



**Report to the Planning & Urban Form
Strategic Policy Committee June 2023.
No. 5 on the Agenda**

Motions Referred to the SPC as part of the Development Plan Review Process.

Report to Planning SPC

Following completion of the Review of the City Development Plan a review has taken place of the motions and reports prepared as part of that process to identify agreed responses that required the issue to be referred to the Planning SPC.

In total 12 topics were agreed by the Council to be referred to the SPC; 11 from motions and one from a CE recommendation in response to submissions received. A small degree of overlap exists in relation to the topics, which are listed below:

- 1- Derelict Sites (two)
- 2- National Guidelines and Policy (three)
- 3- Delivery/Prioritisation of studies/plans identified in the Development Plan (four)
- 4- Other key issues- enforcement, Un Sustainable Development Goals, retail hierarchy.

This report sets out the actions so far delivered in relation the 12 topics and the planned response to the remaining topics.

Topic: Undertake research on Derelict Sites

Motion(s): Nov '21, Motion 12; June '22 Motion 5.9.

Action Required/Completed: A detailed report was prepared in relation the implementation of the Derelict Sites legislation and presented to the SPC on the 27th September 2022.

The SPC Members were informed that The Planning Policy and Legislation Section in the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage has recently established a Derelict Sites Act Working Group to look at the functioning of the Derelict Sites Act in combatting dereliction.

Agreed: Working Group will report back on top 3 recommendations.

Topic: Seek prevention/change of Government policy impact on the CDP both in relation to the NDP and Sc.28 Guidelines; generally and specifically regarding height, density and apartment standards.

Motion(s): Nov '21, Motion 44; CE Report on MA 5.16, June '22 Motion 1.13.

Action Required/Completed: The planning process is framed through legislation with a hierarchy of plans and Ministerial Guidelines that inform the preparation of City and County Development Plans. As the largest Council in the State, it is important the Dublin City Council engages actively in any key consultation process conducted by the Department on changes to either legislation or the updating or publication of Sc.28 Guidelines. In response to the motions, it is recommended that the SPC, where appropriate, make submissions on key policy issues as and when the Department invite comment; thus ensuring that the view of the SPC and Elected Members are actively informing the shaping of future policy directions. In addition, the SPC can, where appropriate, raise concerns regarding existing legislation, regulations and Guidelines to seek changes/reconsideration where there is a clear need.

The action in response to these motions in an ongoing action that will continue.

So far 6 submissions have been made and letters have been written by the SPC

Inchicore Retail Strategy September 2022

Action Required/Completed: Letters were sent on behalf of the Chair Cllr. Ray McAdam and the Members.

A letter was sent to Mr. Jim Conway, Director of The Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly, reply received from Jim Conway.

A letter was also sent to Mr. Paul Hogan, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Motion in the name of Cllr. Donna Cooney April 2023

The review of the Planning and Development legislation presents an opportunity for the regulations to clarify whether bike storage boxes are or are not exempt. The Executive would support the SPC in writing to the Minister requesting that the new Regulations due to be published in response to the new Planning Bill fully address this issue.

Action Required/Completed: Letters were sent on behalf of the Chair Cllr. Ray McAdam and the SPC Members to Kieran O'Donnell T.D. Minister of State with responsibility for Local Government and Planning, and Darragh O'Brien T.D., Minister of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Childcare Subgroup June 2023

Action Required/Completed: Letter sent to Ministers, Dept. of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth (Roderic O'Gorman TD) and Dept. of Education (Norma Foley, TD).

Topic: Inchicore as a key urban village

Motion(s): Nov '21, Motion 9.

Action Required/Completed: As designation of the retail hierarchy is an action of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy; in response to this issue, the SPC has written to EMRA to request that the overdue update of the Retail Strategy takes place.

Topic: UN Sustainable Goals

Motion(s): Nov '22, Motion 5.19

Action Required/Completed: A report in relation to the delivery of the Goals is being prepared for presentation to the June 2023 SPC.

Topic: Enforcement in ACAs

Motion(s): Nov '22, Motion 11.1

Action Required/Completed: Planning Enforcement will report quarterly on the number of complaints received in ACA's investigated and resolved. Buildings at Risk will also be included.

Topic: Ancillary Accommodation- design standards

Motion(s): Nov '22, Motion 5.1

Action Required/Completed: Objective QHSNO4 requires the completion of a study of domestic planning standards and best practice- including dormers, extensions, ancillary accommodation and small scale infill housing. The agreement of prioritisation of this action; along with all other action based objectives in the Development Plan will form part of a implementation plan for the Development Plan for the forward planning section to be discussed with the SPC in Quarter 3.

Appendix 1: Table Listing Motions

<u>SPC Motions</u>			
<i>Stage</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Motion No.</i>	<i>Topic/Action Sought</i>
Draft- Nov 21	Cllr Lacey	7	staff team for local plans
	Cllr De Róiste	9	Inchicore as Key urban village
	GP	12	Derelict Sites- do a study on use and capture
	Cllr Ring	44	Height and Density Sc.28 - legal protection
	PBP	76	quantify "overconcentration" for BTR
	GP	113	define overconcentration for hotels
Jun-22	GP	5.9	study of derelict sites
Sep-22	CE Recommendation	MA 5.16	SPC write to Minister re apt standards and accessibility
Nov-22	Cllr Lyons	1.13	Criticism of national policy
	Cllr Lacey	5.1	Ancillary accommodation
	Cllr Lyons	5.19	Un Sustainable Development Goals & PPN
	Cllr McAdam	11.1	Update on enforcement for ACAs

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