

Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath Dublin City Council

Report to Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC

13<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Item No. 10

# **Commemorative Naming Committee**

## Minutes of Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### 3.00 p.m. Richard O'Carroll Room, City Hall

#### Attendance

#### Members:

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

## **Officials Present:**

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

## Apologies:

Cllr Frank Kennedy Cllr Seamas McGrattan Cllr Mary Freehill

- Minutes of Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016 Action: Agreed
- 2. Matters arising No matters arising.

## 3. Plaques/Monuments/Infrastructure Proposals

• Naming Drumcondra Bridge "The Frank Flood Bridge" – Update

The proposer has now received written consent from the nephew of Frank Flood, Sean Flood.

Action: Agreed. To be referred to the North West Area Committee. If approved, to be referred to the full City Council.

### • Liam Mellows Memorial – Application and Public Art Manager's Report

Following the previous meeting, this application was referred from this Committee to the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group. A report from the Public Art Manager was circulated to members. The report outlined a number of issues relating to this proposal such as, not enough detail provided about the actual artwork, proposed artist and detailed costing.

Following a further discussion on the possible proliferation of commemorative memorials / statues, it was agreed that each application should be assessed and judged on it own merits. It was further agreed that if this memorial was commissioned, Dublin City Council should be given ownership and responsibility for its care and maintenance.

**Action:** The Committee broadly supported this proposal. The Liam Mellows Memorial Committee to come back with an artistic impression of the memorial, proposed artist and detailed costing. The Arts and Cultural Advisory Group to draw up a draft Policy Document addressing the approach to commemorations relating to the War of Independence and the Civil War.

#### • Sean McLoughlin Plaque – Update

This proposal was put on hold back in June of this year as some distant relatives wanted to wait until later in the year. Sean McLoughlin's daughter who lives in Sheffield has submitted written consent to erect the plaque early in 2017.

#### Action: Agreed

#### • Welsh Chapel Plaque – Update

This proposal was put on hold as there is a question over the appropriateness of the façade of the building where the plaque is to be placed. At the time of the application, the owners of the building gave their consent for the plaque to be erected. The Welsh Society and DCC are now actively trying to contact the owners to discuss the façade of the building but no response has been received.

**Action:** Send registered letter to owners. Contact Conservation for advice on funding assistance if necessary.

#### • Fr. Mathew Park Plaque – Update

A tentative date of 22<sup>nd</sup> December has been set for the unveiling of this plaque to coincide with the Christmas school holidays.

## • Four Courts Garrison

Date in December to be decided on.

• **Royal College of Surgeons Garrison Plaque** Date in December to be decided on.

### • Ballybough Bridge Plaque

This very successful and well attended unveiling took place at Meaghers Public House on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

### • Annesley Bridge Plaque

This very successful and well attended unveiling took place at the Annesley House Public House on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

### 4. Review of Policy Document

It was decided to defer this item until the next meeting.

**Action:** Circulate the Policy Document to members in advance of the next meeting for their comments /observations.

## 5. Motion referred from the Central Area Committee:

"That this Committee supports, as part of the Croke Villas redevelopment, the renaming of Sackville Avenue after Joseph Traynor who was murdered on Bloody Sunday 1920 in Croke Park and who was taken onto Sackville Avenue from a nearby house and collected by ambulance at the junction of Ballybough Road and Sackville Avenue".

**Action:** The members present supported this motion and agreed to refer it back to the Central Area.

6. Commemorate 4 remaining names from the Rosie Hackett Bridge process. Action: Keep on Agenda.

## 7. A.O.B.

Cllr MacDonncha to follow up on marking Surrey House with a plaque to Countess Markievicz.

Next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

Cllr. Micheál MacDonncha

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_