



MINUTES OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER 2024

1 **Minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2024 and matters arising.**

Order: Minutes Agreed.

2 **Receptions of the Lord Mayor and Engagements of the Deputy Lord Mayor.**

Order: Receptions and Engagements noted and approved.

3 **Approval of Councillor attendance at the following Conferences:**

Celtic Conference: "Health Service Entitlements". 13th -15th December 2024 in O'Donovan's Hotel, Clonakilty, County Cork. (Retrospective Approval).

Celtic Conference: "The Finance Act 2024". 10th - 12th January 2025 in McDevitt's Hotel, Carlingford, County Louth.

Order. Conference Attendance Approved.

4 **Request to illuminate City Hall on 22nd February 2025 in support of World Encephalitis Day.**

Order: Lighting Request Approved.

5 **Establishment of Standing Orders Working Group**

Order: Establishment of Standing Orders Working Group approved. Councillors Dermot Lacey, Ray McAdam, Ray Cunningham, Anthony Connaghan and Mannix Flynn were appointed as members.

6 **Manager's Report**

The Manager reported on the following issues:

- The 2025 Councillor Training Programme will be presented to the Protocol Committee in January 2025.
- The City Hall Committee will meet in Q1 of 2025 when the new senior management team is in place in the CRES Department.
- The Chief Executives Department will be holding a workshop on 19th December on Councillor Remuneration and Expenses.
- The Councillor Portal is continuing to be trialled in the Central Area in January.

- Issues with IT in the Council Chamber are being investigated. As it is a new system there will be challenges but the Chief Executive's Office is liaising with SKS Communications to resolve the problems.
- The role of the Deputy Lord Mayor could be included in the review of standing orders.

7 **A.O.B.**

The Members wished to convey their sincere thanks to Deputy Lord Mayor Donna Cooney for the way she took on the responsibilities and duties of the Lord Mayor following the election of Cllr. James Geoghegan to Dáil Éireann.

Order: Noted.

8 **Proposed date of next meeting: 30th January 2025 at 9.30am**

Order: Agreed.

Councillor Ray McAdam
Chairperson
Thursday 19 December 2024

Attendance:

Members:

Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
 Anthony Connaghan
 Mannix Flynn
 Cat O'Driscoll
 Conor Reddy

Members:

Fiona Connelly
 Dermot Lacey
 Michael Pidgeon

Members:

Ray Cunningham
 Clodagh Ní Mhuirí
 Punam Rane

Officers

Lorraine Brogan

Michael Gallagher