

Community Gain Liaison Committee
For the Irishtown/Ringsend/Sandymount Catchment Area
(In association with the Dublin Waste to Energy Project)

Meeting: Thursday 3rd November 2016 from 13.00 - 15.00
Venue: Conference Room, Block 2, Floor 2, Civic Offices, Wood Quay.

Minutes

Attendees:

Peter McLoone (Chair); Mary Doolin; Mary DeCourcy; John Nolan; Cllr Kieran Binchy; Cllr Frank Kennedy; Cllr Chris Andrews; Vincent Norton (DCC); Rose Kenny (DCC).

In Attendance:

Sid Daly, Staff Officer (DCC)

Apologies:

John Daly (Covanta)

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed Vincent Norton (DCC) to the committee. Vincent replaces Helen McNamara (DCC).

2. Minute of Meetings held on 29th September 2016 and Matters Arising

Minutes approved.

Under matters arising the Chair advised that he attended a meeting with Clanna Na Gael Fontenoy GAA Club, at their request relating to the decision made at last meeting. A report on the outcome was circulated and noted.

The Chair and John Nolan attended a further meeting with Ringsend and Irishtown Community Centre Ltd as was agreed at the last meeting. A report on the outcome was circulated and noted.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding approaches made to the public representative members of the committee by representatives from Clanna Na Gael Fontenoy about the developments they planned for the club. It was recognised that local and public representative committee members would be asked to engage with community groups about ongoing projects. It was agreed that in circumstances where the issue of funding was

raised that committee members should use a common sense approach to discussions and encourage groups to follow the criteria for submitting applications to the fund. It was also decided that any details of the committee's discussions on individual applications, should not be revealed and that all queries or appeals must be directed in writing to the secretariat.

3. Projects Grant Scheme 2016 – Review of Deferred Applications Requesting Amounts Less than €100,000

- **201607: U-Fit**

The Committee decided that there was not sufficient detail contained in the additional information submitted to describe the extent of the gain for the local communities from this project and the application was not approved. The Chair agreed to write to the applicant again setting out the Committee's position.

- **201624: Raytown Angling**

The Committee noted that the applicants did not carry out a feasibility study as requested and did not approve the application. The Chair agreed to respond to the applicant emphasising the importance of a feasibility study in order to justify the amount of funding required to provide a wheelchair accessible boat.

- **201628: Coleman Combat**

The Committee considered the additional information submitted and decided not to approve the application. The Chair agreed to write to the applicant explaining the Committee's need to be fully satisfied on the community gain for the local area and the usage of the bus they propose to purchase.

- **201630: 1st Port of Dublin Sea Scouts**

It was noted that the additional information requested has been supplied, but it was decided in advance of issuing approval to ask for a meeting with the applicants in order to view the facility and to discuss the group's potential for growth and providing sustainable services and support for young people in the local areas. It was agreed to arrange a meeting and request the Chair to circulate a report to the other members on what further action needs to be taken

Action: Set up a meeting and circulate time and date to committee. Whoever is available will attend.

- **201652: Ringsend Active Retirement Association**

Additional information requested has been provided. Application in several parts musical equipment and uniforms. Approved funding to the value of €1,414.95 for the purchase of Polo Shirts €854.97, Music Speakers €389.99 and Music Centre €169.99.

Action:

Chair to speak to committee secretary and report back to committee.

4. Projects Grant Scheme 2016 – Grant Approval Letters

The Chair confirmed that he delayed issuing the most recent batch of confirmation letters as they had to be considered by the DCC Law Department. Noted that all matters were now resolved and letters would issue shortly.

It was noted that Grant approval letters state that money must be drawn down by set date and if applicants need to extend this timeframe they must contact the committee for approval.

5. Legal Issues

A query was raised about the committee's legal standing. It was agreed this needs to be clarified in the near future with the DCC Law Department.

Action:

Chair to discuss with DCC and report back to committee.

6. Projects Grant Scheme – External Assessor

Noted that the Chair has discussed this with DCC and is awaiting a response

Action:

Circulate a note to the Committee if there any developments.

7. Finance Report for Community Gain Fund

Vincent Norton circulated report. Copies of report available.

8. AOB

Timeframe for notification of 2017 to be decided at next meeting.

Rose Kenny asked that the Administrator circulate list of all applications, approved or rejected, to committee members. Only approved applications to be published online.

Action:

Administrator to circulate list of applications to committee members.

9. Date & Venue for Future Meeting

Date: Thursday 26th January 2017, 13.00pm – 15.00pm

Venue: Conference Room, Block 2 Floor 2, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8.