NORTH WEST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY 15th March 2016

NWA/53/16. Minutes of the North West Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16th

February 2016.

ORDER: Agreed.

NWA/54/16 Questions to the Area Manager

ORDER: Noted. Replies circulated.

Cabra Matters

NWA/55/16 Cabra Area Office Report, Fergus Synnott, Administrative Officer.

ORDER: Noted.

Finglas Matters

NWA/56/16 Finglas Area Office Report, Aidan Maher, Assistant Area Manager.

ORDER: Noted. The North West Area Committee to write to the Planning Department in relation to the redevelopment of the former Xtravision premises on the corner of North Road and Seamus Ennis Road, Finglas into a betting office and a take-away restaurant, planning references 2284/16 and 2285/16. There is a saturation of betting shops and take-aways in the area. Councillors requested to have their objections to this planning application recorded and were advised that any observations or recommendations cannot be taken into account in the determination of the planning application unless formally submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations.

NWA/57/16 Better Finglas Presentation, Joe Twomey, Dervla White, Better Finglas.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/58/16 With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence for the rear of the

premises 5 Cardiffsbridge Road, Finglas, Dublin 11

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

Motions:

NWA/59/16 Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan

That the Manager confirms that any building project on the Scribblestown site is confined to the railed off area to the front of the estate and does not impinge on the current park/play area which runs adjacent to Scribblestown

Lane. The current zoning map shows an encroachment onto this park and residents are worried that development could happen here.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Area Wide Matters

NWA/60/16 Allocation of 2016 Local Service Funding to the North West Area.

ORDER: Agreed.

NWA/61/16 Works Programme 2016.

ORDER: Agreed.

NWA/62/16 Draft Tree Strategy Consultation, Marc Coyle, Arborist & Landscape

Architect, Parks Service.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/63/16 Metro Dublin Development, CEO Cormac Rabbitt, Metro Dublin.

ORDER: Agreed. The North West Area Committee to write to the new Minister for Transportation requesting that the proposed Metro Dublin Development be given a full evaluation by the new Minister. An agreed composite motion will also be submitted to the City Council as follows

Motion on behalf of the North West Area Committee.

ORDER: Agreed. The North West Area Committee note the lack of transportation and infrastructure in the North West Area and welcome any solution including the proposed Metro Dublin. We call for it to be given a full evaluation by the new Minister.

ORDER: Agreed to recommend to the City Council.

NWA/64/16 Traffic Service Requests, Status Report.

ORDER: Noted. Neil O'Donoghue will meet with Councillors at 2pm on the 19th April, prior to the NWAC meeting to examine in detail traffic requests on the TAG Report.

NWA/65/16 Public Domain Report, John Twamley, Public Domain Officer.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/66/16 Sports & Recreation Report North West Area.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/67/16 Prioritising area motions submitted to City Council.

ORDER: Agreed.

Ballymun Matters

NWA/68/16 Information Session on submissions received on Ballymun Issue Papers for

the LAP, Paul Clegg, Executive Manager, Pamela Connolly, Executive

Planner, Planning & Property Development Department.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/69/16 Ballymun Area Office Report, Mary Taylor, Assistant Area Manager.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/70/16 With reference to the proposed grant of lease of 3 year licence of Workshop

3, & 4 Poppintree Neighbourhood Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 9, to Poppintree

Environmental Project Limited.

ORDER: Agreed to recommend to the City Council.

NWA/71/16 Naming Proposal for Plaza on Ballymun Road, Dublin 9.

ORDER: AGREED. A new sign will be erected.

Motions:

NWA/72/16 Motion in the name of Councillor Noeleen Reilly

That the manager urgently looks at Traffic control at Poppintree Community Centre where it is very busy and residents living in Carton estate struggle to cross the road at times. A decision on the pedestrian crossing has been ongoing for a number of years now.

ORDER: Report to Councillor. Neil O'Donoghue will contact the Councillor to discuss this motion directly.

NWA/73/16 Motion in the name of Councillor Andrew Montague

That the Chief Executive ensure that the bus stop on the Swords Road opposite Omni, at the corner with Lorcan Road is kept clean. It's a particularly busy bus stop because of its proximity to the Omni. Residents say the bin often smells because it is not emptied often enough. It used to have a cigarette ashtray, but that was removed as it was never emptied, but recently the bin went on fire when a cigarette butt was put in the bin. This bus stop needs careful attention.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Other Issues:

Discussions took place in relation to the Special Meeting being held on the 24th March to discuss a composite motion in relation to Housing, Environment Improvement Plan and Planning. This meeting will be held in-committee in order to facilitate open discussion and relate initially to the Finglas area, but

can be broadened out later to similar concerns across the NWA. Housing will host an Information meeting with residents within the following fortnight.

Congratulations were extended to Noel Rock on his election to the Dáil. Commiserations were extended to those not elected on this occasion.

Congratulations to Councillor Andrew Montague on the birth of his son. Joseph.

Attendance:

NWA Councillors:

ORDER:

Áine Clancy, Anthony Connaghan, Emma Murphy, Paul McAuliffe, Noeleen Reilly, Cathleen Carney Boud, David Costello, Andrew Montague, Andrew Keegan, Brendan Carr.

Officials:

Dave Dinnigan, Area Manager, Mary Taylor (Senior Executive Officer), Aidan Maher (Senior Executive Officer), Paul Clegg, (Executive Manager), Pamela Connolly, (Assistant Planner) Planning & Property Development Department, Marc Coyle, (Arborist & Landscape Architect), Parks Service, Donal Barron (Area Housing Manager – Ballymun), Catherine Quinlan (Senior Staff Officer), Derek Healy, (Area Housing Manager), Fergus Synnott (Administrative Officer – Cabra), Bridget Gilbert (Senior Staff Officer), Mary Bellew (Staff Officer), Neil O'Donoghue (Traffic Engineer, NWA).

Consultants: Joe Twomey, Dervla White, Better Finglas, Cormac Rabbitt, Metro

Dublin.

Apologies: Councillor Seamus McGrattan

Councillor Áine Clancy Chairperson

The meeting concluded at 17.30