrell-Collard, ICTU | | |
| Gillian McWilliams, Outreach | | |
| Billy Coman, Director of Services, South Dublin County Council | | |

**H-1(1) – Minutes of Housing SPC Meeting on 20th November2017.**

The minutes of the Housing and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 20th November 2017were proposed by Cllr. C. King, seconded by Cllr. M. Duff and were confirmed and approved as a true record.

**H-1(2) Differential Rents Scheme**

1. L. Madden provided a report on the details of the new proposed Differential Rents Scheme which is effective from 1st February. A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr. L. Dunne, Cllr. K. Mahon and Cllr. C. King. L. Madden confirmed that the only change to the scheme is that an online app is now available for tenants to access their rent account and statement.

**H-1(3) Housing Supply Targets for SDCC 2017 – 2021**

1. Staunton presented a report on Housing Supply Targets for SDCC 2017 - 2021 and on achievement of targets set for 2015 – 2017. The members were advised that SDCC had exceeded the target numbers set by the Department for the 2015- 2017 period. The SDCC target has been set at 2993 units to be delivered by 2021. RAS, HAP and Long Term Leasing (LTL) were included in the figures for 2015 – 2017 but will not be included in the target figures for 2017 – 2021. The target of 2993 relates only to the Capital programme only. M. Staunton stated that based on projections for availability of land, delivery of Part V units and various other programmes, SDCC is confident that the full amount can be delivered. M. Staunton further advised that the Council will be bringing the next tranche of proposed sites for development before the upcoming Area Committee Meetings for members’ support.
2. C. McClean & Cllr. Ward queried if the Council could acquire two specific properties with a view to development in the context of the provision of step-down facilities. M. Staunton agreed to investigate the matter on receipt of email confirmation of property addresses concerned. Cllrs. L. Dunne, C. King &C. McClean raised questions regarding a property development in Citywest where the developer is alleged to be negotiating the management of the social housing element directly with AHBs. The contributors stated that they would be in favour of the Council purchasing these properties rather than having them assigned to an AHB. It was proposed by Cllr. King and seconded by Cllr. M. Duff that the suggestion be brought as a motion to the next Council meeting.
3. C. McClean queried why Council could not procure a greater number of units for social housing in Clonburris. H. Hogan pointed out the importance of achieving a balance of social mix in all developments. Cllr. C. King requested ongoing update on numbers of properties being made available under Part V.
4. H. Hogan responded to queries regarding the funding of Voids and the reason for their inclusion in the delivery programme. Following a query from Cllr. L. Dunne, H. Hogan agreed to confirm source of funding for refurbishment of 3 units for elderly in Brookview.

The discussion included contributions from Cllr. L. Dunne, Cllr. C. King, Cllr. M. Duff, C. McClean, Cllr. M. Ward, Cllr. E. Hendrick.

[**Housing Supply Targets 2017 - 2021**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/Housing%20SPC/2018/February/8thFebruary2018HousingSPCMeeting/f3650e1c-f1c4-460d-9a37-ae996829c84b.pdf)

[**Housing Targets 2015 - 2017**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/Housing%20SPC/2018/February/8thFebruary2018HousingSPCMeeting/d294b1f7-c130-4f25-92df-ef608f2a6d5e.pdf)

**H-1(4) Report on Part V Supply**

1. Staunton provided a report on the total number of housing units delivered in 2017 and the numbers due to be delivered by 2021, broken down by electoral area. A total of 551 units are set to be delivered currently. Units due to be delivered in Clonburris are not included and the final figure may change subject to additional developer proposals over the timeframe.

Following a query by Cllr. L. Dunne regarding delivery of Part V units in a Fortunestown development M. Staunton agreed to investigate on receipt of email confirmation of details of development.

Cllr. C. King requested a breakdown of Part V units by estate and details where the units have been allocated to an Approved Housing Body.

1. H. Hogan pointed out the important role of AHBs in providing a dedicated social housing management solution and that the AHB had easy access to borrowing.

[**Part V Report**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsbyitem.aspx?itemid=57012)

**H-1(5) New Loan Scheme**

1. L. Madden outlined details of the New Loan Scheme for first time buyers highlighting that in SDCC area the maximum loan amount is €320,000 with 90% loan to value and fixed and variable interest rates ranging from 2% to 2.5%. A mortgage calculator is available on the Rebuilding Ireland website and prospective applicants should be aware that the calculation does not include the cost of Mortgage Protection Insurance which may cost up to an additional €133 per month.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllrs. C. King, M. Ward, K. Mahon, L. Dunne and C. McClean. Noting the potential of the scheme to free up social housing, Cllr. M. Duff suggested that it supported the argument for increasing the number of affordable units in Clonburris.

[**Rebuilding Ireland New Home Loan**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=58981)

**H-1(6) Enhanced Leasing Scheme**

L. Madden provided details of the new Enhanced Leasing Scheme aimed at developers that can provide 20 units or more. The scheme is run by the HFA and the role of the Local Authority is to confirm the requirement for the type of property and suitability of the location. The developer is required to have a property management company in place to manage the units. The return is 95% of current market rents for a 25 year period.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllrs. K. Mahon, and M. Ward, and C. McClean**.**

[**Enhanced Leasing Scheme**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=58982)

H-1(7) Estate Naming St. Aidan’s Project

M. Staunton apologised to the members for the lack of consultation in the recent naming of Cheeverstown Meadows estate. She explained the process for determining the naming of estates in both public and private developments and agreed that although it is not a reserved function the proposed names should be bought before the ACM as a matter of courtesy and in future the shortlist of names will be brought before the ACM for noting.

Cllr. C. King stated that in view of the expected increase in the number of developments a protocol should be put in place and that Councillors should also have an input in the development of the shortlist.

A discussion followed regarding the renaming of the estate in honour of Irish suffragette, Hanna Sheehy Skeffington, with contributions from C. McClean, Cllrs. K. Mahon, C. King, L. Dunne, M. Duff.

M. Staunton confirmed that the existing name can be overturned and that the naming of the estate will be brought back to the Area Committee for noting.

Cllr. L. Dunne asked that a plaque be erected in the estate detailing the significance of the name.

H-1(8) AOB”

**H4e)/0618** **Social and Community SPC**

* 1. **Report of Meeting 15th May 2018**

**“Attendance:**

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| **Members** | **Officials** |
| Cllr. D. O’Donovan | B. Coman Director |
| Cllr. Emma Murphy | Maria Finn Senior Staff Officer |
|  | P. McAlerney Senior Community Officer |
|  | B. Leonard Administrative Officer |

A quorum was not reached therefore the minutes of the previous meeting could not be agreed.

Discussion ensued regarding the agenda item for which reports were prepared:

Flavours of South Dublin & Intercultural Cook Off

Community Infrastructure Fund

Bealtaine Festival

Update on Lucan Swimming Pool and Adamstown Community Centre and Sports Hall

Representation of elected members on Committees of events and festivals

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| The meeting concluded at 6.45 pm” |
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* 1. **Minutes of Meeting 22nd February 2018**

**“Attendance:**

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| **Members** | **Officials** |
| Cllr. D. O’Donovan | B. Coman Director |
| Cllr. Emma Murphy | A. Casserly Sports Officer |
| Cllr Vicki Casserly | P. McAlerney Senior Community Officer |
| G. Ní Mhuirí PPN | B. Leonard Administrative Officer |
| L Olagoke PPN | Maria Finn Social Inclusion Officer |

**Apologies:** Cllr S. Holland; Cllr Jonathon Graham; Cllr Kenneth Egan; Cathy Purdy

**Minutes of September 2017 Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held in November 2017 which have been circulated were proposed by Cllr. O’ Donovan, seconded by Cllr. E. Murphy and agreed.

**Schools X Country Programme**

Alison Casserly gave an update on very successful Schools X Country Programme. 72 of the 101 schools in the county schools have enrolled to participate in the 2018 Cross Country Programme, although 50 children may compete on the day there could potentially be 100 children in the school training. The events also gives children with disability the opportunity to compete on the day along with their classmates. The programme is delivered in 4 local venues:

* Griffeen Valley Park
* Clondalkin
* Jobstown Park
* Tymon Park)

Finals day is scheduled for 17th May in Corkagh Park.

**Health & Wellbeing week 2018**

B. Coman gave an update on Health and Wellbeing Week 2018 which will run from Monday September 10th to Sunday September 16th. Work is currently underway for programme of events for 2018 which will include some of the events from previous years but will also include some innovative events, the Healthy County group are also involved in compiling these events and the theme will be Mental Health and Wellbeing. A list of the events will be brought to the SPC and B. Coman welcomed the PPN to have an input.

**Special Olympics**

B. Coman informed the group that Special Olympics Ireland had gone to tender for management of the opening ceremony and the event will take place in Tallaght Stadium on 14th June 2018.

**Bealtaine Festival**

M. Finn Social Inclusion Officer advised that Bealtaine Festival will take place from 1 May to 31 May.  The Bealtaine Festival celebrates creativity as we age and in this regard a booklet will be available detailing the wide variety of events and activities that are planned for the festival.  A copy will be circulated to all members when complete. It is anticipated that this booklet will be available from 1st April.

**Flavours of South Dublin 2018**

M Finn reported that following on from successful inaugural Flavours of South Dublin in 2017, this will take place again on Sunday 24 June 2018, in Rathfarnham Castle. Tenders have been invited for this event and are due to be assessed on the 5th March. There will be more food vendors and entertainment this year.

**Intercultural Cook Off**

M. Finn advised Intercultural Cook Off will be part of the Social Inclusion Week 2018 Programme.

A discussion ensued regarding insurance and allergens aspects of the event. The matter will be subject of a further report to the SPC.

**Community Grants**

P. McAlerney gave a presentation on first round of Community Grants 2018, advising that there will be workshops around the County to highlight aspects of these grants and to answer any questions from community groups, an amount of €70,000 has been set aside for Sports Grants depending on the level of demand for such grants. Grants will be assessed based on 6 areas of assessment as set out in the presentation.

Opening date for receipt of applications will be 19th March 2018 and closing date will be 13th April at 4pm. Late applications will be put forward to the second round of applications.

**Integration Strategy**

M Finn updated the committee, the strategy is being developed in conjunction with SDCP. Meetings are being held with senior staff from various departments in the Council prior to the consulting with migrant groups and other agencies including the PPN.

**Community Infrastructural Fund.**

P. McAlerney, Senior Community Officer gave a detailed presentation on the new Community Infrastructural Fund which is a fund of €250,000 which offers Community Groups (including Sports Clubs) the opportunity to apply for funding, to assist with the costs of either constructing new Community Facilities or for the modernisation and/or expansion of existing premises. The fund will consider funding requests from a minimum of €5,000 up to a maximum of €30,000. Applicants must have 50% of the funding themselves; it can be used to fill a funding gap. Projects must be “shovel ready” and money allocated this year must be spent this year.

Workshops to be arranged for all Community groups highlighting details of this scheme.

**Medex**

B. Coman updated the committee on the Medex programme which will start on the 1/4/18 in Tallaght Leisure Centre, Sean Kennelly in Tallaght Hospital will look after the referrals. The intention is to also to run the programme from Clondalkin Leisure Centre in 6 to 7 months’ time.

**Tidy Towns**

P. McAlerney highlighted progress made year on year through continuous working with the 8 established groups and other groups who may be interested in setting up new Tidy Towns Groups in Tallaght, Rathfarnham, Rathcoole and Saggart

Funding Support of 100K: divided into at least 2 or 3 rounds of funding: (1) Initial Seed Grant, (2) Annual Programme Grant and (3) Practical Projects Grant

**A.O.B.**

Congratulation any Staff and Councillors who took part in recent Gael force event which took place on 17th February.

A report is to issue to the next SPC meeting in relation to the Council Motion on representation of elected members on Committees of events and festivals.

The meeting concluded at 7.20 pm.”

**H4f)/0618 STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITRTEES LAND USE PLANNING &TRANSPORTATION SPC**

* 1. **Report of Meeting 17th May 2018**

“**PRESENT:**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** | |
| Cllr Emer Higgins (Chair) | Laura Leonard | A/Director of Services |
| Cllr. Mick Murphy | Brian Keaney | Senior Planner |
| Cllr. Liona O’Toole | Helena Fallon | Senior Executive Engineer |
| Cllr. Paul Gogarty | Sheila Kelly | Administrative Officer |
| Cllr Paula Donovan | Jason Frehill | Senior Executive Planner |
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| **Non-Elected Members:** | | |
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**Apologies: Siobhan Butler**

**An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Emer Higgins presided.**

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

**Minutes of Meeting of 15th February 2018**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Land Use Planning and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee held on 15th February 2018 were proposed by Cllr. L. O’Toole, seconded by Cllr Paul Gogarty and **AGREED.**

**H-1 (2) Variations to County Development Plan**

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Mr. Brian Keaney, Senior Planner presented the report. As this report had already been presented to Councillors at Special County Council meeting during the week and there were no non-elected Members present at the meeting the report was **NOTED.**

**H-1 (3) Bike Week 2018**

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Ms. Sheila Kelly, Administrative Officer gave the report. She listed the various events proposed for Bike Week which takes place from 9th to 17th June. She also presented a report on Bleeper Bikes which have been operating in South Dublin County Council’s administrative area since 2017.

Following a discussion which members suggested that there could be more cycle counters in the County to indicate the increasing numbers using our cycle tracks, Laura Leonard, A/Director of Services agreed that it would be valuable to investigate the possibility of getting more installed throughout the county.

The report was **NOTED.**

**H-1 (4) Adamstown Road /R120 Progress Update**

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Ms. Helena Fallon, Senior Executive Engineer presented the report.

