

Minutes of the Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum (DOCF)

Meeting, Monday 9th of July 2018.

Present

Members:

Name	Organisation
Michael Stubbs	Chair
ClIr Gaye Fagan	DCC Councillor
Frank Masterson	CIE
Charlie Sheil	Docklands Hospitality and Entertainment Assoc
Eamonn O'Reilly	Dublin Port Company
Owen Reilly	Docklands SME & Start-up Partnership
Alan Robinson	Docklands Business Forum

Name	Organisation
ClIr Christy Burke	DCC Councillor
Gerry Fay	North Wall Community Association
ClIr Dermot Lacey	DCC Councillor
Vincent McCabe	Dublin Docklands Cultural Forum
Owen Keegan	CEO Dublin City Council
Catherine O'Brien	Co-operative Housing Ireland
Michael Ingle	Grand Canal Dock Residents Assoc

Apologies:

Name	Organisation
ClIr Claire Byrne	DCC Councillor
Mary Lee Rhodes	Trinity College
Irene Crawley	H.O.P.E Hands Peer Education Ltd
Paul Molumby	Central Bank of Ireland
Terre Duffy	Waterways Ireland
Gina Quin	National College of Ireland
Dolores Wilson	St Andrew's Resource Centre

Non Member attendees:

Name	Organisation
Deirdre Scully	Senior Planner, DCC
Robert Gallagher	Staff Officer, Docklands Office, DCC

1. Minutes for Monday 14th of May 2018

Minutes for 14th of May 2018 were approved by the members.

2. Planning Update

Deirdre DCC Senior planner gave a planning update to the Forum.

3. Sub Committees update and Annual Report

A) Housing Report

Michael Ingle Chair of the housing committee commented that the housing committee requests for figures on the number of social housing units delivered to date within the SDZ have not been answered and this is reflected in the housing report.

It was agreed the housing committee meet with Deputy Chief Executive Brendan Kenny to discuss the issue of part 5 social housing delivery within the SDZ.

Members also expressed their concerns at a lack of affordable housing provision/planning for the docklands community and the response by Government to affordable housing provision in general.

It was agreed by the Forum to officially correspond with the Minister of Housing Eoghan Murphy's Office and strongly express the Forum disappointment the minister has not taken the several opportunities offered by the members for him to attend the Forum and invite him again to discuss the housing issues facing the Docklands.

B) Communication Report

Alan Robinson Chair of the Communication Committee presented their report. The members were impressed with its goals and thanked the Communication Committee for their work and approved for its inclusion in the Annual Report.

C) Community Report

The final draft of the community report has been postponed due to the sudden death of the chair's husband.

The members agreed when considering the circumstances and if it was required, to invite a community representative from the area represented by Dolores Wilson to assist in finalizing the community report and maintain the community representative balance in the committee.

4. AOB

Michael Ingle raised the issue of management fee's payable by residents in the area managed by the Grand Canal Harbour Management Company "GCHMC" for maintenance of public areas and asked why DCC cannot take in charge the public areas.

Mr Ingle also expressed strong concerns that any restructuring of the board of management of GCHMC might be done without the direct input of residents or for residents not to have an opportunity to be appointed to the board.

Owen Keegan informed the members that legal negotiations are taking place to finalize what areas will be taken in charge by DCC and what areas will be left under the current management companies.

It was agreed for the next Forum meeting to circulate a map highlighting the different management areas within the Docklands.

Dermot Lacey raised an issue on behalf of Claire Byrne, about a large algae bloom within the Grand Canal Basin Dock and its negative impact on the environment and appearance of the Dock.

The members were informed by Owen Keegan that the water levels within the Dock have been reduced to facilitate maintenance works on the Dock's wall and due to the lower water levels and good weather, more sunlight penetrates and the algae has better conditions to bloom, once the water level are returned to normal this should control any further growth.

Next Meeting

Next meeting was agreed to be held on Monday 10th of September 2018 at 12 noon at the Docklands Office.