

COISTE AN LÁRCHEANTAR

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 8th December, 2015 at 10.00 am.

MINUTES

Standing Orders were suspended in order to discuss the ban on filming in Henrietta Street implemented by the Assistant Chief Executive. The Members expressed their concern with the implementation of the ban and were informed that a Mediator is in place and the outcome of the mediation is due in mid January, 2016. Members also requested that a copy of the protocol for filming in the Public Domain be sent to them.

6186 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 10th November, 2015
ORDER: Agreed.

6187 Questions to the Area Manager
ORDER: Noted.

Planning and Development Matters

6188 With reference to compliance with the provisions of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and in compliance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001, notification of intention to carry out the proposed development at the Point Roundabout, Dublin 1.

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council. The Councillors emphasised that the report being brought to the January City Council meeting must include confirmation that this development will not adversely impact the residents of Castleforbes Road.

6189 With reference to Planning Enforcement Quarterly Report.
ORDER: Report Noted.

6190 With reference to the proposed grant of a Lease of the premises at 28 Stoneybatter/30 Arbour Place, Dublin 7.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

6191 With reference to a presentation on Traffic Division's Age Friendly Dublin strategy.
ORDER: Presentation Noted.

6192 With reference minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting of 24th November, 2015.
ORDER: Report Noted.

Culture Recreation Amenity and Community

6193 With reference to an update on Mountjoy Park
ORDER: Report Noted.

Central Area Matters

- 6194 With reference to North East Inner City Action Plan
ORDER: Report Noted.
- 6195 With reference to Central Area Sport and Recreational report
ORDER: Report Noted. The Committee asked that their congratulations be sent to Treacy Byrne and the staff of the Ballybough Youth Community and Fitness Centre for their recent win in the Chambers Ireland Award for Excellence in Local Government under the Health and Wellbeing category.
- 6196 With reference to a report on Moore Street
ORDER: Report Noted.
- 6197 Updates on the following:
Environmental Services Unit
North East and North West Inner City Housing Issues
Grangegorman Development
Central Area Age Friendly Update
Community Development Section
ORDER: Reports Noted. Councillors comments are as follows;
- (1) That a monthly update be included in the agenda for the Sophia Housing project on Sean MacDermott Street.
 - (2) That a list of outstanding voids in the Central Area be sent to the Members
 - (3) That a list of “buy back” properties acquired in the Central Area in 2015 be sent to the Members
 - (4) That an update be given on Castleforbes social housing
 - (5) That the Planning Department to be requested to clarify if the SDZ would need to be amended in order that a municipal swimming pool be included in the Grangegorman Campus.
 - (6) That Professor Norton, DIT be invited to the February meeting of the Central Area Committee to discuss the Grangegorman Campus and what it has to offer.
 - (7) That a copy of the Age Friendly Action Plan Update for the Central Area be sent to each Member.
 - (8) That Declan Wallace and Brian Hanney be invited to the January meeting of the Central Area Committee to discuss the EU Directive on Prioritisation of Waste and how it will impact on the North Inner City.

Motions

6198 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Committee agrees that if there are any vacant units at Fr. Scully Complex, Dublin 1 that Dublin City Council acquires these units.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor. The Councillors requested that their concerns were expressed to the Housing Department over the vacant units in Father Scully House and that these units are vacant in the complex because of the high rent cost.

6199 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee sends its condolences to the family of the late Marion Steenson of Leinster Avenue and acknowledges her immense contribution to the Republican cause over her lifetime.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to the family of the late Marion Steenson.

6200 Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That this Committee has serious concerns about the Governments proposals to sell off City Council houses, we want to ensure that any monies raised from their sale is ring fenced and used to supplement funding from the Department of the Environment for the building of social housing.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

6201 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee calls on the City Council to ensure the protection and development of 41 Parnell Square.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Attendance

**Cllr. Nial Ring (Chairperson)
Cllr. Ciaran Cuffe (Vice Chairperson)
Cllr. Ray McAdam
Cllr. Eilis Ryan
Cllr. Christy Burke
Cllr. Gaye Fagan
Cllr. Gary Gannon**

Apologies

Cllr. Janice Boylan

Officials

**Rose Kenny, Executive Manager, Central Area
Eileen Gleeson, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area
Eoin Walsh, Assistant Engineer, Traffic Division
Mary Hussey, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads and Traffic Planning
Claire French, Assistant Engineer, Roads and Traffic Planning
Karen Hosie, Senior Executive ITS Officer, ITS Section
Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager, Central Area
Sean Smith, Area Housing Manager, Central Area
John McPartlan, Public Domain Officer, Central Area
Cathy Cassidy, Senior Staff Officer, Central Area
Sandra Walley, Assistant Staff Officer, Central Area**

**Councillor Nial Ring
Chairperson
8th December, 2015**