## Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Housing and Disability Steering Group

## Minutes of Meeting held remotely on Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, 23rd June 2020, at 2.30pm

## **Attendees:**

**dlr:** Catherine Keenan (Director of Services), Deirdre Baber (SEO, Housing Department); Jim Ryan (AO, Housing Department); Aingeal McMahon (SSO, Housing Department)

Representatives of Disability Sectors: David Girvan (Disability Consultation Group); Martina Smith (HAIL); Majella Grainger (Cheshire);

AHB's Representative: Eimear O'Hagan (HAIL); Paul Braiden (Tuath Housing Association);

HSE: Caroline Farrell (HSE); Sylvia Cahill (HSE Mental Health); Thomas Redmond (HSE);

ITEM	Agenda Items	Action Required
Item not on the Agenda	Change of Membership:  Departure of Brian Miller and new member, Caroline Farrell - DBaber thanked Brian Miller for his valuable contribution during his time in the Steering Group and welcomed Caroline Farrell to the Group.	Noted
Item 1	Minutes: Approval of Minutes	Agreed
Item 2	Matters arising:  Members would like to see more detail and a better breakdown of the type of disabilities covered by allocations.	Noted

Item 3	Equality Action Plan update:	
	JRyan gave a presentation outlining the further progress made in relation to the Housing Department's Equality Action Plan. He spoke about identifying the areas the Plan should focus on by means of Customer interactions, the Consultations held with different groups and the actions implemented and being implemented. JRyan also referred to Consultations in relation to the Equality Statement which would include the Steering Group in due course.	Noted
	A discussion took place with members in relation to the Plan.	Noted
	It was agreed to circulate the Presentation to Members.	Action
Item 4	dir update:	
	i) CAS 2020	
	DBaber gave a summary of the CAS delivery to date in 2020 with a total of 7 units delivered so far this year.	Noted
	A discussion took place around lead times and the value of early involvement at the design stage in new developments.	Noted
	ii) Allocations	
	DBaber gave an update on the allocation of housing within dlr:	Noted
	> 134 allocations up to 21 June 2020 - 28% of all allocations	
	<ul> <li>5 to transfer list with medical needs – 0 intellectual, 2 mental health, 2 physical, 1 sensory</li> </ul>	
	32 added to the Housing Waiting List: 3 intellectual, 17 mental health, 10 physical, 2 sensory	
	A discussion took place around the Housing Waiting List. DGirvan spoke about how some on a service provider waiting list think it automatically places them on the LA Housing List. A discussion	Noted

	took place around the issues this caused. It was suggested that the Group work together to resolve this. The issues around GDPR were raised when sharing personal information and maintaining the safe keeping of personal information. Following further discussion CKeenan asked DGirvan and CFarrell to prepare something together for the next meeting.  It was agreed to circulate a copy of the Allocations Report.	Action
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Item 5	HSE update	
	Update from SCahill, TRedmond and CFarrell.	Noted
Item 6	Disability Sector Update:	
	Update from DGirvan, and MGrainger, Cheshire.	Noted
	Approved Housing Body Update	
Item 7	Update from EO'Hagan, Hail, and PBraiden, Tuath.	Noted
Item 8	Membership in line with the Terms of Reference	
	DBaber gave an update on the Membership. A discussion followed and it was agreed to discuss the SJOG membership directly with EO'Hagan following the meeting.	Noted
Item 9	AOB	
	DGirvan asked for the specific areas the three HSE Members represented.	Noted
	PBraiden requested that each Member's email address be shared.	Action

SCahill offered information from a mental health perspective on what qualifies as mental health and what are the practicalities of mental health.	