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**Breviate of Meeting of the Corporate Policy Group  
held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

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- 1 Minutes of meeting of 30th September 2016  
**Agreed**
- 2 Matters Arising  
**None**
- 3 **Overview of Budget**  
Ms Kathy Quinn, Head of Finance & ICS, gave a brief overview of the upcoming budgets for 2017. She said that both Revenue and Capital Budget books would issue shortly to Members but meanwhile she gave a brief synopsis of the variations in the budgets with comparisons to previous years' budgets and the reasons for these variations. She thanked the Budget Consultancy Group for their input into the process. A Vacant Business rebate was discussed and Kathy agreed to prepare a short report on the implications of a change in this regard.
- 4 **Local Economy and Community Plan**  
Ms Bernie Doherty informed the meeting that the LECP was now one year in place and that an Action Plan for 2017 is currently in preparation. An economic consultant will assist with the economic element of the action plan. Feedback from 'Delivering for Dublin' will inform the action plan also. Cllr D Doolan, Chair of the LCDC, said that intense consultation had taken place with community groups and residents on several issues. He stressed the necessity for the decision makers in each department of DCC to be fully on board to ensure the success of the implementation of the plan.
- 5 **Update from SPC Chairs**
  - 5.1 **Arts, Culture and Recreation** - Cllr Rebecca Moynihan informed the group that a meeting had been held in relation to contracts for grass verge cutting and that agreement had been reached. Feedback in relation to the Street Performance Byelaws indicated that they are working well. Arts & Education Policy will be on the Nov City Council Agenda. Arts Grants' criteria are to be amended slightly going forward. Implementation of Culture Plan continuing as funding to continue.
  - 5.2 **Economic Development & Enterprise** – Cllr Paul McAuliffe informed the group that the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the Economic Monitor had just been published and recommended 2 articles for reading. He drew attention to the excellent economic indicators at the back of the magazine. He highlighted increased population, jobs, housing and transport as particular challenges in relation to economic growth in the city. He said the Smart Dublin event, organised by Jamie Cudden and Mainard Gallagher, was excellent. He said the LEO Office supported the Uprise Festival at which there were 1,500 start-ups showcased. He expects that there

will be €250,000 in grants available for small businesses next year.

**5.3 Environment** – Cllr Naoise ÓMuirí – no meeting in October

**5.4 Finance** – Cllr Ruairi McGinley - no meeting in October

**5.5 Housing** – Cllr Daithi Doolan felt that more consultation was needed in relation to homeless hostels citywide but particularly in the South Inner City. He said that a meeting had been held in Drimnagh in relation to rapid build homes and that most Councillors were in support of this. He commended Mr Tony Flynn of the Housing Department for his availability, especially for attending evening meetings. He suggested that DCC officials should bring plans for the 20 sites for housing that are in the DCC administrative area to the SPC. He asked that Housing Dept staff attend all Area Committee meetings. Ms Celine Reilly of the Housing Department said that Housing Managers based in Area Offices provide information to Councillors at Area Committee meetings and that these managers are briefed monthly by management. She agreed to ensure that an official was present at area Committee meetings to deal with councillor queries.

**5.6 Planning & Property Development** - Cllr Andrew Montague reported that the terms and conditions for granting of licences/leases have been changed to address local opposition that sometimes arises. There was a suggestion put forward that the Coca Cola dublinbikes Scheme should be extended to the city boundaries and Mr Jim Keogan, ACE, Planning Dept, agreed to bring a report on this to the SPC.

**5.7 Transportation** - Cllr Ciaran Cuffe reported that the Public Realm Strategy was being reviewed and stressed the importance of the quality of the public realm. He said that a meeting, open to all, will take place on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November to tease out all aspects of the Liffey Cycle Route. He also said that central government funding is vital to progress many projects. He said that in relation to College Green, a briefing for Members was held on the 27<sup>th</sup> October and a public consultation will take place in the Mansion House. A street survey was also suggested. Cllr Cuffe also reported that the Luas X City should be at testing stage by mid 2017. He also referred to M50 congestion and usage and to possible NTA response.

**6 A.O. B.**

The future of the Claims Section of DCC was discussed and Mr Owen Keegan gave the background and implications for any future decisions that will be taken in this regard.

Next Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 @ 2.30pm

**Deputy Lord Mayor Rebecca Moynihan**  
Chairperson,

**28<sup>th</sup> October, 2016**

**Attendance:**

**Comhairleoir:**

Cllr Rebecca Moynihan (in Chair)  
Cllr Paul McAuliffe

**Comhairleoir:**

Cllr Ciaran Cuffe  
Cllr Andrew Montague

**Comhairleoir:**

Cllr Daithi Doolan

**Apologies;** Lord Mayor Brendan Carr, Cllr Naoise O Muiri, Cllr Ruairi McGinley

**Officials**

Kathy Quinn  
Dick Brady

Owen Keegan  
Declan Wallace  
Bernie Doherty

Jim Keogan  
Celine Reilly  
Mary McSweeney

Mary Pyne  
Helen O'Leary  
Oonagh Casey