## **COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS** **SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

Minutes of South Dublin County Council November 2024 Annual Budget Meeting held on Thursday 14 November 2024

### **PRESENT**

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| Adelaide, D. | Kearns, P. |
| Ahern. C. | Lawlor, B. |
| Barnes, S. | Mannion, R. |
| Brady, C. | McCrave, L. |
| Carey, W. | McMahon, R. |
| Casserly, V. | McManus, D. |
| Collins, Y. | Moynihan, S. |
| Costello, T. | Murphy, E. |
| De Courcy, L. | Ó Broin, E. |
| Donnelly, D. | O’Hara, S. |
| Duff, M. | O’Toole, L. |
| Dunne, L. | Pereppadan, Britto |
| Edge, A. | Richardson, D. |
| Fennell, N. | Sinnott, J. |
| Gilligan, T. | Spear, J. |
| Gogarty, P. | Timmons, F. |
| Hayes, A. | Tuffy, J. |
| Holohan, P. | Whelan, N. |
| Johansson, M. |  |
| Keane, K. |  |

### **OFFICIALS PRESENT**

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| Chief Executive | C. Ward |
| Directors | L. Maxwell, T. Walsh, M. McAdam, J. Frehill, E. Leech, R. FitzGerald. |
| County Architect  Senior Executive Officers  Financial Management Accountant  Executive Accountant | C. Harte.  B. Shannon  A. O’Melia.  T. McElhinney. |
| Administrative Officers  Senior Staff Officer | M. Reilly.  K. McLoughlin. |
| A/ Staff Officer  Assistant Staff Officer | D. Murphy.  L. Farrell. |

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. Hayes, presided.

Apologies were received from The Mayor, Councillor Baby Pereppadan and Councillor G. Moore.

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The Mayor, Councillor Baby Pereppadan, welcomed everyone and informed the Members of the etiquette for Hybrid Meetings:

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### **H1/1124 CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 2025**

(a) [Draft Budget 2025](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84164)  
[(b) Circulars](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84166)  
[(C) Chief Executive's Introduction](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84168)

[(d) Budget Presentation by directorate](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84193)  
[(e) Rate Abatement Scheme](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84187)  
[(f) Consideration of Divisions](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84170)  
  
Mr C. Ward, Chief Executive, provided an overview of the proposed budget outlining the key priorities and provisions made in the context of the Council’s financial position. He thanked the Mayor, the Corporate Policy Group and the Members and staff for their engagement preparing the budget which is recommended for adoption

[(D) Budget Presentations by Directorate](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84193)

**Mr. R. FitzGerald, Head of Finance, presented the Financial Analysis 2024**

**Ms E. Leech,** **Director of Housing, Social and Community Development, presented Divisions A, D, F and G.**

**Mr. M. McAdam,** **Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation, presented Divisions B and D.**

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors R. McMahon, L. Dunne, P. Holohan, J. Sinnott and Y. Collins with queries raised in relation to LED public lighting, cycle lane maintenance, funding for national and regional roads, road safety promotion and Rathfarnham village.

Mr. M. McAdam, Director for Land Use, Planning and Transport, responded to the Members queries.

**Ms. T. Walsh, Director Environment, Water and Climate Change, presented Divisions C, E, F, G & H**.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors J. Sinnott, R. McMahon, P. Holohan, C. Ahern and J. Tuffy with queries raised in relation to fire services, tree planting, council EV vehicles, Columbarium walls and 3G pitches.

Ms T. Walsh, Director for Environment, Water and Climate Change, responded to the Members queries.

**Mr. J. Frehill, Director of Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development, presented Divisions D and F**.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors S. Moynihan, D. McManus, L. Dunne, S. O’Hara. R. McMahon, Y. Collins, J. Sinnott, P. Holohan and L. O’Toole. Queries were raised in relation to the County Economic Strategy, the Silverbridge, Rathfarnham village, the Nighttime Economy, Music Generation Programme, Taste of South Dublin, and Hotel accommodation.

Mr. J. Frehill, Director of Economic Enterprise and Tourism Development, responded to the Members queries.

**Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Performance and Change Management, presented Divisions D and H.**

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors M. Johansson, F. Timmons, W. Carey, D. McManus, and J. Tuffy with queries raised in relation to the participatory budget, register of electors and the Eastern Midland Regional Assembly contribution.

Ms. L. Maxwell, Director of Corporate Performance and Change Management, responded to the Members queries.

**Mr. R. FitzGerald, Head of Finance, presented sections of Division H.**

At this point the members **AGREED** to take Motion 8 to amend the Draft Budget 2025, in the name of Councillor R. McMahon as it relates to the Rates Abatement Scheme.

