SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

At 5:30 p.m. on THURSDAY 19th November 2018

| PRESENT: |
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| Members |
| Cllr C. King (Chair) |
| Cllr M. Ward |
| Cllr. E. Hendrick |
| Cllr K. Mahon |
| Cllr M. Genockey |
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| Representatives: |
| Catriona McClean, PPN |
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| Apologies: |
| Clir L. Dunne |
| Gillian McWilliams |
| Betty Tyrrell-Collard, ICTU |
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| Council Officials |
| C. Ward, Director of Services |
| M. Staunton, Senior Executive Officer |
| N. Hanly, Senior Executive Officer |
| E. Leech, Senior Executive Officer |
| J. Sweeney Senior Staff Officer |

The Meeting was Chaired by Cllr. C. King.

H-1(1) – Minutes of Housing SPC Meeting on 13th September 2018.

C. McClean raised an issue with the proposed minutes of the previous meeting and it was agreed to amend the minutes with the inclusion of the word "significant" to replace "sufficient" under Headed Item 3, following which the minutes as amended of the Housing and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting of the 13th September 2018 were AGREED.

H-1(2) - Matters Arising

No Business

H-1(3) – Allocations Update

N. Hanly provided a report on the breakdown of the allocation of SDCC housing properties todate, including a specific breakdown on the housing needs of people in the over 55 age bracket on the Housing Waiting List and on the Transfer List.

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There were contributions from Cllr. King, Cllr. Hendrick, Cllr. Genockey, Cllr. Ward & Cllr. Mahon. Concerns were expressed that tenants in oversized accommodation would be left vulnerable if pressurized to downsize. Following responses from C. Ward and N. Hanly the report was NOTED.

H-1(4) – ASB Strategy

E. Leech presented an update on the draft Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy following the review by the sub-Committee of the draft document and it was AGREED that:

- Any changes suggested by An Garda Siochána or other prescribed body to be communicated to members in advance;
- The draft strategy would be brought to the December Council Meeting;
- A summary document containing the key points of the strategy to be prepared for circulation and distribution to appropriate locations throughout the County (Community Centres, Estate Management meetings, ASB clinics etc.).

H-1(5) – Traveller Accommodation Programme

E. Leech presented details on the timeline for delivery of new Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019 – 2024.

Members welcomed the timely draw-down of available funding by SDCC and positive level of engagement by staff in the TAU with travelling community and the report was NOTED.

H-1(6) – Part V

M. Staunton presented an overview and update on Part V including key legislation, objectives, process, delivery and reporting. The shift in focus by developers from delivering 3 bed units to more 2 bed and 1 bed units was highlighted. A discussion followed and it was AGREED that:

- future reporting to include breakdown by:
 - Name of Estate
 - Number of Units
 - Type of units
 - Management of units
 - Reports to be provided at Agreement and Delivery stages

H-1(7) – **Family Hubs**

N. Hanly provided a report on the location and function of family hubs. The report was NOTED and it was AGREED that:

- Details on length of time between moving from Hub to standard housing by Council/HAP to be provided
- Information on problems faced specifically by families versus single people in moving from Hub to HAP
- Information on where families end up after moving from Hub
- Representative from Respond to attend next SPC meeting to address members' concerns regarding the operation of family Hubs.

H-1(8) - AOB

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No Business.

The meeting concluded at 7:20 pm.

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