

HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE
MINUTES FOR SPC MEETING ON
WED 19TH JANUARY 2022

Attendance:**Members:**

Mary Callaghan
Donna Cooney
Máire Devine
Kevin Donoghue
Daithí Doolan
Pat Dunne
James Geoghegan
Alison Gilliland – Lord Mayor
Dermot Lacey (CP)
Briege MacOscar
Tina MacVeigh
Eimear McCormack
Cieran Perry
Colm O'Rourke
Catherine Stocker

Karen Murphy – ICSH
Mick O'Reilly – ICTU
Mike Allen - FI
Kevin Byrne - SGCRA

Dublin City Council Officials

Coilín O'Reilly, A/Assistant Chief Executive
David Dinnigan, Executive Manager
Mary Hayes, Executive Manager
Frank d'Arcy, Executive Manager
Michelle Robinson, A/Executive Manager
Alice Simington, Senior Executive Officer
Shane Hawkshaw, Senior Executive Engineer
Christy McLoughlin, Administrator

Other Councillors in attendance

Deirdre Heney
Naoise Ó'Muirí
Mary Freehill
Mannix Flynn
Hazel Chu
Janice Boylan
Sophie Nicoullaud
Anthony Connaghan

Apologies

Pat Greene – DSC
Claire McManus - JFOC

External Personnel

Séan O'Riordan - Consultant
Ronan Lyons - Consultant

1. Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 8th December and matters arising

Agreed : Minutes Agreed

2. Chairpersons Business

Cllrs Daithi Doolan, Máire Devine, Pat Dunne & Cieran Perry highlighted the following issue;

That the Dublin City Council Housing SPC expresses deep concern at the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage's decision to stop providing funds for the Tenant In Situ scheme.

With 147 acquisitions this scheme, established in 2018, has proved to be a very effective means of preventing homelessness in Dublin.

In light of the ongoing and deepening homeless crisis in Dublin, we ask that the Minister Darragh O'Brien reverses this decision and allows the TIS scheme to resume with immediate effect.

Agreed : Chairperson will arrange a letter in support of motion to Minister for Housing

Agreed : Management will provide feedback to a future SPC meeting regarding ongoing engagement with Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

i. Correspondence

Agreed : N/A

3. Housing Management Update

i. New Anti-Social Policy Update

The following themes were discussed;

- Anti-Social behaviour and implications for community
- Care and Control
- Local Authority Powers
- Legislation
- Proportionate Enforcement
- Estate Management Process
- Judiciary
- Tenant Support
- Consultation Process
- Human Rights
- Mental Health
- Complaints Procedure
- Prevention and Early Intervention
- Resource Assessment
- Resilience
- Stakeholder Engagement & Multi Agency Approach
- Tangible Intelligence
- Post Eviction Policy
- Complimentary Interventions
- Staff Training

Agreed : Amended Document to be circulated to all Councillors & Special Meeting to be arranged.

Agreed : New Anti-Social Policy Update shall be included on the March Housing SPC agenda

ii. Phase II of the insulation programme update

The following themes were discussed;

- Fuel Poverty
- Time versus Funding
- Timescale
- Schedule of Works
- Prioritisation
- Smart Heating Controls
- Dampness and Condensation
- Health Issues
- Voids
- Climate Targets
- Economies of Scale
- Labour Capacity
- Energy Efficiency
- Apprenticeship Scheme

Agreed : Update noted

iii. Construction Cost Analysis Update

The following points were raised;

- Inclusion of external Academics and Experts input
- Cost Breakdown Analysis
- Specification
- Data to support conclusions imperative
- Councillor Engagement
- Academia Engagement
- Workshops

Agreed : Include updated Construction Cost Analysis Update on a future SPC meeting – Quarter 2

4. Update on Working Groups

- i. LTACC Update

Agreed : Update noted

- ii. Public Housing Working Group

Agreed : N/A

- iii. Senior Citizens Working Group

Agreed : N/A

- iv. Special Committee on Homelessness

Agreed : N/A

- v. Oversight Committee on Animal Welfare Issues

Agreed : Update noted

5. AOB