



Motion to the Finance SPC – 16th January 2020

Motion in the name of Cllr. Dermot Lacey

This Committee agrees to discuss the following motion for recommendation to the full Dublin City Council:

Dublin City Council

1. Notes that –
 - (a) under the Local Government Act 2001 the functions of this Council include –
 - (i) the promotion of social, environmental, recreational, cultural, community and general development, including enterprise and economic development, in its administrative area, and
 - (ii) the promotion of the interests of the local community in relation to general recreational, leisure, sports, games, artistic, linguistic and cultural activities and the public use of amenities,
 - (b) the cost of public liability insurance is seriously impacting upon the operations and threatening the viability of not-for-profit organisations offering recreational and leisure activities and amenities, to the detriment of economic, social and cultural development and the interests of the local community generally,
 - (c) the Council is a member of IPB Insurance CLG, a mutual general insurance company limited by guarantee which is owned by the local authorities that established it and which, reflecting its mutual origin and purpose, aims in its operations for a combined operating ratio (the sum of incurred losses and expenses divided by premiums) of 95%, and
 - (d) it is a function of the elected council to determine by resolution the policy of the Council,
2. Resolves that it is the policy of this Council, in furtherance of the functions referred to in paragraph 1 (a), that its membership of IPB Insurance should be used to secure that public liability insurance is offered by that company to not-for-profit organisations in this sector at the cheapest rates that are consistent with financial prudence and the avoidance of loss, and
3. Requests and requires the Chief Executive, pursuant to sections 140 and 149 (6) of the Local Government Act 2001 –
 - (a) in co-operation with other local authorities and with IPB Insurance, to take all necessary steps, including if need be the securing of amendments to the constitution of IPB Insurance at a general meeting of the company, for the development and implementation of concrete proposals to achieve this policy, and
 - (b) to report back regularly to the Council on the matter.