Work commenced on site before Christmas 2017. 40% of works are now complete which include the following:

* New services 60%
* New road construction 50%
* New Bridge 60%

The Resident Engineer liaises with local landowners and sports clubs/organisations regarding any issues that arise and these have all been resolved.

The contractor maintains traffic in consultation with the Resident Engineering Staff. The Project is currently on budget. The final figure will be dependent of final measure, legitimate contractor claims and acceptable value engineering proposals.

Ms. Fallon answered the queries raised by the members and it was agreed to have a look at the lights as some Councillors felt that they were confusing. Ms. Fallon agreed to look at the issue.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (5) NTA Allocations and Projects**

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Ms. Helena Fallon, Senior Executive Engineer presented the report.

Ms. Fallon answered queries raised by members regarding the Grange Road scheme regarding the issue with Cherry Blossom trees. She agreed that there would be a leaflet drop regarding the Scholarstown Road Scheme and that contact would be made with the School regarding the works.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1(6) Clonburris SDZ Update**

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**The report was NOTED**

**H-1 (7) Property Portal – Presentation**

[**my doorstep Presentation 17-5-18.pdf**](file:///C:\Users\lleonard\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary%20Internet%20Files\Content.Outlook\0WYLUDPG\Items\mydoorstep%20Presentation%2017-5-18.pdf)

Mr. Jason Frehill, Senior Executive Planner gave the presentation.

The area where the Planning Counter is currently will be changed during the summer months into a space where the public will have access to a Property Portal, to be known as My Doorstep.

From here, it will be possible to look at House builds, Future Development, Current Development, Educational facilities, Sports and Recreation facilities, getting around and shopping right across the County.

There will be a list by area of property prices, date of sale etc. The portal has links to Estate Agents, Daft and My Home and other agencies.

The portal is live and will be updated every day. It is expected that work will be completed by end July 2018.

Following a discussion in which Mr. Frehill answered queries raised the report was **NOTED**

The meeting concluded at 7.00 p.m.”

**(ii)** **Minutes of Meeting 15th February**

“**PRESENT:**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** | |
| Cllr Emer Higgins (Chair) | Frank Nevin | Director of Services |
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| Cllr. Mick Murphy | Laura Leonard | A/Director of Services |
| Cllr. Liona O’Toole | William Purcell | Senior Engineer |
| Cllr. Paul Gogarty | Brian Keaney | Senior Planner |
| Cllr. Ruth Nolan | Sheila Kelly | Administrative Officer |
|  | Sean O’Hara | Administrative Officer |
|  | | |
| **Non-Elected Members:** | | |
| Siobhan Butler | | |
| Niall Durkan | | |

**Apologies: Cllr Paula Donovan**

**An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Emer Higgins presided.**

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

[**Minutes of SPC LUPT Meeting of 4th December, 2017.docx**](file:///\\SDCC-file3\Roads\rdsad\Meetings\SPC's\1%20LANDUSE%20PLANNING%20&%20TRANSPORTATION%20SPC\2017\December\Minutes%20of%20SPC%20LUPT%20Meeting%20of%204th%20December,%202017.docx)

The Minutes of the meeting of the Land Use Planning and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee held on 4th December 2017 were proposed by Cllr. L. O’Toole, seconded by Cllr. R. Nolan and **AGREED.**

**H-1 (2) Presentation by Frank Nevin, Director of Services**

**Grange Castle Business Park**

[**Grange Castle Business Park.pptx**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H-1%20(2)%20Grange%20Castle%20Business%20Park.pptx)

Frank Nevin, DOS presented the report which outlined the history of Grange Castle from its formation in 1994. This is owned, developed and marketed by South Dublin Council. He informed meeting that there are only two sites of significant project scale remaining. At present two projects are under construction: Microsoft and Google. There have also been some upgrades to internal park infrastructure, such as footpaths, cycle routes, pump stations, ducting etc.

The Council continue to attract businesses that provide employment in the area, however, the Council collaborates with the IDA and the Chamber of Commerce in this regard.

Recent developments include strategic acquisitions of lands to west of R120. There is a proposed Variation to County Development Plan No. 1 which will go on public display in March.

Improvements have also been carried out by our service providers in the Park.

A discussion followed in which Mr. Nevin answered questions raised by Cllrs. Gogarty, Cllr O’Toole, Cllr Murphy and Cllr Higgins.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (3) Variation to Development Plan**

[Proposed Variation of Development Plan Grange Castle West\_](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H.1%20%20(2)%20Proposed%20Variation%20of%20Development%20Plan%20Grange%20Castle%20West_files)

[Proposed Variation No. 2 of Development Plan Vacant Sites Levy](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H.1.%20(3)%20Proposed%20Variation%20No.%202%20of%20Development%20Plan%20Vacant%20Sites%20Levy_files)

Mr. Brian Keaney, Senior Planner, gave the report.

1. **Grange Castle West**

Brian Keaney gave the planning background as to why there is a proposed variation to the Councils Development Plan. The Variation seeks to change the land use zoning objective of lands at Grangecastle West from Objective RU (Rural) to Objective EE (Enterprise and Employment) These amendments to the land use zoning objective would also result in the realignment of the indicative route for the Western Dublin Orbital Route (North).

Mr, Keaney explained that it was the Council’s objective to facilitate and support the growth of the economy and the GDA in a sustainable manner, whilst maintaining and improving environmental quality. There is a lack of EE Employment lands within the administrative area. A lot of the well-established business parks in the County are nearing capacity.

The Proposed Variation along with accompanying documentation will go on display from Friday 16th February, 2018 to Friday 16th March, 2018. Submissions and observations to be submitted by 12.00 midnight on 16th March 2018. This can be done on the Council’s online portal or by post to SEO.

1. **Vacant Sites Levy**

The principal amendments to this Variation No 2 are as a result of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015 which provided for a levy to be applied on vacant sites in residential and regeneration zoned lands, which are suitable for housing, and are not forthcoming with development. No changes are proposed to the land use zoning map or any land use zoning objective under Proposed Variation No. 2.

The public display period for this is the same as Variation No. 1.

Mr. Keaney answered queries raised regarding submissions and report, appeals mechanism from Cllrs Higgins and O’Toole.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (4) Weston Aerodrome**

**Weston Aerodrome Executive Report**

[**Weston Aerodrome Report.htm**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H.1%20(4)%20Weston%20Aerodrome%20Report.htm)

Ms. Laura Leonard A/DOS introduced the item and Mr. Brian Keaney, Senior Planner, presented the update on Weston Aerodrome in which he informed the meeting that 824 submissions had been received. The Chief Executive Report is prepared attached for the members.

Mr. Keaney answered questions raised by Cllr O’Toole regarding the Planning concerns and the report was **NOTED**.

**H-1 (5) Review of Parking By-Laws**

[Review of Control of Parking Bye Laws.doc](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H-1%20(5)%20Review%20of%20Control%20of%20Parking%20Bye%20Laws.doc)

Ms. Laura Leonard, A/Director of Services gave the report. This report was following on from commitments given at the December SPC to have a look at Tariffs, Expenditure of surplus monies, adjustment of parking areas in outlying underused village areas and need for park and ride facilities and Grace periods.

The majority of the suggested changes are operational adjustments and can be incorporated into the Paid Parking Services contract without having to develop new Bye Laws and it is proposed to effect such changes as are possible within a short time frame and in any event by 7th April following adoption by the full Council and any recommendations of this committee. The report outlined the significant changes since the introduction of the Pay and Display scheme in the County in 2006. The latest Bye Laws were adopted by full Council on April 11th 2011.

Ms. Leonard responded to queries raised by Cllrs O’Toole, Gogarty and Murphy and Ms. Butler regarding the various issues with the scheme and in particular with the Parking contractor. She informed the meeting that these issues have been addressed with the Contractor and that things on the ground should improve. It was not the Council’s intention to allow grace time for the 30 minutes free parking to be increased as income would be substantially reduced.

It was **AGREED** that any matters arising would be brought as a Headed Item to the Area Committee Meetings.

**It was agreed to suspend Standing Orders to allow the meeting to go over time to take the last two items.**

**Cor (1) Correspondence**

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[**Correspondence\FW Scramblers and Quads - Task Force.msg**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Correspondence/FW%20Scramblers%20and%20Quads%20-%20Task%20Force.msg)

1. **Correspondence from Fingal County Council – Infinity Congestion Charge**
2. **Environment, Public Realm & Climate Change SPC – Quads and Scramblers – Establishment of Task Force**
3. Item 1 was **NOTED**
4. Ms. L. Leonard, A/DOS asked the meeting for a nominee to sit on the Task Force on Quads and Scramblers. Anyone interested to send their name to A/Director or AO who will forward them to Environment SPC.

Ms. S. Kelly to circulate email to members.

This was **AGREED**

**H-1 (6) AOB**

[**AOB 2. RSES Pre Draft Submission Jan 2018 FINAL DRAFT.docx**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H-1(6)%20AOB%202.%20RSES%20Pre%20Draft%20Submission%20Jan%202018%20FINAL%20DRAFT.docx)

[**AOB Regional Spatial & Economic Strategy.docx**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/July/July2018CountyCouncilMeeting/Items/H-1(6)%20AOB%20Regional%20Spatial%20&%20Economic%20Strategy.docx)

1. **Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy – Issues Papers Submitted**

Mr. Brian Keaney, Senior Planner informed the meeting that the purpose of the RSES is to implement the forthcoming National Planning Framework (NPF) “Our Plan 2040”. The Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly (EMRA) has commenced work on the presentation on this for the Eastern and Midland Region. SDCC is a member of the Dublin Strategic Planning Area (SPA). The RSES will identify key strategic assets, opportunities and challenges and set out policy responses in relation to Housing, Employment, transportation and amenity issues up to 2030 and beyond.

There are three elements to the Strategy

1. A Spatial Strategy
2. An Economic Strategy
3. A Dublin Metropolitan Area Strategy (MASP)

There are 38 members of the EMRA and they will adopt the RSES by end of 2018. Once plan is adopted each Planning Authority and Public Body within the region will be obliged to review their plans and programmes and consider any variations to those plans and programmes as is necessary to achieve the objectives of the RSES

Mr. Keaney responded to queries raised and the item was **NOTED**

The meeting concluded at 7.15 p.m.”

**H5a)/0618 JPC ANNUAL REPORT 2017**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Billy Coman Director of Housing and Community and was **CONSIDERED:**

[Joint Policing Committee Report 2017](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/3ad0166f-1135-4aac-9446-b0f5fba06295.doc)

The report was **NOTED**

**H5b)/0618 REPORT FROM JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE MAY 2018**

“The Joint Policing Committee met on Friday 25th May 2018 in County Hall, Tallaght

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

**“!Attendance: Committee Members:**

Cllr. Deirdre O’Donovan (Chair), Cllr Louise Dunne, Cllr Brendan Ferron, Cllr Paul Foley,Cllr. Paul Gogarty (Mayor), Cllr Cathal King, Cllr. Liona O’Toole; Cllr Mark Ward; John Curran T.D.; Chief Superintendent Kevin Gralton; Chief Superintendent Lorraine Wheatley; Billy Coman, SDCC; Ann Corrigan, PPN; Tara Deasy, PPN;

**In attendance:** Noreen Byrne, North Clondalkin, Lucan & Palmerstown LPF; Andy Lane, SDCC; Superintendent Brendan Connolly, An Garda Síochána; Colm Ward, SDCC;

**Apologies:** Enda Creegan, PPN; Cathy Purdy

The following is summary of business of the JPC:

**1 Minutes of the Last meeting**

Agreed

**2 Role of the JPC**

Report noted

**3 JPC Annual Report**

Report agreed

**4 JPC Strategic Plan 2016-2022 Progress Report**

Report noted

**5 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.

A request for minutes of the LPF Public Meetings was discussed, the matter would need to be considered by the Clondalkin LPF Management Committee, but the JPC had concerns that if the meetings were minuted it could restrict contributions as people would be wary about the confidentiality of matters they may wish to raise.

**D12 LPF:**

The D12 section of the report was noted

**North Clondalkin, Lucan and Palmerstown LPF:**

Councillor Mark Ward agreed as the Councillor member of the North Clondalkin, Lucan and Palmerstown Local Policing Forum

The North Clondalkin Report covered:

* Policing of Palmerstown with two LPFs and two Garda Districts
* Scramblers with a report for the next JPC meeting

**West Tallaght LPF:**

The West Tallaght report was noted.

**Other LPFs:** Resources for a coordinator for a LPF in the Lucan Adamstown area was raised and it was agreed that the JPC would write to the Minister responsible.

**6 Garda Reports**

Reports were circulated by Chief Superintendent Kevin Gralton on behalf of the DMRS region and by Chief Superintendent Lorraine Wheatley on behalf of the DMRW region. The reports covered:

* Extra community Gardai
* ASB issues in Killinarden Park and other parks
* Domestic violence statistics
* Drug searches
* Public order incidents

**Tallaght Garda Station:**

The need to address the severe overcrowding in Tallaght Garda station was raised and there is a need to build a new Garda Station on the existing site. This was supported by the JPC and it was agreed that it should be raised in the report submitted to Council and that Council should be asked to give their view and support to the need.

**7 Drug Subcommittee**

A report on behalf of the Drug Subcommittee was received.

**8 Upcoming JPC Meetings**

The next meeting is set for: Friday 21st September 2018. “

The Report was **NOTED**

**H6/0618 REPORTS FROM AREA COMMITTES**

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

**QUESTIONS**

It was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **RESOLVED**:

“That pursuant to Standing Order No. 13, Questions numbered Q1–Q20 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**Q1/0618 GRASS CUTTING**

**QUESTION: Councillor P. Gogarty**

To ask the Manager to report on grass cutting to date this year in the county and to give an outline schedule of estate or road schedules to be done on a weekly basis over the summer?

**REPLY:**

Grass cutting has been greatly hampered by weather conditions which pertained through the course of the Winter and early Spring. Met Eireann rainfall data shows that rainfall for the period January to April 2018 has exceeded the mean rainfall for the same months over the 3 year period 2015 to 2017 as follows – in January rainfall exceeded the previous 3 year mean by 60%, in March the exceedance was 30% and in April it was over 80%. Met Eireann also reported throughout the month of April that soil moisture levels were still at saturation, with 76.1mm of rain having fallen in that month.

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**Q2/0618 RADON TESTING**

**QUESTION: Councillor F.N. Duffy**

To ask the Chief Executive the current number of Social Housing units held by South Dublin County Council and each housing association in the County.

The number of these units between 2008 - 2018 that have been recommended for testing for Radon, the number tested, the number found to need remediation, the number that have been remediated, the number tested post  remediation, the number that still had concentrations requiring further remediation, number of properties  that have had remediation works carried out twice. Also details of any cased identified as part of the inspection of private rented accommodation under the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) (Amendment) Regulations over the last 5 years

**REPLY**

The number of Council owned properties currently in stock is 9175.   Sample radon testing was carried out by the Architects Department over a number of years in the early 2000’s in Council housing stock in both the north and south of the county. The south of the County is in the second-lowest risk area identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) based on its radon map. (1-5% of houses above National Reference Level).  The north of the county is in the third-lowest risk area identified by the EPA (5-10% of houses above NRL)

Radon membranes have been included in all homes built since the Building Control Regulations of 1997, making Ireland a leading country in reducing risk of radon build-ups in homes.

**Q3/0618 POLLING STATIONS**

**QUESTION: Councillor D. Looney**

To ask the Chief Executive for a full break down of polling stations in the County, listing if they are a school, a community centre or other; to ask who is responsible for removing election material and other paraphernalia close to and inside polling stations; and to ask if he intends to update the polling scheme in the future.

**REPLY:**

Please find attached the full list of all polling stations in the South Dublin County Council area. All election material is removed from the polling stations by both the designated polling staff on the day and staff from the Sheriff’s office. All outside posters under legislation must be removed by whoever placed them within 7 days of the election/referendum.

According to the Electoral Act of 1992 every local authority is obliged at least once in every ten years to make a scheme in consultation with the Returning Officer for Dáil Elections dividing the county into polling districts for the purpose of Dáil elections, European Elections and Local Elections appointing a polling place for each polling district. The last Polling scheme in South Dublin County Council was produced in 2010 and the creation of a new Polling Scheme is currently being examined.

[List of polling stations](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/27118c31-e626-4987-a57f-c7c58a1da445.xlsx)

**Q4/06918 CONSTRUCTION & BUILD UPDATE**

**QUESTION: Councillor D. Looney**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the Council’s social housing build and purchase programme, and to make a statement on the matter.

**REPLY:**

The next tranche of social housing build projects has commenced with 2 Part 8's published in April and May with an indicative number of 26 units in total. There are a further 7 proposed schemes as presented at Area Committee Meetings which are currently under review with proposed plans being developed for Part 8 publication from Q2 2018 to Q2 2019. There will be approximately 280 units over these 9 schemes being brought through the Part 8 planning process up to May 2019.

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| Electoral Area | Site Location | Indicative No’s | Status |
| Rathfarnham/Templeogue/Terenure | Homeville | 16 | At Part 8 Consultation Stage |
| Tallaght | St. Catherine’s Knockmore | 10 | Part 8 Consultation to commence 31st May 2018 |
|  |  | 26 |  |

There are currently 9 schemes under construction with a further 1 scheme due to commence in June 2018. These 10 schemes will deliver 351 housing units from June 2018 to June 2019. The breakdown of the schemes across the county are listed below:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Electoral District | Schemes | No. of Units | Status |
| Clondalkin | St Marks Green, Clondalkin | 11 | On Site April 2017 |
| Tallaght | McUilliam (Fortunestown) | 28 | On Site May 2017 |
| Clondalkin | Mayfield Estate | 17 | On Site February 2017 |
| Tallaght | Dromcarra, Tallaght | 14 | On Site May 2017 |
| Tallaght | St. Aidans, Tallaght = Social + TAP | 90 | On Site August 2017. Partial Handover June 2018 of 47 units. |
| Rathfarnham/Templeogue/Terenure | Killininny, Co Dublin | 24 | On Site Jan 2018 |
| Clondalkin | St. Cuthbert’s, Clondalkin | 63 | Due to commence June 2018 |
| Clondalkin | Letts Field, Neilstown, Clondalkin | 37 | On Site |
| Rathfarnham/Templeogue/Terenure | Ballyboden, Rathfarnham | 40 | On Site Nov 2017 |
| Tallaght | Killinarden, Tallaght | 27 | On Site October 2017 |
|  |  | 351 |  |

**Acquisition Programme Update**

The Council are working directly with the Housing Agency to acquire social housing units in addition to a small number of direct housing acquisitions and Part V acquisitions. The Council is focused on housing delivery through the house build programme and turnkey opportunities as they arise. During 2018 we have programmed to acquire a total of 31 housing units under direct acquisitions, housing agency acquisitions and Part V acquisitions as set out below.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **LA Acquisitions Breakdown** | | | | | |
|  | **2017** | **Delivered Q1 2018** | **Q2 2018** | **Q3 2018** | **Q4 2018** |
| **SDCC Acquisitions** | 26 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| **Housing Agency Acquisitions** | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| **Part V Acquisitions** | 10 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 42 | 6 | 10 | 10 | 5 |

**Q5/0618 PLAYSPACE**

**QUESTION: Councillor D. Looney**

To ask the Chief Executive for a full update on the Council’s Playspace Programme, and to make a statement on the matter.

**REPLY:**

The Playspace programme in South Dublin County Council is a five year programme that commenced in 2014. The provision of playgrounds in the recent past concentrated on large, formally equipped and defined playgrounds with highly specialised equipment. The playspace programme aims to provide opportunities to play. This type of play allows children to develop their imagination, challenge their abilities, deal with risk and, critically, adapt their own environment.

The Play Space programme was established following the identification of a deficit of play areas for children in this county. This was documented in the policy document ‘Developing play in South Dublin County’ adopted by the Council in June 2006. However the development of play areas / playgrounds did not result in the immediate aftermath, due to the economic downturn and lack of development generally.

In recent years there has been an emphasis on the physical and mental well-being of children. Over the past 20 years there has been a significant rise in levels of [**obesity**](http://health.gov.ie/healthy-ireland/obesity/), childhood diabetes, high levels of stress and increasing sedentary lifestyles. A [**report**](https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/child/healthyeating/taskforceonobesity.pdf) by the National Taskforce on Obesity estimates that 300,000 children in Ireland are now obese.

Due to a variety of factors children are less likely to wander far from their own homes. A [**study in the UK**](https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2010/aug/16/childre-nature-outside-play-health) documented the distance children travelled from home for play; the results showed that the distance children roam from home on their own has shrunk by 90% since the 70s; 43% of adults think a child shouldn't play outdoors unsupervised until the age of 14. So children are increasingly confined to the immediate environs of their homes. This results in children’s activity being dependant on the immediate environment of their homes being conducive to a wide variety of play opportunities and social interaction; which is not so readily available in sterile landscapes of mown grass.

**Delivery to date: Playspace Programme 2014-2018**

**Introduction**

The Play Space Programme is scheduled for completion at the end of 2018. The programme has been very successful to date, particularly taking into account the difficulties encountered during the early phases. The programme has progressed with hard work and significant active involvement from elected members and local communities, and direct engagement with children; the Council can be proud to be in a position where it is now perceived to be at the vanguard of creating new play opportunities close to where children live. It can also be proud to have embraced a new type of play space delivery – using the concepts of Natural Play and where children can create their own play opportunities.

**Delivery to date**

The following 17 play space projects have been constructed to date at an average cost of approx. **€65,000.**

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

In addition, the new Natural Playground in Tymon Park has opened to great acclaim and in Griffeen Valley Park the existing playground was upgraded and extended to include natural play.

**Planned Programme**

A programme of playspaces were presented [**in June 2017**](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=56252) to the Elected Members following an examination of the programme. The projects were prioritised to allow for the completion of the programme within budget. The total budget to complete the play space programme in 2018 is €1,000,000. The budget will allow for approximately 10-15 new play spaces to be constructed in that period. The programmed playspaces are at various stages of consultation, planning and design with a view to tender and construct in lots

**Q6/0618 GRASS CUTTING**

**QUESTION: Councillor D. Looney**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on grass cutting across the County, to ask if delays have been resolved, and for the plans to deal with this throughout the remainder of the year.

**REPLY:**

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**Q7/0618 REBUILDING IRELAND HOMELOANS**

**QUESTION: Councillor K. Mahon**

Can the manager please report on the uptake on the recently announced Rebuilding Ireland Home loan? How many applications have been received? How many meet the required criteria and how much funding has been drawn down since the scheme began?

**REPLY:**

South Dublin County Council has received 132 valid applications for the new Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan May 2018.  The Housing Agency underwriter and South Dublin County Council's Credit Committee have granted approval in principle to 13 applications.

No loan has been drawn down to date.  However, applicants approved in principle for the loan have six months to draw down the loan.

**Q8/0618 CYCLE FUNDING 2019**

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

Noting the imminent announcement of National Transport Authority cycle route funding can the Director please outline plans for cycle routes to be constructed throughout the County in 2019 and the source of funding for these routes?

**REPLY:**

The Part 8 for Monastery Road walking and cycling route has just been advertised. It is expected that, if approved and funding received from the NTA, it will commence construction in 2019.

The procurement of a consultant for the Wellington Lane-Whitehall cycle scheme is progressing and it is expected that it will be advertised in June 2018 with the consultant commencing in August 2018, with a Part 8 being advertised in Oct/Nov 2018. Depending on NTA funding and planning being successful, the scheme could commence construction in 2019.

The detailed design preparation of the tender documents for Grange Road cycle and walking improvements is commencing and procurement for a contractor should commence Sept 2018 with appointment Nov 2018. Construction could commence Nov/Dec 2018. This scheme is being funded by the NTA.

The procurement of a consultant for the Dodder Greenway cycle scheme is progressing and it is expected that it will also be advertised in June 2018, with the consultant commencing the detailed design and tender documents in August 2018. As ERDF funding has already been secured, it is expected that elements of the scheme will commence construction in 2019.

**Q9/0618 CYCLE ROUTES**

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

To ask the Director to outline the number of cycle routes currently scheduled for construction in 2018 or already under construction, funded by the National Transport Authority and the location of these cycle routes.

**REPLY:**

Works to construct the cycle and footpath improvements on Scholarstown Rd are due to commence in late June and should take 5/6 months to complete. This scheme is being funded by the NTA.

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**Q10/0618 ALAGS**

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

Noting that the closing date for applications to the Anti-Litter and Anti-Graffiti Awareness grant scheme has now passed can the Director please outline if any application for funding will be made by this County Council under the scheme and detail the projects to be funded.

**REPLY:**

The Anti-Litter and Anti-Graffiti Awareness grant scheme seeks to promote public awareness and education in relation to litter and/or graffiti. This Grant Scheme has a particular focus on voluntary initiatives by community and environmental groups, and on involving schools and young people in anti-litter and anti-graffiti awareness actions. Only applications with education & awareness dimensions will be considered for funding.

South Dublin County Council accepted applications for funding of projects which qualify as Anti-Litter and Anti-Graffiti Awareness Initiatives up until the 10th May.

Following this deadline SDCC then submitted the full application relating to 14 projects to the DCCAE for final approval, a response is awaited.

**Q1I/0618 ILLEGAL SIGNAGE**

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

To ask the Chief Executive to set out in detail the full range of legislative options available to tackle the scourge of illegal advertising signs of all kinds which is impacting severely on our County and in responding will he highlight in particular those provisions which authorise the removal of the offending material.

**REPLY:**

[**Section 19 of the Litter Pollution Act 1997**](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/1997/act/12/section/19/enacted/en/html), as amended prohibits the placing of articles and advertisements on, and the defacement of certain structures.  Such structures relate to land, door, gate, window, tree, pole, or post which is visible from a public place.

Way-Finding signs of a temporary nature e.g. signs advertising a particular event require the approval of the Council’s Environment Department under the Litter Pollution Acts 1997-2003.

To date (30/4/2018) a total of 25 Fixed Penalty Notices were issued in respect of illegal signage under Section 19 of the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended.

In 2017 a total of 100 Fixed Penalty Notices were issued in respect of illegal signage under Section 19 of the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended.

Under [**Section 71 of the Roads Act 1993**](https://www.google.com/search?q=Section+71+of+the+Roads+Act+1993&sourceid=ie7&rls=com.microsoft:en-IE:IE-Address&ie=&oe=) (as amended) any person who without lawful authority or the consent of a Roads Authority erects, places or retains on a public road any structure or thing used for the purpose of advertising, the sale of goods, the provision of services or other similar purpose shall be guilty of an offence.

A Local Authority has power to remove an unauthorised structure from the public road under Section 71 of the Roads Act 1993 and there are penalties for the removal of such signage.

Also under [**Section 254(9) of the Planning & Development Act 2000**](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2000/act/30/section/254/enacted/en/html) (as amended), it is an offence to erect, construct, place or maintain an appliance, apparatus or structure on, under, over or along any public road without having a licence to do so.

If any way-finding structure has not been authorised by the Local Authority, it is an unauthorised structure.

The Roads Department is currently carrying out an analysis of all illegally installed signage and writing to the owners in this regard informing them of their obligations under the Planning and Development Act  (Section 254) as amended and Planning and Development Regulations 2000 (S.I. No. 600) as amended."

**Q12/0618 PUBLIC LIGHTING COLUMNS**

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

To ask the Chief Executive whether any permission has been given by any section of this Council authorising the erection of advertising materials of various types on this Council's public lighting columns and will he detail in his reply what actions and sanctions he proposes to take to address this illegal activity, to remove the offending materials and to bill those responsible for both the costs involved and the likely damage that has been caused to the lighting columns.

**REPLY:**

Affixing advertising materials of any type to Public Lighting Columns is strictly prohibited and Council staff will remove any such materials. Where details are available that allow for follow up action this is undertaken.

**Q13/0618 TRAFFIC LIGHT POLES**

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

To ask the Chief Executive whether any permission has been given by any section of this Council authorising the erection of advertising materials of various types on this Council's traffic poles and will he detail in his reply what actions and sanctions he proposes to take to address this illegal activity, to remove the offending materials and to bill those responsible for both the costs involved and the likely damage that has been caused to the traffic columns

**REPLY:**

Affixing advertising materials of any type to traffic light poles is strictly prohibited and Council staff are proactive in the removal of any such materials. Where details are available that allow for follow up action this is undertaken.

**Q14/0618 ADVERTISING BANNERS**

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

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm whether planning permission is required to erect large banner type advertising signs on the facades of buildings and in responding will he highlight any exemptions whether temporary or otherwise which might exist and will he note that in some instances entire buildings have been “wrapped" in these types of banners.

**REPLY:**

  Planning permission is usually required to erect large banner type advertising signs on the facades of buildings. While some exemptions can apply to such advertising, these relate to the size and positioning of the advertisement, not whether it is intended to be a temporary installation. In general, exempted banner advertising can be up to 0.3 square metres per metre of frontage, less the area of freestanding advertisements while subject to a maximum size of 5 square metres.

The Planning Authority investigates all complaints alleging a breach of these exemptions.

**Q15/0618 HOMELESS**

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

To ask the Chief Executive to present a report detailing actions proposed to meet Government targets in respect of Housing and Homelessness and in responding will he predict what progress he expects to make in respect of the issues during the remainder of this calendar year.

**REPLY:**

Homelessness continues to be a major challenge facing not only this county but counties nationwide particularly urban areas.

Homeless Services for Dublin are delivered on a regional basis and are funded through DECLG, HSE and the four Local Authorities. For the Dublin region Dublin City Council is the lead agency and actions progressed through the Dublin Region Homeless Executive.

South Dublin County Council’s tackles homelessness through the following means:

* Provision of Assessment & Placement Service
* Outreach Worker
* Supporting the provision of emergency accommodation – Supported Temporary Accommodation (STA), Temporary Emergency Accommodation (TEA), Long-term Supported Housing (LTSH); Private Emergency Accommodation (B&B / Hotel Accommodation) and Saoirse Women’s Refuge.
* Supporting services such as Focus Ireland Tallaght, Homeless Advice Unit, Focus Ireland Tenancy Sustainment Service; SLI Visiting Support Service through Dublin Simon, Focus Ireland New Presenters Support Service; Focus Ireland Homeless Action Team, Housing First Intake Team and Housing First Visiting Support Team, Peter McVerry Trust etc.
* Family Hubs are in operation at Tallaght Cross, Abberley Court and Cuan Alainn.
* In conjunction with the DRHE we are continuing to source additional HUBS where enhanced family friendly facilities can be provided and remove the need to self-accommodate

South Dublin County Council operate a  daily drop-in clinics for those homeless or at risk of homelessness from 10am to 12noon,  Monday to Friday and offers the following services:

1. Advice/Assessment/Prevention options
2. Bed Placement
3. Completion of Housing Needs Assessment
4. Sign up for Social Housing
5. Sli Service - which aids the establishment and maintenance of a tenancy once signed for over a period of time in accordance of need
6. Provides an outreach service including prison visits
7. Weekly clinic in CARP and Tus Nua

While the Council will also allocate housing stock to homeless families meeting the criteria during the remainder of 2018, families and individuals who are presenting as homeless and in emergency accommodation are being strongly advised that sourcing properties using the HAP scheme is the fastest route out of their current homeless situation.

A dedicated Homeless HAP Unit continues to operate in the Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE) offices to assist with the implementation of HAP at an enhanced rate for appropriate properties.  Under HAP, households are required to find their own accommodation in the private rented sector. However for homeless households who have higher support needs, STA and TEA Key Workers / Homeless Action Teams assist their client household in sourcing appropriate private rented accommodation.

The Council recognises that it may be difficult to source private rented accommodation, supports such as above are in place to assist them and the Council is working to increase the supports available.

The Council will continue to work with families who are in danger of losing RAS units through landlords having to or deciding to sell their properties.

In addition it is anticipated another Cold Weather Initiative will be in place at the end of this year as the weather changes.   It provides an emergency humanitarian response to the needs of persons who may be sleeping rough during cold weather. It provides dedicated additional beds to the existing number of beds available on a nightly basis in the Dublin region.  The Initiative aims to support individuals, who may not access the current range of services including persons who tend not to engage with homeless accommodation providers or day services or persons who may be ineligible in terms of social welfare benefits and find themselves in very vulnerable situations without accommodation.

 The Council has a major housing construction programme underway with 9 projects started and a further one to start in June 2018 and a further schedule of units at various stages of the planning process. Maine delivery will be to 2021 and the Council anticipates it will meet its Social Housing Delivery Target of 2993 2017 to 2021 set by the Department though various methods of supply.

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**Q16/0618 SPEED LIMITS**

**QUESTION: Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report on the speed limits within Housing estates and is there any opportunity to look at estates reducing to 15km? What would be needed to make this happen and when will it be reviewed next?

**REPLY:**

A review of the implementation of the 30kmh speed limits in residential estates is presently underway with speed surveys being carried out throughout the County. A report will be prepared detailing the results and will be brought to the elected members. There is presently no basis in law for a speed limit of 15kmh to be implemented and/or enforced.

**Q17/0618 300K HAVE YOUR SAY**

**QUESTION: Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report into all the items that were not selected for the public vote in the 300k Have your say! To ask that this includes a detail of why they were not chosen and how they might be achieved going forward and where funding for each could be gotten?

**REPLY**

The deadline for submissions for €300k Have Your Say for the Clondalkin Local Electoral Area passed on April 9th with the Council receiving 230 entries, an increase of 70 on the 2017 version of Have Your Say. Using the agreed criteria for the selection of projects, each of the 230 submissions were assessed to consider whether the project met the agreed criteria and if so, a costing for the delivery of the project was then estimated as required for the voting process. A full report on both all projects submitted, the results of the assessment process and the estimated costings was then presented to the Steering Group for their consideration. There was considerable discussion at the Steering Group meeting where full consideration was given to all potential projects, and consensus was reached on the final shortlist for recommending to Council with the final shortlist approved by Council at the May Council meeting.

Though the quality of submission was very high, it is unfortunately necessary to exclude submissions based on the agreed criteria and this was done in the previous year too. Common reasons for exclusion included; the project idea already being considered or developed under another programme (Playspace Programme, Corkagh Park Study, for example), the cost of the proposal exceeding €300,000, where the proposal included ongoing costs beyond the annual budget provision, if the proposed site was not in public ownership, or if there was no public land available to accommodate the proposal, and if the proposal was outside of the remit of South Dublin County Council. Proposals for Rathcoole Park were unfortunately excluded due to works scheduled by Irish Water within the park during 2018 and 2019, meaning any proposal would fall outside of the timescale for this initiative.

Whilst not all excluded projects are achievable going forward, many submissions that were excluded were because they would be carried out anyway within the Council's existing planned works, for example village signage is planned for Newcastle, and a substantial number of submissions were related to improvements in Corkagh Park which where there is a significant investment programme of works being planned. Even for those disappointed, at the very least this initiative should create an increased awareness among residents of the range of works and improvements in areas that are carried out on an ongoing basis by the Council.

**Criteria for 300K Have Your Say**

**` “**The intent of €300K Have Your Say is for local people to participate in the Council’s budget decision-making process to identify projects that that will benefit that community and that fulfil the parameters of the initiative. Hence in developing a project idea, people should be guided by the premise that their submission should be (1) a project that would benefit a significant number of people living in their community; (2) is achievable within the maximum €300,000 allocation\*, and (3) is deliverable within the Council’s subsequent budget cycle - for example, for a local initiative run in 2018 the projects voted on in 2018 will be delivered in 2019, following the adoption of the budget by the Council.

Within those considerations, all proposals that are made in the submissions stage (that is after 8pm on Tuesday 27th February and by 5pm on Monday 2nd May 2018) will be subject to a technical review and possible modification by the Council before they are considered for approval to go into the public vote. The following are the criteria that will be used by the Council to aid that technical review and shortlisting of projects:

* Is the proposed project already planned for by the Council within an existing programme of work?
* Is the proposed project within the remit of the Council, or is it the responsibility of another government department or public body and therefore beyond the scope of a Council initiative?
* Would the proposed project be considered for funding through an existing grant scheme, such as the Council’s Community Grants Scheme
* Does the project proposal raise a local issue that will or can be addressed through the Council’s existing repair and/or maintenance programmes?
* Is the proposed site of the project on land that is in public ownership or is it private property? Proposals that require land must clearly identify the proposed areas/sites within the electoral area. This land must be in public ownership.

Please note that in some cases a number of project proposals may be submitted from different people or groups that are similar in their nature or objective. Where this happens such proposals may be combined into one project for shortlisting purposes by the Steering Group.

\* Proposals that exceed €300,000 may still be deemed worthy of further investigation and funding could be allocated for feasibility studies for said proposals.”

**Q18/0618 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECIMALISATION OF HOMOSEXUALITY IN IRELAND**

**QUESTION: Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report into what way South Dublin County Council intends marking and remembering the 25th Anniversary of the Decimalisation of Homosexuality in Ireland this June

**REPLY:**

In accordance with the Council's agreed Flags Protocol, the Rainbow Flag will fly in support of the Pride Movement and to demonstrate the Council’s commitment to equality and the inclusion of all its citizens.

A talk is scheduled for 23rd June by Tonie Walsh from the National Queer Archive on LGBTQ+ history in Ireland in the County Library, Tallaght and consideration is currently being given to the possibility of bringing a traveling exhibition of the National Queer Archive from the National Library to County Library for the week of the 18th-24th of June. These events are being planned and organised by the LGBTQ+ Network for Council employees which is a voluntary staff network.

**Q19/0618 300K HAVE YOUR SAY**

**QUESTION: Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report into what way the 300k Have your say will be improved as to avoid future disappointment by any electoral area?

**REPLY:**

At the outset of the initiative in 2018, and following the learning from the experience of the previous year's initiative in the Lucan Electoral Area, the Steering Group developed a criteria for the assessment of submitted projects to this year's €300k Have Your Say initiative in order to ensure each submission was treated in a fair and equal manner. This criteria was agreed by the Participatory Budgeting Steering Group, which is made up of elected members and senior Council staff, and was distributed to all elected members.

The deadline for submissions for €300k Have Your Say for the Clondalkin Electoral Area passed on April 9th with the Council receiving 230 entries. A series of meetings were then carried out, first between Senior Management and then with the Steering Group, in which they considered all of the submissions by members of the public. These were assessed and then presented as a recommended shortlist of 24 projects for approval at the full Council meeting on Monday, May 14th. The 24 final projects that were shortlisted reflect the submissions of many more people or groups who made a submission as the same ideas were often repeated in a number of submissions. Those projects were then voted on by members of the public with the winners announced at an event in The Round Tower, Clondalkin on June 6th.

Given the competitive nature of the initiative, it is not possible for the Council to guarantee that there will not be disappointment felt by those whose projects do not progress to the Voting Stage or who do not get selected by the public for funding. Every effort is made to ensure good communications throughout the process and every person submitting a project is informed of what happened to their submission and if the proposal was not put through to the public vote the reason for this is clearly stated. In many cases the reason is because the proposed project is planned in the Council's programme of works and we inform them of that e.g. Village signage is planned for Newcastle.

The Steering Group welcomes feedback on all stages of the initiative so as to better improve the experience for future interactions of the initiative and would wish to thank those who have already given their feedback. They will review this year's initiative following its completion and may make changes to the process for 2019 based off of any learnings the process yields. Any changes will be communicated to elected members ahead of the launch of next year's €300k Have Your Say.

**Q20/0618 PART 8 UPDATE**

**QUESTION: Councillor F. Timmons**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report into what Part 8s he intends bringing before the council up to the local elections May next year and how many houses will be built by SDCC in the lead up to the next election and to ask when he will have a full plan on housing to present to full Council?

**REPLY:**

The next tranche of social housing build projects has commenced with 2 Part 8's published in April and May with an indicative number of 26 units in total. There are a further 7 proposed schemes as presented at Area Committee Meetings which are currently under review with proposed plans being developed for Part 8 publication from Q2 2018 to Q2 2019. There will be approximately 280 units over these 9 schemes being brought through the Part 8 planning process up to May 2019.

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| Electoral Area | Site Location | Indicative No’s | Status |
| Rathfarnham/Templeogue/Terenure | Homeville | 16 | At Part 8 Consultation Stage |
| Tallaght | St. Catherine’s Knockmore | 10 | Part 8 Consultation to commence 31st May 2018 |
|  |  | 26 |  |

The other proposed projects are as follows:

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| Homeville | |  |
| St. Catherine’s | |  |
| Riversdale | |  |
| Stocking Lane | |  |
| Eircom Site (Nangor Road) | |  |
| Knocklyon Ballycullen | |  |
| Hazelgrove Killinarden | |  |
| Oldcastle | |  |
| St. Marks Avenue, Clondalkin | |  |
| Balgaddy F, Lucan | |  |
| Lucan Road, Palmerstown | |  |
| Collinstown Grove, Clondalkin (2 Sites) | |  |
| Rathcoole Lands | |  |
| There is also the Senior Citizens Projects (3) with Cluid Housing | |  |
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There are currently 9 schemes under construction with a further 1 scheme due to commence in June 2018. These 10 schemes will deliver 351 housing units from June 2018 to June 2019. The breakdown of the schemes across the county are listed below:

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| Electoral District | Schemes | No. of Units | Status |
| Clondalkin | St Marks Green, Clondalkin | 11 | On Site April 2017 |
| Tallaght | McUilliam (Fortunestown) | 28 | On Site May 2017 |
| Clondalkin | Mayfield Estate | 17 | On Site February 2017 |
| Tallaght | Dromcarra, Tallaght | 14 | On Site May 2017 |
| Tallaght | St. Aidans, Tallaght = Social + TAP | 90 | On Site August 2017. Partial Handover June 2018 of 47 units. |
| Rathfarnham/Templeogue/Terenure | Killininny, Co Dublin | 24 | On Site Jan 2018 |
| Clondalkin | St. Cuthbert’s, Clondalkin | 63 | Due to commence June 2018 |
| Clondalkin | Letts Field, Neilstown, Clondalkin | 37 | On Site |
| Rathfarnham/Templeogue/Terenure | Ballyboden, Rathfarnham | 40 | On Site Nov 2017 |
| Tallaght | Killinarden, Tallaght | 27 | On Site October 2017 |
|  |  | 351 |  |

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**H7/0618 DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE MADE PUBLIC**

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

**H8a)/0618 PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF PROPERTIES/SITES - PROPOSED** **DISPOSAL OF LANDS AT BELGARD SQUARE WEST ROAD, TALLAGHT, TO JAMES CUMMINS & MICHAEL HAYDEN GOGARTY & O CONNEL**L

The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. S. Deegan, Senior Executive Officer of Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development was **CONSIDERED:**

“In May 1999 High Court proceedings were initiated by Primo Oil Company Limited (James Cummins and Michael Hayden being the Leaseholders of the service station) against South Dublin County Council to halt work on the Cookstown-Old Bawn distributor Roads Stage II. In an effort to avoid delay in the completion of the road scheme negotiations commenced between the parties.

Agreement was reached between the parties for withdrawal of the High Court proceedings in exchange for lands that would be surplus to Road requirements following completion of the scheme.

Managers Order LA/205/2000 dated 29th September 2000 recommended the disposal of lands subject to certain terms and conditions to James Cummins and Michael Hayden by way of (1) A 99 year lease for a plot of land comprising of 1,042 sq. metres and (2) A licence for a term of 4 years and nine months for a plot of land comprising of 502 sq. metres (the Luas Reservation). The disposal of the lands was noted at the meeting of the Council held on the 9th October, 2000, and 13th November, 2000 Minute Nos. C/401/00 and C/446/00 refer.

James Cummins and Michael Hayden initiated High Court Proceedings against the Council seeking specific performance of the agreement between the Council and themselves. In the judgement delivered on 27th November 2007 Mr Justice Laffoy found against the Council.

On review of the judgement delivered the Law Agent has found that the Licence of the 502 sq. metres known as the Luas Reservation and the disposal of this site being no longer required for development of the Luas Route should be disposed of to Mr Cummins and Mr Hayden to comply with specific performance of agreement that was found to exist between the parties in the Court judgement delivered.

Accordingly, and in order to comply with the High Court Judgement delivered, I now recommend that the Council dispose of lands at Belgard Square West Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 to Michael Cummins and James Hayden in accordance with Section 211 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to include the following terms and conditions:-

1. That the applicant will be granted a lease, for the area coloured pink on drawing LR/16/12, for a term of 99 years, subject to a consideration of €50,000 (fifty thousand euro), and a nominal rent of €100 (one hundred euro per annum).
2. That the lease shall incorporate five yearly rent reviews from the commencement date and the rent shall be reviewed on the basis of the CPI.
3. That the site shall be cleared and levelled and surfaced by the lessee and integrated with the adjoining property held by the lessee, subject to the necessary planning permission (if required) and maintained in a neat and tidy condition or otherwise used in accordance with the terms and conditions of any planning permission received.
4. That the lessee shall be liable for all charges, rates, taxes, repairs and insurances arising in respect of the site.
5. That the lessee shall not assign, sublet or part with possession of the property or any part thereof without the prior consent of the Council, which shall not be reasonably withheld.
6. That the lessee shall indemnify the Council against all claims as a result of their use of the demised area and shall arrange for insurance cover as follows: Public Liability Insurance (minimum €6.5million) and Employers Liability insurance (minimum of €13 million).
7. That the lessee shall be responsible for repairing and maintaining the property including all boundaries in good and substantial repair.
8. That the Lessee will not allow any encroachment to be made or easement to be acquired over the demised premises.
9. The lessee shall also be liable for any VAT arising in this transaction whether on the granting of the lease or on the lease rent.
10. That this proposal is subject to any required wayleaves across the site. The Council shall be entitled to enhance, replace or duplicate any of its pipelines across the site (if such exist) for no consideration but subject to suitable reinstatement of any area affected.
11. That each party be responsible for their own costs.
12. That each party shall use their best endeavours to complete the transaction within 6 months of adoption of the disposal resolution.
13. That the Law Agent shall draft the necessary legal agreements and shall include any further terms deemed appropriate in Agreements of this nature.
14. That no contract enforceable at Law is created or intended to be created until such time as contracts have been exchanged.
15. That the disposal is subject to the necessary approvals and consents being obtained.

The lands being disposed of form part of the lands acquired in 1967 from Walkinstown Estates Limited for housing purposes.

D. McLoughlin

Chief Executive”

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty, seconded by G O Connell and **RESOLVED:**

“That the proposed disposal of a plot of lands at Belgard Square West Road, Tallaght, to James Cummins & Michael Hayden be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**H8b)/0618** **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF PROPERTIES/SITES -** **ADDENDUM TO VARIATION IN PROPOSAL TO DISPOSE OF PLOT OF LAND AT BROOKFIELD RD, TALLAGHT TO ELIM MINISTRIES IRELAND**

.The following report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. S. Deegan, Senior Executive Officer of Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development was **CONSIDERED:**

**Report to meeting 14th May**

**Proposed disposal of plot of land at Brookfield Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 to Elim Trust Corporation**

An application has been received from representatives of the Elim Trust Corporation to acquire a site from the Council at Brookfield Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 to build a community church centre for the growing international community around Brookfield. The Corporation has advised that it currently rents a number of units at the adjacent Brookfield Enterprise Centre from which it operates a number of services including the the Oasis Counselling Service which provides counselling for adults and children, a Youth Leader and children’s worker to work with young people and children and more recently the Manna Charity Shop.

The matter was referred to the Council’s Valuer for examination and he has recommended the following terms which he considers to be fair and reasonable and which have been accepted by the Applicant.

Accordingly, I now recommend that the Council dispose of the plot of land measuring 0.076 Hectares or thereabouts at Brookfield Road, Tallaght, as shown outlined in red on the attached Drawing No. LA/47/14 together with a right of way over the areas shown coloured in yellow on the Drawing, to the Elim Trust Corporation in accordance with Section 211 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following terms and conditions as recommended by the Council’s Valuer:-

1. That the site to be disposed of is as shown outlined in red on the attached Drawing No. LA/47/14, having an area of 0.076 Hectares or thereabouts together with a right of way over the areas as shown coloured yellow on the drawing, which is a common area comprising of access road and communal car parking to be shared with the Brookfield Enterprise Centre and Rossfield Health Centre.
2. That the Purchaser shall satisfy itself as to the boundaries and extent of the relevant site.
3. That the development project on the site is anticipated to be a Church/Community Centre. If the Purchaser wishes to alter the use of the buildings in the future, it must first seek the permission of the Council in writing.
4. That the Capital Premium payable to South Dublin County Council shall be in the sum of €45,000 (forty five thousand euro) payable as follows:
   1. €10,000 (ten thousand euro) payable on the date of signing of the agreement to lease, which shall take place no later than 3 months from the date of approval of the Council of the transaction.
   2. €30,000 (thirty thousand euro) on the date of final grant of planning permission for the development.
   3. €5,000 (five thousand euro) on the date of transfer of leasehold title which shall take place when the development is certified as being fully completed.

Interest at the rate of 12% per annum shall apply to any outstanding amounts which have not been paid as they have fallen due.

* 1. That the site shall be disposed of by way of a Leasehold Building Agreement i.e. an Agreement to Lease, incorporating building licence provisions, followed by the grant of a 999 year lease at a rent of €100 (one hundred euro) per annum, with five yearly rent reviews linked to changes in the Consumer Price Index in the intervening periods, when the approved development is fully completed. No transfer of the lease shall be permitted unless the Applicant receives the Council’s prior consent in writing.
  2. That the Council will retain ownership and control of the common areas (access road, car parking and incidental green areas) and will be responsible for the maintenance of these areas. The Lessee shall pay an annual service charge in respect of the expenses/costs incurred by the Council in maintaining the common areas on a pro rata basis with other properties in the Estate, which will be determined by the gross floor area of the premises on the site.
  3. That the Applicant shall apply for full planning permission for the entire development on the site no later than 6 months from the date of the approval of the Council of this transaction. If this does not occur the Council, at its absolute discretion, may decide not to pursue this agreement.
  4. That the Applicant will be required to commence the development within 6 months from the date of final grant of planning permission. The entire development on the site must be completed within 18 months.
  5. That if planning permission for a development on the site is either refused (by the Council or An Bord Pleanala), or granted subject to onerous conditions, then either party can decide to abandon the transaction without penalty or compensation due to the other party. The Council also reserves the right to terminate the agreement if the Applicant chooses to appeal a Planning Authority decision.
  6. That the Council reserves the right, exercised reasonably and on the issue by the Council of a letter of notice at least 2 weeks prior to the event, to re-enter on the site, or any part of same and resume possession thereof including any buildings or structures thereon, should the development or phases thereof not be completed within the period specified above or, in the unlikely event of the bankruptcy of the Applicant, save in the case of a Financial Institution which has entered into a mortgage with the Applicant for the purposes of financing the development of the site.
  7. That the Applicant shall undertake not to use the site for any development purposes other than that of carrying out the development for which planning permission is obtained.
  8. That as part of this agreement the Applicant shall, at the dates they fall due under the relevant planning permission for the purpose of commencing construction of the Development, pay any Council financial contribution including any special contributions (if any) applicable to the development, required as a condition of the grant of planning permission for the site.
  9. That all site investigations (including archaeological investigations), groundworks, services connections, planning fees, development and associated professional costs incurred in the delivery of the completed development on the site shall be paid by the Applicant.
  10. That the Council shall retain wayleaves to any existing services traversing or adjacent to the site and in particular over the area shown hatched in black on Drawing No.LA/47/14.
  11. That during the building period and pending the grant of lease(s), the Applicant will insure the buildings against fire and all other insurable risks with an approved insurance company and pay all necessary premiums.

That the insurance shall be in the joint names of the Applicant and the Council and will be for such an amount as will provide cover for full reinstatement value of so much of the buildings as are erected at any time together with a sum for professional fees and removal of debris charges.

* 1. That the Applicant shall indemnify the Council in the sum of 6.4m (six million, four hundred thousand euro) or such other sum as may be stipulated by the Council from time to time against third party claims or demands arising out of the Applicant’s use and occupation of the site and the common areas.
  2. That the Applicant shall satisfy the Council that sufficient funds are available for the payment of the capital premium and the undertaking and completion of the proposed development on the site. This information is required no later than 30th September 2014.
  3. That subject to the relevant legislation and statutory regulations, the Applicant shall pay any VAT, stamp duty or other taxes arising at any stage in this transaction, including (if applicable) on the creation of an Agreement to Lease or grant of a lease.
  4. That each party shall be responsible for their own fees in this case.

1. That the Law Agent shall draft the agreements, contracts and leases and may include further terms and conditions as he deems appropriate, including arbitration clauses, in order to protect the Council’s interest in this case.
2. That no agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until exchange of contracts has taken place.
3. That the disposal is subject to the necessary approvals and consents being obtained.

The lands being disposed of form part of the lands acquired from Dublin City Council (formerly Dublin Corporation) in 1997 under the Scheme of Transfer of Lands pursuant to the Local Government (Dublin) Act, 1993.

D. McLoughlin

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Chief Executive”

“It was agreed by the members to defer the report in relation to a variation in proposal to dispose of lands at Brookfield Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 presented to the Council at its meeting of 14th May 2018 to the June County Council Meeting.

The Council at its meeting held on 22 September 2014, approved of the disposal of a plot of land at Brookfield Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 to Elim Trust Corporation.

The Council has now been advised that the disposal should be in the name of Elim Ministries Ireland, for which a Certificate of Incorporation has been provided.

Elim Ministries Ireland have acted in good faith in accordance with the approved S183 disposal resolution. They applied and were granted with no appeal Planning permission pursuant to register reference SD16A/0004 for a two storey church building for Tallaght Family Church (843.12sq.m.). The accommodation includes: (a) auditorium for 119 people with gallery for 50 people; (b) charity shop; (c) cafe and kitchen; (d) counselling rooms; (e) YMCA offices; (f) youth, children and baby rooms; (g) toilets, lift, plant rooms and sundry supporting facilities; (h) car parking for 5 spaces, including one disabled space, to supplement existing enterprise centre car parking for 55 cars.

The name change amendment is the only change the original resolution for disposal of the subject site as approved by the elected members at meeting 22/9/14. Minute ref H7h)/0914 refers. The project to develop a community church on the site continues to be supported by both Community and Housing Departments.

The approval of the elected members for a name change to the original disposal resolution is in compliance with section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001.

