SOCIAL HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 27th June 2018

Report by Chairperson Councillor Jim Gildea

Following agreement from the Members present, Cllr Jim Gildea presided as Chairperson for the Meeting.

In attendance were: Cllr Ann Colgan, Cllr Chris Curran, Cllr Cormac Devlin, Cllr Melisa Halpin, Cllr Deirdre Kingston, Cllr Michael Merrigan, Cllr Denis O’Callaghan, Cllr Dónal Smith, Cllr Carrie Smyth, Cllr Ossian Smyth, and Ms Susan Whelan.

Apologies for non-attendance: Cllr John Bailey, Ms Liz Ferris, Mr Jimmy Jordan & Ms Geraldine Dunne.

Officials Present: Ms Catherine Keenan (Director of Housing), Ms Deirdre Baber (Senior Executive Officer, Housing Dept.), Ms Ann Hegarty (Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department).

1. Minutes of SPC held on 14th March 2018 were CONFIRMED and ADOPTED.

2. Matters arising: No matters raised by the Members.
   Cllr Merrigan noted that the Agenda was numbered incorrectly, it was agreed to correct and renumber 9,9a & 9b.

3. Items submitted for written reply:
   (a) Housing Needs
       A Reply was issued
   (b) Build Cost of Social Housing Units.
       The Reply was NOTED.
   (c) Online transfer for Housing Tenants
       The Reply was NOTED

4. Directors Business: Update on dlr Civic Hub - Housing Services Presentation
   Ms Emer Sheridan, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Services gave a presentation on the recently opened Civic Hub. A discussion took place during Ms Sheridan responded to Members queries.

5. Business referred from the Council
   It was NOTED that there was no business to discuss under this heading.

6. Quarterly Report – Quarter 1 2018
   It was Agreed that there is no requirement for the Quarterly Report to be included on the Agenda, however an update on targets would be provided at future SPC’s

7. Business referred from Corporate Policy Group
   No Business

8. Correspondence
   No Business

9. Future Work Programme - Current Work Programme
a) **Programme of Tenant/Housing Responsibilities**
   Cllr. M. Halpin raised the issue of mould and condensation. It was **AGREED** to have a technical discussion regarding same at a future SPC.

b) **Tenants Handbook**
   A discussion took place regarding the Tenants Handbook and Ms Ann Hegarty responded to Members questions. It was **AGREED** that the Housing Booklet be updated.

c) **Charging Points**
   Item to be **RE-ENTERED**

d) **Notice on Vacated Housing Units**
   Cllr. Chris Curran **AGREED** to have this submitted as a Council Question.

10. **Future Work Programme - Items for Consideration for Work Programme**

   a) **Housing Needs of employees living and working in Dlr**
      Item to be **RE-ENTERED**

   b) **Infrastructure deficits relating to Council lands zoned residential**
      A discussion took place during which Ms Catherine Keenan answered questions from Members. It was **AGREED** that the Executive would seek an alternative meeting with the Technical Staff from other Departments.

11. **Any other business.**
   No other Business

12. **Date of Next meeting**
   Wednesday 26th September 2018