



**MINUTES OF THE HOUSING SPC MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2019**

1 **Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 13th November 2019 and matters arising**

Agreed: *Minutes agreed.*

2 **Chairperson's Business:**

Symposium on Public Housing: The Chairperson, Cllr. Alison Gilliland, provided feedback on the Symposium on Public Housing held on Wednesday 27th November in the Mansion House. The symposium brought together key stakeholders to discuss the concept of Public Housing. Cllr. Gilliland thanks all SPC members who attended and particular acknowledgement was given to those Cllrs who facilitated groups on the day.

Housing Awards for DCC: The City Architect, Ali Grehan, was congratulated on winning the Overall Winner at KPMG Property Industry Excellence Awards 2019, the Community Benefit Project of the Year at KPMG Property Industry Excellence Awards 2019 and the Social Housing Project of the Year at Irish Building and Design Awards 2019 for Dolphin House Regeneration Project and the Retrofitting/Renovation Project of the Year at Irish Building and Design Awards 2019 for St. Brigid's Park.

Ali Grehan provided the meeting with details of the two housing projects

Correspondence

No Update

3 **Older People/Age Friendly Overview**

A Older People/Age Friendly presentation delivered by Beatrice Casserly, DCC Age Friendly Co-ordinator

The following observations were covered:

- History of programme and its current position in Local Government

- New Age Friendly strategy 2020-2025
- Consultation process reference elections.
- Public realm considerations.
- Walkability Audits.
- Right Sizing – properties.
- Communication – Dealing with Utility companies.
- Financial Contribution scheme.
- Right Sizing Review.
- Shared learning & Best Practice.

A Right Sizing presentation was given by Mary Hayes, DCC Senior Executive Officer with responsibility for Housing Allocations

The following considerations were raised:

- Financial Contribution Scheme.
- Fair Deal Bureaucracy.
- Downsize Incentivisation.
- Prioritisation.

4 **Estate Management**

5 **Rent setting, collection & arrears**

Rose Kenny, DCC Executive Manager, gave a presentation regarding Rent Setting, Collection & Arrears.

The following considerations were raised:

- Statistical information breakdown/Analysis.
- Cyclical nature of arrears.
- Rent Arrears Management/Protocol DCC & Tenant.
- Change of Circumstance.
- Research & Empirical Studies.
- Legislation.

6 **DCC Tenant Agreement/Handbook**

7 **Managing anti-social behaviour**

Frank D'Arcy, Senior Executive Officer, delivered a presentation providing Maintenance Dept. information & statistical updates.

The following considerations were raised:

- Anti-Social strategy consultation.
- Energy Efficiency.
- Funding.
- Void Turnaround time.

- Window Replacement.
- Fire Compliance.
- Insulation Programme.
- Warmer Homes.

8 **AOB**

The following considerations were raised:

- Establishment of two working groups.
 - Working Definition of Public Housing.
 - Rent Models.

Agreed: *Depot consolidation report (housing perspective) at January SPC.*

Councillor Alison Gilliland
Chairperson
Thursday 5 December 2019

Attendance:

Members:

Alison Gilliland (Chairperson)
 Mike Allen
 Kevin Donoghue
 Mary Fitzpatrick
 Karen Murphy
 Aine Wellard

Members:

Mary Callaghan
 Daithí Doolan
 Pat Greene
 Criona Ni Dhalaigh

Members:

Donna Cooney
 Pat Dunne
 Liam Kelly
 Mick O'Reilly

Officers

Frank D'arcy
 Mary Hayes

Dave Dinnigan
 Brendan Kenny

Ali Grehan
 Rose Kenny

Apologies:

Tina MacVeigh
 Michael Watters

Murray

Colm O'Rourke

Non-Members: