



**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ARTS, CULTURE AND RECREATION SPC MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 21ST JANUARY 2019**

Members:

Cllr. Vincent Jackson (Chair)
Cllr. Greg Kelly
Cllr. Claire Byrne
Cllr. John Lyons
Cllr. Damien O'Farrell
Cllr. Anne Feeney
Cllr. Mary Freehill
Cllr. Rebecca Moynihan
Cllr. Áine Clancy
Gerry Kerr, National Council for the
Blind of Ireland
Conor McQuillan, Public Participation
Network
Elaina Ryan, Children's Books Ireland
Ciara Higgins, Royal Irish Academy of
Music

Apologies:

Maurice Ahern, Irish Sports Council
Sarah Costigan, The Little Museum of
Dublin

Officials present:

Richard Shakespeare, Assistant Chief
Executive
Brendan Teeling, Acting City Librarian
Ray Yeates, City Arts Officer
Leslie Moore, City Parks Superintendent
Jim Beggan, Senior Executive Officer
Ruairí O'Cuív, Public Art Manager
Patricia Colfer, Administrative Officer
Jackie O'Reilly, Administrative Officer
Minutes by Paula Ebbs

1. Minutes of meeting held on 26th November 2018.

Action: Agreed

2. Dublin City Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021 (LECP) – Jackie O'Reilly, Administrative Officer

Action: Noted.

3. Progress report on the Welfare of Horses – Patricia Colfer, Administrative Officer

Action: Noted

4. Report on the Implementation of the Culture Strategy – Ray Yeates, City Arts Officer

Action: Noted.

5. Update on the New City Library at Parnell Square – Brendan Teeling, City Librarian (Acting)

Cllr Kelly requested an update on Kennedy Wilsons position re staff member to be engaged to raise funds towards the project..

Action: Management to follow up.

6. Velo City Cultural Programme Update – Ray Yeates, City Arts Officer

Action: Noted.

7. Management Update

Members commended the staff and work of the growing number of festivals organised in the City.

Cllr O’Farrell requested a report on the Dublin Bay UNESCO Biosphere Discovery Centre regarding the specifications that were given to Howley Hayes Architects and in particular to address the height of the building.

Action: Bring report to the next meeting.

Management to follow up on creating a “hang out space” with more wi-fi spots for teenagers.

Action: The Manager stated he would request Smart Cities to look at this and perhaps run a pilot project in one location in each of the 5 areas.

Issues regarding the removal of bins in parks and dog fouling were raised. The Manager informed members that some of the bins have and will be replaced.

Members were informed the Luke Kelly statues will be unveiled on 30th January 2019 by the President of Ireland. The first statue will be unveiled at 2.00 p.m. on South King Street. The second statue will be unveiled at 3.30 – 4.00 p.m. on Guild Street. There will be refreshments in the Laurence O’Toole Community Centre afterwards and a concert will take place later that evening in Liberty Hall.

Gerry Kerr commented that he did not feel some management initiatives were adequately communicated and requested that more resources be put into Smart Cities / digital communications across the various areas.

Gerry also informed members that for St. Patrick’s Day Festival there will be 270 wheelchair accessible spots. Members were also informed that a new mobile toilet / changing area “changing places” for people with various disabilities will be installed in major locations around the city.

The Chair commended Gerry Kerr on his input to this Committee in particularly raising awareness on disability issues.

Management addressed all other issues raised.

8. Approved minutes of the Commemorations Sub-Committee Meeting dated 26th September 2018

Action: Noted.

9. Approved minutes of the Commemorative Naming Committee Meeting dated 26th September 2018

Action: Noted

10. Approved Minutes of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group Meeting dated 16th October 2018.

Action: Noted

11. Approved Minutes of the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership Advisory Board Meeting dated 22nd October 2018

Action: Noted

12. Breviate of Draft Minutes of the Commemorations Sub-Committee Meeting dated 22nd November 2018

Action: Noted

13. Breviate of Draft Minutes of the Commemorative Naming Committee Meeting dated 22nd November 2018.

Action: Noted

14. A.O.B.

Conor McQuillan stated that the suggestion of running a pilot autonomous bus to Bull Island should run along the causeway road and the wooden bridge out to the Island and not from the City Centre as previously minuted.

Action: Noted.

Cllr Clancy mentioned the statue to Our Lady at the end of the Bull Wall that needs to be re-tiled.

Cllr Freehill raised a concern over a proposed 6 storey building which is directly opposite Terenure Library.

Action: Management will follow up with City Architects.