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

**Meeting 23rd September 2020 via Microsoft Teams**

**Minutes**

**Attended**

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

**Apologies:** Cllr. Guss O’Connell

Cllr. Kenneth Egan

**Officials present:**

Mr. Frank Nevin, Director of Service.

Ms. Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian

Ms. Rosena Hand, Senior Executive Librarian

Ms. Liz Corry, Senior Executive Librarian

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| **Headed Item 1: Minutes SPC 19th February 2020**  **Minutes from the meeting of 20th May 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Mick Duff and seconded by Cllr. Teresa Costello.**  **Matters arising: There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.** |
| **Headed Item 2: Virtual tour of the new NCL library**  **Rosena Hand, Senior Executive Librarian, gave a virtual tour of the new NCL Library.**  The tour was welcomed and **noted**. |
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| **Headed Item 3: Update on Proposed Library Services for NCL**  Rosena Hand, Senior Executive Librarian presented an update on proposed library services for the new library at NCL.  Cllr. Costello asked for further details on the proposed Heritage project for the library. Cllr. Hayes noted the links between Palmerstown and Clondalkin and suggested Ronanstown Youth Centre as a further contact group in the area. Ms. Elaine Vince-O’Hara noted the wonderful space available in the library, which could enhance further community development in the area. Mr. Frank Nevin, Director, expressed his thanks to all involved in the project especially the Architects Dept and Bernie and the library Team.  The report was **noted.** |
| **Headed Item 4: Redline Book Festival 2020**  Liz Corry, Senior Executive Librarian, outlined the programme for the Redline Book Festival 2020, which runs from 12th -18th October.  Cllr. Duff noted that it was a very exciting programme. Cllr. Kavanagh noted his disappointment that there were no Irish language events included in the programme. Bernadette Fennell replied that RLBF programme was put together under the pressures of the Covid-19 crisis, but an opportunity for an Irish Language event will be kept under review and she will revert to Members on this.  Cllr Hayes queried the invitation to the launch of the Redline Festival photo op. Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian, agreed to check this process.  The report was **noted.** |
| **Headed Item 5: Update on Culture Night 2020**  Bernadette Fennell, County Librarian, gave an update on Culture Night 2020, which occurred on Friday 18th September.  Cllr. Kavanagh complimented Rua Red on the outstanding murals created by Artist, Joe Caslin, who worked with young people to create the murals.  The report was **noted.** |
| **Headed Item 6: AOB**  Cllr. Hayes complimented the library service on the project “Humans of Balgaddy” and noted how impactful the written pieces from the contributors are, which have been running on Facebook, prior to the launch of the book and exhibition at NCL (date tbc).  Cllr Duff concluded the meeting by expressing an appreciation of the efforts of all present.  **The meeting concluded at 6.35pm.** |