



MINUTES OF THE HOUSING SPC MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2021

1 Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 14th July and matters arising

Agreed : Minutes Agreed

2 Chairpersons Business

Condolences were paid to the late Cllr Anthony Flynn's family.

Members congratulated Cllr Lacey upon his appointment as Housing SPC Chairperson.

i. Correspondence

Action :

Agreed : Correspondence noted

3 Update on Working Groups

i. Public Housing Working Group

No meeting since last update.

Agreed : N/A

ii. Senior Citizens Working Group

Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland provided an update covering aspects

such as;

- National Disability Authority meeting update
- Public realm
- Seating design guidelines
- Healthy Cities collaboration
- Mobility
- Public transport
- Additional public realm seating

Agreed : Report Noted

iii. Special Committee on Homelessness

The following aspects of the report were discussed;

Lord Mayor updated group on the following;

- Amendment to the Terms of Reference for the Special Committee
- National Quality Standards Framework
- Experience of women accessing emergency accommodation
- Dual Diagnosis/ Addiction/ Detox Bed availability
- Support Case management
- Homelessness context within the Housing For All Plan
- Scheme of Lettings – Band Priority

Agreed : Report Noted.

Agreed : Scheme of Lettings priorities report shall be circulated to Councilors.

iv. Oversight Committee on Animal Welfare Issues

Members acknowledged Cllr Heney's commitment and contribution

to the Committee.

The following aspects of the report were discussed;

- Alternative arrangements for the provision of Dog Shelter service
- A new Animal Welfare Unit page is currently being designed for inclusion on Dublincity.ie. The page will be fully accessible.
- Dog Warden Service
- Increasing levels of dogs being abandoned
- Develop relationships with statutory, voluntary, charitable and community organisations with a specific interest in animal welfare
- Dublin City Municipal Animal shelter

Agreed : Report Noted.

4 **Housing For All - New Government Strategy**

Members initially explored the viability, timeframe and scope of the plan and covered a range of observations including;

- Plan ambition
- Land availability and acquisition
- Part V increase
- Funding
- Affordability & Cost Rental delivery
- Bureaucracy
- Procurement process streamline
- Resource allocation
- Delivery mechanisms
- Local Authority Housing Delivery Action Plans for the next five years
- Site Service Fund

- Income Thresholds
- Private sector reliance
- One Bed Homes/Accommodation types & suitability
- Budgets
- Workforce upskilling
- Further analysis of plan

Agreed : Write to Minister for Housing to attend a meeting of the S.P.C. to discuss the government's new strategy (Housing For All) and how it may impact on the Housing and Homelessness situation in Dublin City and the proposed Oscar Traynor Road development.

5 **Draft Housing Strategy Report**

The following themes were covered and discussed;

- Development Plan
- Housing Strategy

Action : An invitation to attend a Workshop was extended by the Planning Department to all Councillors to discuss the Housing Strategy element within the new Development Plan. This workshop will be hosted by the Planning Department and will be held on 23rd September.at 2.30pm via Zoom.

6 **AOB**

Retrofitting, Regeneration and Insulation programmes were raised under AOB.

Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland
Chairperson
Wednesday 8 September 2021

Attendance:

Members:

Alison Gilliland (Chairperson)
 Dr. Kevin Byrne
 Máire Devine

Members:

Mary Callaghan
 Kevin Donoghue

Members:

Donna Cooney
 Daithí Doolan

Pat Dunne
Dermot Lacey
Eimer McCormack
Colm O'Rourke

James Geoghegan
Briege MacOscar
Karen Murphy
Cieran Perry

Pat Greene
Tina MacVeigh
Mick O'Reilly
Catherine Stocker

Officers

Mary Hayes

Brendan Kenny

McLoughlin

Apologies:

Mike Allen

Aine Wellard

Non-Members: