



Breviate of the Planning and Urban Form Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 22nd November 2023

1. Minutes of Meeting 27th June Minutes of Meeting 5th October Agreed

2. Matters arising: Kilmainham Mills

Site visit was arranged by Donncha Ó Dúlaing on 12th October, Cllr. Janet Horner, Cllr. Dermot Lacey and Dr. Robbie Sinnott made the visit. Cllr. Dermot Lacey offered his congratulations to Donncha and Catherine on the project.

Build To Rent Variation

Action: Following the meeting 2 reports were circulated to the Members.
Inactivated Planning Permissions
Inactivated Housing Permission Data

Residential Zoned Land Tax

Agreed: Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage have established a Derelict Sites Act Working Group to look at the functioning of the Derelict Sites Act in combatting dereliction. Nial Dully will report back when available regarding top 3 recommendations of the Working Group.

3. Terms of the Planning and Development Bill 2023

On the 21st November the Government published The Planning and Development Bill 2023. Discussion followed and Dr. Robbie Sinnott made the point that there was an absence of an Accessibility Impact Statement and had requested an amendment to the Bill to make it compliant with CRPD especially Article 4. 3 and Article 9 on behalf of the organisation he represents.

Agreed: Aileen to send copy of Bill and Explanatory Memorandum to all Members.
Working group to be set up consisting of Cllr Dermot Lacey as Chair, Cllr. Sophie Nicoullaud, Cllr Ray McAdam and Mr. Odran Reid. The working group will examine The Bill and report back to the February SPC with a submission prepared and ready to go to the Oireachtas Committee.

4. Enforcement

Motion A from Councillor Janet Horner regarding Covering Shop Windows

(Report circulated prior to meeting)

John Downey A/Planning Enforcement Manager answered questions raised by the Members.

Main Points:

- John explained that he can only act on complaints received and that out of 50 cases taken recently 40 had been resolved.
- Shop can cover 25% of glazed area with branding/advertising.
- Shop owners are worried about too many goods on display.
- No requirement for light to come out of shop to light up pavement.

Agreed: John Downey will deal with individual cases – full commitment to take action any cases submitted by Cllr Janet Horner.

Motion B from Councillor Janet Horner regarding Banners

(Report circulated prior to meeting)

John Downey A/Planning Enforcement Manager answered questions raised by the Members.

Main Points:

- People are being exploited by advertising for betting
Agreed: John is willing to take a test case and initiate a prosecution against a gambling banner.
Motion Agreed
Agreed: Chair will write to Minister O'Brien & O'Donnell with copy of motion with an addendum "Hotel and other establishment" in wording and copy to go to Gambling Regulator and Advertising Standards.
Agreed: Acknowledgement of complaints resolved by Planning Enforcement be sent via email as well as hard copy for ease of Councillors forwarding.

5. Childcare Sub-Group Update

Minister O'Gorman has replied to the Chair update 2001 Guidelines and review is being undertaken, survey has been undertaken. Draft of Updated Guidelines hope to be ready early 2024.

Chairperson to share information received from Minister, Aileen will forwarded to members Update on role of Childcare Committee for February meeting and Supply Management Co-Ordinator role.

Agreed: When Survey of Local Authority is initiated Sub Group would like to be engaged. Management will meet or correspond by email when survey is received.

6. Living Over The Shop Update

Deirdre Scully, Dublin City Planning Officer gave a verbal update.

Housing Agency in conjunction with Dublin Simon Community & DCU are doing an extensive review and large study which is at an advanced stage. We have approached the Housing Agency to be part of the project. Draft study should be ready early in Q 1 2024 at that stage if we feel that there are elements that need to be explored further we can progress.

Agreed: Circulate summary of project and update from Deirdre. Simon are willing to come to SPC to give update on findings.

Alison Gilliland – apologies supportive to her to have written update.

7. A.O.B.

Prof. Diarmuid Hegarty to be sent terms of reference of Child Care Sub-Group and update from Minister to be circulated.

8. Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 20th February @ 1.30pm

Councillor Ray McAdam

Chairperson

Tuesday 22nd November 2023

Attendance:

Members:

Cllr. Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
Cllr. Dermot Lacey
Cllr. Declan Meenagh
Cllr. Sophie Nicoullaud
Cllr. Anthony Connaghan
Cllr. Patricia Roe
Cllr. Janet Horner
Dr. Robbie Sinnott
Prof. Diarmuid Hegarty

Officers:

Anthony Flynn, A/Assistant Chief Executive
Deirdre Scully, Dublin City Planner
Máire Igoe, A/Executive Manager
John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager
Sheila Hennessy, Senior Executive Officer
Aileen Mac Dermott, Senior Staff Officer
Kathy McHugh, Clerical Officer
Jonathan Fallon, Clerical Officer

Guest:

Olivia Kelly

Apologies:

Lord Mayor, Daithí De Róiste
Cllr. Tom Brabazon
Cllr. John Lyons
Cllr. Alison Gilliland (Guest)
Mr. Jonny Mc Kenna
Mr. Odran Reid