

Council to approve the nomination of four members to the Dublin Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum Members (DOCF)

Background

The Dublin Docklands Development Authority was dissolved on 1 March 2016 by Ministerial Order in accordance with the Dublin Docklands Development Authority (Dissolution) Act 2015. The Act provided for the establishment, by resolution of the Council, of a Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum which will be independent in the performance of its functions.

The role of the Forum, as set out in the Act, is to consider and advise the Council and the strategic policy committees of the Council in relation to the formulation, development, monitoring and review of the Council's policy relating to the performance of the functions of the Council insofar as they relate to the Dublin Docklands Area and in particular in relation to the following:

- a. enterprise and employment;
- b. education;
- c. housing;
- d. planning;
- e. the environment, including the natural and built environment, and the amenities of the area and;
- f. the interaction of communities

The Act also provides that the Forum may consider and advise the Council and the strategic policy committees of the Council in relation to:

- (a) initiatives of communities in the Dublin Docklands Area which in the opinion of the Forum will benefit such communities, including initiatives in relation to the provision of amenity, recreational, cultural or heritage facilities, the protection or enhancement of the environment and programmes to promote social inclusion and community development and
- (b) Communications of the Council to the public in relation to the performance of the functions of the Council insofar as they relate to the Dublin Docklands Area.

The Forum may, and if requested by the Council shall, consider and advise the Council and the strategic policy committees of the Council in relation to any of its functions.

Dublin City Council at the Monthly Meeting held on 9th May 2016, having considered Report No.129/2016 adopted the following resolution:

"That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 129/2016 and hereby establishes a Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum as provided for in the Dublin Docklands Development Authority (Dissolution) Act 2015 and that four Members of the City Council be

appointed to that Forum, and that these four Members will be convened by the Chief Executive or his nominee to be consulted in relation to various issues related to the selection of persons for appointment to the Forum as and when required ". The motion was put and carried.

The 3 year term of office of the original members of the Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum expired on 5th February 2020. Accordingly, it is now necessary for a new membership to be appointed by the Minister for the next 3 year term commencing 6th February 2020.

Pursuant to Section 39(6)(b) of the 2015 Dublin Docklands Development Authority (Dissolution) Act, the Minister shall appoint to the Forum following consultation with Dublin City Council, four members of the Council, nominated for appointment by the Council, being members elected to the Council from electoral areas which are included in, or any part of which is included in, the Dublin Docklands area.

Accordingly, the Central and the South East Area Committees were requested to nominate two Councillors each for the new term of office of the Forum. At the December 2019 Central Area Committee meeting the Committee members nominated Councillors Ray McAdam and Joe Costello for appointment to the Forum. At the January 2020 South East Area committee meeting the members nominated Councillors Claire Byrne and Kevin Donoghue for appointment to the Forum.

Recommendation:

That Dublin City Council approves the nomination of Councillor Claire Byrne, Councillor Kevin Donoghue, Councillor Joe Costello and Councillor Ray McAdam for appointment to the Dublin Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum by the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government for the new 3 year term commencing 6th February 2020.

Resolution:

"That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 160/2020 and hereby approves the contents therein".

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