

Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Economic Development & Enterprise

Meeting held on Thursday 22nd October 2015 at 16.30pm

in the Woodquay Venue, Civic Offices, Dublin 8

Members Present:

Cllr. Paul McAuliffe (Chair), Cllr. Alison Gilliland, Cllr. Deirdre Heney, Cllr. Gaye Fagan, Cllr. Noeleen Reilly, Denise Brophy, Martin Harte, Geraldine Lavin

Officials:

Brendan Kenny, Assistant Chief Executive, Culture, Recreational, Amenity and Community

Greg Swift, Head of LEO Dublin City.

Mary Mac Sweeney, Senior Executive Officer, LEO Dublin City.

Bryan Coughlan, Assistant Staff Officer, LEO Dublin City.

1. Chairman Cllr. Paul McAuliffe asked if there were any matters arising from the SPC meeting of 29th of September 2015. The minutes of that meeting were adopted and there were no further matters arising for today's meeting.
2. This meeting was held following a joint meeting with the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee (LCDC), the sole purpose of which was to discuss the submissions made in response to the draft Dublin City Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP). The Chairman asked the members of the SPC to formally agree the proposed changes to the draft LECP which will be forwarded to the Eastern and Midlands Regional Assembly (EMRA). The LECP was approved, subject to the agreed changes, and it will be forwarded to the members of the EMRA for their meeting of the 13th November 2015. Subject to feedback from the EMRA a further joint meeting of the LCDC and SPC may be called.
3. Brendan Kenny, Assistant Chief Executive, Culture, Recreational, Amenity and Community, presented a report to the SPC on Dublin City Council's interaction with the Web Summit organisers and detailing the range of supports provided by the Council to this event since its inception. The report also detailed any requests made by the Web Summit organisers that could not be facilitated and the reasons for not granting these requests were outlined. The report was welcomed and it was noted that it provided a lot of information regarding the supports provided to the Web Summit that were not part of the public debate to date. The chairperson said that organisers of the Web Summit would be invited to meet with the SPC to discuss issues that led to their decision not to hold the Web Summit in Dublin in 2016.

4. A.O.B. Cllr Tina McVeigh notified the Chairman of her intention to step down from her role on the SPC. The Chairman thanked Cllr McVeigh for her work on the SPC since its inception in October 2014. The Chairman notified the members that dates for meetings in 2016 will be circulated to members in the coming weeks.