

MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2017

1 Minutes of the Central Area Committee held on 14th November, 2017

ORDER: Agreed.

2 Questions to the Area Manager

ORDER: Noted.

3 With reference to a Presentation by CASPr

ORDER: Presentation noted.

4 With reference to a Presentation by Grangegorman Development

ORDER: Presentation noted.

5 With reference to a presentation - Traffic Advisory Group Update

ORDER: Presentation noted. Copy of presentation to be circulated to the Members.

With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 28th November, 2017

ORDER: Reports noted.

7 With reference to updates on the following - Public Domain Section, North East Inner City Programme Office, North West and North East Inner City Housing Office, Grangegorman Development, Central Area Age Friendly and Central Area Sports Report

ORDER: Reports noted.

8 With reference to a request for a nomination to the North Inner City Drugs
Task Force

ORDER: Item deferred until January.

9 With reference to a naming and numbering proposal for a new development at a site between North King Street and North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7

ORDER: Agreed.

With reference to a naming and numbering proposal for a new development on a site at Spencer Dock, Dublin 1

ORDER: Agreed.

With reference to 1917 Commemoration Project applications

ORDER: Agreed.

12 With reference to Motions

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Glasnevin Trust and ask if it their intention to include further names on the so called 1916 Memorial Wall in Glasnevin Cemetery and, if so, to detail what names are being considered for inclusion, and if public consultation will take place on any proposed addition of names.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to the Glasnevin Trust.

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee supports the submission made by me to the Seanad Public Consultation Committee in respect of its public consultation on the Status, Treatment and Use of the National Anthem. The main points made in the submission are as follows:

"http://scanmail.trustwave.com/?c=6600&d=0Y-c2i6VUliqI4IAMs_Vu7nDkEvxCvOD94rnd5cygA&s=342&u=http%3a%2f%2f1%2el n my opinion, there should be no changes made to either Irish or English version. I have read and heard of proposals to change wording to lessen the militaristic tone of the Anthem but, in deference to those who wrote and translated the Anthem, we should not interfere with their work.

Also, some people have quite mistakenly assumed that the first line of the chorus "Sine Fianna Fáil..." was written after the foundation of the Fianna Fáil political party in 1926 and that somehow the name of the fledgling party could have influenced his translation work. This is absolutely untrue as my Granduncle first worked on the translation in 1916 and completed his work before 1923, well before the foundation of Fianna Fáil.

- 1. The foregoing statement is not just based on family knowledge and lore (a daughter of Liam is still alive and well). Historian Ruth Sherry, in her article entitled "The Story of the National Anthem", published in History Ireland (Issue 1, Spring 1996) states that Liam Ó Rinn's translation was published in the army magazine, An tÓglach, on 3rd November 1923. More persuasive and significant is the fact that an almost identical text was printed in the Freeman's Journal on 3rd April 1923, under Ó Rinn's pen name "Coinneach".
- 2. The Government should issue guidelines on the use of the National Anthem. This, I believe, should be on the lines of the guidelines issues in relation to the National Flag. The guidelines should also include reference to standing at attention (and how to do so) when the National Anthem is being played. It is galling to observe sportsmen and sportswomen standing "at ease" or with arms around each other whilst the Anthem is being played. Simple guidelines on this would give the Anthem the due respect it deserves.
- 3. I would support the National Anthem being enshrined officially in legislation in

the Irish language.

- 4. I would ask that the Committee strongly consider recommending that the National Anthem be made a compulsory part of the education curriculum and enshrined in legislation to ensure its implementation.
- 5. I would submit that the guidelines, if agreed and published, should be in booklet format and distributed to every household in Ireland.
- 6. The success of the presentation of the National Flag to every school in the country to commemorate/celebrate the 1916 Rising has been widely acknowledged. I would submit that the committee recommends a similar programme for the National Anthem".

I have circulated the full document I sent to the Committee separately but the above are my actual submissions. The Committee intends to hold public hearings on Tuesday 5th December and I have been invited to attend and contribute to this public hearing.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to the Seanad Public Consultation Committee

Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee expresses its concern about the delays in SICAP funding in the inner city and requests that the Senior Management Team resolve this issue without delay and ensure that the issues referenced in the Mulvey Report and elsewhere are resolved without further delay.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor

Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That this Area Committee calls for a full investigation into the road layout and traffic light system at Hanlon's Corner on the North Circular Road due to the high level of near misses, crashes and residents concerns.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor

Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That this Area Committee calls on the Co-op and the LCDC to engage in meaningful discussions re the SICCAP funding so they can come up with a strategy that will resolve all issues and concerns.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor

Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That this Area Committee calls on the Minister for Justice to immediately reinstate any funding withdrawn to An Garda Siochana in relation to overtime. We already don't have enough Gardaí on our streets and are dealing with serious levels of crime and antisocial activity.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor

<u>Councillor Ray McAdam</u> Chairperson Tuesday 12 December 2017

Attendance:

Members:
Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
Gaye Fagan
Gary Gannon
Nial Ring
Officers

Apologies: Janice Boylan Eilis Ryan

Christy Burke

Ciaran Cuffe

Non-Members: