



Comhairle Cathrach  
Bhaile Átha Cliath  
Dublin City Council

REPORT TO ARTS, CULTURE, LEISURE  
AND RECREATION SPC  
24<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023  
Item No. 10

**MINUTES OF THE COMMEMORATIONS & NAMING COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD, THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

<p>Members: Cllr Mícheál Mac Donncha (Chairperson) Cllr Mary Callaghan Cllr Cieran Perry Cllr Paddy McCartan Cllr Cat O'Driscoll Cllr Nial Ring Cllr Donna Cooney Cllr Larry O'Toole Julian de Spáinn</p> <p>Apologies:</p>	<p>Officials present: Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian Gillian Colton, Senior Librarian Suzanne McClurg - Minutes</p> <p>Others present:</p>
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**1. Minutes of meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

**Action:** Agreed

**2. Matters arising**

- a. Jeongeup Donghak Peasant Revolution Commemorative International Conference – report to follow.

**Action:** Report to be circulated. Members were disappointed that the Council was not represented by a Councillor who is a member of the committee.

- b. World Revolutionary City Network – report to follow.

**Action:** members requested a full report for consideration at the next meeting.

- c. Maud Gonne – Plaque Application.

It was reported that officials had spoken to the applicant who agreed that the plaque would be for the Patriotic Picnic, not for Maud Gonne.

**3. Motion submitted by Cllr Nial Ring & Cllr Donna Cooney (deferred from last meeting)**

*“Having regard to the recently announced Poolbeg Peninsula project by Dublin Port Company, and noting that the 3FM project includes the provision of a new bridge adjacent to the Tom Clarke Bridge as part of a new Southern Port Access Road, this committee recommends that the new bridge be named after Elizabeth O’Farrell.”*

**Action:** It was agreed to defer this motion to the next meeting.

**4. Removal of a monument in the City; query from Cllr Gilliland**

*“I’m enquiring if you know how one would go about removing a monument in the city - in particular the commemoration wall place of Captain Martin Hogan on Grace Park Rd in Whitehall. You’ll note from the article below (Sexual violence and the Irish Revolution: an inconvenient truth?) that this man is linked to the controversial gang rape of Eileen Mary Warburton Biggs in June 1922 during the civil war.”*

**Action:** It was agreed that as the memorial in question was erected by the National Graves Association, the matter should be sent to that organisation. It was further agreed that a policy governing the removal of Council memorials should be drafted.

**5. New applications for Plaques/Monuments/Memorials/Infrastructure**

a. Arthur Griffiths Memorial / Monument – application

**Action:** Members noted that Arthur Griffith is already memorialised in the City and so would not be high up on the list of those to be commemorated, particularly on O’Connell Street. It was also noted that the Council intends to install a memorial to the Women of the Revolution on O’Connell Street. It was agreed to seek the views of the Arts & Culture Advisory Group.

b. Michael Healy – stained glass artist – application

**Action:** The application was agreed with the suggestion that the wording include ‘Stained Glass’ Artist.

**6. Applications for funding**

a. Killester Garden Village Committee

**Action:** the application was deferred; members requested a full report on all correspondence with the Killester Garden Village Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

b. Irish Labour History Society International Conference

**Action:** The application was agreed. Officials are to confirm the amount.

## 7. Plaques/Monuments/Memorials/Infrastructure Updates

Plaque/memorial	Status
1. Bloody Sunday Bridge	Deferred to June Council meeting
2. Dublin Fire Brigade	Plaque at 30 Westmoreland Street unveiled on 19 May 2023.
3. Mac Grianna, Seosamh	Unveiling to take place on 29 May at 11.30am.
4. Fitzwilliam Lawn Tennis Club	Unveilings to take place on 10 June 2023.
5. Connolly, James	Date to be confirmed.
6. Shay Elliott	Unveiling to take place on 23 June 2023.
7. Joseph Holloway	Unveiling to take place on 28 June 2023.

## 8. Commemorations Programme – verbal update

**Action:** Programme ongoing- report will be circulated.

## 9. Commemoration of Kay Mills (standing item)

**Action:** Retain on agenda.

## 10. A.O.B.

The following issues were discussed:

Poole House & Sean Foster:

**Action:** Application has not been approved by CNC. Cllr N Ring & Brendan to confirm with the Area Committee.

**Cllr Micheál Mac Donncha**

**Chairperson**