**Arts, Culture, Heritage, Gaeilge & Libraries SPC**

**Meeting 20th May 2020 via Microsoft Teams**

**Report**

**Attended**

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| Cllr. Mick Duff (Chair) | Cllr. Guss O’Connell |
| Cllr. Teresa Costello | Ms. Freda Manweiler |
| Cllr. Peter Kavanagh | Ms. Elaine Vince-O’Hara |

**Apologies:** Cllr. Alan Hayes

Cllr. Kenneth Egan

**Officials present:**

Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Service.

Ms. Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian

Ms. Orla Scannell, Arts Officer

Mr. Bernard Gaughan, Assistant Head of IT

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| **Headed Item 1: Minutes SPC 19th February 2020**  **Minutes from the meeting of 19th February 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Peter Kavanagh and seconded by Cllr. Guss O’Connell.**  **Matters arising: There were no matters arising from the previous meeting** |
| **Headed Item 2: Update on Covid-19 sectoral response. (Particularly SDCC Library service)**  **Bernadette Fennell gave a report and presentation on library activities since March. Branch libraries have been delivering programmes across social media with live streamed events meeting public demand. Programmes under national initiatives have also been delivered. There has been a huge uptake in Library Online resources and statistics were presented on the issues.**  Following contributions from Mr. Frank Nevin, Cllr. O’Connell, Cllr. Mick Duff, Cllr Peter Kavanagh, and Elaine Vince-O’Hara the report was **noted**. |
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| **Headed Item 2: Progress Report on New Libraries**  Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian, gave a report and presentation on upcoming library projects at North Clondalkin, Castletymon, and Rathcoole.  There was a brief discussion by Cllr Mick Duff on the possibility of keeping the gateposts from former South Dublin County Council cottages at the site as items of architectural conservation interest which could be incorporated into the library development. Following contributions from Cllr. Mick Duff, and Mr. Frank Nevin, the report was **noted.** |
| **Headed Item 3: Update on Creative Ireland and Cruinniú na nÓg 2020**  Orla Scannell, Arts Officer, presented a report on Cruinniú TV South Dublin, South Dublin County Council’s programme for the national day of children’s creativity which will take place on Saturday 13th June 2020.   The second part of the report focused on the Creative Ireland programme and the awards made to support artists and Creative Communities under this programme.  The report was finished with a video from Music Generation South Dublin for Cruinniú na nÓg.  Following the report and contributions from Cllr. Duff, and Mr. Frank Nevin the report was **noted.** |
| **Headed Item 7: AOB**  Cllr Duff concluded the meeting by expressing an appreciation of the efforts of all present.  **The meeting concluded at 6.20pm.** |