**Motion 8 to amend the Draft Budget**

The following Motion was **proposed** by **Councillor R. McMahon** and **seconded** by **Councillor B. Lawlor**

That the Draft Budget for the local financial year ending 31st December, 2025, is hereby amended by South Dublin County Council for the purpose of retaining the Commercial Rates Vacancy refund scheme at 25%  by an:

Increase in expenditure of €800.000 as under:

* Sub Service Reference H0303 Refunds and Irrecoverable Rates to €5,601,900

Funded by a net increase in income of €800,000, by increasing the weekly maintenance charge by €1.50 per week per household, as under:

* Division A – Housing and Building – Rents from Houses to €41,081,400.

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors R. McMahon, Y. Collins, M. Johansson, M. Duff, D. McManus, P. Kearns, L. O’Toole, P. Holohan, R. Mannion, N. Whelan, W. Carey, T. Costello, L. Dunne, K. Keane, P. Gogarty and A. Edge a query was raised in relation to other Local Authorities processes.

Mr. C. Ward, Chief Executive, responded to the Members informing of the ongoing strategy to disincentivize vacancies of premises.

The Motion was **NOT AGREED**.

[**(e) Rate Abatement Scheme**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84187)

The adoption of the Annual Rates Vacancy Scheme was **proposed** by **Councillor A**. **Hayes** and **seconded** by **Councillor M. Duff** and **AGREED**.

Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance, continued with the presentation of Division H.

**Motions to Amend the Draft Budget**

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. Hayes, proposed that as Motions 1, 3, 4 and 5 were in relation to **Divisions D-D0903 and H-H0906** that they be taken at the same time, the Members **AGREED**.

**Divisions D and H**

**Motion 1 to amend the Draft Budget**

The following Motion was **proposed** by **Councillor D. Adelaide** and **seconded** by **Councillor M. Johansson**:

"That the Draft Budget for the local financial year ending 31st December, 2025 is hereby amended by South Dublin County Council for the purpose of increased spending on Community (Division D – Development Management), making additional funds available for a youth project engaging marginalized young people in Clondalkin by an:

Increase in expenditure of (€ value) as below:

* D0601 / General Community and Enterprise expenses / € 70,000

Funded by a net decrease in income of (€ value) as under:

* H0906 / Conferences Abroad / €70,000
* Income Source - € value”

An amendment to the Motion was **proposed** by **Councillor P. Holohan** and **seconded** by **Councillor D. Donnelly**:

"That the Draft Budget for the local financial year ending 31st December, 2025 is hereby amended by South Dublin County Council for the purpose of increased spending on Community (Division D – Development Management), making additional funds available for a youth project engaging marginalized young people *throughout the county*”

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors D. Adelaide, L. Dunne, P. Holohan, M. Johansson, M. Duff, J. Sinnott, L. O’Toole, N. Fennell and W. Carey with queries raised in relation to adequate funding and staffing for the programme.

Ms. E. Leech, Director of Housing & Community Development, responded to the member’s queries.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. Hayes then called for a **ROLL CALL** **VOTE** on the amendment to the Motion to amend the Draft Budget 2025, the result of which is as follows: -

**FOR: 6 (SIX)**

**Councillors D. Adelaide, D. Donnelly, P. Holohan, M. Johansson, K. Keane and J. Spear.**

**AGAINST: 30 (THIRTY)**

**Councillors S. Barnes, C. Brady, W. Carey, V. Casserly, Y. Collins, T. Costello, L. de Courcy, M. Duff, L. Dunne, A. Edge, N. Fennell, T. Gilligan, P. Gogarty, A. Hayes, P. Kearns, B. Lawlor, R. Mannion, L. McCrave, R. McMahon, D. McManus, S. Moynihan, E. Murphy, S. O’Hara, L. O’Toole, Britto Pereppadan, D. Richardson, J. Sinnott, F. Timmons, J. Tuffy and N. Whelan.**

**ABSTAIN: 0 (ZERO)**

As a result of the **ROLL CALL VOTE** the amendment to the Motion **FELL**.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. Hayes then called for a **ROLL CALL** **VOTE** on the Motion to amend the Draft Budget 2025, the result of which is as follows: -

**FOR: 7 (SEVEN)**

**Councillors D. Adelaide, W. Carey, D. Donnelly, P. Holohan, M. Johansson, K. Keane and J. Spear.**

**AGAINST: 27 (TWENTY-SEVEN)**

**Councillors S. Barnes, C. Brady, Y. Collins, T. Costello, M. Duff, L. Dunne, A. Edge, N. Fennell, T. Gilligan, P. Gogarty, A. Hayes, P. Kearns, B. Lawlor, R. Mannion, L. McCrave, R. McMahon, D. McManus, S. Moynihan, E. Murphy, S. O’Hara, L. O’Toole, Britto Pereppadan, D. Richardson, J. Sinnott, F. Timmons, J. Tuffy and N. Whelan.**

**ABSTAIN: 1 (ONE)**

**Councillor L. DeCourcy.**

As a result of the **ROLL CALL VOTE** the Motion to amend the Draft Budget 2025, **FELL.**

**Motion 3 to amend the Draft Budget**

The following Motion in the names of Councillors P. Kearns, M. Duff, S. Moynihan and V. Casserly was **proposed** by **Councillor M. Duff** and **seconded** by **Councillor L.** **O’Toole:**

“To reduce H0906 Conference’s Abroad from €70,000 to €25, 000 for a five-year period and rename, if possible, H0906 as External Relations and to redirect the surplus €45.000 to F0401 in addition to removing €20,000 from D0903 and redirecting to F0401 , as a ringfenced Grant, to be divided in equal amounts of €9285 to each of the seven LEA’S for their decision, to support our emerging Sports persons”

Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance, informed the Members that H0906, Conferences Abroad, cannot be renamed as is prescribed by the Department.

An amendment to the Motion was **proposed** by **Councillor L. Dunne** and **seconded** by **Councillor N. Whelan.**

“To **reduce H0906 Conference’s Abroad** from €70,000 to €5,000 for a five-year period and rename, as a ringfenced Grant, to be divided in equal amounts of €9,285 to each of the seven LEA’S for their decision, to support our emerging Sports persons”

A discussion followed contributions from Councillors M. Duff S. Moynihan, P. Kearns, J. Sinnott, L. Dunne, J. Tuffy, L. O’Toole, M. Johansson, E. Murphy, P. Kearns, A. Edge, Y. Collins, R. McMahon and D. McManus.

Ms. E. Leech, Director of Housing & Community, informed the Members of the Council’s Active South Dublin Strategy and liaison with sports organisations and suggested, if agreed, the context of Motion be brought to the Social, Community, Equality and Integration SPC for consideration.

Councillor L. Dunne requested to **WITHDRAW** her amendment to the Motion and the Members **AGREED.**

The Motion to amend Draft Budget 2025 was **AGREED**.

**Motion 4 to amend the Draft Budget**

Following of the **PASSING** of the Motion in the names of Councillors P. Kearns, M. Duff, S. Moynihan and V. Casserly the following Motion in the name of Councillor L. Dunn **FALLS:**

‘’That €100k will be added to D0601 (General Community & Enterprise Expenses) for the €300k have your say budget. The increase of €100k will be used to support the recommendations from the €300k evaluation by decreasing Division H, subsection HO906 €70k conferences abroad, subsection HO904 decreasing €10k from security, €10K for conferences at home & decrease €10k from Division D, subsection D0603’’

**Motion 5 to amend the Draft Budget**

Following of the **PASSING** of the Motion in the names of Councillors P. Kearns, M. Duff, S. Moynihan and V. Casserly the following Motion in the name of Councillor L. Dunn **FALLS:**

‘’That €20k in Division D, D09 for twinning will be spent to twin with a Municipality in Palestine by planning for visits to our Council to show our Solidarity & foster cultural & educational exchanges between our communities”

**Motion 2 to amend the Draft Budget**

**Division A**

**Councillor W. Carey**

“This council agrees the current method being applied (as agreed from the 2021 budget) has led to penal levels of rent being charged upon households and that this was a regrettable miscalculation. This meeting further recognises that as this policy has yet to be fully implemented it will have no adverse affect on the projected rent income to council of €40,281,400. The meeting further recognises that management have failed to provide an analysis of the income being garnished under the current policy as promised in management response to Q12 at Oct 14th council meeting.”

**Amendment to Budget 2025**

*This meeting agrees that the method of rent assessment used for the purposes of the “differential rents” shall revert to that previously applied which shall include a straight 10% rate of household income and that the additional 10% rate be scrapped.*

**Current System**

4 adults earning low incomes of approx. €31.25k pa gives an income assessment of €125k

€42.5k @10% Rent = €4,250 + €82.5k @ 20% Rent = €16.5 - Total Rent €20,750 pa

**Proposed Change**

Example A

4 adults each earning €31.25K = €125k @ 10% Rent = €3,125 ea x 4 = €12.5k Rent pa.

