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**Breviate of Meeting of the Corporate Policy Group  
held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

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**1 Minutes of meeting of 28 October 2016**

Agreed

**2 Matters Arising - None**

**3 Update from SPC Chairs**

**3.1 Arts, Culture and Recreation** - Cllr Moynihan updated the group on concerns on the SPC regarding libraries opening without staff. Declan Wallace pointed out that Dublin City Council had no current plans in this regard and that recruitment of library staff was underway. She asked how the additional allocated money for arts and commemorations would be allocated. Declan Wallace said the money would be at the discretion of the SPC following consideration of proposals received. Cllr Moynihan reported that the Street Performance Bye-Laws had been reviewed and were working well although there were some issues with enforcement. Arts grants were being reviewed at present. The SPC was referring the proposed Valentine's District to the Economic Development & Enterprise SPC for its consideration. Culture Connects had initiated a programme with the major cultural institutions which was progressing well.

**3.2 Economic Development & Enterprise** – Cllr McAuliffe said the SPC had completed work on Grangegorman and would like to follow up with a broader look at infrastructure in the City. The report on Cafés & Restaurants was completed and was going to the City Council. The SPC had reviewed grants made by the Local Enterprise Office. The International Relations Office had completed a review of its function. He highlighted the shortage of hotel beds in the City compared to cities like Lisbon and that this could restrict tourism and business travel opportunities in the short term. J. Keogan pointed out that an additional 500 hotel rooms had been delivered and there was a further hotels in the planning pipeline.

**3.3 Environment** – Cllr Ó Muirí updated the meeting on the work on litter and the scheduled meeting on issues relating to the commissioning of the Waste to Energy Plant. Cllr Moynihan said that bag collection was a continuing issue in Inner City areas and asked that they be updated on the work of the Bags Collection Sub-group. There was a discussion on the role of the local authority in relation to the operation of waste collection services by private operators.

**3.4 Finance** – Cllr Ruairi McGinley - updated the meeting on the work of the SPC. The advice on the collectability of arrears due to the Council for Waste collection was discussed. Cllr McGinley welcomed the payment from the

Department of €11.3 million relating to Ballymun Regeneration. He also said the SPC was exploring the issue of more accurately reflecting the contribution made by the Council to local groups in the form of licences for premises and properties. He reported on the meeting he attended in the Mansion Housing regarding disability access in the City. A conference is being planned on the topic.

**3.5 Housing** – B. Kenny informed the meeting that work was progressing well on O'Devaney Gardens and that he expected to bring a proposal on St Michael's, Oscar Traynor Road to Council shortly. There was discussion on how the delivery of housing projects could be improved. Brendan Kenny welcomed the confirmation of €2 million funding for social regeneration for 2017.

**3.6 Planning & Property Development**- J. Keogan updated meeting that the new Development Plan applied from October and that the Ballymun Local Area Plan and the Poolbeg Strategic Development Zone would be brought to Council shortly. A new Development Levy for Luas Cross City was being introduced.

**3.7 Transportation** - Cllr Cuffe welcomed the opening of the Phoenix Park Tunnel. While the LUAS Cross City work was proceeding on schedule there had been controversy in Broadstone on the height of a wall. The College Green consultation in the Mansion House had gone well with over 150 people actively participating. The Liffey Cycleway had been presented but needed more work. Opposition had been expressed from a number of quarters. Cllr McGinley asked for an information meeting on the issues for Councillors who are not on the Transportation SPC. The Sutton to Sandycove cycle route had been presented which dealt with issues surrounding Merrion Gates. Dublin City was bidding to host the VeloCity Conference in 2019. The Speed Limit Byelaws were going to Council. Concerns were expressed by Cllr O'Muirí on the impact of the Eden Quay proposals. Cllr McAuliffe asked that the Transport SPC look at communicating all these initiatives more coherently to Council members.

6 **A.O. B.** – None

Next Meeting: 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017 2.30pm

**Deputy Lord Mayor Rebecca Moynihan**  
Chairperson,

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

**Attendance:**

**Comhairleoir:**

Cllr R.McGinley  
Cllr Paul McAuliffe

**Comhairleoir:**

Cllr Ciarán Cuffe  
Cllr. N. Ó Muirí

**Apologies:**

Cllr Daithí Doolan, Cllr Andrew Montague, Lord Mayor Brendan Carr.

**Officials**

Kathy Quinn

Brendan Kenny  
Mary Pyne

Jim Keogan  
Declan Wallace

Dick Brady  
Deirdre Ni Raghallaigh