SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING OF SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

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

**MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 10th MAY, 2023.**

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| **Members** | **Council Officials** |
| Cllr. Liona O’Toole | Jason Frehill - Director of Service |
| Cllr. Cathal King (Chair) | Des English – Administrative Officer |
| Cllr. Pamela Kearns | Ralph McGarry-Administrative Officer |
| Cllr. Leah Whelan | Sandra Hickey-Administrative Officer |
| Cllr. Louise Dunne | Allyson Rooney - Senior Staff Officer |
| Cllr. Ronan McMahon | Dylan Rock -Clerical Officer |  |
| Cllr. Ed O’Brien | Laura Leonard Senior Executive Officer |  |
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| **Guest** |  |
| Mr. Peter Byrne, Chief Executive, South Dublin Chamber. |  |

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| **Apologies** |  |
| Jack Mc DonnellSherri BrennanCllr. L McCrave |  |
| **Could Not Attend** |  |
| Michael Noonan |  |

**Headed Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of EETD SPC held on 8th February 2023 were **Proposed** by Cllr. C. King seconded by Cllr. P. Kearns and **Agreed**.

**Headed Item 2:**

1. **South Dublin Chamber**

Mr. Peter Dunne, presented the report comprising updates to the Chamber on the work of the South Dublin Chamber of Commerce. The report included detail on: -

* Core mission of the Chamber
* Awareness of South Dublin as a location
* Working in partnership with stakeholders
* Challenges

Following the presentation, Chair Cllr. C. King invited questions.

Questions were raised by Cllr.Dunne , Cllr. Kearns, Cllr. O Toole, Cllr. Whelan, Cllr. Cathal King and Cllr. Mc Mahon.

**The Report was Noted.**

**Headed Item 3: Heritage Centre**

Mr. Ralph McGarry, Administrative Officer, presented a report updating members of the committee on the progress of construction of the Heritage centre under these areas:-

* Outline plans and scope of work
* Interpretive Heritage Storyline
* Indicative Project Timelines

Following the presentation, Chair Cllr. C. King invited questions.

Questions were raised by Cllr. McMahon, Cllr. K. King and Cllr. Kearns.

Ralph McGarry responded to questions raised and was thanked by the chair for the presentation.

**The Report was Noted.**

**Headed Item 4: Innovation Centre**

Mr Jason Frehill, Director of Services, presented the report comprising updates to the Committee on the Innovation Centre as follows:-

* Work IQ Website and mobilisation plan
* Tallaght Innovation Quarter
* Operations Partner – Oxford Innovation
* Construction Progress and Completion timeline (with video shown)

Following the presentation, Chair Cllr. C. King invited questions.

Questions and contributions were raised by Cllr. O Brien, Cllr. Dunne, Cllr. C. King and Cllr. O’ Toole.

Mr. Jason Frehill and Ms. Sandra Hickey, Administrative Officer, responded to the questions raised. The Chair expressed his thanks for the presentation.

**The Report was Noted.**

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

Cllr. Liona O’Toole raised the issue of the repatriation of the remains of Patrick Sarsfield.

Questions and contributions were raised by Cllr. Dunne, Cllr. Kearns, Cllr. O’ Brien, Cllr. C. King and Cllr. O’ Toole.

Jason Frehill responded to the questions raised.

**The meeting ended at 7.45 p.m.**

Cllr. C. King concluded the meeting.