SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

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**REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENTERPRISE AND TOURISM STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th November 2022**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** |
| Cllr. L. O’Toole | Jason Frehill - Director of Service |
| Cllr. R. McMahon  | Laura Leonard - Senior Executive Officer |
| Cllr. L. Dunne | Thomas Rooney - Head of Enterprise |
| Cllr. L. McCrave  | Allyson Rooney, Senior Staff Officer |
| Cllr. E. O’Brien |  |
| Cllr. L. Whelan | Caroline Power-Programme ManagerDublin Regional Enterprise Plan  |  |
| Sherri Brennan | Kieran Walsh- SDCPPN Co-Ordinator |  |
|  | Norman Thompson- Economic Development Researcher Dublin City Council |  |

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| **Representative** |  |
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| **Apologies** |  |
| Cllr. C. King (Chair) |  |
| Cllr. P. Kearns |  |
| Sean Reid |  |
| Jack McDonnell |  |

**Apologies having been conveyed by the Chair Cllr C. King, the members present agreed that the meeting be chaired by Cllr. R. McMahon.**

**Guest attendees and presenters, Kieran Walsh SDCPPN, Caroline Power DREP, and Norman Thompson, DCC were welcomed to the meeting.**

**Headed Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of EETD SPC held on 14th September 2022 were Proposed by Cllr. R. McMahon seconded by Cllr. L. Dunne and Agreed.

**Headed Item 2: Presentation by Co-Ordinator PPN**

Kieran Walsh, Co-ordinator of the South Dublin County Public Participation Network [SDCPPN], was introduced by Laura Leonard, SEO and presented a report which provided members with an overview of the PPN. Detail of the structure, workplans, funding and governance were provided in the course of the presentation.

Following the contributions, Chair Cllr. R. McMahon invited questions.

Questions were raised by Cllr L. Dunne and Cllr. R. McMahon

Kieran Walsh responded to questions raised and was thanked by the chair for the presentation.

**The Report was Noted.**

**Headed Item 3: Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan**

Caroline Power, Programme Manager for the Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan to 2024 was introduced by Laura Leonard, SEO and presented a detailed report to members on the plan covering the following -

* Vision
* Plan formulation
* Stakeholders /Consultation
* Strategic Objectives
* Implementation
* Oversight
* Government Policy
* Funding

Following the contributions, Chair Cllr. R. McMahon invited questions.

Questions were raised by Cllr L. Dunne, Cllr. L. O’Toole and Cllr. R. McMahon

Caroline Power responded to questions raised and was thanked by the chair for the presentation.

**The Report was Noted.**

**Headed Item 4: Research Report on Enterprise Hubs in Dublin**

Norman Thompson, Economic Development Researcher based in Dublin City Council was introduced by Laura Leonard, SEO and presented a detailed report to members on the Research into Enterprise Hubs in Dublin covering the following findings:-

* Desktop Review – Findings
* Distribution of Hubs across the County
* Unemployment Blackspots – location of Hubs
* Survey findings -Users and providers
* Impacts Covid 19
* Interventions and Supports

Questions were raised by Cllr. L. McCrave, Cllr. L. Dunne, Cllr. L. O’Toole and Cllr. R. McMahon

Norman Thompson responded to questions raised and was thanked by the chair for the presentation.

**The Report was Noted.**

**Headed Item 5: A.O.B.**

Query was raised by Cllr R. McMahon on Innovation Centre and the Dublin Mountains Project to which Jason Frehill DOS & Tom Rooney, Head of Enterprise responded.

**The meeting ended at 19:15**

Cllr. R. McMahon concluded the meeting