



**Finance Strategic Policy Committee
Breviate of Meeting held on 15th June 2017**

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 16th March 2017

Minutes agreed

2. Correspondence

Noted

3. Report Legislative Framework

Correspondence from Minister Coveney and Rates Legislation Review report were noted.

Agreed: It was agreed that in addition to the administrative issues that must be covered by the review, the response issuing to the Minister should highlight a) the current vacancy refund level of 45% in Dublin City Council's administrative area and b) any rates alleviation scheme should allow both an upward and downward revision.

4. Construction Industry Federation (CIF)

Representatives of the CIF attended the meeting to address three particular items of the impact of the use of pyrite in the construction process, the compliance with workplace related legislation and subcontracting of works and the structure of public sector construction contracts around the issue of settling contract related claims.

5. Ballyfermot Leisure Centre

Report of T. O'Keeffe, Law Agent outlining the legal settlement of this dispute noted.

6. Report on Development Contributions – Highest and Lowest value of contributions

Report noted.

Agreed: A report would be prepared setting out the breakdown of Residential versus Commercial development activity.

7. Rates Liabilities – NAMA Properties – Report 15-2017

Report noted.

8. Rates Account – Legal Proceedings 2016 – Report 16-2017

Report noted.

Agreed: A report would be prepared on the value of legal costs incurred to pursue non-compliant rate payers including staff costs.

9. A) Annual Financial Statements 2016

Presentation made by A. Power, Head of Financial Accounting on the AFS for 2016 was noted.

9. B) Debtors Report

Report noted

10. Area Discretionary Funding – Report 02-2017

Agreed: It was agreed that this item would lapse and K. Quinn was thanked for the work involved in the compilation of this report.

11. Audit Committee – Agreed Minutes

- September 15th 2016 – Minutes noted
- November 17th 2016 – Minutes noted
- December 8th 2016 – Minutes noted
- March 9th 2017 – Minutes noted

12. Chief Executive’s Special Report on Resourcing – for discussion

Report noted.

Agreed: A proposal involving 3 meetings will be made to the Chief Executive for the establishment of a resources working group

13. AOB

Vacancy Refund Report

Noted. Special meeting of the SPC to be arranged when final report is available.

Councillor Ruairi McGinley
Chairperson

15th June 2017

Attendance:

Members

Councillor Ruairi McGinley (Chairperson)
Councillor Paddy Bourke
Councillor Tom Brabazon
Councillor Ray McAdam
Councillor Micheál MacDonncha
Councillor Paddy McCartan
Councillor Larry O'Toole
Councillor Nial Ring
Eric Fleming, ICTU
Morgan O'Regan, Docklands Business Forum
Aebhric McGibney, Dublin Chamber of Commerce
Aidan Sweeney, IBEC

Guest Speakers from Construction Industry Federation

Hubert Fitzpatrick, Director, Housing, Planning and Development
Martin Lang, Director - Main Contracting
Brian McKeon, Executive Member
Mel O'Reilly, Executive Member

Officials

Kathy Quinn, Head of Finance
Antoinette Power, Head of Financial Accounting
Terence O'Keeffe, Law Agent
Fiona Murphy, Senior Staff Officer, Finance Secretariat
Lisa Nolan, Staff Officer (Secretarial), Finance Secretariat

Non Member

Councillor Mary Freehill

Apologies

Lord Mayor Brendan Carr
Councillor Hazel De Nortúin
Councillor Dermot Lacey
Councillor Noeleen Reilly
Dr. Caroline McMullan, DCU
Joanna Piechota, Irish Polish Society

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