
**Breviate of Draft Minutes of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC Meeting
held on Monday 22nd May 2023**

1. Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 27th February 2023

Action: Agreed

2. Presentation on the Dublin City Archives – Lorraine McLoughlin, Dublin City Archivist

Action: Lorraine McLoughlin, Dublin City Archivist, gave a presentation to the members on Dublin City Archives, the history of the office, the work done by the Archive Team who are based in Dublin City Libraries and the challenges of the work including digital preservation. The members thanked the City Archivist for her presentation and for the ongoing work done by the team.

3. Motion submitted in the name of Cllr Mícheál MacDonncha

“This SPC deplores the actions of groups who have targeted Dublin City Libraries and have sought to put pressure on staff and the library service generally not to stock books which do not meet these groups’ approval. We reject such attempts at censorship and we extend our full support to library staff and Dublin City Libraries in its policy of inclusiveness and diversity in its range of books and other media.”

Action: The Motion was agreed with widespread support from the members.

4. Motion submitted in the name of Cllr Deirdre Heney

“To help sustain a healthy and vibrant outdoor environment and taking into account our “Leave No Trace” policy on Bull Island and in our ongoing aim to protect the Island, this committee calls on the Manager to ensure that any event licences issued by Dublin City Council for permission to use of the Island, shall have as part of the conditions of such licence, a stipulation that: (a) a clean-up must occur immediately after the event ceases; (b) no plastic bottles/containers shall be handed out/or dropped on the biosphere or the Island and that failure to comply with these conditions shall lead to loss of licence for future use of Bull Island.”

Action: Motion was agreed. It was also agreed that organisers who have already received permission for their events will be contacted and made aware of the wording of the motion and asked not to hand out plastic bottles.

5. Motion submitted in the name of Cllr Darragh Moriarty

“That the Arts, Culture & Recreation SPC requests DCC Parks Department to commission a comparative analysis of access to ‘greenery’ per population across DCC’s Administrative

Areas, which would be further broken down into Local Electoral Areas (LEAs). This study should cater for relevant green indicators such as:

- public open green space in m² per population;
- tree canopy per population;
- public recreation municipal sports space in 'full-size pitches' per population;
- public allotment space in m² per population; and
- any other key 'green' indicators deemed relevant by the Parks Department."

Action: Motion Agreed.

6. Motion submitted in the name of Cllr Claire Byrne

"That this SPC agrees that Dublin City will sign up to the European Green Deal for Circular Festivals."

www.circularfestivals.nl

Action: It was agreed to commence the process with a workshop for the members of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC, the Climate Action, Environment and Energy SPC and the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC.

7. Report on Green Flag Status – Leslie Moore, City Parks Superintendent

Action: Noted.

8. Interim report on the feasibility study for the 500 seater theatre – Ray Yeates, City Arts Officer

Action: Noted and it was agreed that the consultation link would be circulated to all members and the deadline extended to the end of the week.

9. Update report on the Parnell Square Library – Mairead Owens, Dublin City Librarian

Action: Noted.

10. Vacancy for a Councillor to sit on the Sports Partnership Board. – Donncha O'Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer

Action: It was proposed by Cllr Deirdre Heney and seconded by Cllr Seamas McGrattan that Cllr. Cat O'Driscoll be elected to sit on the Sports Partnership Board. Nomination of Cllr O'Driscoll was agreed.

11. Management Update

Action: Noted. It was agreed management would review concerts in St. Anne's Park and Fairview Park including the distribution of the income received and report back to the North Central Area Committee.

12. Approved Minutes of the Commemorations and Naming Committee dated 26th January 2023

Action: Noted

13. Approved Minutes of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group meeting dated 30th January 2023

Action: Noted

14. Miontuairiscí Dé hAoine 3ú Feabhra 2023 (Irish and English versions)

Action: Noted.

15. Approved Minutes of the Chatham Row Working Group meeting dated 16th February 2023

Action: Noted.

16. Approved Minutes of the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) Advisory Board meeting dated 20th February 2023

Action: Noted.

17. Breviate of draft Minutes of the Commemorations and Naming Committee dated 23rd March 2023

Action: Noted.

18. Approved Minutes of the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) Advisory Board meeting dated 27th March 2023

Action: Noted.

19. Breviate of draft Minutes of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group meeting dated 24th April 2023

Action: Noted. It was noted that no Councillor was present at the meeting.

20. Breviate of draft Minutes of the Chatham Row Working Group meeting dated 10th May 2023

Action: Noted.

21. A.O.B

- **Africa Day:** Will be discussed at Arts and Cultural Advisory Group and report brought to future SPC.
- **Lá Mór na Gaeilge:** Cllr MacDonncha thanked all involved with Lá Mór na Gaeilge and advised that planning was underway for the 3rd event in 2024.

Cllr Cat O'Driscoll
Chairperson
23rd May 2023

Attendance:**Members:**

Cllr. Cat O'Driscoll (Chair)
Cllr. Dearbhail Butler
Cllr. Claire Byrne
Cllr. Fiona Connelly
Cllr. Declan Flanagan
Cllr. Deirdre Heney
Cllr. Vincent Jackson
Cllr. Mícheál MacDonncha
Cllr Darragh Moriarty
Cllr. Damian O'Farrell
Cllr. Seamus McGrattan
Cllr Patricia Roe

Julian de Spáinn, Conradh na Gaeilge
Adekunle Gomez, African Cultural Project
Ross Keane, Irish Film Institute
Mary O'Connor, Federation of Irish Sport
Sunil Sharpe, Give us the Night
Willie White Dublin Chamber of Commerce

Apologies:

Cllr Anne Feeney
Ciaran Taylor, White Cane Audio Theatre Officials present:
Richard Shakespeare, Assistant Chief Executive
Mary MacSweeney, A/Executive Manager
Mairead Owens, City Librarian
Les Moore, City Parks Superintendent
Donncha Ó Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer
Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian
Ruairí O'Cuiv, Public Art Manager
Lorraine McLoughlin, City Archivist
Sinead Connolly, Assistant City Arts Officer
Elaine Butler, Administrative Officer
Simon Clarke, Administrative Officer
Fanchea Gibson, Administrative Officer

Others present:

Cllr Donna Cooney
Cllr. Mannix Flynn