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REPORT TO ARTS, CULTURE, LEISURE
AND RECREATION SPC
21ST FEBRUARY 2022
Item No. 10

Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership Advisory Board Meeting - Minutes

Monday 18th Oct 2021 @ 4.00pm via Zoom

Attendees: Rob Hartnett, Aideen O'Connor, Fiona Coghlan, Sinéad McNulty, Donncha O'Dúlaing, David Moran, Alan Morrin, Cllr. Séamas McGrattan, John Gillick, Kevin Quinn, Richard Fahey, Mary O'Connor

Apologies: John Costello

Minutes by: David Moran

ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION BY	TIMELINE
1. Welcome & Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ RH welcomed everyone➤ Apologies given		
2. Minutes for approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Circulated in advance➤ Proposed by RF; Seconded by JG		

3. Staff Update	Introduction from Donncha O’Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer for DCC Sport & Recreation Services, who has replaced Frank Darcy.		
4. Sport & Recreation update	<p>AOC provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Sportsfest/European Week of Sport focused on the promotion of Olympic Sports and was rolled out in collaboration with our Co-funded Officers. The programmes and activities were delivered locally mostly targeting young people in the form of taster sessions (e.g. multi-sport event held in Clontarf Rd pitches with over 300 primary school children in attendance; fantastic feed-back from the schools involved). In all, we had approx. 1750 participants at 31 events across over 20 different locations.➤ The Virtual Hub is still being used as a tool for dual delivery of programmes. There is a reluctance from some people within the older adults groups to resume face to face programmes due to safety concerns. The hub is currently being upgraded with an expected launch in January. It will become a one stop shop for all info relating to the Sports Partnership. It will also support NGBs in promoting their work.➤ New Orienteering programme (in collaboration with Orienteering Ireland) caters for all ages & abilities and showcases some of the popular DCC parks across the city. The training of our own officers give it sustainability and the programme will be rolled out to schools and youth groups➤ GAGA (Getting All Girls Active) Day is scheduled for 24th Nov. DCSWP Sports Officers will join up with the co-funded teams to provide a day of activities. RH suggested engaging a suitable sporting ambassador to help promote GAGA on social media. AOC confirmed Kellie Harrington will be involved but any other suggestions or assistance from Board members in this respect is welcome. GAGA 2022 will be scheduled for March in order to align with Women in Sport Week.➤ Developing Women through Sport is a DCSWP collaborative programme with TU Dublin to address the difference’s that exist between women’s and men’s involvement in sport. The programme will provide one year of support to women in their respective role as coach, volunteer, athlete, advocate, leader or participant. It’s essentially an opportunity, via a suite of educational & training supports, to create female role models to empower other women to become involved in sport and their community. The course is funded through Dormant	<i>Board</i> <i>Aideen O’Connor</i>	 5 th November

	<p>Accounts. MOC requested that 'talent ID' is incorporated and links made with NGBs to assist them in accessing higher quality coaches going forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 'Cycling without Age' training day is on Tuesday 19/10/21 in Islandbridge. This programme is aimed at people who are not mobile and is part of the Active Cities project. Staff first, then volunteers, will be trained to deliver this in partnership with DCC's Community Section ➤ Creative Residency in Sport Project has commenced in partnership with the DCC Culture Company. The aim is to link an artist with a specific sports club who are open to the idea of the project. Interviews have been held and there will be 5 artists in residency - one for each of the administrative areas. Artists and Sports Officers will meet this week and the project will start to take shape over the next 2-3 weeks ➤ Active Cities - National lead is now in place. Sanction sought from Govt. for local lead on 1st Oct. Dormant Account Funding is being reviewed and expenditure has been delayed due to no local lead. AOC and AM will be driving this over the coming months. The Active Cities Project to date has already strengthened relationships with the other Dublin LA's so this is a positive outcome. ➤ Grant Funding – Application will be made for the small grant scheme. It will be difficult to estimate how many applicants will apply as affiliated clubs will go through their NGBs. Sport Ireland have pushed back the deadline to Friday 30th Oct. 10 NGBs are recognised by Federation of Irish Sport but are not recognised by Sport Ireland. Request will be made to MOC to send on the list of these 10 NGBs. Notes from Sport Ireland LSP meeting on 19/10/21 included as a separate attachment. 	<p><i>David Moran</i></p>	
<p>4. Interim Strategy</p>	<p>Questionnaire sent to Sports Officers and Admin Team with 21 returned at time of writing. Results will be presented to the board. Aideen has asked for suggestions on what external consultants could carry out a facilitated review. Suggestions to be emailed to Aideen directly.</p>	<p>Board</p>	<p>ASAP</p>

5. Governance Code	<p>Significant progress was made on Principles 1 & 2 in July/August. Further progress was stalled as a result of a delay from Sport Ireland regarding clarifications and also the amount of programmes and initiatives delivered in September e.g. Bike Week, Sportsfest etc...</p> <p>AM will now lead out on the code to ensure DCSWP meet their commitment of complying with all 5 principles of the code by year end. Support and assistance will likely be needed from the Governance Sub-Committee on this (MO’C, RF & SMcN)</p>	<i>Alan Morrin</i>	Year End
6. CARA Xcessible Award	<p>Disability should be on the agenda in future with regular updates from SIIO’s Nuala O’Donovan & Lisa Kelly. Suggestion from RH for someone from the disability sector to join the Board. Nuala and Lisa have already put forward the name of Sarah Hewitt from St. Michaels House. This will be followed up on in a more formal manner in due course</p>		
7. Ongoing Board commitments	<p>Current board members to email AOC or RH to confirm whether they will or will not continue on the Board next year.</p>	<i>Board</i>	Mid-November
8. Usage of the River Liffey	<p>Motion received from Councillor Nial Ring on the topic of animating the River Liffey via sporting & cultural activities and installations. The motion is very broad and requires input from various departments/sections in DCC. Some confusion over whether it is appropriate for the Board to discuss motions such as this. SMcG advised that topics such as this could be discussed as part of a wider strategic conversation – informing any DCSWP submission that will be made for the next City Development Plan.</p> <p>DO’D advised AO’C that they will take the discussions around this specific motion back in-house and set up a meeting with Tony Flynn in order to prepare a response.</p>		

AOB	MO'C felt it might be beneficial if some recent research commissioned by Sport Ireland in partnership with Sheffield Hallam University on the benefits of the Sports Economy was shared. RH agreed that this should accompany these minutes, along with the most recent Irish Sports Monitor data.		
Next meeting	Wednesday, December 8th @ 4pm (virtual, in-person or hybrid – TBC)		