



Special Committee on Homelessness

A meeting of the Special Committee on Homelessness took place on 9th February 2023 via Zoom. The following were in attendance:

Cllr Hazel Chu	GP	CHAIR
Cllr Alison Gilliland	LAB	
Cllr Janet Horner	GP	
Cllr Daithí Doolan	SF	
Cllr James Geoghegan	FG	
Mary Hayes	Director, DRHE	
Mary Flynn	Deputy Director DRHE	
John Durkan	Deputy Director DRHE	
Bevin Herbert	SEO, DCC	
Pathie Maphosa	DRHE	
Professor Eoin O'Sullivan	Trinity College Dublin	

A presentation on the Dynamics of Homelessness in Ireland was provided by Professor Eoin O'Sullivan from the School of Social Work and Social Policy, Trinity College. The following was discussed:

- The steady increase between April 2017 & March 2020 in the monthly use of Emergency Accommodation.
- Rough Sleeping numbers between 2009 & 2014.
- Expenditure on Homeless Services
- Performance Reports for period Q1 2014 – Q3 2022 in relation to Adult Entries & Exits into Emergency Accommodation.
- Adult Prevention numbers for period 2017 – 2022.
- Homeless Services provided by other European Countries.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 22nd March 2023. The Homeless Allocations Scheme has been selected as the topic for discussion. The following have been invited to attend:

Cllr Hazel Chu	GP	CHAIR
Cllr Alison Gilliland	LAB	
Cllr Daithí de Róiste	FF	
Cllr Daithí Doolan	SF	
Cllr Janet Horner	GP	
Cllr Catherine Stocker	SD	
Cllr. Karl Stanley	SD	
Cllr Kevin Donoghue	LAB	
Cllr James Geoghegan	FG	
Mary Hayes	Director DRHE	
Mary Flynn	Deputy Director DRHE	
John Durkan	Deputy Director DRHE	
Bevin Herbert	Dublin City Council	