

Community Gain Liaison Committee
For the Irishtown, Ringsend, Sandymount Catchment Area
In association with Dublin Waste to Energy Limited

Meeting: Friday 25th May 2018
at 10.00am – 11.30am

Venue: Dublin City Council, Civic Offices, Wood Quay
Block 1, Floor 6, Engineering Conference Room.

Minute

Attendees:

Peter McLoone (Chairperson); John Daly (DWtE Ltd.); Rose Kenny (DCC); Cllr. Dermot Lacey (11.20am); Cllr. Frank Kennedy; Cllr. Paddy McCartan; Elizabeth Allman; Mary Doolin; John Nolan

Apologies:

Céline Reilly (DCC).

1. Minute of Meeting held on 19th January 2018 and Matters Arising.

The minute of the Community Gain Liaison Committee (CGLC) meeting held on the 19th January 2018 was approved.

2. Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2016.

2.1 Projects Grant Scheme 2016 Current Status Report.

The Dublin Waste to Energy (DWtE) Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2016 current status report was circulated and noted by the Committee. The Committee commented that only €1,881,986.99 had been drawdown to date and that there was a substantial balance remaining for drawdown in the amount of €2,927,314.01.

2.2 201651: Ringsend and Irishtown Community Centre Ltd. (RICC).

The Committee discussed the outcome of their meeting with the Board of RICC which took place on the 10th May 2018 and the contents of RICC's letter dated the 19th April 2018.

The Committee agreed to confirm its approval to allocate €1.4 million to assist with the refurbishment of the Community Centre subject to the following conditions.

1. The crèche is included in the renovation works.
2. The facilities at the Community Centre continue to be made accessible to groups within the Ringsend and Irishtown communities at a reasonable cost.

The Committee remained concerned about RICC's proposal to continue full operations at the centre, particularly the crèche, while the refurbishment works are ongoing.

In order to be satisfied that the proposed plans are approved by the Contractor and Health and Safety Officer the Committee decided to engage the independent assessor to liaise with RICC's project manager and quantity surveyor to monitor the progress of this extensive project and provide regular feedback on how the Centre is functioning while the refurbishment is underway.

Action:

Administrator: to issue a letter to RICC Ltd communicating the Committee's decision, the conditions applied to the project's approval and the Committee's concerns.

2.3 201623: Railway Union Sports Club

The Committee reviewed the letter submitted by Railway Union Sports Club regarding their revised refurbishment plans. The Committee agreed to support Railway Union Sports Club's revised plans including the proposed redistribution of grant funding which they agreed is consistent with the Club's grant application form.

Action:

Administrator: to issue a letter to Railway Union Sports Club communicating the Committee's decision.

2.4 201625: Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club.

The Chairperson informed the Committee members that Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club had submitted all the required documentation for drawdown of their grant funding and that a Deed of Charge had been executed. He explained that the Priority Agreement was still outstanding but that it had been issued to the Chief State Solicitors Office for the Minister's signature. As this could take several weeks, the Committee agreed to release Clanna Gael's grant funding pending the Priority Agreement's completion.

3. Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2017.

3.1 Projects Grant Scheme 2017 Current Status Report.

The DWtE Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2017 current status report was circulated and noted by the Committee. The Committee commented that of the €4,246,074.00 approved in principle only €192,538.49 had been drawn down to date.

3.2 201728 & 201743: St. Patrick's C.Y.F.C and Crusaders A.C.

A proposal from Dublin City Council's (DCC) Chief Valuer regarding the development of Irishtown Stadium was circulated to the Committee. The Committee agreed that a lease arrangement as proposed by the Chief Valuer was the most appropriate way forward in these circumstances. The Committee agreed to request Jim Beggan, DCC Executive Manager, to communicate the Chief Valuer's proposal to St. Patrick's C.Y.F.C and Crusaders A.C.

The Chairperson informed the Committee that the Administrator had not yet received all of the documentation requested by the Committee in their letter of the 23rd April 2018 and therefore they would not be in a position to progress matters today. The Chairperson confirmed that as soon as this information was made available it would be circulated to the members and a meeting with both clubs would be arranged.

Action:

Administrator: to request Jim Beggan, DCC Executive Manager, to communicate the Chief Valuer's proposal to St. Patrick's C.Y.F.C and Crusaders A.C.

Administrator: to circulate the requested documentation as soon as it was received to the Committee members.

Administrator: to arrange a meeting with St. Patrick's C.Y.F.C and Crusaders A.C.

3.3 201718: St. Patrick's Church.

The exchange of correspondence between DCC's Law Agent and Greene Solicitors acting on behalf of St. Patrick's Church regarding the documentation required for the execution of their legal agreement was circulated and noted by the Committee. The members agreed that in order to progress matters the Chairperson would intervene on behalf of the Committee and resolve matters.

Action:

Chairperson: to liaise with DCC's Law Agent and St. Patrick's Church regarding the documentation required for the execution of the legal agreement.

4. Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2018.

4.1 Application Dates.

The Committee noted that there was a substantial amount of grant funding yet to be drawn down from the 2016 and 2017 DWtE Community Gain Projects Grant Schemes. On this basis the members agreed to defer the decision on the application dates for the 2018 Scheme until their next meeting.

4.2 Funding.

The Committee agreed that the level of funding available for the 2018 DWtE Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme would be decided at their next Committee meeting.

5. Finance.

5.1 Finance Reports

The current finance reports in respect of the DWtE Community Gain fund were circulated and noted by the Committee. John Daly confirmed that the Community Gain fund would receive €272,000.00 in respect of the 2017 operational phase of the Dublin Waste to Energy facility.

6. Date and Venue for Future Meeting.

Date: Friday 28th September 2018, 10.30am – 11.30am

Venue: Engineering Conference Room, Block 1, Floor 6, Dublin City Council Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8.

7. AOB.

The Committee noted a question raised by Cllr. Mannix Flynn and a response issued by the Administrator on behalf of the Committee regarding child protection policies in scouting organisations in receipt of grant funding in the South East Area.

On foot of this, the Committee agreed that a letter should be issued to relevant DWtE Community Gain grant recipients requesting confirmation that they had child protection policies, guidelines and Garda vetting procedures in place. A draft letter to this effect was circulated to the Committee and approved for issue.

Administrator: to issue the letter to all relevant DWtE Community Gain grant recipients.