

## **Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee**

## Minutes of meeting held at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday, 21 September 2023, in

Cathaoirleach: Councillor Rob Power

Present: Councillor Michael Coleman, Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer,

Councillor Seamie Moore, Mr. Gerry Prendergast, Ms. Majella

O'Keefe

Apologies: Councillor Kevin Duffy, Councillor Padraig McEvoy

Also Present: Alan Dunney, Director of Services; Gabriel Conlon, Senior

Executive Officer; Amy Granville, Senior Planner, Caroline Talbot, A/Administrative Officer, Jacqui McNabb, Head of

Enterprise, Susan Bookle, LCDC Co-ordinator

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## 1. Conflict of Interest Declarations

The Cathaoirleach advised the members that it was a requirement at all strategic policy committee meetings for members to declare any potential conflicts of interest for items under discussion at the meeting.

The item was noted.

## 2. Minutes of Meeting held on 22 June 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2023 were proposed by **Councillor O'Dwyer**, seconded by **Councillor Coleman** and duly adopted.

#### 3. To receive updates on:

#### Serviced Sites Initiative

Ms A Granville provided an update on the status of the Serviced Sites Scheme. Currently, the initiative is being advanced at Clogherinko, with a view to requests for expressions of interest issuing towards the end of the year. A site in the Kildangan area is also being examined for a future scheme. A discussion followed surrounding

the budget for the development in Clogherinko. Mr A Dunney advised that services were already on site, but there may be a need to finance future sites.

# **Progress of the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP)**

Presentation by Ms S Bookle and Ms J McNabb on the preparation and progress to date for the preparation of the new LECP. A draft plan should be available for the next meeting in December.

# 4. To receive a Progress Report from the Director of Planning and Strategic Development

Mr. A Dunney, Director of Service gave an update on the Directorate. The Director highlighted a number of areas of activity including:

- County Development Plan 2023-2029
- Local Area Plan Kildare
- Maudlins Masterplan

The report was noted.

Ms J McNabb provided an update on LEO, highlighting the following:

- Shop Front Grant 78 applications
- KHub Strategy
- Recent/upcoming awards

## 5. Work Programme 2023

There was a short discussion in respect of the Work Programme 2023 which was circulated and noted.

### 6. Any Other Business

Next meeting scheduled for 12 December 2023.