

## DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Community, Culture and Wellbeing Strategic Policy Committee held via Microsoft Teams Meeting on Wednesday 14th December 2022 at 5.00pm

#### COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Fleming, Michael (Chair)	Kivlehan, Tom
Ahmed, Kazi	McLoughlin, Seán
Baker, Marie	Moylan, Justin
Donnelly, Deirdre	O'Brien, Peter
Dunne, Daniel	Hanafin, Mary
Fanning, Martha	Grainger, Anna

#### SECTORAL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Andrew Clinch, Olivia Shaw Dunne,

#### OFFICIALS PRESENT

Therese Langan, Director of Community & Cultural Development; Catherine Gallagher, dlr County Librarian; Sandra Kelly, A/ Senior Community Officer, Community & Cultural Development; Ian Smalley, Administrative Officer, Community & Cultural Development; Siobhán Nic Gaoithin, Age Friendly & Social Inclusion Officer; Jayne Parsons, Senior Staff Officer, Community & Cultural Development; Tina Falkiner, Community & Cultural Development; Barbara Henry, Community & Cultural Development

#### Apologies

Sheila Grace, Dr Josephine Browne, Pierrot Ngadi, Brian Kavanagh, Mary Ruane.

#### 1. Welcome & Roll Call

Cllr Fleming welcomed everyone to the meeting and the roll call was carried out.

#### 2. Confirmation of Minutes

The draft minutes of the SPC meeting held on Wednesday 15th June 2022 were agreed. The minutes were then adopted, having been proposed by Cllr Kazi Ahmed and seconded by Cllr Tom Kivlehan.

#### 3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None.

#### 4. Information items submitted by members for written reply

No business.

#### 5. Director's Business

##### (a) Update on the Culture and Creativity Strategy 2023-2027 – Catherine Gallagher, County Librarian

Catherine Gallagher, County Librarian, gave an update on the Culture & Creativity Strategy 2023-27.

The Chair thanked Ms Gallagher for the presentation and opened the floor to questions. Cllr Baker asked whether there was scope for Councillor input into the Creativity Team and whether a geographical balance was sought when organising events in the County. Catherine Gallagher undertook to investigate whether Councillor involvement was possible in the Creativity Team. She also confirmed that the Council tried to ensure a balanced distribution of events throughout the County.

The strategy was proposed by Cllr Ahmed, seconded by Cllr Hanafin, and agreed.

**(b) Community & Cultural Infrastructure Audit – Catherine Gallagher, County Librarian**

Catherine Gallagher, County Librarian, gave a presentation on the Community & Cultural audit. This has its origins in the audit of community and cultural facilities that took place for Dundrum and has now been expanded to cover the entire County. The project aligns with the County Development Plan and “10-minute neighbourhood” concept.

Consultants have been engaged and have consulted with 56 Council-owned facilities in the County and have developed a database with detailed information. Stakeholder engagement is planned for Q1 2023, to assess awareness of facilities and whether they meet the needs of the public. Hoping to identify current and future gaps.

The Chair thanked Ms Gallagher for her presentation.

**(c) Festival of Inclusion – Siobhán Nic Gaoithin, Age Friendly & Social Inclusion Officer**

Siobhán Nic Gaoithin, Social Inclusion Officer, gave a presentation on the 2022 Festival of Inclusion. The core programme ran from September to November 2022, and Siobhán provided a summary of the events held.

The Chair thanked Ms Nic Gaoithin for the presentation and opened the floor to questions. Issues raised included the need to run multi-cultural events; the option of utilising the Councillors to disseminate information and reach out to relevant groups; the need to reach those groups who were not members of the PPN; the use of posters/parks notice boards to promote the events and not rely solely on online promotion; contact with embassies and schools; a workshop to discuss promotion/communication might be beneficial.

**(d) Summary Update on draft Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP) socio-economic Statement – Therese Langan, Director of Services, Community & Cultural Development Dept.**

Therese Langan, Director of Service, gave an update on the review of the LECP. This will be the second such plan and will run to 2028.

The socio-economic profile of the County will provide the foundation of the plan and will be informed by population figures, areas of deprivation, community wellbeing and transportation options. The new plan has the potential to develop the “10-minute neighbourhood”. A SWOT analysis would be conducted to inform the review process.

The two Council sections undertaking the review are Community and Economic Development. The LCDC would be driving the Community aspects of the plan, and the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC would be approving the Economic Development aspects, but ultimately the plan would be going to Council for consideration by the elected members. Therese undertook to bring updates on the community elements of the review process to the SPC.

The review would be going to public consultation in January 2023.

The Chair thanked Therese for the update.

**6. Business Referred from the Council (if any)**

None.

**7. Business Referred from the Corporate Policy Group (if any)**

None.

**8. Item for SPC Future Work Programme**

None.

**9. Any other Business**

Cllr McLoughlin thanked all those responsible for organising the bus tour in September.

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Meeting Concluded.