SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL



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

**HELD VIRTUALLY VIA TEAMS ON THURSDAY 23rd September 2021 at 5.30p.m.**

### **PRESENT**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** |  |
| Cllr Liam Sinclair (Chair) | Mick Mulhern | Director of Services |
| Cllr Baby Perappadan | Mary Maguire | Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr Eoin Ó Broin | John Hegarty | A/Senior Engineer |
| Cllr Paul Nicholas Gogarty |  Hazel Craigie | Senior Planner |
| Cllr Derren Ó Brádaigh |  Colin Clarke | Senior Executive Planner |
|   | Sheila Kelly | Administrative Officer |
|  | William Byrne | Executive Planner |
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| **Non Elected Members** |  |  |
| Eoin Ahern | PPN |  |

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### Apologies were received from Cllr Shane Moynihan who was unable to be in attendance.

### **H-1 (1) Item 71956 Minutes of 27th May 2021 LUPT SPC**

 [Minutes of May 2021 meeting.docx](Minutes%20of%20May%202021%20meeting.docx)

Minutes of Land Use Planning & Transportation SPC , 2021 were proposed by

**Cllr. Liam Sinclair**, seconded by **Cllr Baby Perappadan** and **AGREED**

**H-1(2) Item 72059 Clonburris: Progress Update**

 [1.Clonburris SDZ Briefing.pptx](Items/1.Clonburris%20SDZ%20Briefing.pptx)

The report as circulated was presented by Colin Clarke, Senior Executive Planner and William Byrne, Executive Planner

It was noted that the Council submitted an URDF bid and got approval in principle for €176m from Central Government.

The presentation focused on:

* Overview of URDF
* SDZ update – Planning & SDZ requirements
* Infrastructure Programme – South Link Street & Utility Corridor
* Branding Strategy
* Successful Adamstown URDF Bid and next stages

Queries were raised by Cllr Ó Broin, Cllr O Brádaigh and Eoin Aherne regarding the numbers of houses, branding strategy, Irish Water works and suitability of the bridges from a cyclist perspective.

Mick Mulhern and Colin Clarke answered the queries raised by the members.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (3) Item 71951 Naas Road (City Edge) Planning Framework: Progress Update**

[**2. City Edge Presentation 230921.pdf**](Items/2.%20City%20Edge%20Presentation%20230921.pdf)

The report as circulated was presented by Mick Mulhern, Director of Services

The project is a collaborative project with DCC to produce a framework for the Naas Road area.

There is circa 700 ha of land and when developed will become Europe’s largest regeneration project.

The project hopes to deliver on the National Planning Framework objective of compact growth and to make the best use of existing land to create a liveable quarter in the city with climate change and sustainability as the cornerstones of the plan

**Work to Date – key findings from studies**

* This study area has a diverse mix of mainly industrial, commercial and employment uses which employ approx.. 25k people across many businesses.
* The study has some of the biggest employers in the county.
* There is an opportunity to further intensify land use and potentially create a further 75k jobs.
* There are approx. 5,000 people living in the area with 1,600 homes across the area. There is a huge opportunity to further develop this area for new homes for all and people can live and work in the area.
* This area is served by the Camac River, Grand Canal and many amenities and these can be promoted as part of this regeneration.
* The aim of the project is to develop a Framework to guide the future development of the area with the principles of a Liveable City.

**Vision**

The vision is to create a mixed use and climate resilient high density urban quarter where people can purchase affordable homes and, live close to work and have local amenities and transport services at their doorstep.

**Consultation**

This is an ambitious project and there will be a 4-week public consultation with report to Elected members.

Mick Mulhern responded to queries raised by Cllr D Ó Bradaigh, Eoin Ahern, Cllr Liam Sinclair, regarding footbridge over M50, capacity of N7, existing Luas to Lucan Plan.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (4) Item 71955 - Street Improvement Management Guide – Progress Update**

[3. Street Improvement Management Presentation.pptx](Items/3.%20Street%20Improvement%20Management%20Presentation.pptx)

The report as circulated was presented John Hegarty, A/Senior Engineer

The plan provides for proposed local transport interventions to improve safety for all road users.

There has been an increase in the number of cars on the streets, with speeding on the increase which has been demonstrated by surveys carried out. The Traffic Engineers have looked at best practise guidelines, National Cycling Manual, DEMURS and S.38 (RTA) powers.

It was noted that there is currently an overuse of ramps as traffic calming measures and there are alternatives set out in the Guidance Document aiming to deliver safety interventions that will benefit all including motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. This will be achieved by providing:

* Junction improvements
* Small permeability schemes – opening up cul-de-sacs by desire lines – however there must be a buy in from public
* Pedestrian crossings – based on desire lines
* Traffic calming measures where vehicle speeding is happening
* Small footpath extensions
* Reducing road width by use of chicanes, build outs, tree planting, bicycle lanes. Ramps will only be put in where appropriate.

An annual programme of works will be prepared and brought to the Council for approval.

John responded to queries raised by Cllr Gogarty, Eoin Ahern and Cllr Ó Broin, Cllr Ó Brádaigh. Cllr Perapaddam queried about the traffic calming in Corbally and was informed that this work would be done.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (5) Item 71953 – Development Plan 2022 – 2028 – Progress Update**

[Items\4. CDP Update\_23.09.2021.pptx](Items/4.%20CDP%20Update_23.09.2021.pptx)

The report as circulated was presented by Hazel Craigie, Senior Planner

The CDP process to date was noted, c300 submissions were received during the public consultation which has just concluded. These are currently being examined by the DP Team. A number of submissions received on rezoning issues and community and local issues.

Next steps:

* The CE will prepare a report and make recommendations on all of the submissions.
* This report will be brought to the Councillors on 7th December
* Any recommendations made by OPR, NTA and EMRA will also need to be assessed
* Cllrs have from 7th December to 9th March to consider Draft Plan and CE report
* 9th March Draft plan will be amended or Adopted
* Meetings will be held in Feb/early March
* Motions to be made in advance of these meetings and briefings will be heard

An outline of the timelines and process is in the report. The Council is at Stage 2 and the Plan to be adopted in July and come into effect in August 2022.

The whole process is 99 weeks from start to finish.

The report was **NOTED**

**H-1 (6) Item 71952 Biodiversity Action Plan – Progress Update**

[**Items\5. Report from Sub-Committee for Biodiversity - August 2021.docx**](Items/5.%20Report%20from%20Sub-Committee%20for%20Biodiversity%20-%20August%202021.docx)

The report as circulated was **NOTED** without discussion

**H-1(7) Item 71950 Adamstown: Progress Update**

[**Items\6. Adamstown.pdf**](Items/6.%20Adamstown.pdf)

As the time for the rising of the meeting (7.00p.m.) had been reached, it was agreed that this item would be considered at the next (November 2021) meeting.

**H-1(8) Item 72221 – Date for November 2021 LUPT SPC**

The November meeting of the LUPT SPC is provisionally scheduled for Friday 26th November, being cognisant that this may revert to the usual 4th Thursday, Thursday 25th November pending the outcome of the Statutory Budget meeting.

This was **NOTED**

The meeting concluded at 7.00p.m.