

Breviate of the Housing Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 9th December 2020

1) Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 11th November

Agreed: Minutes Agreed

2) Chairperson's Business:

- i. Correspondence No correspondence received
- ii. Members wished Eileen Gleeson, Executive Manager DRHE a happy retirement whilst warmly thanking her for continued support and contribution over the years. She was commended for her work during Covid pandemic.

Agreed: A letter to be sent to Eileen from the Committee to express sincerest gratitude and to wish her well in her retirement

3) Update on Working Groups:

- i. Rent Review Working Group
- ii. Public Housing Working Group

The meeting noted the report detailing the response from management on the Working Group Report on Public Housing. The following considerations were discussed:

- Discussions with Department of Housing
- Cost Rental and affordability
- Funding
 - Serviced Site Fund Subvention Increase (SSF)
 - > Term of loan
 - Value for Money
 - Construction Costs
 - Input Costs
 - > Types of loans available to Local Authorities
- Delivery Models
- Public Procurement Process
- Role of Approved Housing Bodies
- Cost Recovery Implications
- Housing Assistance Payment
- Housing Needs Assessment (HNA)
- Private Sector Leasing
- Land Restriction/Availability Implications
- Regeneration
- Government Regulations

Agreed: A symposium exploring House Building Costs to be arranged in the New Year.

4) Presentation on Emmet Road Regeneration Project (incl. Cost Rental):

Sandra McAleer, Senior Executive Engineer provided an update. The following considerations were raised:

- Inclusion of public realm costs in the overall rental calculations
- Apartment size & standards
- Serviced Site Fund (SSF) subvention
- Affordability
- Project timeline
- Rent levels
- Capital Cost
- Term of loan, loan term comparisons & interest Rates
- Density & height
- Procurement delivery strategy clarification
- Management strategy for the development
- Local employment clause

Agreed: Design Team to make a presentation at a future Housing SPC meeting

5) Potential EU Funding Opportunities Housing and Community Development:

Agreed: Postpone agenda point 5 until January meeting of the Housing SPC

6) Labre Park Redevelopment Update:

- The following considerations were raised;
- Traveller specific/appropriate accommodation during redevelopment
- Site evaluation
- Consultation
- Flood Risk Implications
- Project Re-evaluation
- Traveller Representation
- Planning

7) Lord Mayor's Taskforce on Homelessness:

An update from the Chairperson on behalf of the Lord Mayor was noted.

8) AOB:

- The following considerations were raised;
- Oscar Traynor Road Development

Cllr. Alison Gilliland Chairperson 9th December 2020

Attendance

Councillors

Mary Callaghan Donna Cooney Máire Devine Kevin Donoghue Daithí Doolan Pat Dunne

Anthony Flynn
James Geoghegan
Alison Gilliland
Briege MacOscar
Tina MacVeigh
Eimear McCormack
Cieran Perry
Colm O'Rourke

External Members

Pat Greene – DSC Karen Murphy - ICSH Claire McManus - JFOC Mike Allen – Focus Ireland Mick O'Reilly - ICTU

Apologies

Ard Mhéara Cllr Hazel Chu Aine Wellard - VVI

Dublin City Council Officials

David Dinnigan, Executive Manager Mary Hayes, Executive Manager Sandra McAleer, Christy McLoughlin, Administrator