



**Breviate of Meeting of Special Committee on Fire/Ambulance Services and
Emergency Management held on 29th September, 2016, at 2.30pm**

1. Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th July 2016.

Minutes agreed

2. Matters Arising

Fire fighter Rachel Lee received congratulations for her record swim of the English Channel.

A vote of sympathy was passed in relation to the tragic events and loss of life with regard to the ambulance explosion at Naas General Hospital. Chief Fire Officer Patrick Fleming gave an update report.

3. Dublin Fire Brigade Budget 2017.

Report given by the Chief Fire Officer, which addressed the 2016 budget out turn.

Some of the issues raised by Councillors relating to the budget were as follows:

- HSE payments
- Fire Brigade equipment
- Valuation
- Budget and role of the committee
- Apportionment of costs
- Capital Budget
- Pension costs and equalisation

4. Section 26 Plan

Report covering the main issues and the purpose of the Plan was given by the Chief Fire Officer. An overview of the Section 26 Plan to be circulated to Councillors, as well as the last 2001 Plan.

5. Fire Station Visits

It was agreed that Northside and Southside Stations would be visited after the Halloween period. Dates to be circulated.

6. AOB

An issue was raised regarding attacks on Fire Brigade crews and that on some occasions crews have to be escorted by the Gardai. The Chief Fire Officer responded that on occasion this does occur the extent is no greater than on previous occasions.

The next meeting of the committee will be held on the 26th January, 2017 in the OBI Training Centre, Marino with a 1.30pm starting time.

ATTENDANCE:

SPC Members:

Cllr Alison Gilliland (Chair)
Cllr Criona Ni Dhalaigh
Cllr Nial Ring
Cllr Christy Burke
Cllr Paul McAuliffe
Cllr Tom Brabazon
Cllr John Lyons
Cllr Patrick Costello
Cllr Eilis Ryan
Cllr Noeleen Reilly
Dr Caroline McMullan

APOLOGIES:

Cllr Ray McHugh, Cllr Brendan Carr, Lord Mayor and Cllr Ray McAdam

Dublin City Council Staff:

Brendan Kenny, Assistant CEO
Patrick Fleming, Chief Fire Officer
Brendan Hayden, SEO
Rosa Vickers, Secretary
Carmel Walsh, ASO

Councillor Allison Gilliland
Chairperson,

29th September 2016