

## Amendment Council Motion re sale of Sean McDermott Street site

31 August 2018

Following the repeated recommendations of the United Nations Committee Against Torture (UNCAT) that the Irish State should undertake a thorough and impartial investigation into ill-treatment of girls and women at the Magdalene Laundries, promote greater access to archival information regarding the Magdalene Laundries and fully implement the outstanding recommendations of Mr Justice Quirke, including services for survivors and memorialisation, the elected members of Dublin City Council (DCC) -

considers the current proposal for the development of the Seán McDermott Street site to be wholly inappropriate;

calls on Council management to immediately withdraw this proposal;

recognises the importance of the recent Dublin Honours Magdalenes event to the survivors of the Laundries and their families;

commends Justice for Magdalene Research and the organisers of the Dublin Honours Magdalenes event;

supports the establishment of the Lord Mayors Commission;

calls on Dublin City Council management to advance the outcomes from the Dublin Honours Magdalenes listening event with survivors on the development of an appropriate memorial to the Magdalene women;

and calls on Dublin City Council management to advance an appropriate development plan for the Seán McDermott Street to include -

- an appropriate memorial to the Magdalene women that reflects their asks from the Dublin Honours Magdalenes listening event,
- the outcomes from the Lord Mayors Commission,
- social and affordable housing,
- commercial infrastructure appropriate to the needs of the site and the community.