Councillor Barry Ward presided as Chairperson

Apologies were received from Cllr. Emma Blain, Cllr. Kate Feeney, Cllr. Shane O'Brien, Rosheen Calendar, Tom Kivlehan, Sean O'Neill and Fardus Sultan.

**SECTORIAL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Ann Marie Walsh, Dr. Josephine Browne and Aileen Eglington

**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Dearbhla Lawson (Director of Services, Economic, Community and Cultural Development Department), Mary Ruane, (Senior Executive Officer, Economic, Community and Cultural Development Department), Dave Lawless (Administrative Officer, Local Enterprise Office), Georgina Sweetnam (Acting Head of Enterprise Local Enterprise Office). Mariea Mullally (Enterprise Executive, Economic, Community and Cultural Development)

**Confirmation of minutes**

Minutes of the previous Economic Development & Enterprise SPC meeting on 22\(^{nd}\) September 2016, were proposed by Councillor Denis O’Callaghan and seconded by Councillor Kevin Daly

**Matters arising (if any)**

None.

**Information items submitted by Members for written reply (If any)**

None.
Business submitted by the Director of Services

Presentation by Future Analytics Consulting Ltd. on Dublin Regional Enterprise Strategy

John Kehoe, Future Analytics, gave a presentation on the Dublin Regional Economic Strategy. A copy of the presentation was circulated and the Dublin Regional Enterprise Strategy had been circulated in advance.

A wide discussion took place during which Dearbhla Lawson and Georgina Sweetnam responded to questions and comments from SPC members.

Dearbhla Lawson asked for an action to include reference to ‘promotion of the growth and investment opportunities within the Strategic Development Zones in the Region’, and suggested amendments to include reference to the Sandyford Business District in the document.

Subject to the above amendments being included, the members of the SPC approved the Strategy. It was proposed by the Chairperson and all agreed to refer the Dublin Regional Enterprise Strategy to the January meeting of the County Council for Noting with the approval of the SPC.

Progress report on the Local Economic & Community Plan.

Dave Lawless, Administrative Officer, gave a progress update on the implementation of the Local Economic and Community Plan to November 2016. A copy of a progress report was circulated.

Presentation by Future Analytics Consulting Ltd. on the proposal to develop and formulate the Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Tourism Strategy & Marketing Plan 2017 - 2022


A copy of the presentation was circulated. A general discussion took place during which Dearbhla Lawson responded to Members queries and comments and the presentation was Noted.

Proposed Business Briefing Session on the subject of Brexit.

Georgina Sweetnam, Acting Head of Enterprise, discussed proposals to host a meeting with Business Associations to discuss Brexit and other issues. A discussion followed. It was agreed that all members will be kept informed about the event.

(a) Draft SPC Work Programme for 2017

Dearbhla Lawson, Director, Economic Community & Cultural Development presented a proposed 2017 Work Programme for the ED&E SPC. It was acknowledged that the programme is comprehensive. The programme was approved.
**Business referred from the Council (if any)**

A Report on the Council Twinning Programme was referred to this SPC from Council at their November 17th Meeting. The Economic Development & Enterprise SPC is the Committee responsible for Twinning in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. The report was produced following a proposal by An Cathaoirleach Cllr Cormac Devlin at the October Council meeting.

A wide-ranging discussion took place regarding Twinning in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. It was agreed that a report be produced which would examine Twinning and its context for further consideration by the SPC, with a view to establishing a policy on Twinning/friendship agreements for this Council.

It was also requested that any Members with views for consideration regarding Twinning should forward same to the Director.

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

None

**Any other business**

Content for a dlr Marketing Brochure was circulated. Some amendments and changes were requested all of which were noted.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the ED&E SPC was confirmed for 23rd March 2017 in the Annex, County Hall, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

**Conclusion of Meeting**

The meeting concluded at approximately 6:50pm.