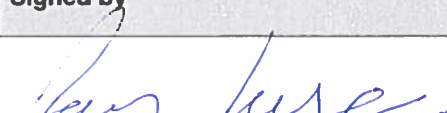


Report to the Protocol Committee for noting and referral to the City Council

Councillor Name	Darcy Ioneragan
Conference/Seminar Name	Retrofitting Ireland: Building resilience into Irish homes
Conference/Seminar Topic	Retrofitting
Venue/Location	University of Limerick
Date (s) of Conference	Friday, July 28
Brief Summary	
<p>Bringing together the decisions maker, the semi -state actors and business who are playing a role in retrofitting Ireland in order to meet our EU/National targets. The conference outlined the grants and supports available, some gaps within the system and general information on navigating the system.</p>	
Recommendations	
<p>The main takeaway was the gaps within the systems:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a high demand for retrofitting but not enough qualified people to carry it out. • We don't provide visas for tradespeople therefore we can't recruit them from other countries. • Need for access to more loans to cover the cost of retrofitting. • There are no incentives for landlords to invest in retrofitting. 	
Declaration	
I certify that I attended the above-mentioned Conference/Training Seminar.	
Signed by	Date
	31/08/2023