



**BREVIATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 29th NOVEMBER 2017.**

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 27th September 2017.

Order: Agreed.

2. Matters Arising

The Chair advised the Committee that Councillor Tina MacVeigh has replaced Councillor Andrew Keegan on the Committee

Order: Noted.

3. Correspondence

Mr McCarthy referred to 4 items of correspondence from 2 from Covanta and 2 from himself. The Chair decided that these items will be dealt with under the Waste to Energy item.

Order: Noted.

4. Chairperson's Business

The Chair referred to issues raised by Robert Moss arising from the PPN linkage meeting held on 7th November.

- (i) Litter along the Luas Line from Smithfield to Jervis Street
- (ii) Potholes at the Hal 'penny Bridge
- (iii) Future of Bridgefoot Street Community Garden

Order: Noted. The reports that issued on items (i) and (ii) to be circulated to the Committee. Les Moore, City Parks Superintendent to meet with the Bridgefoot Street Community Garden Committee

5. Minutes of the Litter Subcommittee held on 25th October 2017

Order: Agreed

6. EU Birds Directive and the City Development Plan - Kehinde Oluwatosin, Planning Department

Order: Noted. Although there is a lot of technical detail in the report that issued there are no conclusions on how the Brent Geese feeding grounds will be accommodated in the proposed development at Saint Anne's Park. A further report that concludes that the Bird's Directive is adequately catered for in the City Development Plan to issue

A report on measures to protect seals on Bull Island to issue.

7. Dublin Waste to Energy
(i) Project update - James Nolan, Senior Executive Officer

Follow up items are listed below

- (i) Report on Carbon footprint of the facility to issue.
- (ii) Documentation to issue to the Committee in PDF format.
- (iii) Report on the classification and inspection of waste at the plant to issue.
- (iv) Report on traffic flows & management to issue.
- (v) Correspondence from members of the Committee to be recorded under the Correspondence section of the Agenda and to issue with the Agenda Pack for the Committee
- (vi) A special meeting of the Committee to be arranged when the CDM Smith performance demonstration test report is available.

Order: Report Noted.

- (ii) Community Gain Fund

The Chair advised that the value of the Community Gain Fund has been discussed by this Committee. Differing views on the value exist. An Bord Pleanála, 2 Committees of the City Council were consulted and agreement could not be reached.

Order: Noted

8. Dublin District Heating Systems – Victor Coe, Senior Executive Engineer

Members congratulated Victor and his team for the award from Celsius Smart Cities in relation to the commencement of the Dublin District Heating Systems Project.

Order: Report Noted. The feasibility report on District Heating that was commissioned in 2008 to issue to the Committee.

Interim report on progress to issue to the Committee at the April 2018 meeting with a further presentation to be given at the June 2018 meeting.

9. Glyphosate Presentation – Leslie Moore, City Parks Superintendent
Order: Presentation Noted. Soft Copy of the presentation to be circulated to the Committee. Policy to be developed by way of motion at a future meeting on the elimination of the use of Glyphosate.

10. Air Quality Update Presentation –Martin Fitzpatrick, Principal Environmental Health Officer

Order: Presentation Noted.

11. Deposit refund Schemes & recycling of Bulky Plastics Report update report – Hugh Coughlan, Regional Co-ordinator, Eastern – Midlands Regional Waste Office

Order: Report Noted.

12. Meeting Dates 2018

Order: Noted

13. Motion in the name of Councillor Claire Byrne

“That this Committee is outraged by the estimated 2 million coffee cups that go into landfill in Ireland each day, supports the Governments proposed 'Latte Levy' as one measure to tackle this, but calls on Dublin City Council to go even further by introducing an outright ban on the sale and use of all non-recyclable, non - biodegradable and non- compostable coffee cups in Dublin City as way to lead by example and to demonstrate Dublin City Councils commitment to the fight against plastic pollution and climate change’

Order: Amended motion agreed deleting the reference to supporting the Government’s Latte Levy.

Further report to issue on initiatives that could be driven by the City Council in relation to the motion at the February 2018 meeting of the SPC

14. Motion in the name of Councillor Claire Byrne

‘That this Committee requests a progress report on the use of source separation bins in Dublin City and whether there a plans to increase the roll out of such bins’

Order: Agreed, further report to issue on matters raised to be presented at the February 2018 SPC meeting

15. Motion in the name of Councillor Claire Byrne

“That this Committee calls on the Manager to make a statement on reports of on-going issues with domestic waste collections in Dublin City including regular missed domestic collections, collections taking place outside of allocated collection days, putting brown and grey bin waste into the one collection truck, and general poor communications with customers in this regard.’

That this Committee calls on the Manager to introduce kerb side collection of glass in Dublin City and asks if he can provide a report on this.”

Order: Agreed, relist for February meeting

16. A.O.B.

Councillor O’Moore expressed concern at the dwindling number of Committee Members in attendance as the meeting progressed.

Order: Guidance from Protocol Committee to be sought.

Councillor Flynn requested a report on street cleaning to include, staffing levels, new work practices introduced, staff welfare and number of litter bins removed.

Order: Report to issue at the February meeting

Councillor Naoise Ó’Muirí
Chairperson,

30th November 2017.

Attendance:

Members

Councillor Claire Byrne
Robert Colleran, Dublin Docklands Business Forum
Councillor Mannix Flynn
Joe McCarthy, An Taisce
Robert Moss, Dublin City PPN
Councillor Michael Mullooly
Councillor Michael O'Brien
Councillor Ciaran O'Moore
Councillor Naoise Ó'Muirí

Apologies

Councillor Tina MacVeigh

Absent

William Brennan, Dublin City PPN
Councillor Ciaran Cuffe
Councillor Declan Flanagan
Councillor Edel Moran

Officials

Dick Brady, Assistant Chief Executive
Céline Reilly, Executive Manager
Leslie Moore, City Parks Superintendent
James Nolan, Senior Executive Officer
Eithne Gibbons, Senior Executive Officer
Victor Coe, Senior Executive Officer
Simon Brock, Administrative Officer
Hugh Coughlan, Administrative Officer
Kehinde Oluwatosin, Urban Planner
Ciaran McGoldrick, A/Senior Staff Officer
Mary O'Meara, Staff Officer
Ian Boggans, Assistant Staff Officer