Example B

Adults total earning €125k

Adult (A) earns 60k = 42.5k @ 10% = €4,250 + €17.5 @ 20% = €3,500 – Sub Total €7,750

Adult (B) earns 20k @ 10% = €2,000

Adult (C) earns 45k = 40k @10% = 4k + 5k @20% =1k – Sub Total = €5,000

Total rental income = €14,750

Example C

Adult (A) earns 60k = 42.5k @ 10% = €4,250 + €17.5 @ 20% = €3,500 – Sub Total €7,750

Adult B earns 30k = rent @ 10% = €3,000

Adult C earns 20k = rent @ 10% = €2,000

Adult D earns 15k = rent @ 10% = €1,500

Total Rental income = €14,250

Councillor W. Carey spoke on the Motion.

Mr. C. Ward, Chief Executive, informed the Members that the Motion relates to an Executive Function of the Council.

As a result of the clarification, The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. Hayes ruled the motion **OUT OF ORDER**.

**Motion 6 to amend the Draft Budget**

The following Motion was **proposed** by **Councillor M. Johansson** and **seconded** by **Councillor D. Adelaide.**

‘’That the Draft Budget for the local financial year ending 31st December, 2025 is hereby amended by South Dublin County Council for the purpose of increased spending on maintenance of LA Housing Units, an expanded program of retrofitting of LA Housing Units and a Rate Rebate Scheme for Small and Medium Businesses by an:

Increase in expenditure of (€ value) as under:

* A0101 / Maintenance of LA Housing Units / € 50,000,000
* H0303 / Refunds and Irrecoverable Rates / € 26,585,100

Funded by a net increase/decrease in income of (€ value) as under:

* 50% increase in the ARV from 0.276 to 0.414 - €76,585,100
* Income Source - € value

A discussion followed with contributions from Councillors M. Johansson, R. Mannion, P. Holohan, N. Whelan, D. Adelaide, L. Dunne, R. McMahon, W. Carey, D. McManus, K. Keane, and Y. Collins with a query raised in relation to comparison of the ARV with other local authorities.

Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance, responded to the members.

Councillors M. Johansson, D. Adelaide and D. McManus called for a **ROLL CALL** **VOTE** on the Motion to amend the Draft Budget 2025, the results of which are as follows:

**FOR: 4 (FOUR)**

**Councillors D. Adelaide, M. Johansson, K. Keane and J. Spear.**

**AGAINST: 27 (TWENTY-SEVEN)**

**Councillors C. Barnes, C. Brady, W. Carey, V. Casserly, Y. Collins, T. Costello, L. de Courcy, M. Duff, L. Dunne, A. Edge, N. Fennell, T. Gilligan, P. Gogarty, A. Hayes, P. Kearns, B. Lawlor, R. Mannion, L. McCrave, R. McMahon, D. McManus, S. Moynihan, S. O’Hara, L. O’Toole, J. Sinnott, F. Timmons, J. Tuffy and N. Whelan.**

**ABSTAIN: 1 (ONE)**

**Councillor D. Donnelly**

As a result of the **ROLL CALL VOTE** the Motion to amend the Draft Budget 2025, **FELL**.

**Motion 7 to amend the Draft Budget**

The following Motion was **proposed** by **Councillor L. Dunne** and **seconded** by **Councillor N. Whelan:**

‘’That €500k will be deducted from Division E, subsection E1501 (Climate Change) and added to Division A subsection A0101 (maintenance of LA homes) for retrofitting of homes that will lead to reducing emissions, improving energy efficiency while additionally meeting our climate action plans’’

Councillor L. Dunne requested to **WITHDRAW** her amendment to the Motion and the Members **AGREED.**

[**(f) Consideration of Divisions**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84170)

Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance, outlined details of proposed expenditure and income on the following divisions:

**DIVISION A – Housing and Building**

Division A was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION B – Road Transport and Safety**

Division B was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION C - Water Services**

Division C was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION D – Development Management**

Division D was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION E – Environmental Services**

Division E was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION F – Recreation and Amenity**

Division F was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION G – Agriculture, Education Health and Welfare**

Division G was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

**DIVISION H – Miscellaneous Services**

Division H was **NOTED** and **AGREED**

### **H2/1124 ADOPTION OF FORMAL PROPOSALS FOR:**

[**(a) Adoption of the Annual Budget 2025**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84171)

### The following Motion was read by Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance was **proposed** by **Councillor A. Hayes,** **seconded** by **Councillor D. McManus**.

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## “That the County Council ADOPT for the financial year ending 31st December 2025 the Annual Budget set out in Tables A to F as amended”.

