



**Breviate of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC Meeting
held on 15th February 2021**

1. Minutes of Meeting held of 30th November 2020

Action: Agreed

Matters arising: Issue of delayed motions has been referred to the Protocol Committee

2. Presentation on the Pre-Draft Consultation of the City Development Plan – Deirdre Scully, Deputy City Planner

Action: Attempts to rectify the software to allow use of the Irish Language on the website will be made. It was suggested that this SPC submit a formal proposal in relation to the promotion and use of the Irish language and Irish quarter. The zoning of DCC properties such as libraries will be addressed at the draft stage of the Plan. Increasing the number of publicly owned sports facilities/playing fields, physical cultural infrastructure, mixed use developments, use of subterranean spaces where archaeology allows will all be addressed. It was suggested that the lack of and protection of cultural spaces should remain as an agenda item.

**3. Presentation on UNESCO City of Literature – Alison Lyons, Divisional Librarian
3 a) One Dublin One Book – Alison Lyons, Divisional Librarian**

Action: Corporate sponsorship to be considered. Circulate a copy of the winning book to all members.

**4. Motion submitted in the name of Cllr Mannix Flynn:-
(Referred from the South East Area Committee December 2020)**

“That this committee of DCC support the erection of a plaque to commemorate and honour the actions of Violet Gibson who shot Mussolini wounding him in 1926. Born in Dalkey and raised in Merrion Square, Violet Gibson was a committed anti-fascist.

After Gibson's failed attempt, she was set upon by Mussolini's supporters, and would likely have been lynched had the police not stepped in and arrested her. She suffered various cruelties and indignities within the fascist prison system, and was then deported to England, sparing the Italians the embarrassment of a public trial. Her family

had secretly arranged to have her committed to an asylum – St. Andrew’s Hospital in Northampton, where Lucia Joyce, James Joyce's daughter, would later be committed. Despite repeated pleas for her freedom, she spent the rest of her life in St. Andrew’s, dying in 1956.

It suited both the British nation and its people.”

Reply: Refer to the Commemorations & Naming Committee

Action: Agreed.

5. Motion submitted in the name of Cllr Clare Byrne and Cllr. Dearbhal Butler:-

That this Strategic Policy Committee agrees to the following:

“To write to the chair of the National Task Economy Task Force Group to request that Dublin be included as a suitable pilot as part of the proposed Night Time Economy Pilot Scheme as it is the only urban centre of scale for such a project. To engage a suitable organisation to develop a night time economy strategy for Dublin City to progress the creation of a Night Mayor for Dublin City as agreed by the Council in in 2020”

Amendment: This SPC will work to include policy objectives in the next City Development Plan 2022 - 2027 that will ensure the creation of a vibrant, diverse and sustainable night time culture and economy for Dublin.

Action: Motion including the amendment was agreed.

6. Exhumations of the 5 members of the Irish National Invincibles (Referred from City Council dated 11th January 2021)

Action: Refer to the Commemorations & Naming Committee – agreed.

7. Verbal Update on the Kathleen Clarke Portrait – Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian

Action: Noted.

8. Report on Sport Inclusion Services – Jim Beggan, Senior Executive Officer

Action: Report noted. Questionnaire from Accessibility Report to be circulated to members.

9. Discussion on the approach to Covid Recovery – Cllr Cat O’Driscoll, Chairperson

Action: Agreed. Draft terms of Reference to be circulated and expressions of interest for membership will be sought. Refer to CPG for approval.

10. Management Update

Action: Noted.

11. Approved Minutes of the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership meeting dated September 21st 2020.

Action: Agreed.

12. Approved Minutes of the Arts & Cultural Advisory Group (ACAG) meeting dated 5th October 2020

Action: Agreed.

13. Approved Minutes of the Commemorations & Naming Committee Meeting dated 19th November 2020.

Action: Agreed.

14. Miontuairiscí den chruinniú – Fochoiste Gaeilge - Dé hAoine, 4ú Nollaig 2020

Action: Agreed.

15. Breviate of draft Minutes of the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership meeting dated 8th December 2020

Action: Agreed.

16. Breviate of draft Minutes of the Arts & Cultural Advisory Group (ACAG) meeting dated 25th January 2021

Action: Agreed.

17. Breviate of draft Minutes of the Commemorations & Naming Committee meeting dated 28th January 2021

Action: Agreed.

18. A.O.B.

The Chair raised a proposal by Cllr Byrne to re-convene the Artists Workspaces Sub-Committee in light of the City Development Plan being out for consultation. It was agreed that this Committee be attached to the Arts & Cultural Advisory Group for effectiveness and will be a permanent part of the Agenda.

Action: Circulate the current T.O.R. Chairperson to send relevant members the template.

Cllr Cat O'Driscoll
Chairperson.

15th February 2021

Attendance:

Members;

Cllr. Cat O'Driscoll (Chair)
Cllr. Vincent Jackson
Cllr. Claire Byrne
Cllr. Anne Feeney
Cllr. Mary Freehill
Cllr. Deirdre Heney
Cllr. Micheál Mac Donncha
Cllr. Seamus McGrattan
Cllr. Dearbhal Butler
Cllr. Darragh Moriarty
Cllr. Patricia Roe
Cllr. Damian O'Farrell
Cllr. Declan Flanagan
Cllr. Hazel De Nortuin

Julian de Spáinn, Conradh na Gaeilge
Sunil Sharpe, Give us the Night
Ciaran Taylor, White Cane Audio Theatre
Adekunle Gomez, African Cultural Project
Ross Keane, Irish Film Institute
Willie White, Dublin Theatre Festival
Mary O'Connor, Federation of Irish Sport

Apologies: None

Officials present:

Anthony Flynn, Executive Manager
Mairead Owens, City Librarian
Deirdre Scully, Deputy City Planner
Barbara Dawson, Director, HLG
Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian
Leslie Moore, City Parks Superintendent
Jim Beggan, Senior Executive Officer
Ruairi O Cuív, Public Arts Manager
Ray Yeates, City Arts Officer
Grainne Kelly, Administrative Officer
Simon Clarke, Administrative Officer
Alison Lyons, Divisional Librarian
Iseult Byrne CEO, Culture Company

Others present:

Cllr. Mannix Flynn