

Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath Dublin City Council

Report to Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC

8th May 2017

Item No. 9

Commemorative Naming Committee Minutes of Meeting held on 18th January 2017 3.00 p.m. Richard O'Carroll Room, City Hall

Attendance

Members:

Officials Present:

Cllr Micheál MacDonncha (Chair) Cllr Nial Ring Cllr Frank Kennedy Cllr Paddy McCartan Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian Margaret Hayes, Dublin City Librarian Ruairi O'Cuiv, Public Art Manager Jackie O'Reilly, Administrative Officer Paula Ebbs, Senior Staff Officer Tara Doyle, Senior Librarian Gabrielle McClelland, Staff Officer

Apologies:

Others Present:

Cllr Mannix Flynn

Cllr Ciaran Perry Cllr Seamas McGrattan Cllr Mary Freehill

- Minutes of Meeting held on 21st September 2016 Action: Agreed
- 2. Matters arising No matters arising.

3. Review of Policy Document

The revised Policy Document had been circulated to members in advance of the meeting for their observations / comments.

The election of a new Chairperson was raised. **Action:** To be put on the next Agenda.

The issue of defining major infrastructure was discussed.

Management stated an example of naming bridges, roundabouts etc. would be classed as major infrastructure. Recommendations of the Commemorative Naming Committee will be brought before the full Council for final decision on major infrastructure and monuments and statues.

Action: Change wording in Policy Document to reflect this.

The issue of naming of the residential buildings process was discussed. Members suggested that the Commemorative Naming Committee should be included in this process.

Action: Circulate the naming and numbering document to members. Discuss at the next meeting.

4. Plaques/Monuments/Infrastructure Proposals

• Naming Drumcondra Bridge "The Frank Flood Bridge" – Update

A report was sent to the December North West Area Committee for their support which was received. Subject to the support of the Environment and Transportation Dept. a report will now go to the February City Council meeting for approval.

Action: Agreed.

• Liam Mellows Memorial – Update

Following on from the previous meeting, the Public Art Manager requested the Liam Mellows Memorial Committee to submit further information such as an artistic impression of the memorial, proposed artist including a CV, detailed costings etc. The Public Art Manager informed members that he received no reply from the Memorial Committee.

Action: The Public Art Manager to make further contact with the Memorial Committee and copy the Chairperson on any contact made.

• Welsh Chapel Plaque – Update

Management informed the Committee that registered letters had been sent to owners of the building, but no reply was received. Committee members were also informed that contact had been made with the tenant of the building regarding improving the look of the building with DCC's assistance. The tenant was reluctant to change the current artwork, but was agreeable to allow us to paint a section of the upper level of the building which would allow the plaque to stand out somewhat. Following a discussion on various options of erecting the plaque, members agreed that the plaque should not be erected on the façade of the building in its current state of disrepair.

Action: Continue to liaise with the tenant regarding improvement works. Arrange a site visit with Conservation. Incorporate into the Policy Document that our granite plaques are not suitable to be placed in the ground.

• Fr. Mathew Park Plaque – Update

This very successful and well attended unveiling took place at St. Mary' N.S. Windsor Avenue, D. 3 on 14th December 2016

• Four Courts Garrison

This very successful and well attended unveiling took place at the Capuchin Mission Office, Church St. on 7th December 2016.

Royal College of Surgeons Garrison Plaque

This very successful and well attended unveiling took place at the RCSI at Stephens Green on 12th December 2016.

5. A.O.B.

It was confirmed that the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group would draw up a draft "paper" addressing the approach to commemorations relating to the War of Independence and the Civil War.

The landlords of Clanwilliam House, proposed site of Boland's Mills garrison plaque, are renovating the building and have requested 6 month delay until works have finished (mid-2017). Convenor of Boland's Mills relatives group informed.

Next meeting 15th March 2017.

Cllr. Micheál MacDonncha

Dated: _____