

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Housing and Disability Steering Group

Minutes of the Meeting held in person on

Wednesday, 6th September, at 2.30pm

Attendees:

dlr: Deirdre Baber (Senior Executive Officer), Aingeal McMahon (Senior Staff Officer).

Representatives of Disability Sectors: Sandra Doody (AsIAM).

Representatives of AHBs: Aoibheann Byrne (Tuath), Sean Crowley (SJOG).

Representatives of the HSE: Breffni Coffey (Mental Health Services), Catherine Elliott-Lewis (Disability Services).

Apologies:

Catherine Keenan (Chair, dlr), David Girvan (SJOG Friends & Family), Majella Grainger (Cheshire), Clár Johnston (Hail), Claire Waldron (HSE Disability Services Manager), Claire Kenny (ILMI).

ITEM	Agenda Items	ACTIONS AGREED
Item 1	Minutes:	
	Approval of Minutes of meeting held on 7 th June 2023.	Agreed
Item 2	Matters Arising:	
	Two new members joined the Group, Catherine Elliott-Lewis (HSE Disability Services) and Sandra Doody (AsIAM).	Noted
	All members introduced themselves and gave an overview of their role.	Noted
Item 3	Overview from new Members:	
	Catherine Elliott-Lewis (HSE Disability Services) discussed her role and how working with dlr will assist her in this role.	Noted
	A discussion followed around Choice Base Lettings (CBL) and the Housing Needs Assessment (HNA).	Noted
	Sandra Doody (AsIAM) introduced herself and gave an overview of her role. S. Doody discussed the challenges that face her clients and what can be done to assist them.	Noted
	A discussion followed around universal design.	Noted

Item 4 Updates:

- i.** Deirdre Baber gave an update on behalf of dlr: **Noted**
- the breakdown of allocations made to Disabled People - 22% of all allocations were made to Disabled People at end of August 2023.
 - Construction/Delivery update.
 - Information updates covering progress locally and nationally.
- D. Baber advised the Group that Claire Feeney, Housing Agency, will attend the next meeting to review the Housing and Disability Strategic Plan 2021 - 2026. **Noted**
- It was agreed that the Plan would be circulated to the Group for review. Members are to note any changes or comments in advance of the next meeting. **Action**
- ii.** Aoibheann gave an update in relation to Tuath. A discussion followed around early intervention with developers and acquiring ground floor apartments with level access showers. **Noted**
- iii.** Breffni Coffey (HSE mental health representative) discussed the implementation plan which is now published. A further discussion was had around CBL. B. Coffey outlined the challenges of using it for her clients and the support needed to assist them. **Noted**
- iv.** Sean Crowley gave an update on behalf of SJOG and discussed their better use of stock. S. Crowley gave details of funding received to house a number of applicants off the housing waiting list with care support. **Noted**

Item 5 AOB:

No other business. **Noted**

Item 6 Next Meeting:

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 6th December. It was agreed to change the start time to 3pm. **Action**