

Housing SPC Minutes

HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2020

ATTENDANCE

COUNCILLORS

Mary Callaghan

Donna Cooney

Máire Devine

Kevin Donoghue

Daithí Doolan

Pat Dunne

Anthony Flynn

James Geoghegan

Alison Gilliland

Briege MacOscar

Tina MacVeigh

Eimear McCormack

Cieran Perry

Colm O'Rourke

EXTERNAL MEMBERS

Pat Greene – DSC

Karen Murphy - ICSH

Claire McManus - JFOC

Mike Allen – Focus Ireland

Mick O'Reilly - ICTU

Apologies

Ard Mhéara Cllr Hazel Chu

Aine Wellard - VVI

Dublin City Council Officials

David Dinnigan, Executive Manager

Mary Hayes, Executive Manager

Sandra McAleer,

Other Councillors in attendance

Christy McLoughlin, Administrator

1. Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 11th November

Agreed : Minutes Agreed

2. Chairperson's Business

i. Correspondence

No correspondence received

Members wished Eileen Gleeson, Executive Manager DRHE a happy retirement whilst warmly thanking her for continued support and contribution over the years. She was commended for her work during Covid pandemic.

Agreed : A letter to be sent to Eileen from the Committee to express sincerest gratitude and to wish her well in her retirement

3. Update on Working Groups

i. Rent Review Working Group

ii. Public Housing Working Group

The meeting noted the report detailing the response from management on the Working Group Report on Public Housing .

The following considerations were discussed;

- Discussions with Department of Housing
- Cost Rental and affordability
- Funding
 - Serviced Site Fund Subvention Increase (SSF)
 - Term of loan
 - Value for Money
 - Construction Costs
 - Input Costs
 - Types of loans available to Local Authorities
- Delivery Models
- Public Procurement Process
- Role of Approved Housing Bodies
- Cost Recovery Implications
- Housing Assistance Payment
- Housing Needs Assessment (HNA)
- Private Sector Leasing
- Land Restriction/Availability Implications
- Regeneration
- Government Regulations

Agreed : A symposium exploring House Building Costs to be arranged in the New Year.

4. Presentation on Emmet Road Regeneration Project (incl. Cost Rental)

Sandra McAleer, Senior Executive Engineer provided an update.

The following considerations were raised;

- Inclusion of public realm costs in the overall rental calculations
- Apartment size & standards
- Serviced Site Fund (SSF) subvention
- Affordability
- Project timeline
- Rent levels
- Capital Cost
- Term of loan, loan term comparisons & interest Rates
- Density & height
- Procurement delivery strategy clarification
- Management strategy for the development
- Local employment clause

Agreed : Design Team to make a presentation at a future Housing SPC meeting

5. Potential EU Funding Opportunities Housing and Community Development

Agreed : Postpone agenda point 5 until January meeting of the Housing SPC

6. Labre Park Redevelopment Update

The following considerations were raised;

- Traveller specific/appropriate accommodation during redevelopment
- Site evaluation
- Consultation
- Flood Risk Implications
- Project Re-evaluation
- Traveller Representation
- Planning

7. Lord Mayor's Taskforce on Homelessness

An update from the Chairperson on behalf of the Lord Mayor was noted.

8. AOB

The following considerations were raised;

- Oscar Traynor Road Development

Cllr. Alison Gilliland
CHAIRPERSON