Report No. 51/2017 Report of the Assistant Chief Executive



Report on Proposed Naming of Drumcondra Bridge

The Commemorative Naming Committee received an application dated 19th August 2016 to name the bridge over the River Tolka at Botanic Avenue/Millmount Avenue, 'The Frank Flood Bridge'. At its meeting on 21st September the Committee agreed the application in principle on condition that the proposer received written permission from a living descendent of Frank Flood.

The proposer, Mr. Sean Ryan, was successful in contacting the nephew of Frank Flood, Mr. Sean Flood. At its meeting on 16th November, the Commemorative Naming Committee approved the application and requested it be sent before the North West Area Committee for their consideration. On the 20th December 2016 the North West Area Committee supported / agreed this proposal.

Frank Flood was a 1st Lieutenant in the Dublin Active Service Brigade during the Irish War of Independence. He was executed by the British authorities in Mountjoy Jail on 14th March 1921 for his part in what is known as the 'Drumcondra Ambush' which took place on 21st January 1921 beside the bridge over the Tolka. He was one of the men commonly known as 'The Forgotten Ten'.

This bridge is in the ownership of Dublin City Council and records show there is no official name for the bridge.

The Environment and Transportation Department have no objection to this proposal.

Therefore I recommend that the bridge over the River Tolka at Botanic Avenue/Millmount Avenue be named "The Frank Flood Bridge" and approved by this City Council.

Declan Wallace Assistant Chief Executive

23rd January 2017