Report No: 143/2017
Report of the Protocol Committee



Breviate of the Meeting of the Protocol Committee held on 30th March 2017

In accordance with Standing Orders of the City Council, the Breviate of the Meeting of the Protocol Committee held on 30th March 2017 is submitted herewith.

1) Lord Mayor's Receptions and Engagements of the Deputy Lord Mayor.

Order: Noted and Recommend to Council

- 2) Conferences Attended by Councillors:
 - Cllr. Andrew Montague. "Towards a National Planning Framework". Gibson Hotel, Dublin. 9th March 2017
 - Cllr. Declan Flanagan. National Nzeb Conference "Delivering fast track and affordable nearly zero energy buildings". Riverside Park Hotel, Enniscorthy. 2nd March 2017

Order: Agreed and recommend to Council

3) Motion in the Name of Councillor John Lyons:

It was proposed by Councillor J Lyons and seconded by Councillor M Flynn that "Noting recent reports of diplomatic developments by the Irish state toward full recognition of the state of Palestine, aware also that Ireland accorded the Palestinian delegation in Dublin diplomatic status in 2014, the same year that witnessed both Houses of the Oireachtas pass motions in support of Palestinian statehood, this city council will fly the flag of Palestine over City Hall for the month of May 2017 in support of the above diplomatic moves and as a gesture of our solidarity with the people of Palestine living under occupation in the West Bank and Gaza, with the Palestinian citizens of Israel denied basic democratic rights and with the over 7 million displaced Palestinians denied the right of return to their homeland."

Order: The Members were supportive of the motion but were cautious of setting a precedent on the flying of flags on City hall. The motion was put and carried.

4) Deputy Lord Mayor Travel Policy

The Manager proposed that in situations where the Lord Mayor, in discussion with the Chief Executive, agrees that the City should be represented at an international event or there is a recommendation from the Department of Foreign Affairs that the City or Country

be represented abroad, but the Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor are not available then the invitation should be extended to the Chairperson of the relevant SPC. The travel costs associated with attending the event would be borne by the operational Department of the SPC rather than by the individual Councillor.

Order: Agreed

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Order: Agreed

- 6) Managers Report
 - The Members also expressed their appreciation in regards the work done in facilitating Councillors who deputise for the Lord Mayor and in particular they welcomed the move to have a replica of the Clancy Chain made. The Manager envisaged that there would be two replicas which would allow the Deputy Lord Mayor to keep one on a permanent basis for the duration of his/her term and the second one could be couriered to the Councillor deputising for the Lord Mayor when necessary.

Order: Agreed.

➤ The Manager proposed that the Housing Supply Report be included in the Chief Executive's Monthly Report on the monthly Council agenda as it would assist members in understanding the information supplied in both reports.

Order: Agreed.

7) Proposed Date of Next meeting - Thursday 4th May at 8am in the Richard O'Carroll Room

Order: Agreed.

Cllr. Ciarán O'Moore Vice Chairperson

Thursday, 30 March 2017

Attendance:

Members:	Members:	Members:
Aine Clancy Deirdre Heney Michael Mullooly	Patrick Costello John Lyons Ciaran O'Moore	Mannix Flynn Micheal Mac Donncha
Officers Michael Gallagher	Deirdre Ni Raghallaigh	
Apologies: Brendan Carr Ray McAdam	Teresa Keegan Ray McHugh	Dermot Lacey Rebecca Moynihan