The registered charity has an expectation that effect will be given to the original motion and have secured planning permission on foot of that expectation. For whatever reason they wish to take the property title in the form of a valid legal persona duly registered and which is noted in the Charites Register as an “other registered name”. Any unreasonable refusal to approve the alteration could be subject to legal challenge e.g. by way of judicial review.

Accordingly it is proposed, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 and in accordance with Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act 2000, to vary the name of the prospective purchaser of the lands at Brookfield Road, Tallaght to Elim Ministries Ireland.

**The terms of the disposal as reported to the members otherwise to remain unchanged.**

**Daniel McLoughlin**

**Chief Executive”**

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors L Dunne, B. Leech, E. O Brien, B Ferron, D. Richardson, M. Genockey, M. Murphy, D. Richardson and D. Looney

The Chief Executive Mr D. McLoughlin responded to the members queries

A show of hands vote was taken on the disposal B and the result was as follows:

**FOR 17 (SEVENTEEN)**

**Against 2 (TWO)**

**Abstained 9 (NINE)**

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty, seconded by D. Looney and **RESOLVED:**

“That the proposed disposal of a plot of lands at Brookfield Rd, Tallaght to Elim Ministries Ireland be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**H9/0618 MANAGERS REPORT**

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

**“Billing and Collection Statement**





**Use of overdraft facility**

Department approved overdraft facility = €25,000,000

No of days in Overdraft from 1st January to 25th May 2018 = 0”

[Strategy Report](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/af4dfe62-07f3-46b0-84ed-24557fd52f78.pdf)

[Statistics Report](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/9c30f2d0-33f0-496e-bd5a-9cbb54bbce85.pdf)

Councillor M. Johansson asked a question in relation to one of the statistics contained in the report.

Mr. D. Mc Loughlin responded to the councillor’s query.

The Report was **NOTED.**

**H10a/0618 APPLICATION FOR GRANTS**

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

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

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| **Ref** | **Name of Group** | **Type of Grant** | **Amount** |
| GF2965 | Knockmitten Youth & Community Association | Environmental Improvements Grant | €500 |
| GF2944 | 3K1C Newcastle Scout Group | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2943 | 3K1C Newcastle Scout Group | Minor Equipment Grant | €1,500 |
| GF2896 | Muintir Chronain Teo | Major Equipment Grant | €4,934 |
| GF2969 | Friends of Camac | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2860 | Retired Active Men’s RAMS | Runnings Costs Grant for Community Groups | €300 |
| GF2936 | Westbourne Community Group | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2935 | Westbourne Community Group | Minor Equipment Grant | €700 |
| GF2902 | Church lane Residents Association | Environmental Improvements Grant | €500 |

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| GF2945 | Darglewood Residents Association | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2948 | Darglewood Residents Association | Community Activity | €500 |
| GF2903 | Dominic’s Men’s Shed | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2890 | Dominic’s Ladies Crochet Group | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2997 | Fonthill Residents Association | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €200 |
| GF3006 | Orlagh Grove Residents Association | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €400 |
| GF2886 | Rathfarnham Wood Residents Association | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2907 | Web Project | Minor Equipment Grant | €2,000 |
| GF2899 | Whitechurch Residents Association | Environmental Improvements Grant | €500 |
| GF2916 | Whitechurch Community & Youth Centre | Major Equipment Grant | €5,000 |
| GF2951 | Willbrook Lawn Residents Association | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €300 |
| GF2954 | 14th Ballyroan Scout Group | Major Equipment Grant | €4,635 |
| GF2924 | 158th Castleview Scouts Group | Minor Equipment Grant | €2,000 |
| GF2977 | Castlefield Residents Association | Community Activity Grant | €500 |
| GF2901 | Cherryfield Residents Association | Community Activity Grant | €500 |
| GF2941 | Ferncourt Residents Association | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €400 |
| GF2866 | Firhouse Singers | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2878 | Kingswood Active Age Mens Groups | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2889 | Kingswood Heights Residents Association | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2910 | Sensory Fund with Friends | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2975 | Social Circle | Social Inclusion, Equality & Anti-Poverty Grant | €500 |
| GF3010 | Tallaght Centre for the Unemployed | Major Equipment Grant | €5,000 |
| GF2998 | Tallaght Men’s Shed | Minor Equipment Grant | €500 |
| GF2999 | Tallaght Men’s Shed | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2914 | Work Residents Association | Community Activity Grant | €500 |
| GF2863 | Fettercairn Community Centre | Environmental Improvements Grant | €500 |
| GF2864 | Fettercairn Community Centre | Social Inclusion, Equality & Ant-Poverty Grant | €700 |
| GF2879 | Brookfield Women’s Group | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2962 | Russell Square Residents Association | Community Activity Grant | €500 |
| GF2988 | Four Districts Day Care Company | Minor Equipment Grant | €1,100 |
| GF2992 | Brookfield Fettercairn Men Shed | Runnings Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2994 | Killinarden Community Council Safety Forum | Environmental Improvements Grant | €500 |
| GF2926 | Templeogue Community Men’s Shed | Start Up Costs for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2917 | Lucan Concert Band | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2966 | Knockmitten Youth & Community Association | Major Equipment Grant | €5,000 |
| GF2971 | Mojo St. Thomas | Running Costs Grant for Community Groups | €500 |
| GF2963 | Dominic’s Community Centre | Minor Equipment Grant | €1,500 |
| GF2912 | Firhouse Notre Dame Ladies Basketball Club | Sports Activity Grant | €5,000 |
| GF2877 | South Dublin Ramblers | Sports Activity Grant | €1,700 |
| GF2905 | Fusion Twirlers | Sports Activity Grant | €1,500 |
| GF2915 | Patrick Kelly | Sports Activity Grant | €500 |
| GF2921 | Wanderers GAA | Sports Activity Grant | €5,000 |
| GF2928 | Greenhills Boys FC | Sports Activity Grant | €1,000 |
| GF2947 | St. Marys GFC | Sports Activity Grant | €4,500 |
| GF2995 | Rathcoole Athletic Club | Sports Activity Grant | €2,300 |
| GF3003 | Adamstown Cricket Club | Sports Activity Grant | €4,925 |
| GF3005 | Knockmitten United Football Club | Sports Activity Grant | €2,000 |
| GF2875 | Robert Emmets GAA Club | Sports Activity Grant | €4,450 |
| GF2933 | Firhouse Men’s Shed | Sports Activity Grant | €2,950 |
| GF2919 | Kilnamanagh AFC | Sports Activity Grant | €5,000 |
| GF2869 | Esker Amateur Boxing Club | Sports Activity Grant | €5,000” |

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty, seconded by T. Gilligan and **RESOLVED:**

“That the proposed Application for Grants be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**H10b)/0618 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

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

“Applications granted funding under South Dublin County Council’s Community Infrastructure Fund 2018. Payment of this funding, in accordance with the conditions of the Scheme and in the amounts set out hereunder, is recommended for approval:-

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| **Ref** | **Name of Group** | | **Amount** | |
| CIF 0001 | | Jobstown Community Centre | | €7,000.00 |
| CIF0002 | | St Kevin’s Killians GAA Club | | €8,740.40 |
| CIF0004 | | 180th Dublin Lucan South Scout Group | | €30,000.00 |
| CIF0005 | | St. Finians GAA Club Newcastle | | €30,000.00 |
| CIF0006 | | Greenhills Boys FC | | €25,000.00 |
| CIF0008 | | Firhouse Community & Leisure Club Ltd | | €7,000.00 |
| CIF0010 | | Collinstown FC | | €30,000.00 |
| CIF0018 | | Lucan Harriers and Athletic Club | | €30,000.00 |
| CIF0019 | | Jobstown Boxing Club | | €8,500.00 |
| CIF0021 | | Fettercairn Youth & Community Centre | | €6,000.00 |
| CIF0024 | | Glenanne Sports Club | | €20,000.00 |
| CIF0034 | | Kilnamanagh Family Recreation Centre CLG | | €7,000.00 |
| CIF0036 | | St Mark's Youth & Family Centre | | €20,000.00 |
| CIF0040 | | Robert Emmets CLG | | €5,000.00 |
| CIF0042 | | Clondalkin’s Men Shed | | €15,500.00” |

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors C. O Connor, D. O Donovan, D.O Brien, E. Higgins, L. O Toole, D. Looney, P. Gogarty and T. Gilligan

Mr B. Coman, Director of Housing, Social & Community Development responded to the councillors.

The Report was **NOTED**.

**H11/0618 SUMMER PROJECTS**

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

“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 2018, 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 |

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| Killinarden Community Council Summer Project | Summer Project | €2,000 |
| Kilnamanagh Summer Festival | Summer Project | €1,500 |
| Fettercairn Summer Project | Summer Project | €1,500 |
| Fettercairn Community & Youth Centre | Summer Project | €1,000 |
| Whitechurch Ballyboden Summer Project | Summer Project | €1,000 |
| The Park Community Centre | Summer Project | €1,000 |
| Jobstown Summer Project- Kick & Glee 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 | €500 |
| Jobstown SCP | Summer Project | €500 |
| Killinarden Family Resource Centre | Summer Project | €500 |
| Palmerstown Community & Youth Centre- Palmerstown Creative Summer Project | Summer Project | €500 |
| **TOTAL:** | | **€27,500”** |

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty, seconded by Councillor C. O Connor and **RESOLVED:**

“That the proposed Summer Projects be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED.”**

**H12/0618 DATA PROTECTION BILL 2018 AS PASSED BY DÁIL ÉIREANN AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**“The Data Protection Act 2018** [**Data Protection Act 2018 – No. 7 of 2018 – Houses of the Oireachtas**](https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/bills/bill/2018/10/) **establishes the Data Protection Commission and inter alia gives further effect to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and Council of 27th April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.**

Section 40 of the Data Protection Act 2018 sets out the legal requirements in relation to processing of personal data and special categories of personal data by elected representatives as follows,

‘S. 40 (1) For the purpose of enabling an elected representative to perform his or her functions as such a representative, the processing of personal data and special categories of personal data of a data subject by or on behalf of that representative shall be lawful where he or she receives a request or representation from the data subject or where, in accordance with *subsection (2)*, he or she receives a request or representation from another person on behalf of the data subject.

(2)A person may make a request or representation on behalf of a data subject where the data subject-

(a) has given his or her consent to the making of the request or representation, as the case may be, or

(b) is, by reason of his or her physical or mental incapacity or age, unable to make a request or representation on his or her own behalf.

(3) In processing special categories of personal data under *subsection (1),* an elected representative shall impose limitations on access to that data to prevent unauthorised consultation, alteration, disclosure or erasure of that data.

(4) For the purpose referred to in *subsection(1)* and to the extent that disclosure is necessary and proportionate to enable an elected representative to deal with a request or representation referred to in that subsection, subject to suitable and specific measures being taken to safeguard the fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject, it shall be lawful for a person to disclose to the representative or a person acting on his or her behalf personal data and special categories of personal data of a data subject who makes the request or representation, or on whose behalf the request or representation is made, as the case may be, to enable that representative respond to that request or representation

(5) In this section, “elected representative” means-

(a) a member of either House of the Oireachtas,

(b) a member of the European Parliament

(c) a member of a local authority.’

Elected representatives making representations on behalf of a constituent should be fully satisfied that the full consent of the constituent has been given to the elected representative to make the representation and to obtain and process data, which may include personal data, on behalf of the constituent which relates specifically to the subject matter of the representation.

 In situations where a request or representation is made to an elected representative on behalf of a data subject (for example another family member) the elected representative should be fully satisfied that the data subject has given his or full consent to the making of the request or representation, as the case may be, on his or her behalf or is, by reason of his or her physical or mental incapacity or age, unable to make a request or representation on his or her own behalf.

`  Elected representatives should put in place appropriate measures to ensure that personal data being processed by them is held securely at all times.

 The Data Protection Commission has indicated that Guidelines will issue later in 2018 in relation to the application of the Act insofar as it relates to representations by elected representatives and these Guidelines will be circulated to the Members once received.

 The Members attention is also drawn to sections 39, 48, 58 and 59 of the Act which relate to processing of personal data in connection with electoral activities. With the measures that will be in the Act now confirmed, training will be arranged for all Councillors in SDCC.

A circular has issued from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government dated June 1 2018 and is attached under this item for the information of all elected members.”|

[Circular](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/b5557dc4-51c2-4509-88cb-94d36b50b6db.pdf)

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors T. Gilligan, F. Duffy G. O Connell, and C. O Connor.

The Report was **NOTED**.

**H13/0618 ANNUAL REPORT 2017**

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

“Section 221 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended, sets out the requirements in relation to the preparation of the Annual Report, including

 (*a*) Not later than the 30th day of June in each year, every county council and city council shall each prepare and adopt a report (to be known as the annual report) in relation to the performance of its functions during the preceding year and shall as soon as may be furnish a copy of the annual report to each member of the county council or city council, as the case may be, and to such other persons as it may consider appropriate.

(*b*) A draft of the annual report shall be submitted to the members of the county council or city council concerned not later than the 30th day of April in each year.

Following the approval of the Draft Annual Report at the April Council meeting, the 2017 Annual Report is now submitted to Council.”

[**Annual Report 2017**](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/ffed4172-9d18-43d8-b171-e2b10d499837.pdf)

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **RESOLVED:**

“That the Annual Report be **ADOPTED and APPROVED.**”

**H14/0618** **300K HAVE YOUR SAY**

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

“Following the selection of the Clondalkin Electoral Area as the focus of the 2018 €300k Have Your Say initiative by lucky draw by the Participatory Budgeting Steering Group, the launch event was held in The Round Tower – Clondalkin on March 8, 2018. Over fifty people attended the launch event with feedback from the public during and following the event being very positive.

