

**HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES FOR SPC MEETING ON**  
**WED 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022**

**Attendance:****Members:**

Mary Callaghan  
Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland  
Donna Conney  
Maire Devine  
Daíthi Doolan  
Pat Dunne  
Dermot Lacey (CP)  
Eimer McCormack  
Cieran Perry  
Catherine Stocker

Claire McManus - RIAI  
Pat Greene - DSC  
Mike Allen - FI

**Dublin City Council Officials**

Coilín O'Reilly, A/Assistant Chief Executive  
David Dinnigan, Executive Manager  
Mary Hayes, Executive Manager  
Martin Donlon, Senior Architect  
Sandra McAleer, Senior Executive Engineer  
Christy McLoughlin, Administrator

**Other Councillors in attendance**

Cllr Deirdre Heney  
Cllr Mary Freehill  
Cllr Mannix Flynn

**Apologies**

Kevin Byrne – SGCRA  
Cllr Kevin Donoghue

**1. Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March and matters arising**

**Agreed:** Minutes Agreed

**2. Chairpersons Business**

i. Correspondence

Acknowledged Karen Murphy's (Irish Council for Social Housing) contribution to the Housing SPC Committee and wished her well in her new role.

**Agreed:** Affordable Housing topic to be included in the May Agenda

### 3. Update presentation on St. Teresa's Gardens & Emmet Road

Martin Donlon, Senior Architect provided context & background to the presentation on St. Teresa's Gardens development.

The following themes were discussed;

- Site location/Site Area
- Residential Unit Mix
- Height, Density & Materiality
- Bicycle & Car Parking
- Tenure Split
- Dual Aspect
- Dwelling Size
- Public Open Space
- Transport Strategy
- Perspective Views
- Timeframe

Sandra McAleer, Senior Executive Engineer provided context & background to the presentation on St. Teresa's Gardens development.

The following themes were discussed;

- Project Overview & Status
- Residential Unit Mix
- Non Residential Uses
- Scale & Massing
- Key Milestones
- Cost Rental affordability
- Community Centre
- Height & Design
- Bicycle & Car Parking
- Public Open Space
- Estate Management
- Cost Rental Affordability & Cost Drivers
- Public Procurement Process
- Housing Needs Assessment
- Public Consultation, Promotion, Events & Feedback

**Agreed:** Presentations noted

**Agreed:** O'Devaney Road & Oscar Traynor Road presentation update to be included in a future Housing SPC agenda.

#### **4. Choice Based Lettings draft policy for discussion**

The following points were raised;

- Communication & Stakeholder Input
- Information Technology (I.T.) System upgrade
- Managing Expectations
- Digital Literacy
- Applicant feedback
- Benefits of Choice Based Lettings
- Scheme of Lettings
- Ukraine Refugees
- Social Housing List complexity

**Agreed:** Choice Based Letting update to be included on a future agenda.

#### **5. Traveller Accommodation & LTACC Report**

The following themes were discussed;

- St. Mary Park – Access/No footpath
- Project updates.

**Agreed:** Update noted

## 6. Homelessness Report & Special Committee on Homelessness

The following points were raised;

- Private Emergency Accommodation (PEA) visit update
- Accommodation Standards
- Homeless Report Figure Statistical Trend
- Notice to Quit
- Bed Capacity
- Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)
- Family Accommodation Options
- Acquisitions & Leasing

**Agreed:** update noted

## 7. Update on Working Groups

- i. Public Housing Working Group

**Agreed:** N/A

- ii. Senior Citizens Working Group

Cllr Mary Freehill provided an update about suitable public domain seating.

**Agreed:** update noted

- iii. Oversight Committee on Animal Welfare Issues

**Agreed:** update noted

## 8. AOB

The following points were raised;

- Ukraine Refugee & Dublin City Council assistance role/input & community response
- Anti-Social Behaviour & Stakeholder Engagement