



MINUTES OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 8 JUNE 2020

- 1 **Presentation on Strategic Housing Development SHD0008/20 36,38, 40 Herbert Park & 10 Pembroke Place, Dublin 4 Residential Development / Construction of 105 Apartments and associated site works. (The proposed development also includes 10 no. Aparthotel bedroom suites at 10 Pembroke Place)**
Order: Noted.

- 2 **Presentation on Planning Application Reference 2682/20 Kevin Street Former DIT site**
Order: Noted.
Cllr. Geoghegan asked that the record include his comments that the meeting to discuss the Strategic Housing Development was not consistent with the relevant legislation because there was not a quorum of members present and standing orders of Dublin City Council had not yet been amended to allow for quora in the case of meetings held remotely.

- 3 **Minutes of South East Area Committee Meeting held on 11th May 2020**
Order: Amended to include the names of councillors attending remotely and Agreed.

- 4 **Environment and Transportation Department Matters**
 - i. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 25th May 2020.
Order: Noted.

 - ii. Report on social distancing arrangements in Sandymount Village.
Order: Noted.
Taken with item 8 motions 4 and 7.

- 5 **Culture, Recreation and Emergency Services Department Matters**
 - i. Report on Sculpture Dublin.
Order: Noted.

- 6 **Planning and Property Development Matters**
 - i. Report on proposed disposal: Fee simple interest in 12 Wicklow Street, Dublin 2 to Polyfoto Limited.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.

7 South East Area Matters

- i. Report of the Director of Services, South City.
Taken with Item 8 emergency motion.
Order: Noted. The meeting then adjourned until a special meeting held on 22nd June 2020. The remaining items were taken at the special Meeting in the Round Room of the Mansion House on the 22nd June.
- ii. Naming and numbering proposal for a development at Chatham Street, Dublin 2: Cúirt Chatham/ Chatham Court.
Order: Agreed.

8 Motions

Emergency Motion from Councillor Pat Dunne taken with Item 7.i

In light of and in the context of the serious public health pandemic posed by the coronavirus, questions raised about the heightened risk posed by communal living for the transmission of pathogens and disease, that the Minister for Housing will suspend the 2018 Planning Guidelines until such time as the impact of the public health crisis on this form of housing is fully understood.

Order: Noted.

Motion 1 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That in order to provide a safe walking route while also acknowledging the need to encourage and facilitate safe cycling that the Manager would explore developing a new cycling route to the rear of the Irishtown Nature Park and to prohibit cycling on the existing walking route and to report back to this committee on these matters. In the meantime if the manager would confirm by signage that cycling is currently forbidden on this walkway.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to make contact with the owner of the Martello Tower in Sandymount to see if they might facilitate a visit to same by the committee and representatives of the Sandymount and Merrion Residents' Association to assist in developing an approach to the future of the building.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees that a working group comprising representatives from the City Architects Office, the Heritage Section and any other section recommended by the Manager as well as two councillors from the Pembroke area and two councillors from the Kimmage -Rathmines areas be established to work with the CDETB on a plan for the future of the magnificent but unused hall in the Rathmines Town Hall which reverts to the council in approximately 10 years.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 4 from Councillor Anne Feeney taken with Item 3

This committee agrees that a schedule of meetings between Dublin City Council management, Waterways Ireland and Dublin City Councillors be arranged for June 2020, September 2020 and December 2020 to follow-up on actions committed to; to keep lines of communication open re maintenance issues of the City's canals and Grand Canal dock and to discuss developments. These meetings can be held using Microsoft Teams/Zoom if not in person given government guidelines re Covid 19.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 5 from Councillor Anne Feeney

This committee asks the Director of Services to provide a status report on progress made or actions imminent in relation to questions raised by councillors in the South East Area since January 2019.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 6 from Councillor Anne Feeney

This committee requests Waste Management to pilot in the Terenure, Harold's Cross and Kimmage area an adaption of the public bins, whereby the aperture would be reduced to address the ongoing problem of plastic bags of domestic waste being packed in illegally, thereby reducing the capacity of the bins for passing pedestrians to dispose of small items of rubbish and also causing overflows of rubbish onto our streets and in our parks.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 7 from Councillor Claire Byrne taken with item 3.

That this area committee calls on the Area Manager to please install bike parking facilities on St Stephen's Green, opposite the new MOLI museum. These could be placed either on the island or in one of the parking bays on the park side.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 8 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this South East Area Committee calls on the present government to initiate a full statutory public inquiry into the now well-documented, horrendous sexual abuse and criminality perpetrated against children in the Scouting Ireland organisation. Notwithstanding the organised cover up of those in long term positions of power and responsibility it would be highly inappropriate and wrong for this government to solely rely on the recent report initiate by Scouting Ireland by Ian Elliot.

Cllr. Lacey declared membership of the board of Scouting Ireland. Order: Falls.

Motion 9 from Councillor Pat Dunne

This area committee notes that once again the growth of kerbside weeds has become a problem in the Dublin 12 area. We call on the various sections of the council to come together with a detailed plan for their prompt removal. We acknowledge the labour intensity of this job and suggest that where possible that the work could be planned with community engagement with local residents and environmental groups on a street- by- street basis. Groups such as the Crumlin Community Clean Up have expressed an interest in a cooperative approach.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 10 from Councillor Tara Deacy

While I am aware the Dublin Bike Scheme be is not the direct responsibility of Dublin City Council, can I ask that this committee supports me in requesting that the Chief executive formally write to the company responsible and request that they reconsider the Kimmage/ Rathmines area as one of its designated depots. This would be hugely beneficial to the community, particularly during Covid and would be important for many in terms of getting back to work over the coming weeks and months.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 11 from Councillor Kevin Donoghue

That the taskforce set up to tackle pollution at Merrion Strand develop an action plan for return to status as a safe bathing location as soon as possible and consult with councillors in the area on same.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 12 from Councillor James Geoghegan moved by Cllr. Lacey.

That the South East Area Committee receives a presentation from the Joint Task Force of Dublin City Council established at the end of December 2019 to deal with bathing waters at the next area meeting in respect of the output of their work to date.

Order: Report to Councillor.

9 Questions to the Chief Executive 8th June 2020

Order: Noted.

Councillor Dermot Lacey

Chairperson

Monday 8 June 2020

Attendance:

Members:

Dermot Lacey (Chairperson)
Claire Byrne
Daniel Céitinn
Pat Dunne
Mary Freehill
Carolyn Moore

Members:

Hazel Chu
Tara Deacy
Anne Feeney
James Geoghegan
Claire O'Connor

Members:

Deirdre Conroy
Kevin Donoghue
Mannix Flynn
Paddy McCartan
Danny Byrne

Officers

Brian Hanney
Neil O'Donoghue
Ruairi O Cuiv
Kiaran Sweeney

Brian Kirk
Mary Taylor
Paul McCann

John MacEvilly
Jennifer Wall
Elaine O' Sullivan

Apologies:

Non-Members: