Special City Council Meeting 17/12/2015

COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Specialta a tionóladh ar 17 December 2015 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Cnoc Chorcaí ag 5.00 i.n. I Láthair an tArdmheara Críona Ní Dhálaigh sa chathaoir

Comhairleoir:

Mannix Flynn

Marv Freehill

Gary Gannon

Paul Hand

Alison Gilliland

Seán Haughey

Deirdre Heney

Vincent Jackson

Andrew Keegan

Teresa Keegan

Frank Kennedy

Mícheál Mac Donncha

Dermot Lacev

Tina MacVeigh

Ray McAdam

Paul McAuliffe

John Lyons

Greg Kelly

Jane Horgan-Jones

. Comhairleoir:

Catherine Ardagh Kieran Binchv Paddy Bourke Janice Boylan Tom Brabazon Christy Burke Claire Byrne **Cathleen Carney Boud** Brendan Carr Aine Clancy Anthony Connaghan David Costello Patrick Costello Daithí De Róiste Daithí Doolan Pat Dunne Gaye Fagan Declan Flanagan

<u>Oifigigh</u>

Owen KeeganTerence O'KeeffeDick BradyJim KeoganJohn O'HaraVincent NortonCeline ReillyOonagh Casey

Comhairleoir:

Séamas McGrattan Rav McHugh **Denise Mitchell** Andrew Montague Rebecca Moynihan Emma Murphy Michael O'Brien Jim O'Callaghan Damian O'Farrell Ciáran O'Moore Larry O'Toole **Cieran Perry** Noeleen Reilly Nial Ring Noel Rock Éilis Ryan Paddy Smyth Sonya Stapleton

Tony Flynn Maire Igoe Fiona Cooper Carmel Walsh

- 1. The Lord Mayor opened the meeting by apologising for her late arrival due to traffic congestion. She then informed them that one hour would be allotted to each item on the agenda.
- 2. Item 1 : Councillor D Doolin proposed the following motion "Dublin City Council expresses concern at the proposed sale of council housing to tenants and the impact it will have on our housing stock, in light of the current housing crisis we appeal to the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government to grant a derogation to Dublin City Council until such time that we have a building programme that meets the needs of those on our housing list"

A full debate took place on all aspects of the impact of the proposed Tenant Purchase Scheme, with many Members expressing concerns at the reduction of the City Council's housing stock while also empathising with tenants who have lived for a number of years in their houses now wishing to purchase them. The effect on the local communities was also explored.

An amendment to the motion was put forward by Councillor D Lacey and others but was later withdrawn, A further amendment was put forward by Councillors E Ryan, T MacVeigh, A Keegan and J Lyons which would have the effect of deleting the words after Dublin City Council in the last sentence of the original motion. The following amended motion was put to a vote and defeated :

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The original motion was then voted on and was also declared to be defeated.

3. Item 2 : To discuss and agree the need to initiate the Statutory Process for the compilation, delivery and implementation of a Local Area Plan for Phibsborough. The following motion was put forward in the names of Councillors S McGrattan, R McAdam, D Costello, P McAuliffe, C Burke, and N Rock

"That this Council agrees to initiate a new statutory process for the purpose of drafting and implementing a Local Area Plan for Phibsborough and that the content of the recently considered Local Area Plan be retained as the basis for the starting point of a revised LAP for Phibsborough".

A comprehensive debate ensued in which Members expressed their views and their wish to see the LAP resurrected with immediate effect. Mr Jim Keogan, Assistant Chief Executive, Planning & Development Department, outlined the statutory process and the implications of the failure of the City Council to adopt the Draft LAP on the 7th December 2015. . He also provided clarification on other points raised in relation to the current and future implications for planning in the area.

Mr Vincent Norton, Executive Manager & Meetings Administrator, provided clarification in relation to the tabling and voting on motions and amendments in relation to this LAP at the City Council meeting on the 7th December 2015. An Amendment to the motion above was put forward by Councillor B Carr but later withdrawn. The original motion was then put and carried.

4. The following motion signed by 12 Members of the City Council pursuant to Standing Order No. 30, was submitted by Cllr. B Carr for inclusion on the January Monthly City Council Agenda - "Pursuant to Standing Order No 30, Dublin City Council hereby rescinds the resolution of the 7th December 2015 in relation to the Phibsborough Local Area Plan; and further directs that a motion for the adoption of the Plan be placed before the Council at that Special Meeting to be held as soon as is possible" Members were informed that legal advice would be sought in relation to this motion and its implications and they would be informed of the advice received.

The meeting concluded at 7.00 pm.

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LORD MAYOR