



**Commemorative Naming Committee
Minutes of Meeting held on 18th May 2016
3.00 p.m. Richard O'Carroll Room, City Hall**

Attendance

Members:

Cllr Micheál MacDonncha (Chair)
Cllr Nial Ring
Cllr Paddy McCartan
Cllr Ciaran Perry
Cllr Séamas McGrattan

Officials Present:

Margaret Hayes, City Librarian
Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian
Jackie O'Reilly, Administrative Officer
Ruairi O'Cuiv, Public Art Manager
Paula Ebbs, Senior Staff Officer
Tara Doyle, Senior Librarian

Apologies:

Cllr Frank Kennedy

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 20th April 2016

Action: Agreed

2. Matters arising

A discussion on the proposed SIPTU plaques took place. Management informed the Committee that the Deputy Chief Executive had met with representatives of SIPTU and came to an agreement with them.

The application from CCIFV for a memorial to the victims of An Gorta Mór to be placed in Glasnevin Cemetery had been referred to the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group which had made the following recommendation:-

"That the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group does not support the proposal as the proposer has not secured permission in writing for the monument from Glasnevin Cemetery Trust and that any such national memorial should also be endorsed by the Irish Government. In addition, the design of the proposal to include plaques from each of the thirty two counties is not of a quality worthy of such an important memorial.

The final reason not to support this proposal is that there is already a sculptural monument on the Custom House quay by artist Rowan Gillespie dedicated to the victims of An Gorta Mór."

Action: Agreed to accept the recommendation of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group.

3. Appeal decision on plaque to commemorate Commandant William Brennan-Whitmore

Following a discussion the matter was put to a vote. The Committee voted 4–1 to reject the appeal and its decision of 20th January 2016 not to approve a plaque with the wording that includes the name of Commandant William Brennan-Whitmore stands.

Following further discussion on the important contribution that the North Earl Street outpost made it was agreed to ask the Commemorations Committee to consider including a plaque marking the North Earl Street outpost in the 1916 garrison plaques programme.

Action: Refer to the Commemorations Committee. Keep Committee informed.

4. Plaques/Monuments Proposals

- Sir James D’Ombrain, Inspector General Irish Coast Guard – Update

This application was approved in principle last year. The proposer was requested to show research in locating any living relatives of Sir James D’Ombrain. The great-great-great-granddaughter of James D’Ombrain has now given written consent to erect a plaque in his memory.

Action: Approved.

- Gamble Deaths Nationally – Application
The Committee agreed that, notwithstanding the importance of the issue, the application did not meet the criteria set out in the policy document.

Action: Agreed not to approve this application.

- Sean Dublin Bay Rockall Loftus (Cllr Damien O’Farrell – for discussion)

Following a discussion the Committee agreed that as Sean Loftus was not deceased 20 years it did not comply with the criteria. It was suggested that a memorial bench or a tree would be more appropriate.

Action: Agreed the suggestion of a DCC Commemorative Plaque to Sean Dublin Bay Rockall Loftus would not be recommended.

5. Commemorative Plaques for 1916

- North Circular Road Bridge – Application

Action: Agreed in principle subject to agreed wording.

- Cabra Bridge – Application

Action: Agreed in principle subject to agreed wording

- Ireland's First Radio Broadcast 25th April 1916 – Application

Action: Agreed wording.

- Seán McLoughlin, Ireland's Forgotten Revolutionary – Application

Action: Agreed wording.

- Father Mathew Park, Training Ground Irish Volunteers – Application

Action: Agreed wording.

6. Commemorate 4 remaining names from the Rosie Hackett Bridge process

Action: Keep on Agenda.

7. A.O.B.

An application was received by the Drimnagh Residents Association to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the formation of Drimnagh Residents Association.

Following a discussion it was agreed that while the application is commendable, the idea of a community memorial such as a bench or the planting of a tree would be more appropriate for this application.

Action: Refer to the Area Committee for consideration.

Next meeting – To be confirmed.

Cllr. Micheál MacDonncha