

DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

9 APRIL 2018

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE AND AGEING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

**held in the Dundrum Offices, Rear Bank of Ireland, Dundrum,
Dublin 14 on Thursday, 22nd March 2018 at 5pm**

Chairperson's Report

Councillors Present

Cllr. Blain, Emma
Cllr. Donnelly, Deirdre
Cllr. Fayne, Mary
Cllr. Furlong, Karen
Cllr. Hanafin Mary

Cllr. Kennedy, John
Cllr. McCarthy, Lettie
Cllr. McGovern, Lynsey
Cllr. Tallon, Grace

Councillor Lettie McCarthy presided as Chairperson.

Sectoral Representatives Present

Ms. Ann Cannon, Mr. Tom Conlon and Ms. Geraldine Graydon

Apologies were received from Councillor Patricia Stewart and Ms. Michèle Relihan

Officials Present

Dearbhla Lawson, Director of Community & Cultural Development; Mary Ruane, Senior Executive Officer; Kenneth Redmond, Arts Officer; Ciara King, Assistant Arts Officer; Joe Connor, Senior Staff Officer; Sue McMahon, Senior Staff Officer; Karen Miller, Assistant Staff Officer;

1. Confirmation of Minutes

At the outset of the meeting, the Committee welcomed Cllr. Lettie McCarthy as the new Chairperson of the Community Development, Culture and Ageing Strategic Policy Committee and they also expressed thanks to the previous Chairperson, Cllr. Peter O'Brien.

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 6th December 2017 were agreed and adopted, having been proposed by Cllr Deirdre Donnelly and seconded by Cllr Emma Blain.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising.

3. Information items submitted by Members for written reply

There were no items for written reply under this heading.

4. Director's Business

(a) Draft Public Art Policy

Ciara King, Assistant Arts Officer outlined to the Members the key points of the Draft Public Art Policy 2018-2025 which had been circulated in advance to the Members. Ciara King advised the Members that this draft policy was developed to provide a framework through which a vibrant public art programme will be funded, procured and managed. The Council is committed to following best practice in the planning and implementation of public art programmes and commissions and to complying with the National Guidelines. It was proposed by Councillor Deirdre Donnelly, seconded by Councillor Emma Blain and agreed to recommend the Draft Public Arts Policy be referred to a meeting of the County Council to be for considered for approval.

(b) Age Friendly Strategy

Joseph Connor, Senior Staff Officer gave a presentation outlining progress being made with regard to the Age Friendly Strategy 2016–2020 in relation to each of the nine themes of the Strategy:

1. Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
2. Transportation
3. Housing
4. Social Participation
5. Respect and Social Inclusion
6. Civic Participation and Employment
7. Community Information
8. Community Support and Health Services
9. Safety and Security

During a wide-ranging discussion that followed, Dearbhla Lawson and Joseph Connor responded to the Members' questions. It was agreed that there would be promotion regarding activities available for older people in dlr as well as mapping of groups represented in the Network for Older People across the county to support and encourage the voice of older people in dlr. The report was NOTED.

(c) DLR Healthy Ireland Initiatives Update

Mary Ruane, Senior Executive Officer gave a presentation on the DLR Healthy Ireland Fund, outlining the aim and objectives of the initial stages of Healthy Ireland Strand 1 in support of local community initiatives for a Healthy Ireland. A joint application by the DLR LCDC and the DLR CYPSC was approved for funding. Mary Ruane gave an update on the actions that are being progressed, which include the development of a Healthy Ireland Strategy for Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown, and Junior Park Runs, Active Dance Youth Services, Autism & Exercise dlr, dlr Buggy Brigade, Older Persons Activity, Well Now Health Literacy, Living Well with Dementia, Next Step Fitness, Healthy Pregnancy/Healthy Birth, Sexual Health Education, Developmental Play & Nutrition.

Following a discussion during which Mary Ruane and Dearbhla Lawson responded to the Members queries the contents of the report were NOTED.

5. Future Work Programme

Dearbhla Lawson gave a brief update in relation to the SPC future work programme and the following programme was NOTED.

- Public Art Policy Development and Programme Updates
- Autism Awareness
- Cultural Programme Updates
- Universal Grants

- Community Development and Social Inclusion Updates
- Heritage – Plan Review and Updates
- Cultural and Creative Plan Development and Updates
- DLR’s Children and Young Person’s Plan Update
- Healthy Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Strategy and Updates
- Library Development Plan Updates
- Positive Ageing – Age Friendly Strategy – Review and Updates
- Migrant Integration Strategy Update
- DLR’s Play Policy Review and Development

6. Business Referred from the Council (if any)

It was noted that there was not business under this heading.

7. Business referred from the Corporate Policy Group (if any)

It was noted that there was not business under this heading.

8. Any Other Business

It was noted that there was not business under this heading.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is to be confirmed.