A **ROLL CALL VOTE** was called for on the Motion the result of which was as follows:

**FOR: 31 (THIRTY-ONE)**

**Councillors S. Barnes, C. Brady, W. Carey, V. Casserly, Y. Collins, T. Costello, L. de Courcy, D. Donnelly, M. Duff, L. Dunne, A. Edge, N. Fennell, T. Gilligan, P. Gogarty, A. Hayes, P. Holohan, P. Kearns, B. Lawlor, R. Mannion, L. McCrave, R. McMahon, D. McManus, S. Moynihan, E. Murphy, S. O’Hara, L. O’Toole, D. Richardson, J. Sinnott, F. Timmons, J. Tuffy and N. Whelan.**

**AGAINST: 4 (FOUR)**

**Councillors D. Adelaide, M. Johansson, K. Keane and J. Spear.**

**ABSTAIN: 0 (ZERO)**

The Resolution was **PASSED**.

1. [**Determination of Annual Rate on Valuation for 2025**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84173)

The following Motion was read by Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance was **proposed** by **Councillor A. Hayes** and seconded by **Councillor P. Holohan**:

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## **“**That the County Council DETERMINE in accordance with the Annual Budget as adopted, the rate as set out in Table A to be the general Annual Rate on Valuation to be levied for the purposes set out in Tables A to F. The general Annual Rate on Valuation being determined at 0.276**”.**

## The Deputy Mayor proposed and Members **AGREED** that The Resolution was **PASSED.**

1. [**Determination of the Rates Abatement Scheme in respect of Vacant Properties**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84174)

The following Motion was read by Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance was **proposed** by **Councillor A. Hayes** and seconded by **Councillor M. Duff:**

## “That South County Council makes a scheme for the abatement of rates due to it by liable persons, or classes of liable persons, in respect of vacant properties in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of the Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act 2019, as amended. Such a scheme in respect of vacant property will provide for an abatement of zero percent (0%) of rates due to South Dublin County Council by a liable person for the financial year ending 31 December 2025.”

## The Deputy Mayor proposed and Members **AGREED** that The Resolution was **PASSED.**

[**(d) Approval of Transfers to Reserves of the sums provided for Various Capital purposes**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84175)

The following Motion was read by Mr. R. FitzGerald, Head of Finance was **proposed** by **Councillor A. Hayes** and **seconded** by **Councillor R. McMahon**:

“That the County Council approves of the transfers to reserves of the sums provided for various capital purposes in the Annual Budget 2025 as Adopted for the financial year ending 31st December 2025.”

## The Deputy Mayor proposed and Members **AGREED** that The Resolution was **PASSED.**

(e) [**Approval of Additional expenditure in the Revised Budget 2024**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84176)

The following Motion was read by Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance was **proposed** by **Councillor A. Hayes** and **seconded** by **Councillor P. Kearns**:

In accordance with Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001, the approval of the Members is required for the following items of additional revenue expenditure which exceeded the adopted budget expenditure. The additional Divisional and Service expenditure and the explanation for same are set out below:

**Resolution**

That the County Council approves of the additional expenditures contained in the Revised Budget 2024 for the financial year ending 31 December 2024 as set out in Tables A to F of the Annual Budget 2025 and considered during the budget process.

The Deputy Mayor proposed and Members **AGREED** that The Resolution was **PASSED.**

[**(f) Consideration of the 3 year Capital Programme**](http://www.sdublincoco.ie/sdcc/departments/corporate/apps/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84177)

The following Motion was read by Mr. R. FitzGerald, Director of Finance was **proposed** by **Councillor A. Hayes** and **seconded** by **Councillor L. O’Toole**:

In accordance with Section 135 of the Local Government Act 2001 the Chief Executive shall before the start of the financial year prepare a report on the three-year capital programme which may be considered at the Budget meeting or at such other meeting as the elected Council may by resolution decide.

I recommend that the Council adopt the following resolution:

“That the Three-Year Capital Programme 2025 – 2027 be considered at the December 2024 Council Meeting.”

The Deputy Mayor proposed and Members **AGREED** that The Resolution was **PASSED.**

### **H3/1124 PRESENTATIONS FROM SPECIAL ORGANISATIONAL, PROCEDURE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

[Presentation from OP&F](http://intranet/cmas/documentsview.aspx?id=84118)

**Closing Statements from Party Leaders**:

The Deputy Mayor Councillor A. Hayes, the Group Leaders and Independent Councillors thanked the Chief Executive, Mr. C. Ward, all the Management and staff and in particular Mr. R. FitzGerald and his staff on the considerable work involved in the preparation and balancing of the Budget.

***Meeting Ended at 20:41.***

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_