

## Minutes of the Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum (DOCF)

### Meeting at the CHQ Building and (via video link over MS TEAMS), Monday 26<sup>th</sup> of September 2022.

#### Present

Chairperson: Michael Stubbs

#### Members:

| Name             | Organisation                           |
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| Michael Ingle    | Grand Canal Dock Residents Association |
| Owen Keegan      | Dublin City Council                    |
| Clr Claire Byrne | DCC Councillor                         |
| Cormac Kennedy   | Dublin Port company                    |
| Gina Quin        | National College of Ireland            |
| Dolores Wilson   | St Andrew's Centre                     |

| Name             | Organisation                         |
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| Alan Robinson    | Docklands Business Forum             |
| Mark Fay         | North Wall Community Association     |
| Clr Ray McAdam   | DCC Councillor                       |
| Clr Joe Costello | DCC Councillor                       |
| Owen Reilly      | Docklands SME & Start-up Partnership |
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#### Apologies:

| Name                 | Organisation                                 |
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| Bernard Sheridan     | Central Bank of Ireland                      |
| Ms Catriona Ryan     | Dept. Housing, Local Government and Heritage |
| Rachel Rooney        | Network Coordinator RCSF                     |
| Frank Masterson      | CIE Property                                 |
| Máirin Ó Cuireáin    | Waterways Ireland                            |
| Conor O'Kane         | Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane                   |
| Prof Ciaran O'Neill  | Trinity College Dublin                       |
| Clr Kevin O'Donoghue | DCC Councillor                               |

#### Non Member attendees:

| Name               | Organisation                                   |
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| 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            |
| Eugene O'Callaghan | DCC Acting Senior Planner                      |
| Mary McCann        | DCC Senior Staff Officer Docklands Office      |

## **1. Issues and opportunities relating to the Sheriff Street area tabled by Mark Fay North Wall Community Association**

Mark Fay stated in light of the new Connelly quarter planning permission approval, he questioned what are DCC plans for the residents of Sheriff Street, as locals have uncertainties that need to be addressed i.e. should they invest in their DCC housing.

Mark highlighted the issue of crime in the area and the effects/impacts it has on the residents of Sheriff Street.

Mark informed the members, due to an influx of new arrivals to the area, great pressure has been put on the local education/child care facilities.

Mark made the point that due to the planned Connelly quarter development taking place, there is now an opportunity for DCC to tackle many of the issues facing the local residents, there is an opportunity to co-ordinate with developers, NEIC, local Businesses and education/child care providers to redevelop the Community Training Centre (CTC Building) to provide for the needs of the community.

Mark asked the Forum to support his proposal that the CTC building be redeveloped to provide education and childcare needs for the local community.

Many of the members present gave their support to Mark's proposal.

Derek Kelly Director of Services made the point that the cost of development would be very large. Derek advised the Forum that the Council did not have responsibility for the provision of childcare services. It was also advised that the CTC building is the responsibility of DCC property services and any proposal on the building should be considered by the Central Area Committee.

Cllr Joe Costello proposed the Chair seek a meeting with all the relevant bodies to progress the proposal.

Cllr Ray McAdam suggested the Forum seek a report on the cost of redevelopment of CTC building and the Chair agreed to request such a report and seek a meeting with the relevant stakeholders.

## **2. Eirgrid Presentation on Powering up Dublin by David Frizell, Project Director and Jamie Moore, Engagement Lead**

The Members thanked both David Frizell and Jamie Moore for their presentation.

Members highlighted the need to minimise disruption when rolling out upgraded infrastructure and to co-ordinate with other utility providers to deliver upgrades at the same time thus reducing the impact on residents.

The members asked for a clear and effective communication/engagement campaign of Eirgrid Plans to be implemented with Docklands communities and stakeholders.

## **3. Georges Dock Development update by Derek Kelly DCC Director of Services**

Derek Kelly presented to the members a feasibility report on the options for redevelopment of the George's Dock site as a public lido and swift water training facility. Derek advised the members that the project options were designed following the public interest in the provision of a lido at the site and in order to progress the project further a decision was required on whether to progress the project, as there would be costs associated with further design fees and economic appraisals.

The members present requested further information on possible development options.

The Chair agreed to arrange a special meeting for members to consider in detail the report prepared on the options for George's Dock and bring their recommendations back to the Forum to consider.

## **4. Docklands Heritage trail application "App" presentation By Jessica Wright Peel Entertainment Group**

Item not covered and will be carried to next meeting agenda.

**5. The Future Imagining of the Dublin Docklands Quarter discussion tabled by Cllr Joe Costello Dublin City Council**

Item not covered and will be carried to next meeting agenda.

**6. Discussion on the goals and activities of the Docklands Forum tabled by Alan Robinson Docklands Business Forum**

Item not covered and will be carried to next meeting agenda.

**7. Discussion on the maintenance of public spaces in the Docklands by DCC tabled by Alan Robinson Docklands Business Forum**

Marie Kavanagh advised that a separate subgroup meeting would be arranged with the Members and DCC services to review the details on the matter and formulate an action plan for the Docklands public spaces.

**8. Docklands Planning update presentation By Myles Farrell DCC Senior Planner**

**AOB**

**Next Meeting**

To be decided