

Minutes of the Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum (DOCF)

Meeting (held via video link over MS TEAMS), **Monday 18th of October 2021.**

Present

Chairperson: Michael Stubbs

Members:

Name	Organisation
Owen Keegan	Dublin City Council
Bernard Sheridan	Central Bank of Ireland
Tony Mc Donnell	North Port Dwellers Association
Owen Reilly	Docklands SME & Start-up Partnership
Cormac Kennedy	Dublin Port company
Frank Masterson	CIE Property

Name	Organisation
Alan Robinson	Docklands Business Forum
Mark Fay	North Wall Community Association
Michael Ingle	Grand Canal Dock Residents Association
Clr Joe Costello	DCC Councillor
Gina Quin	National College of Ireland
Máirin Ó Cuireáin	Waterways Ireland

Apologies:

Name	Organisation
Dolores Wilson	St Andrew's Centre
Clr Claire Byrne	DCC Councillor
Clr Kevin O'Donoghue	DCC Councillor
Charlie Sheil	Docklands Hospitality and Entertainment Association
Prof Ciaran O'Neill	Trinity College Dublin
Ms Catriona Ryan	Dept Housing, Planning and Local Government
Sueann Moore	Ringsend Community Services Forum
Clr Ray McAdam	DCC Councillor

Non Member attendees:

Name	Organisation
Derek Kelly	Senior Executive Officer, Docklands Office DCC
Myles Farrell	DCC Senior Planner
Robert Gallagher	DCC Staff Officer, Docklands Office,
Tadhg Daly	DCC Assistant Planner

- 1. Minutes from 6.07.21 Agreed by the members present**
- 2. Docklands Planning update presentation by Myles Farrell DCC Senior Planner**

Members thanked Myles Farrell for the presentation and followed up with several questions.

Alan Robinson asked how much will proposed Grand Canal storm water out fall project cost and how does it integrate with future plans for the area and also requested details of the Poolbeg SDZ housing plan breakdown social and affordable housing prices.

Joe Costello highlighted the lack of a direct public pedestrian link from East Wall area to the Dockland Station and suggested the issue could be overcome by locating a bridge over the rail lines linking the areas for pedestrians Joe Costello also requested a breakdown of the Poolbeg SDZ Housing conditions and compliance.

Frank Masterson offered to discuss pedestrian link with Joe Costello.

Tony McDonnell stated his strong concerns with plans for new Docklands station and its effect on local residents and the impact of another major construction site in the area. Tony Mc Donnell highlighted the lack of playground facilities and lack of a defensible space provision at the front of residents housing to protect against an increase in pedestrian traffic.

Bernard Sheridan enquired what are the current expected time lines and next milestone for the new station.

Mark Fay raised concerns on the effect and impact the redevelopment of the Docklands Station would have on local residents due to increased commuter traffic in the area, he also expressed his doubts on delivery of the Poolbeg SDZ social and affordable housing plans in light of the poor experiences of the North side residents on promised delivery of social and affordable housing.

Owen Kegan addressed the Grand Canal storm water outfall project as a legacy issue that needs to be done to meet environmental requirements for the area and to deliver on a Docklands SDZ objectives.

Myles Farrell stated Poolbeg SDZ has to meet agreed SDZ housing conditions and allocations. The proposed new rail station is at very early stages and has to go through An Bord Pleanála it is possible it may be an underground station.

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The Chair Michael Stubbs informed the members of Mr Charlie Sheil of the Docklands Hospitality and Entertainment Association resignation from the Forum and thanked him for his service and time.

Mark Fay requested more information on the impact and effect of the redevelopment of the Connelly Quarter will have on the Sheriff Street area and its surrounds, currently many residents are not happy with conditions on the ground, problems with rubbish and anti-social behaviour/drug issues and believes many of the issues stem from a policy by Authorities of containment of social issue to the area.

Alan Robinson requested a presentation on DCC anti-social plan and a Docklands SDZ infrastructure update.

Joe Costello requested an update on renewable projects within the Docklands and Dublin bay area.

Next Meeting

Monday 10th of January 2022 @ 10am