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**To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

North East Inner City Ministerial Task Force

Notification was received on 14th June 2017 from Department of the Taoiseach that the Government, at its meeting held on 13th June 2017, confirmed the appointment of Michael Stone as Chair of the Programme Implementation Board for the North East Inner City Initiative. Mr. Stone is founder and CEO of [Designer Group](#), Engineering Contractors.

For the purposes of this part-time appointment, Mr. Stone has an office base at the Dublin City Council's Central Area Office, 52 Sean MacDermott Street. He will have administrative support from the NEIC Programme Office, as well as the Social Policy Section, Department of the Taoiseach in his work on implementation of the Mulvey report [Dublin North East Inner City - Creating a Brighter Future](#) published in February 2017.

Since his appointment Mr. Stone has had a series of meetings and visits to the North East Inner City and work has commenced on establishment of the implementation structures identified in the Mulvey Report. The first meeting of the Programme Implementation Board took place on Wednesday 28th June 2017. As set out in the Mulvey report membership of the Board consists of

- Independent Executive Chair – *Michael Stone*
- Dublin City Council – *Brendan Kenny ACM*
- Dublin City Council – *Karl Mitchell, Assistant Area Manager*
- An Garda Síochána – *Chief Superintendent Sean Ward*
- Department of Social Protection - *David Dillon, Principal Officer*
- Department of Education – *Caitriona O'Brien, Principal Officer*
- Department of Children & Youth Affairs – *Conor Rowley, Principal Officer*
- Community Representative – To be nominated by North Inner City Community Coalition (Mr. Fergus McCabe attended the first meeting, pending confirmation of NICC nominee)
- Business / Employer Network Representative – TBC
- Department of the Taoiseach - *Denis Breen, Principal Officer*
- NEIC Programme Office, *Ursula Donnellan, Project Manager*

Work will now proceed under the direction of the Board to establish a number of working groups to focus on the key areas for priority action i.e.

- Policing and Crime Prevention / Tackling Crime and Drugs
- Maximising Educational / Training Opportunities / Creating Employment Opportunities
- Creating an Integrated Systems of Social Services
- Physical Infrastructure – “Refurbishment Plan”

The Programme Implementation Board will meet monthly. Minutes of the meetings will be made public and regular progress reports will be brought to the Central Area Committee. In the meantime, Mr. Michael Stone or other members of the Board can be contacted via the NEIC Programme Office, e-mail neic@dublincity.ie.