

Minutes of the Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum (DOCF)

Meeting, Monday 11th September 2017.

Present

Chairperson: Michael Stubbs

Members:

Name	Organisation
Mary Lee Rhodes	Trinity College
Charlie Sheil	Docklands Hospitality and Entertainment Assoc
Michael Ingle	Grand Canal Dock Residents Association
Owen Keegan	Dublin City Council
Frank Masterson	CIE
Paul Molumby	Central Bank of Ireland
Owen Reilly	Docklands SME & Start-up Partnership
Alan Robinson	Docklands Business Forum
Irene Crawley	H.O.P.E Hands Peer Education Ltd

Name	Organisation
Cllr Claire Byrne	DCC Councillor
Terre Duffy	Waterways Ireland
Gerry Fay	North Wall Community Association
Cllr Dermot Lacey	DCC Councillor
Vincent McCabe	Dublin Docklands Cultural Forum
Catherine O'Brien	Co-operative Housing Ireland
Gina Quinn	National College of Ireland

Apologies:

Name	Organisation
Cllr Christy Burke	DCC Councillor
Martin Colreavy	Dept Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gealtact Affairs
Dolores Wilson	St Andrew's Resource Centre
Eamonn O'Reilly	Dublin Port Company
Cllr Gaye Fagan	DCC Councillor

Non Member attendees:

Name	Organisation
Myles Farrell	A/Senior Planner, DCC
Seamus Storan	Senior Executive Engineer DCC
Derek Kelly	Administrative Officer, Docklands Office DCC
Robert Gallagher	Staff Officer, Docklands Office DCC

1. Minutes from 10th July 2017 Meeting

The Chair read out an e-mail from Vincent McCabe outlining Mr McCabe's disquiet at comments made by Mr Eamonn O'Reilly in relation to Mr McCabe's proposal to invite Dublin Bay Studios to present to the Forum at the July meeting.

The Chair proposed an amended text for the minutes but the members agreed before any amendments be made to the minutes Mr Eamon O'Reilly be given the opportunity to reply to Mr McCabe and the Forum.

Mr McCabe proposed inviting Dublin Bay Studios to make a presentation to the Forum and it was agreed that an invitation would be made.

It was noted that Ms Gina Quinn was mistakenly marked present at July's meeting.

Agreement of minutes for DOCF July meeting was postponed.

2. Presentations

The Chair proposed arranging strategic workshops based on

1. Housing
2. Social Infrastructure
3. Communication Strategy

Members agreed a date for the workshops of Wednesday 18th October 9:30 am to 2:30pm in the Dublin Docklands Office.

The Chair informed the members that Derek Kelly has been appointed to a working group for the North East Inner City "NEIC" and going forward will update the Forum on developments, in the area.

Irene Crawley informed the Forum that she sits on the NEIC employment working group and is willing to update relevant information to the Forum if required.

Vincent McCabe proposed to invite the NEIC to give a full presentation of their work to the Forum.

Myles Farrell DCC A/Senior Planner, gave a progress report presentation on North Lotts/Grand Canal Dock SDZ & Poolbeg West SDZ.

Following the presentation members requested and highlighted the following:

- Request for Minister Eoghan Murphy to be invited to the next forum meeting to discuss the developments taking place within the Docklands
- Request for representatives of NAMA to be invited to the Forum to present and discuss their role in the Docklands developments.
- Concern was expressed with the lack of delivery of Part 5 housing within the Docklands area.
- The current heights for new residential developments should be reviewed and increased to meet local housing needs.

- A request for greater details on available Dockland Community facilities was made and members were informed that a Docklands Social Infrastructure Report is available and will be provided to the members
- Opportunity to amend SDZ very limited and amendments can only take place as part of or in the event of, a statutory review

Seamus Storan DCC Senior Executive Engineer gave a presentation on Docklands Strategic Infrastructure Projects.

Mr Storan informed the members that

- The Dodder Bridge construction to start in 2019
- The Poolbeg rowing club facilities will be accommodated further from the bank of the Liffey to make way for the bridge
- Liffey ferry scheduled to be in service by end of November and operate between Samuel Beckett bridge and the East Link bridge

Members made the following points

- The naming of new bridges, roads and infrastructure to reflect the history of the area and involve local communities in naming process.
- New bridges must be able to open or be of a sufficient height to accommodate tall/large ships

3. AOB

The Chair is to write to Minister Eoghan Murphy to convey the Members disappointment and disagreement with his decision not to increase the Members representatives for Ringsend/Poolbeg area and invite the Minister to the next Forum meeting.

Next Meeting

Next meeting was agreed to be held on Monday 13th of November at 12 noon at the Docklands Office, Custom House Quay.