



Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community Strategic Policy Committee

Minutes of meeting of Commemorations Committee - Fochoiste na gCuimhneachán

**Thursday 29th March 2018 at 2.00pm
Richard O'Carroll Room, City Hall**

Councillors/Members Present	Officials Present
Cllr Vincent Jackson (Chair) Árdmheara Micheal MacDonncha Cllr Paddy McCartan Cllr Nial Ring Cllr Mannix Flynn	Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian Margaret Hayes, City Librarian Richard Shakespeare, ACE, CRES Tara Doyle, Dublin City Public Libraries Leslie Moore, Parks Superintendent DCC Historians in Residence: Cathy Scuffil, South Central Area Cormac Moore, North Central Area Maeve Casserly, South East Area Bernard Kelly, DCLA

1. Apologies – Cllr Cieran Perry, Donal Fallon (HIR, North West Area)
2. Minutes of the meeting of 31st January 2018 approved.
3. Matters arising: 'Flanders Fields Memorial' proposal - Ardmheara reported on visit to Mansion House of Nic Van der Marliere, General Representative of the Government of Flanders. The Ardmhéara reported that the OPW had offered a site at Islandbridge to the Government of Flanders but they did not want the memorial placed there because Islandbridge is a war memorial. The Flanders Government regards theirs as a Peace Memorial. The ACE noted that the proposal arose following the offer of a gift to the City from the Government of Flanders. As such, he proposed that the gift should in the first instance be considered by the Protocol Committee. If the gift is accepted by the City, any proposal would then be considered by the relevant area committee in due course. It was agreed that the offer of the gift be forwarded to the Protocol Committee for consideration.
4. Correspondence: none
5. Commemorations programme 2018: B. Teeling reported that the Exhibition: *Doing Their Bit: Irish Women and the First World War* is on display in DCLA until end April accompanied by City Hall Lecture Series in April on Irish Women and First World War; *Suffragist City - Women and the vote in Dublin city* exhibition touring branches and has been requested by Sligo and Clare. Jacob's exhibition going to Donegal.

6. Commemoration of First Dail: DCC working with Houses of Oireachtas on programme in Round Room, Mansion House; will revert with more detailed proposals.
7. Historians in Residence (HIR) project: each HIR reported on their 2017 work per DCC area. Councillors paid tribute to the historians and to the success of the project. T. Doyle reported that interviews are due to take place on 11-13 April for Central Area HIR panel.
8. Flanders Peace Memorial – taken under Matters Arising.
9. A.O.B. none
10. Date of next meeting: 30th May 2018 at 2pm.