



**MINUTES OF THE ARTS, CULTURE AND RECREATION SPC MEETING**

**HELD ON MONDAY 14 MARCH 2016**

Chairpersons Business:

**The Chair extended her congratulations to the 3 former Councillors of this SPC who were elected to the Dáil, Jim O'Callaghan, Kate O'Connell and Seán Haughey. A special meeting of the City Council to co-opt members on to the various committees will take place on Wednesday 16th March 2016. This SPC will have 3 new members.**

**1 Minutes of meeting held on 11th January, 2016 (circulated).**

Action: Agreed

**2 Draft Report on revision of Street Performance Bye-Laws 2016, Brendan Kenny, Assistant Chief Executive**

- a. Revised Street Performance Bye-Laws 2016 (Draft)**
- b. Submissions**

After a discussion it was decided to defer this item as there was not a full complement of members until the 3 new members are co-opted on to this Committee. It was agreed to set up a forum to consider the report before the next SPC meeting consisting of two people from each of the interest groups i.e. residents, buskers, businesses and including members of this SPC.

Cllr O'Farrell requested a report on the public consultation process carried out by DCC on this issue.

**Action:** Set up Forum to report before the next SPC meeting. Meeting to be convened as soon as possible.

**3 Report on Filming in the City.**

Management informed the members that the Facilitator engaged to complete the consultation process has not quite finalised her report. It is now believed that a suitable revised framework for the regulation of filming in Henrietta Street can be implemented and that we can move towards lifting the current moratorium on the granting of filming permits.

There is already a Code of Practice for the regulation of filming in Dublin City as agreed between Dublin City Council and the Irish Film/Television sector and some

time ago a special and additional set of guidelines were agreed for filming in Henrietta Street. It is now proposed that any new agreed procedures/rules coming out of the this facilitated process should be integrated into these two documents thus creating a revised single and comprehensive Code of Practice for the regulation of filming in Dublin City (with a specific emphasis on Henrietta Street). It was noted that a stronger regime of monitoring and enforcement will be implemented.

**Action:** Draft Code of Practice to be brought back to this Committee.

4 **Report on Implementation of Cultural Strategy, Ray Yeates, City Arts Officer**

Ray Yeates gave a verbal report on the implementation of the Cultural Strategy to date. The new Cultural Strategy for Dublin City Council (adopted January 2016) is made up of a series of long term priorities and actions over five years to achieve the purpose of the strategy to reposition culture and cultural expression as a corporate priority.

Sixteen long term actions are set out in Dublin City Councils Cultural Strategy from Communication to Education and local neighbourhoods.

This will be a standing item on this Agenda.

The Chair informed members that a large number of submissions from Arts Organisations were submitted for the Development Plan and suggested an informal meeting be convened to discuss ideas and motions in relation to the arts.

**Action:** Keep on Agenda.

5 **Report on Dublin City Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 - 2021**

In December 2015 Dublin City Council agreed and adopted this plan.

The Dublin City LECP is made up to two documents:

- A six year strategy document outlining the rationale and context for each of 12 high level goals.
- An Action Plan for 2016 with specific objectives and actions relevant to the LECP high level goals; the Action Plan will be updated annually during the lifetime of the Plan.

This will be a permanent agenda item setting out all goals and objectives from the LECP that are relevant to the work of this SPC.

Action: Keep on Agenda

6 **Temple Bar Cultural Trust - A New Vision - Terms Of Reference. and Membership**

It was agreed to set up a Committee consisting of 4 members from this SPC and 4 members from the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC to oversee an overall new vision for Temple Bar. Cllr R. Moynihan (Chair), Cllr C. Byrne, Cllr. S. McGrattan and W. White will participate on this Committee. It was also agreed to have 2 Councillors from the South East Area.

Draft Terms of Reference are set out in the report of the Assistant Chief Executive. It was recommended that this Committee be immediately

established and that the Group should consider and finalise these draft Terms of Reference with a view to initiating a Public Procurement process to select a suitable consultancy team for this important commission.

**Action:** Establish Committee as soon as possible. Amend report to include 2 Councillors from the South East Area and agree draft Terms of Reference.

7 **Motion submitted by Cllr Mary Freehill:-**

*“In the interest of protecting Temple Bar Cultural Quarter that all monies accrued from sale of Buildings be ring fenced by the City Council for exclusive use in the TBCQ. This is to ensure that the area’s cultural quarter will be properly maintained and developed which is in line with the original purpose of the area and basis for receiving EU funding. Furthermore to ensure prudent management of this fund that a working group be established by the SPC to provide a strategic plan for the governance and viability of the area”*

A discussion took place regarding accrual of monies made from the Temple Bar area being ring-fenced for exclusive use for Temple Bar Cultural Trust. It was stated that future monies made from the sale of properties in Temple Bar should be ring-fenced for the Temple Bar area.

Management clarified that the Temple Bar Cultural Trust Board has agreed this principle but it will be a matter for the full Council to decide on what issues within Temple Bar such funds would be expended on e.g.

- Maintenance / sinking fund for T.B.C.T. owned cultural buildings
- Improvement of the public domain areas in Temple Bar
- Possible purchase of other sites / buildings in Temple Bar

**Action:** Motion agreed

8 **Presentation on Draft Tree Strategy - Marc Coyle, Asst. Parks Superintendent**

Marc Coyle gave a presentation. The Draft Tree Strategy aims to provide a co-ordinated approach to the management of the city’s trees which will promote a vision of a capital city where public trees are managed effectively and sustainably to enhance the city environment in which to live, work and visit.

The Draft Tree Strategy will go out to Public / Stakeholder Consultation from the beginning of April with a deadline date of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016. All observations / submissions can be e-mailed to [treestrategy@dublincity.ie](mailto:treestrategy@dublincity.ie)

**Action:** Go to public consultation for a 4 week period. Come back to this SPC in July for approval.

**The Chair suggested that Items 9 and 12 be taken together.**

9 **Presentation on Library Service Developments - Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian**

A number of new digital services are now available to users of Dublin City Public Libraries including eBooks and eAudiobooks, Zinio Digital Magazines, Mango Online Language Learning plus Free Online Training.

**Action:** Welcomed and noted.

10 **Management Update**

Members asked numerous questions under this Item. It was suggested that relevant staff contact the members directly with replies.

**Action:** Relevant staff to contact members directly with replies.

11 **Report on Draft Dublin City Parks Strategy - Ciaran O'Neill, Senior Executive Landscape Architect**

The Parks and Landscape Services are currently finalising the draft of the first Dublin City Parks Strategy.

The strategy in summary looks at the wide range of resources and services under the Parks Services portfolio and determines policy and arising actions to seek the vision of a greener and more livable Dublin.

The draft strategy will be open to public consultation this year before being finalised at SPC for approval.

**Action:** Go to public consultation before being finalised at this SPC

12 **Report on the proposed new City Library at Parnell Square - Margaret Hayes, Dublin City Librarian.**

Dublin City Librarian informed the Committee that they are currently awaiting approval of the Stage 2(a) report by the PSCQ Foundation. It is hoped to bring a sketch design presentation of the project to the next SPC meeting in May.

**Action:** Presentation to the May SPC Meeting.

13 **Report on Draft Invasive Alien Species Plan for Dublin City**

Following a presentation to the SPC at the January meeting, Dublin City Council Invasive Alien Species Action Plan (2016-2020) was approved to go to public consultation which ran from 22<sup>nd</sup> January to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016. Arising from this consultation, four replies were received and have been replied to. One amendment was made to the draft document based on a request from the Office of Public Works to be included as a key landowner in future implementation in co-operation with the City Council.

**Action:** Approved

14 **Revised SPC Scheme 2014 - 2019 (circulated - for noting)**

**Action:** Noted.

15 **Approved Minutes of Commemorations Sub-Committee meeting 16th December 2015**

**Action:** Agreed

16 **Approved Minutes of Commemorative Naming Committee meeting held 6th January 2016.**

**Action:** Agreed

17 **Approved Minutes of Arts and Cultural Advisory Group meeting held 18th January 2016**

**Action:** Agreed

18 **Approved Minutes of Commemorations Sub-Committee meeting held 20th January 2016.**

**Action:** Agreed

19 **Approved Minutes of Commemorative Naming Committee meeting held 20th January 2016**

**Action:** Agreed

20 **Breviate of draft Minutes of Commemorative Naming Committee meeting held 17th February 2016**

**Action:** Agreed

21 **Breviate of draft Minutes of Commemorations Sub-Committee meeting held 17th February 2016**

**Action:** Agreed

22 **A.O.B.**

Some members expressed their dissatisfaction and confusion of the 1916 banner that is draped on the Bank of Ireland at College Green which features Henry Grattan, Charles Stewart Parnell, Daniel O'Connell and John Redmond, the first three who died during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Some members called for the banner to be removed.

Management informed the Committee that the idea of the banner had come from the Department of the Taoiseach and did not come through our process.

**Action:** Relay to Government Department members dissatisfaction on this issue.

**Deputy Lord Mayor Rebecca Moynihan**

**Chairperson**

**Monday 14 March 2016**

**Attendance:**

**Members:**

Rebecca Moynihan (Chairperson)  
Claire Byrne  
Gary Gannon  
John Lyons  
Damian O'Farrell

**Members:**

Aine Clancy  
Vincent Jackson  
Seamas McGrattan

**Members:**

Mary Freehill  
Greg Kelly  
Emma Murphy

**Officers**

Jim Beggan  
Paul Ebbs  
Oliver Hickey  
Kieran O'Neill  
Ray Yeates

Ruairí Ó Cuív  
Mary Ann Harris  
Brendan Kenny  
O'Reilly  
Marc Coyle

Barbara Dawson  
Margaret Hayes  
Les Moore  
Brendan Teeling

**Apologies:**

Maurice Ahern

Ciara Higgins

Ciaran Reid

**Non-Members:**

Mannix Flynn