

Minutes of the Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum (DOCF)

Meeting (held via video link over MS TEAMS), Tuesday 5th of July 2022.

Present

Chairperson: Michael Stubbs

Members:

Name	Organisation
Michael Ingle	Grand Canal Dock Residents Association
Rachel Rooney	Network Coordinator RCSF
Clr Claire Byrne	DCC Councillor
Cormac Kennedy	Dublin Port company
Frank Masterson	CIE Property
Dolores Wilson	St Andrew's Centre
Gina Quin	National College of Ireland
Owen Reilly	Docklands SME & Start-up Partnership

Name	Organisation
Alan Robinson	Docklands Business Forum
Mark Fay	North Wall Community Association
Clr Ray McAdam	DCC Councillor
Clr Joe Costello	DCC Councillor
Prof Ciaran O'Neill	Trinity College Dublin
Clr Kevin O'Donoghue	DCC Councillor
Máirin Ó Cuireáin	Waterways Ireland
Conor O'Kane	Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane

Apologies:

Name	Organisation
Bernard Sheridan	Central Bank of Ireland
Ms Catriona Ryan	Dept. Housing, Local Government and Heritage
Owen Keegan	Dublin City Council

Non Member attendees:

Name	Organisation
Derek Kelly	Director of Service, DCC
Marie Kavanagh	Senior Executive Officer, Docklands Office DCC
Myles Farrell	DCC Senior Planner
Robert Gallagher	DCC Staff Officer, Docklands Office
Tadgh Daly	DCC Assistant Planner
Mary McCann	DCC Senior Staff Officer Docklands Office

1. Minutes for 11.04.22 agreed by the Members present.

2. Presentation on Dublin City Council Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy By Alice Simington DCC Senior Executive Officer

The Members thanked Ms. Simington for a very informative presentation and made the following observations:

- A) There appears to be lack of data on the financial cost of Anti-social behaviour to the city and this needs to be quantified as well as the negative social effects ASB has on communities.
- B) Dumping should be included in the DCC definition of ASB.
- C) Garda resources need to be increased to tackle the increase in ASB in the area.
- D) Comment by one Member recalling commitment of previous Garda Commissioner proposing garda station for the port. Member to raise this matter at JPC meeting this same day.

Agreed Commitment:

Correspondence to issue through the Chair of DOCF to the Department of Justice to seek an update on the noted commitment for a new garda station for the port.

3. Presentation on Georges Dock and Docklands Office re-development By Andrew Griffin of Urban Agency.

The members thanked Mr. Griffin for his presentation and asked the following:

- A) Why is an Olympic pool option included, it is reducing space for a public lido.
- B) Can the use of Georges Dock be expanded as part of a greater Docklands plan/vision for the area?
- C) Is there a real need to have the emergency water training unit facility on the same site using up valuable space, reducing the options for public use when the training facility could be built at a location with fewer demands on it?
- D) Was the local community consulted for their views and options for the site?
- E) Further consultation needs to take place with the Forum

Derek Kelly DCC Director of Service responded:

The proposed designs presented are at feasibility stage and the comparable examples presented are based on exemplar best practice outdoor facilities in other countries. Regarding the Olympic pool while it was not suggested as a

use by Council Members it was a suggestion by wider communities and was therefore included in a preliminary proposal. The Olympic pool while was included at feasibility, as a suggested use, has been removed as a non-viable option. Dublin City Council Executive consider the proposed swift water rescue as necessary for countrywide rescue service operators. The Assistant Chief Fire Officer is noted as supportive of this proposal.

Mr Kelly assured the Forum further consultations will take place with the Forum on the options for Georges Dock.

4. Update on Graving Dock Site and its surrounds by Máirín Ó Cuireáin Waterways Ireland Dublin Docklands Development Officer

The members thanked Ms Ó Cuireáin for her presentation and expressed their great concerns on the lack of a plan/vision for development of the site from Waterways Ireland.

Ms Ó Cuireáin confirmed the tendering process has completed to repair and reinstate the lock gates at the end of Hanover Quay and they will be wheel chair assessable, it is expected works to begin late 2022.

5. Docklands Planning update presentation By Myles Farrell DCC Senior Planner

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Cllr Joe Costello made the point that the Forum had not been consulted on the demolition of the Docklands office and on the new buildings going on the site and Mark Fay agreed.

Derek Kelly stated the plans for the Quayside buildings where presented to Members at a previous Council meeting early in the year and at the Central area committee. These works are the same approved Part 8 plans for the Quayside site on the White Water project which was discussed with the Forum.

Alan Robinson suggested the Forum form a sub-committee to tackle Anti-Social Behaviour in the Docklands. Mark Fay volunteered to chair the sub-committee once established.

Many of the members expressed their option that the Docklands Forum should meet more often with shorter breaks between each meeting.

Next Meeting

To be decided