Report No. 230/2023 Report of the Finance Strategic Policy Committee



# Breviate of the Finance Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023

 Draft Minutes of the Finance SPC meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. Adopted.

- 2. Matters Arising.
- 3. Correspondence.

Noted.

4. Presentation on Data Innovative Economic Measurement - Jamie Cudden, Smart Dublin Programme Manager.

Presentation discussed and noted.

5. Report on Outcome of the National Review of the LPT Baseline – Kathy Quinn Report discussed and noted.

**Agreed to**: Reiterate the points we made during meetings with other local authorities and councillors and make another submission to the Department.

4. Report on Visitor Levy Tax Update - Kathy Quinn

Report discussed and noted.

## Agreed to:

- Request Government to commence a process to consider the implement of a Visitor Accommodation Tax in Dublin City
- Write to the Ministers (as previously discussed with the committee) mentioning the
  recent increase in vat for hospitality and seeking that the differential between the
  previous rate of 9.5% and the current rate of 13% be assigned as a local
  accommodation tax to support projects that would boost local environments for
  residents and tourists.
- Write to the hospitality industry including the hotel federation seeking a meeting to meet with nominees from the SPC to discuss this issue
- 5. Report on Crowdfund Dublin City Kathy Quinn

Report discussed and noted.

6. Audit Committee Minutes of meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> March and 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Noted.

#### 7. AOB

Agreed to approach the Transport SPC requesting a meeting to discuss the possible introduction of congestion charges.

<u>Councillor Séamas McGrattan</u> 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2023 Chairperson

## Next meeting will be Thursday, 16th November, 2023 at 2.30pm (Hybrid).

#### **Members Present**

Cllr Séamas McGrattan

Cllr Dermot Lacey

Cllr Mary Callaghan

Cllr Anthony Connaghan

Cllr Fiona Connolly

Cllr Christy Burke

Cllr Paddy McCartan

Cllr Darcy Lonergan

Alan Robinson, Docklands Business Forum

Aidan Sweeney, IBEC

Philip O'Callaghan, PPN

Sohini De, Dublin Chamber of Commerce

#### Officials

Kathy Quinn, Head of Finance
Mary Curran, Finance Secretariat
Sophie Kelly, Finance Secretariat
Zoe Flood, Finance Secretariat
Fintan Moran, Management Accounting Unit
Enda Currid, Management Accounting Unit

#### Others:

Jamie Cudden, Smart Dublin Programme Manager

# **Apologies**

Cllr Daryl Barron
Dr. Caroline McMullan
Lord Mayor Daithi de Roiste
Cllr Nial Ring
Eric Fleming, ICTU