

## DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

### Minutes of Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 5.00 pm

#### PRESENT

##### **Councillors:**

Cllr Shay Brennan	Cllr Lorraine Hall
Cllr Michael Clark	Cllr John Kennedy
Cllr Eva Elizabeth Dowling	Cllr Denis O'Callaghan
Cllr Mary Fayne	Cllr Juliet O'Connell
Cllr Kate Feeney (Chair)	Cllr Kate Ruddock
Cllr Michael Fleming	Cllr Barry Saul
Cllr Jim Gildea	Cllr Senan Sexton

##### **Sectoral Representatives:**

Josephine Browne  
Ger Corbett  
Aileen Eglinton  
John O'Toole

#### OFFICIALS PRESENT

Aidan Blighe (Director of Planning and Economic Development), Owen Laverty (Head of Economic Development and Enterprise), Ursula O'Connor (Administrative Officer, Economic Development Unit), Róisín Cronin (Senior Staff Officer, Economic Development Unit), Dave Lawless (Tourism Development Officer)

Aidan Blighe, Director of Services, welcomed members to the meeting which was taking place in Hub17, Sandyford Business District. He thanked Ger Corbett, Chief Executive Officer of Sandyford Business District for hosting the SPC.

#### EE 1/24

##### Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee Meeting of November 16<sup>th</sup> 2023 were proposed by Councillor Gildea, seconded by Councillor Fleming and adopted.

#### EE 2/24

##### Matters arising (if any)

None.

#### EE 3/24

##### Information items submitted by Members for written reply (if any)

No business.

#### EE 4/24

##### Business submitted by the Director of Services

- (i) Overview of work of Economic Development and Enterprise SPC 2019-2024 – Owen Laverty, Ursula O'Connor and Dave Lawless delivered a presentation which outlined the work which has been carried out by the Local Enterprise Office, Economic Development and Tourism Development Sections over the lifetime of the SPC.  
A discussion followed during which members made a number of points and queries were answered.

- (ii) Review of Local Enterprise Week 2024 – dealt with under item (i) during Owen Lavery’s presentation.
- (iii) Digital Twin for Sandyford Business District – Ger Corbett, CEO of Sandyford Business District, demonstrated the Digital Twin project, which has been supported by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. During the discussion that followed, Mr Corbett answered a number of queries from members.

**EE 5/24**

**Business referred from the Council (if any)**

None.

**EE 6/24**

**Business referred from the Corporate Policy Group (if any)**

None.

**EE 7/24**

**Future Work Programme**

No Business.

**EE 8/24**

**Any other business**

As the meeting was the last scheduled meeting of the current SPC, the Chair thanked members for their input over the last five years. She thanked Councillor Clark for his work while chairperson of the SPC, and thanked staff for the work they have carried out over the period. Members thanked Councillor Feeney for her input during her time as Chairperson of the Committee.