



MINUTES OF THE COMMEMORATIONS & NAMING COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MICROSOFT TEAMS, THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2022

Members:

Cllr Mícheál Mac Donncha (Chairperson)
Cllr Mary Callaghan
Cllr Cieran Perry
Cllr Mannix Flynn
Cllr Paddy McCartan
Cllr Cat O'Driscoll
Cllr Nial Ring
Cllr Larry O'Toole

Apologies:

Cllr Seamus McGrattan
Cllr Donna Cooney
Julian de Spáinn

Officials present:

Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian
Fanchea Gibson – Administrative Officer
Paula Ebbs, Senior Staff Officer
Ruairi O Cuív – Public Art Manager
Margarita Cappock – Assistant Arts Officer
Denice Kirwan - Minutes

Others present:

Cllr Mary Freehill

1. Minutes of meeting 29th September 2022

Action: Agreed

2. Matters Arising

- Margaret Keogh Way: Brendan Teeling is liaising with the Planning Dept & Area Offices.
- Christopher Whelan headstone - Brendan Teeling will follow up regarding funding from other organisations.

Action: Noted.

3. Motions:

- a. submitted in the name of Cllr D. Heney (**referred from the Arts SPC dated 21st November 2022**)

“That this Area Committee notes that residents of Pinebrook and St. David’s, Artane, are extremely happy with the official naming of St. Nicholas’ Park, Artane; and noting the fact that these residents previously expressed an interest in having a commemorative plaque placed on the wall of the Oratory - Church of the Resurrection (on the park side) to commemorate the boys who are buried there and who died while incarcerated in the Artane Industrial School (permission has been granted by the owner of the Oratory and an email to such effect has been submitted in writing to the North Central Area Office - (wording of the plaque to be agreed at a later stage)) that this Area

Committee agree to their request for a commemorative plaque and forward same to the Commemorative Naming Committee for consideration at its November 2022 meeting."

Action: Agreed in principle. Wording to be agreed. Revert to Cllr. Heney regarding submission of official application form.

- b. Correspondence from South Dublin County Council (referred to the Commemorations & Naming Committee from the Council meeting held on 7th November 2022):

The following Motion was AGREED at the Council meeting of South Dublin County Council held on the 12th September 2022.

"Following on from the Motion passed at April 2021 Council Meeting "In recognition of Dr Noel Browne, and the men and women who fought for the eradication of tuberculosis in Ireland that a commemorative stone be provided on the Grass Verge in proximity to Peamount Hospital", that this Council writes to Dublin City Council informing them of the recent commemoration by South Dublin County Council of Dr. Noel Browne and express our support for a memorial or commemorative piece in Dublin City. We believe such a project would be merited and have public support. "

I should be grateful for your comments at your earliest convenience. Please quote our reference no. M07-0922 on any correspondence.

Action: Chair will arrange an online meeting to set up an informal sub-group to discuss. All committee Councillors will be invited to attend.

4. New applications for Plaques/Monuments/Memorials/Infrastructure

- a. **Jerome O'Leary – Plaque Application – see document 4.A**

Action: Confirm if the property belongs to DCC. Agreed.

- b. **Joseph Holloway – Plaque Application – see document 4.B**

Action: Agreed.

- c. **Marlborough House, Glasnevin – Plaque Application – see document 4.C**

Action: Deferred until next meeting. Previous motion in the name of Cllr Flynn to be retrieved and discussed in conjunction with this application.

Application submitted by Cllr Freehill for a plaque to commemorate **James Plunkett** at Richmond Hill, Rathmines

Action: Agreed.

5. Plaques/Monuments/Memorials/Infrastructure Updates – document item 5.A.

- a. Bloody Sunday Bridge online consultation data was debated in detail. A vote was taken by members present to confirm the naming of the bridge, with the result 5 in favour and 3 against. A report on the naming of the bridge will be on the next Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC agenda for discussion. If agreed it will then go to the full City Council for adoption.

Action: Agreed.

Item 5.b - Plaques/Monuments/Memorials/Infrastructure Proposals - Updates

- **Bachelor’s Walk Massacre:** owner to be identified and approached.
- **Bryan, Thomas** - Unveiling date 14th March 2023
- **Colbert, Con:** We believe that we have located the whereabouts of the original plaque and will make contact with the owner.
- **Conciliation Hall:** date to be agreed.
 - **Devlin, Liam:** Wording agreed. Revert to owners
 - **Connolly, James:** artwork requested, plaque to be manufactured.
 - **Dublin Fire Brigade:** the owners of the Westmoreland Street building have been identified. The Chief Fire Officer will write to the owner seeking permission. We are awaiting confirmation of the owners of the other two buildings.
 - **Grimshaw, Thomas Wrigley:** awaiting formal application.
 - **Kinsella, James:** Cllr Ring to come back to next meeting with further details.
 - **Margaret Keogh Walk:** awaiting advice from planning.
 - **Mac Grianna, Seosamh:** The plaque will be erected April 2023.
 - **O’Connor, Rory:** B. Teeling to write to OPW and to check with planning
 - **O’Hara, Maureen:** the permission of the owners has been received. Get formal application from proposer. Contact Cllr D. Lacey. Wording to be agreed.
 - **Rotunda Hospital:** Repair works have been completed. Proposer to revert.

It was noted that there is a backlog of plaques due to the volume of applications as well as the new tender to be completed. It was also suggested that a way to manage the erection of plaques would be to take the Arts / Political / Gender balance into consideration. Another suggestion was to put an annual cap on the amount of plaques erected around the city.

Action: Noted. Officials to bring a report with suggestions to next meeting.

6. Monument to the Women of the Revolutionary Decade – see document item 6.

A full report regarding the location, budget etc. of the monument to be submitted to the next Commemorations & Naming Committee for discussion. It will then be put on the Agenda of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC, if agreed it will go to the full City Council for final approval.

Action: Report Noted.

7. Commemorations programme – verbal update

Officials will circulate a report on the 2022 full programme prior to the next meeting.

Action: Noted.

8. Proposed dates for 2023

Date of meeting in March should read the 23rd.

Action: Noted.

9. Commemoration of Kay Mills (standing item)

Action: Noted.

10. A.O.B.

E-mail received objecting to the plaque commemorating Violet Gibson.

Action: Noted.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 26th January 2023 @2.30pm

**Cllr Micheál Mac Donncha,
Chairperson**