Following the launch event, the updated €300k Have Your Say website was published and submissions were opened. Paid Facebook advertising began targeting residents in the Clondalkin Electoral Area with messaging around workshops and submissions. The Council delivered over 18,000 leaflets to households and local businesses in the area advertising the initiative and workshops whilst also posting information to local schools and churches and emailing community groups. Advertising was placed in the local media whilst posters and flyers were made available to the public through the Clondalkin library, the Council's mobile libraries and Civic Office. The PPN and the Council's Disability Liaison and Access Officer were also engaged in promoting this stage of the initiative through their networks. Over 150 community groups, schools, places of worship, sports clubs and groups representing minorities, were also directly contacted around the process by the Council's Communications Unit.

Four idea generation workshops were then held with the public throughout March in Rathcoole, Newcastle, Clondalkin and North Clondalkin. For this, the Council brought in the services of an external facilitator, Rita Burtenshaw, who led the workshops with assistance for the Council's Community team. The workshops were attended by approximately 120 people.

The deadline for submissions for €300k Have Your Say - Clondalkin passed on April 9th with the Council receiving 230 entries, an increase of 70 on the 2017 version of Have Your Say. A series of meetings were then carried out, first between Senior Management and then with the Steering Group, in which they considered all of the submissions by members of the public. These were assessed and then presented as a recommended shortlist for approval at the full Council meeting on Monday, May 14th. The shortlist, in alphabetical order, was:

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| Title |
| A Community Orchard, Clondalkin Electoral Area |
| Acoustic Piano for the Rathcoole Community Centre |
| Benches Project - Mosaic Art Project |
| Bottle banks and recycling facilities for Cherrywood |
| Christmas Lights |
| Dog park at Collinstown Park |
| Exercise Equipment for Collinstown Park |
| Gym Equipment and Activities for Rathcoole Community Centre |
| Irish Signs for Clondalkin |
| Knockmitten Park Exercise Machines |
| New Christmas Lights for Clondalkin Village |
| New pavement at 1916 Commemorative Garden / Gairdin Comortha |
| New Play Ground, Forest Hill Estate |
| On Street Bicycle Pump, Clondalkin Village |
| Outdoor Table Tennis Table |
| Pedestrian Link between the Round Tower and Corkagh Park |
| Planting Flowers across the Bawnogue Area |
| Playground for St. Mark's Estate |
| Renovate Portacabin for the Clondalkin Men Shed |
| Restoration of Old Nangor Road Water Pump |
| Safety and Inclusivity Study of Clondalkin's Public Spaces |
| Solar Powered Bench |
| Welcome to Clondalkin Hedge Signage |
| WiFi Activated Self-Guided Walk Historical Trail of Clondalkin |

Following approval of the shortlist at the May Council Meeting, voting opened through the May 21st. Communications around this stage were based around promoting the opportunity to vote and incorporated local press (Clondalkin Echo, Clondalkin News and Rathcoole & Saggart News), The Buzz community newsletter, promotion in county buildings, advertising on bus shelters and social media, including paid advertising specifically targeting the Clondalkin Electoral Area. A further meeting of the Participatory Budgeting Steering Group was set for Wednesday, May 30th, to review the results of the vote. This was followed by the results night on Wednesday, June 6th in the Round Tower, Clondalkin.

The Council are following up this year's initiative with an online feedback survey for participants and non-participants. The findings of this survey will be discussed at an Evaluation meeting by the Steering Group in September where the 2018 initiative will be reviewed and recommendations made for future runs of the initiative.”

**RESULTS**

“The results of €300k Have Your Say for the Clondalkin Electoral Area are listed below. Votes included were all those that were submitted and verified, either online or through ballot, by Monday, May 28th.

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| **Title** | **Cost(€)** | **Online** | **Ballot** | **Total** |
| Renovate Portacabin for the Clondalkin Men Shed | 7000 | 556 | 73 | 629 |
| Pedestrian Link between the Round Tower and Corkagh Park | 40000 | 566 | 30 | 596 |
| Restoration of Old Nangor Road Water Pump | 1000 | 517 | 29 | 546 |
| New Christmas Lights for Clondalkin Village | 20000 | 511 | 27 | 538 |
| A Community Orchard, Clondalkin Electoral Area | 10000 | 482 | 25 | 507 |
| Irish Signs for Clondalkin | 3200 | 474 | 17 | 491 |
| Planting Flowers across the Bawnogue Area | 5000 | 417 | 33 | 450 |
| Safety and Inclusivity Study of Clondalkin's Public Spaces | 50000 | 417 | 19 | 436 |
| On Street Bicycle Pump, Clondalkin Village | 3500 | 394 | 16 | 410 |
| Bottle banks and recycling facilities for Cherrywood | 20000 | 364 | 17 | 381 |
| Acoustic Piano for the Rathcoole Community Centre | 5000 | 346 | 35 | 381 |
| New Play Ground, Forest Hill Estate | 60000 | 350 | 30 | 380 |
| Wi-Fi Activated Self-Guided Walk Historical Trail of Clondalkin | 30000 | 357 | 19 | 376 |
| Gym Equipment and Activities for Rathcoole Community Centre | 25000 | 344 | 32 | 376 |
| Welcome to Clondalkin Hedge Signage | 20000 | 343 | 23 | 366 |
| Playground for St. Mark's Estate | 60000 | 341 | 13 | 354 |
| Christmas Lights | 20000 | 316 | 20 | 336 |
| Dog park at Collinstown Park | 20000 | 282 | 14 | 296 |
| Knockmitten Park Exercise Machines | 30000 | 264 | 12 | 276 |
| New pavement at 1916 Commemorative Garden / Gairdin Comortha | 25000 | 258 | 12 | 270 |
| Solar Powered Bench | 40000 | 254 | 16 | 270 |
| Exercise Equipment for Collinstown Park | 30000 | 245 | 12 | 257 |
| Outdoor Table Tennis Table | 20000 | 243 | 13 | 256 |
| Benches Project - Mosaic Art Project | 25000 | 143 | 6 | 149” |

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors F. Timmons, M. Ward, E. Higgins, B. Bonner, D. O Donovan, D. Looney, L. O’Toole, G. O Connell, T. Gilligan and P. Gogarty.

Ms L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Performance & Change Management responded to the members queries.

The Steering Group are to draft a report on the 2018 300K Have Your Say and submit to the O, P & F Meeting when completed.

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor D. Donovan and **RESOLVED:**

“That the 300K Have Your Say be **ADOPTED and APPROVED.**”

**H15/0618** **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BASELINE FUNDING REVIEW CONSULTATION**

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was presented by Mr R. FitzGerald, Head of Finance and was **CONSIDERED:**

[Consultation Document](http://intranet/cmas/documents/County%20Council/2018/June/June2018CountyCouncilMeeting/3fa0d635-6ea1-4d40-87aa-55f50080a400.pdf)

“The Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government has established a review group to consider the methodology used to determine local authority funding baselines to inform the distribution of available funding for general, non-infrastructure (operational) purposes, that is funding not specifically provided in respect of housing, roads or other local authority infrastructure. The review will, insofar as is possible, develop a methodology for distributing the available funding that brings greater balance and equity of funding outcomes for local authorities, in the context of the wide range of issues that local authorities face and the diverse nature of the counties across Ireland.

The review group wishes to consult the relevant stakeholders to provide them with the opportunity to submit their views in relation to the factors and indicators that could be used to determine local authority funding.

In the context of South Dublin County, the baseline funding received for 2018 was €3,856,262. This was the 3rd lowest level of funding received by the 31 local authorities, behind Galway City Council and Fingal County Council who received €2,599,723 and €3,699,275 respectively. Tipperary County Council received the highest level of funding at €25,951,602.

The 2016 census of Ireland showed the population of Ireland had reached 4,761,865 of which 278,767 resided in South County Dublin. This would provide a baseline funding per capita of €13.83 which is the second lowest in the country. The highest per capita grant was received by Leitrim County Council at €279.50 the national average funding per capita is €74.80, which is significantly higher than the level of funding received by South Dublin County. The 2016 census also showed that South Dublin had one of the highest growing population at 5.1% compared with a national growth rate of 3.8%

South Dublin County Council has seen significant increases for its services over the past number of years. Many of these services do not provide opportunities to recover the costs of providing such services e.g. the cost of providing support to the homeless has increased from €2.7m in 2016 to €3.4m in 2018. Over the past 3 years South Dublin County Council has invested heavily in improving the public realm of the capital. Expenditure in this area has increased from €14.2m to €16.8 in 2018. The Council has also seen significant investment in the public libraries in the same period and has increased its expenditure in this area by 8% to €10.8m.

  In considering future funding attention must also be given to possible reductions in existing funding sources such as the possible reduction in funding received for Irish Water Rates.

  The consultation process is open until the 3rd July 2018. Written submissions should be sent to LGFinance@housing.gov.ie

  Alternatively post to:

Local Government Finance

Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government

Government Buildings

Newtown Road

Wexford

Y35 AP90”

Chief Executive Mr D. McLoughlin also spoke on this matter and stressed the importance of the Local Government Baseline Funding Review Consultation.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors G O Connell, K. Mahon and D. Donovan.

Mr R. FitzGerald responded to the members queries.

The Report was **NOTED.**

**H16/0618** **RAISING OF FUNDING FOR PUBLICLY FUNDED HOUSING**

The following report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was presented  by Mr R. FitzGerald, Head of Finance and was **CONSIDERED:**.

“The Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government has recently provided a Capital Allocation for Publicly Funded Housing Loans in the sum of €10,000,000.

The County Council is empowered to borrow from the Housing Finance Agency for the purpose of carrying out its functions under the Housing Acts.

Approval is now being sought for authority to raise loans to a limit of €10.m from the Housing Finance Agency plc for New Rebuilding Ireland Home Loans.”

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A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors M. Ward, D. O Donovan, K. Mahon, G. O Connell, D. O Brien and B. Leech

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor F. Timmons and **RESOLVED:**

‘’That South Dublin County Council approves the borrowing of funds for the New Rebuilding Ireland Home loans to a limit of €10,000,000 from the Housing Finance Agency plc as sanctioned by the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government be **ADOPTED and APPROVED.**”

**H17/0618** **APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME FROM DUBLIN SIMON COMMUNITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 6 OF THE HOUSING (MISCELLANEOUS ACT 1992)**

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

“The Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government have given delegated sanction to all local authorities to approve the acquisition of properties under CAS 2017 by Approved Housing Bodies without the prior approval of the Department.

South Dublin County Council have used this delegated sanction per Circular Housing 30/2017 to approve the acquisition of one unit by Dublin Simon Community, subject to compliance with the terms of that Circular with particular regard to verifying housing need, providing independent valuations, working within the acquisition ceilings and establishing deliverability.

An application was received from Dublin Simon Community on the 17th of May 2018 for a Scheme. The Association is an Approved Housing Body under **Section 5 of the Housing Act, 1988.**

The property will be used to accommodate people from South Dublin County Council’s housing list.

Under [**Section 6 (8) of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992**](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/1992/en/act/pub/0018/sec0006.html) the granting of assistance under the Capital Assistance Scheme is a reserved function of the Council and is subject to the approval of the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

**Accordingly, the following motion is required:**

“That this Council recommends that the application for a grant in the sum of **€200,000** under the Capital Assistance Scheme to Dublin Simon Community for the acquisition of property at 37 Hillview, Mount Talbot, Clondalkin, Dublin 22, or any substitute property up to a similar amount, in accordance with the requirements of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous) Act, 1992 be approved”.

  A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors D. O Brien and L. Dunne.

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor D. O Brien and **RESOLVED:**

“That the Financial Assistance under Capital Assistance Scheme be **ADOPTED and APPROVED.**”

**H18/0618** **SECTION 85-REPORT ON THE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE GREENWAY ALONG THE GRAND CANAL FROM 12TH LOCK TO KILDARE BORDER**

The following reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were presented by Mr. S. Deegan, Senior Executive Officer for Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development were **CONSIDERED:**

**“**At the May CPG, Council, Lucan Area Committee and Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development SPC meetings briefings were given to the members on proposals for Greenway projects along the Grand Canal. Waterways Ireland have requested that Dublin City, South Dublin and Kildare County Councils prepare plans for the Greenway. They have also indicated that they would like to commence the scheme next year.

The Grand Canal in South Dublin traverses the Kildare County Border before reaching Aylmer Bridge. In order to deliver the scheme at the earliest possible date it is recommended that Section 85 Agreement be entered into by this Council and Kildare County Council to allow for the project to be delivered from the 12th Lock to Aylmer Bridge by South Dublin County Council.

[**Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001**](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2001/en/act/pub/0037/sec0085.html#partx-sec85) provides:-

(1) Where in the opinion of a Local Authority any function performable by it should be performed, generally or in a particular case, by another Local Authority, and that other authority is able and willing so to perform the function, then the authorities may enter into an agreement that:-

(a) The function shall be so performed on behalf of the first mentioned authority by the other authority, and

(b) It becomes so performable by that other authority in accordance with the agreement.

The making of an agreement under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 is a reserved function.

Accordingly, the following resolution is recommended for adoption by the Council:

“That South Dublin County Council hereby resolves to enter into an agreement, under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001, with Kildare County Council in respect of the proposed Greenway from the 12th Lock to Aylmer Bridge whereby South Dublin County Council will act as lead authority and will be enabled to carry out all work as may be necessary in the Administrative area of Kildare County Council to allow for the works to be undertaken.”

The Report was **NOTED** and it was proposed byCouncillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor D. O Brien that the resolution as recommendedbe **ADOPTED and APPROVED.**

**Correspondence for Noting**

**Co./0618 Ministerial**

Letter dated 30th April, 2018 from the Minister of Finance and Public Expenditure Reform regarding Primary Medical Certificate.

