



**MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE SPC MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2020**

1 Minutes & Matters Arising

Order: Minutes were agreed by Cllr. Freehill and seconded by Cllr. Batten.

Order: No matters arising.

2 Policy: Working Groups

a Tourism & City Markets including the Night Time Economy

Discussion followed with members, the group was formed consisting of Cllr Donna Cooney, Cllr Racheal Batten, Natalie McGuinness, Dublin Chamber of Commerce and Aidan Sweeney, Ibec.

b International Relations / European Affairs

Discussion followed with the members and a working group was formed consisting of Cllr. Mary Freehill, Cllr Nial Ring, Aidan Sweeney, Ibec, and Odran Reid, Northside Homecare Services.

c Presentation - European Paper - Overview

Ciara O hAodha presented on the funding and projects from Europe and that Dublin City Council have been successful with. The chair thanked Ms O hAodha for her presentation. Mr Sweeney enquired if Dublin City Council was the lead partner in the applications and if any other parties were involved?

Mr Sweeney sought clarification on the additional EU support initiatives and how it remedies with other initiatives the council works with on EI, SPIR etc. Cllr. Cooney mentioned a handshake project which would be great to be involved with and would like more information. Cllr. Ring asked has there been enough funding applied for, if there is changes to the EU funding coming in 2021 which may cause issues. Cllr. Freehill thanked Ms O hAodha for the report. Cllr. Freehill feels that Dublin isn't featuring in Europe and that we need work more with other parties to ensure that we still have a presence. Ms O hAodha advised that she will liaise with Grainne Kelly and get more information which can be circulated to the members. Mr Shakespeare commented on the learning as an organisation from these projects, there is a staff member who is embedding these

processes in the organisation and it is ongoing. Mr Shakespeare referred to Cllr. Freehill question on third level and collaboration, he advised that they are very much involved as the expertise lies with these institutions and therefore there is high level of engagement with universities and the Smart Cities team in particular. Cllr. Freehill wants clarification if negotiations have started with the Department of Finance. The Chair advised that clarification will be sought and a definite answer will be circulated by the officials to the members.

3 **Events: Local Enterprise Week 2020 Overview (March 2020)**

Grainne Denning presented on Local Enterprise Week 2020. Discussion followed and members commended the work of the Local Enterprise Office.

4 **Research: Summit Series**

a **Dissemination of Social Enterprise Summit 2019 Evaluation Report**
Order: Report noted.

b **Summit Series 2020**

Order: Agreed on a theme of Climate & Business - Sustainability in Business/ Green Business

5 **Economic Development & Enterprise Management Report**

Anthony Flynn gave an update on International Relations. Discussion followed and questions were addressed, he also advised a list of delegations will be circulated to the members. Greg Swift updated the SPC on the works in the Local Enterprise Office. Discussion followed and queries addressed.

Mary MacSweeney advised the committee on the updates for Dublin.ie, Economic Development and Smart Cities. Discussion followed, questions addressed.

6 **Any other Business**

Issue Raised by Cllr Mannix Flynn requesting a report on the footfall in city and also local employment.

Order: Chair sought clarification on if it was within the remit of the SPC and will revert back at next meeting.

a **Motion of Notice - Victorian Fruit & Veg Market**

Order: Agreed to leave this matter with the working group that was formed to deal specifically with the Victorian Fruit & Veg Market.

Councillor Claire O'Connor
Chairperson
Tuesday 11 February 2020

Attendance:

Members:

Claire O'Connor (Chairperson)
Racheal Batten
Tara Deacy
Odran Reid

Members:

Danny Byrne
Mary Freehill
Nial Ring

Members:

Donna Cooney
Natalie McGuinness
Aidan Sweeney

Officers

Mary MacSweeney
Greg Swift

Michela Ferrando
Juliet Passmore
Norman Thompson

Ciara O hAodha
Richard Shakespeare

Apologies:

Dr. Sarah Ingle

Evanne Kilmurray

Grainne Kelly

Non-Members: