

DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held remotely on Thursday 24th March 2022 at 5.00 pm

Chairperson's Report

PRESENT

Councillors:

Cllr Shay Brennan	Cllr John Kennedy
Cllr Michael Clark (Chair)	Cllr Patricia Kinsella
Cllr Séafra Ó Faoláin	Cllr Mary Fayne
Cllr Michael Fleming	Cllr Denis O'Callaghan
Cllr Jim Gildea	Cllr Juliet O'Connell
Cllr Lorraine Hall	Cllr Donal Smith

Sectoral Representatives:

Aileen Eglinton
Dr. Josephine Browne
Ger Corbett
John O'Toole
Fardus Sultan
Mark Scott-Lennon

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Helena Cunningham (Director of Finance & Economic Development), Owen Laverty (Head of Economic Development and Enterprise), Dave Lawless (Administrative Officer, Tourism Development), Ursula O'Connor (Administrative Officer, Economic Development Unit), Nigel Duffy (Staff Officer, Economic Development Unit)

Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee Meeting of December 9 2021 were proposed by Councillor O'Callaghan, seconded by Councillor Fayne and adopted.

Matters arising (if any)

None.

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

There was no business under this heading.

Business submitted by the Director of Services

- (i) Presentation on Ferry Terminal Campus- Mr Hilary Haydon from Quarterdeck Technology Workspace gave a presentation on plans for the Ferry Terminal Campus. Following this presentation Mr Owen Laverty gave a further information presentation to the members. After the presentations several questions were asked by the members and answered by both Mr Haydon and Mr Laverty and the chairperson Cllr Clark thanked both Mr Haydon & Mr Laverty for their presentations and replies.

- (ii) Presentation on Update of Tourism Activities – Mr David Lawless, Administrative Officer, Tourism Development gave a presentation on an update in relation to Tourism Activities for the coming year. Several questions were asked which Mr Lawless responded to. The Chairperson Cllr Clark thanked Mr Lawless for his replies and presentation.
- (iii) Update on process for development of Local Economic and Community Plan 2023-2029 – A presentation was given by Ms Helena Cunningham, Director of Finance & Economic Development detailing the process for the development of the Local Economic and Community Plan 2023-2029. Ms Cunningham answered the members’ queries and the Chairperson Cllr Clark thanked Ms Cunningham for her replies and presentation.
- (iv) Presentation on SPC Work Programme 2022 - A presentation was given by Ms Helena Cunningham, Director of Finance & Economic Development. Ms Cunningham answered the members’ queries. The Chairperson Cllr Clark thanked Ms Cunningham for her replies and presentation.

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Business referred from the Council (if any)

None.

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Business referred from the Corporate Policy Group (if any)

None.

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Future Work Programme

Councillor Lorraine Hall “To ask the Council to facilitate a round table discussion with relevant stakeholders in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown to promote the night-time economy?”

Following a brief discussion, it was agreed to include the promotion of the night-time economy in the future works programme for 2022.

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Any other business

As it was his last meeting as Chairperson Councillor Michael Clark, said it was a honour to be Chairperson of the SPC and thanked all members and staff for their hard work and contribution during his time as Chair.

Date of next meeting – Thursday June 24th, 2022. The Chairperson reminded members that they can submit items for reply and consideration and they will be notified of the relevant deadlines.

The Chairperson wished everyone a Happy Easter and closed the meeting.