**Co.2/0618** Letter dated the 25th April, 2018, from Kerry County Council regarding Veritas Relief Pain Patches.

**Motions for Discussion**

**M1/0618 COMPLETEING ESTATES**

It was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor G. O’Connell**:**

“That this Council writes to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government seeking stiffer penalties for developers not completing estates properly within agreed timeframes, as well as a more streamlined redress system for subcontractors who fail to get paid on time or at all, given that many of these small operators are dependent on such agreed payments and may not always be in a position to seek redress through the courts; and if the Chief Executive can make a statement on what powers the Council currently has in relation to dealing with such rogue developers.”

**REPORT**

Should the motion be passed, a letter will issue.

At present there are no penalties under Building Control or Roads legislation that apply to the completion of developments within a given time frame. Local Authorities have no powers in respect of payments to sub-contractors working in their functional area.

However, where all the houses in an estate are occupied and a developer has left site without completing it, all LA’s have the option of (1) serving enforcement action under various conditions of the Planning Permission and (2) making a claim against the Bond.

In order to carry out completion works Local Authorities must gain legal access to site and the only way to do this is to get an Enforcement Order from the courts. In cases where a developer has gone into Receivership / Liquidation, the action would be served on the bank appointed body.

  The Motion was **AGREED**.

**M2/0618 INTERCULTURAL CENTRES**

It was proposed by Councillor P. Gogarty and seconded by Councillor D O’Donovan:

That this Council writes to the Minister for Justice and Equality and the Minister of State at the Department of Justice and Equality with special responsibility for Equality, Immigration and Integration to outline our serious concerns at the proposed withdrawal of funding for the Intercultural Centres within the County and, recognising the important and valuable service these centres provide, calls for funding to be reinstated so as to allow the centres to continue in their current forms.

**REPORT:**

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

  Councillor P. Gogarty proposed and Councillor S. Holland seconded the **amendment** to the Motion as follows:

Amendment: That this Council writes to the Minister for Justice and Equality and the Minister of State at the Department of Justice and Equality with special responsibility for Equality, Immigration and Integration to outline our serious concerns at the **earlier** proposed withdrawal of funding for the Intercultural Centres within the County and, recognising the important and valuable service these centres provide, **welcomes the positive indications that funding is likely to be** reinstated so as to allow the centres to continue in their current forms.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors B. Ferron, C. O Connor, S. Holland, M. Ward, K. Mahon and D. O’Donovan.

Mr B. Coman, Director of Housing, Social & Community Development responded to the members on this matter.

The Amendment was **AGREED.**

The Amended motion was **AGREED**.

**M3/0618 HIGHER EDUCATION**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Johansson and seconded by Councillor F Timmons:

“That the Elected Members of this Council expresses its support for the students of Trinity College Dublin who have protested against a new €450 fee for re-sitting exams, and agrees to write to the Provost Patrick Prendergast informing him of the same. This Council notes that registration fees in Higher Education has been increasing dramatically during the recession creating barriers to access to education for low income families.”

**REPORT:**

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

Councillor M. Johansson spoke in relation to the motion.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors G. O Connell, B Ferron, L. O Toole, P. Gogarty and K. Mahon.

The Motion was **AGREED.**

**M4/0618 SPORTS CAPITAL**

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

“This County Council calls on the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport to immediately suspend the Sports Capital Grants scheme pending a full review of the scheme and introduction of the National Sports Policy”

**REPORT:**

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

Councillor E. O Brien spoke regarding his motion.

Councillor E Higgins proposed and Councillor P Gogarty seconded the **amendment** to the Motion as follows:

This County Council calls on the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport to immediately **review** the Sports Capital Grants scheme **in the context of the** introduction of the National Sports Policy.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors S Holland, M Ward, K Mahon, P Kearns, P Gogarty and B Ferron.

The amendment to the motion which was proposed by Councillor E Higgins and seconded by Councillor P Gogarty was **WITHDRAWN** at the request of Councillor E Higgins, with the agreement of the Members, in accordance with Standing Order No. 20.

Councillor P Foley then proposed and Councillor F Timmons seconded a subsequent amendment to the Motion as follows:

This County Council calls on the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport **to suspend** the Sports Capital Grants **scheme following the completion of the current round of grants including appeals** **which are currently in being** **and initiate** a full review of the scheme **ahead of the start of the next round of grants and take steps to put in place** the National Sports Policy.

The Amendment was **AGREED.**

The Amended motion was **AGREED**.

**M5/0618 WASTE MANAGEMENT**

**It was proposed by Councillor R. Nolan and seconded by Councillor M. Ward.**

“Following the Motion passed unanimously by Fingal County Council, to return waste management back to the Local Authority, this Council agrees to do the same and lobby the Minister Denis Naughten on this issue.”

**REPORT:**

If the above motion is passed the sentiments of the members will be conveyed to the Minister.

Councillor R. Nolan spoke in relation to her motion.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors M. Ward, M. Johansson M. Murphy, P. Foley, R. McMahon and P. Gogarty.

Ms T. Walsh, Director of Environment, Water and Climate Change responded to the members queries.

The Motion was **AGREED.**

**M6/0618 RECYCLING**

It was proposed by Councillor L. O Toole and seconded by Councillor G O’Connell:

“'That this committee requests the Chief Executive to write to REPAK inviting them to make a presentation to the members regarding the current recycling process in Ireland including measures to improve recycling and the impact these measures may have on consumers.

To also request details on any planned future initiatives or campaigns by REPAK or any of its business members to reduce waste.”

**REPORT:**

Repak is approved under licence by the Minister for Communications, Climate Action & Environment (DCCAE), to operate as a compliance scheme for packaging recovery.   This approval sets out the terms and conditions under which Repak is approved as a packaging waste recovery and recycling scheme in accordance with their application to DCCAE.

Major producers who are obligated under the European Union (Packaging) Regulations can comply either by joining an approved packaging compliance scheme (Repak) or registering as a self-complier. Self-compliance comes within the remit of city and county councils.

While Repak is responsible for recycling target achievement and operate a programme of national and sectoral educational and awareness raising activities, it does not have direct responsibility for enforcement of the Packaging Regulations. This lies with other statutory bodies including local authorities, the Office of Environmental Enforcement (EPA) and the DCCAE.

There are three Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authorities (WERLAs) for the Southern, Eastern and Midlands, and Connacht/Ulster Regions, and the Eastern Midlands Waste Regional Office (EMWRO), is responsible for the implementation of the region’s Waste Management Plan. This plan is underpinned by National and European waste legislation and its work ensures the continued management of waste, including recycling, in a safe and sustainable manner.

A report on the progress of objectives and actions of the Eastern Midlands Regional Waste Management Plan 2015 - 2021 was presented at the May 2018 SPC and this report included details on the objectives and actions relating to recycling.  A report from that meeting has been submitted to this Council Meeting and circulated to full Council.  It was reported at the May SPC meeting that a delay has occurred in relation to the release of the waste management plan annual report from the EM Regional Waste Office, resulting from issues that have arisen in the verification of national waste data by both the EPA and NWCPO.  It is hoped that this problem will be overcome soon and that the waste management plan annual report will be available and can be presented to the September meeting of the SPC.  It is also intended that Repak will be invited to the September SPC meeting to make a presentation on their current and future programmes and initiative and an invitation will issue to them soon in this regard.

Councillor L. O’Toole proposed and Councillor P. Donovan seconded the **amendment** to the Motion as follows:

Amendment: 'That this committee requests the Chief Executive to write to **Department of the Environment Community and Local Government** inviting them to send a representative to make a presentation to the members regarding the current recycling process in Ireland including measures to improve recycling and the impact these measures may have on consumers.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors L O’Toole and P Donovan

Ms T. Walsh, Director of Environment, Water and Climate Change responded to the member’s queries and suggested that in the first instance a letter of invite would issue to the Regional coordinator from the Eastern-Midlands Regional Waste Office.

The Amendment was **AGREED.**

The Amended motion was **AGREED**.

**M7/0618 BULLYING**

**It was proposed by Councillor F. Timmons and seconded by Councillor M. Ward.**

"Nicole Fox died of suicide because of bullying, in light of this and other deaths and self-harm caused by bullying That SDCC commit to writing to Simon Harris Minister for Health and Jim Daly - Minister of State at the Department of Health with special responsibility for Mental Health and Older People to introduce a new law called Cocos Law that will legislate for bullying and online social media and phone bullying and make these crimes a criminal offence. We recognise the horror and effect bullying has on individuals and call on our legislators to act immediately to have bullying treated as a criminal matter. "

**REPORT:**

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

  A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors F Timmons, G. O’ Connell, R. Nolan, D. O Donovan, B. Ferron, D. Looney, D. Richardson, L. O Toole, M. Johansson, E. Higgins and P. Gogarty.

Councillor M. Ward then proposed and Councillor D. O Brien seconded the **amendment** as follows:

Amendment: Nicole Fox died of suicide because of bullying, in light of this and other deaths and self-harm caused by bullying That SDCC commit to writing to Simon Harris Minister for Health and Jim Daly - Minister of State at the Department of Health with special responsibility for Mental Health and Older People**, Minister for Justice Charlie Flanagan and Minister for Communications Denis Naughten** to introduce a new law called Cocos Law that will legislate for bullying and online social media and phone bullying and make these crimes a criminal offence. We recognise the horror and effect bullying has on individuals and call on our legislators to act immediately to have bullying treated as a criminal matter. "

The Amendment was **AGREED.**

The Amended motion was **AGREED**

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

As Mr B Coman, Director of Housing Social and Community Development is due to retire and this would be his last full County Council Meeting the Mayor Councillor P Gogarty and the following Councillors D Richardson, Guss O’Connell, F Timmons, E Higgins, M Murphy, R Nolan, E O’Brien, P Kearns, D Looney, D O’Donovan, R Mc Mahon, C O’Connor K Mahon and B Leech thanked Mr Coman for all his hard work and dedication over the last forty one years and wished him well for the future.

Mr D McLoughlin C E also added his tribute to Mr Coman.

**Meeting finished at 7.21pm**

**MOTIONS NOT REACHED**

**(M8) BREXIT**

**Councillor C. O'Connor**

That this South Dublin County Council calls on the Chief Executive to confirm actions he proposes to deal with the threats and challenges presented by Brexit; will he outline contacts he has had in respect of the matter, will he update members and will he make a detailed statement.

**(M9) 8TH AMENDMENT**

**Councillor B. Leech, Councillor M. Murphy, Councillor K. Mahon**

This Council supports the recommendations of The Oireachtas Joint Committee on The Eighth Amendment of The Constitution, which includes access to abortion up to 12 weeks of pregnancy, and writes to the Minister to express this position.”

**(M10) HOMESHARE**

**Councillor W. Lavelle**

That this Council promotes the potential of home sharing initiatives such as THEhomeshare.ie which is a social enterprise based in this country.

**(M11) HOUSING CRISIS**

**Councillor G. O'Connell**

 Given the current Housing Crisis which is most severe in the Dublin Region, the elected members direct that the Chief Executive Officer formally write to the Minister for Housing with a proposition for a Pilot Housing Scheme(s) involving appropriate support from the Minister that would enable SDCC, alone or in collaboration with one or more Recognised Housing Agencies, to acquire residential land, in one or a number of plots, either by land swop or through purchase, so as to build 750 to 1000 Social and Affordable Housing units, as a matter of urgency, for persons on the current SDCC Housing list.

**(M12) BULLYING**

**Councillor C. King**

That this council calls on the minister for justice to change the laws around on line bullying to make it an offense to bully any person on line and call it cocos law.

The 1997 act does not go far enough   
 we are losing too many people to suicide from on line bullying.

Section 5 of the 1997 Act provides as follows:  
 “5(1) A person who, without lawful excuse, makes to another a threat, by any means intending the other to believe it will be carried out, to kill or cause serious harm to that other or a third person shall be guilty of an offence.”

Force does not actually have to be used; merely causing an apprehension of force is sufficient for assault under the law. The apprehension must be on reasonable grounds (i.e. the victim must reasonably believe that the threat is real and imminent) so if texts, e mails, tweets etc. were to contain threats of physical violence such as “I hate you. You are going to die. I will kill you” and the recipient has reason to believe the threat is real and that death or injury will occur imminently then the person issuing the threat has committed an offence.

**(M13) REFERENDUM COMMISSION**

**Councillor S. Holland**

That this council write to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, under whose remit the Referendum Commission lies, and ask him to propose legislation to empower the Referendum Commission to ensure and enforce that only factual information is presented by either side in upcoming referenda, thus cutting down on the politics of fear, uncertainty and doubt perpetuated by some, as seen in the Referendum to repeal the 8th amendment.

**(M14) SCHENGEN AGREEMENT**

**Councillor E. Murphy**

That South Dublin County Council, in the wake of Brexit, advocates for Ireland to become a full member of the Schengen Agreement.

**(M15) 12TH JULY**

**Councillor M. Ward**

This Committee condemns the annual display of hate which sees the burning of the Irish National Flag on the 11th of July in preparation for the 12th of July "celebrations" in Unionist areas. The burning of our National Flag and other effigies is not culture. It is a hate crime and this Committee agrees to ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs to speak with his British cohort and to relay our sentiments in the strongest possible way.

**(M16) DOG FOULING**

**Councillor E. Higgins, Councillor V. Casserly, Councillor K. Egan**

That this council calls on management to include in strategies going forward, new imagery for use in signage for prevention of dog fouling. Current signs are proving ineffective. Please see imagery attached from dogstrust.ie which could be used as a template around the county going forward

**(M17) HAP**

**Councillor D. Richardson**

That this council recommend that all people on council list receive Homeless Hap

Due to the nature of the housing crisis it is not possible to find a house unless you have homeless hap

And a letter to Minster asking for this to be approved

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

Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_