LOCAL COMMUNITY & CULTURAL STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting

11.30 a.m. on Thursday 3rd February 2022.

via Microsoft Teams

Members in Attendance:

Statutory	Non-Statutory
Local Government Elected	Local Community Interests:
Members:	Dr. Lorraine Benson
Cllr. Carmel Kelly (Chairperson)	PJ Fagan
Cllr. Tracey O'Dwyer	Vivienne Kelly Keane
Cllr. Aidan Farrelly	
Cllr. Evie Sammon	

Apologies received from Marian Higgins (A/Director of Services, Economic, Community & Cultural Development) Clir. Aoife Breslin and Maureen Bergin.

Also in attendance: Denis McDermott (A/Senior Executive Officer, Economic, Community & Cultural Development), John Shannon (Administrative Officer, Economic, Community & Cultural Development), Ann Dooley (Staff Officer, Economic, Community & Cultural Development), Ciara Gallagher (Clerical Officer, Economic, Community & Cultural Development), Mario Corrigan (Senior Executive Librarian), Grainne Fleming (PPN Coordinator), Lucina Russell (Arts Officer)

I. Declaration of pecuniary or beneficial interests

The new chair for this committee Cllr. Carmel Kelly thanked Cllr. Breslin for her work on this committee during her time as chair. Cllr. Kelly asked the committee to declare if they had an pecuniary or beneficial interests with regard to today's agenda items. No declarations were made.

II. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the 7th October 2021 were approved and adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Evie Sammon seconded by PJ Fagan. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

III. Progress Report – A/Director of Services, Marian Higgins

Marian Higgins passed on her apologies for this meeting. A/Senior Executive Officer Denis McDermott updated the committee on the ongoing work of the Community department. The report focused on the Community Activities Fund, Age Friendly project (it was agreed that Carmel Cashin – Age Friendly Coordinator will be invited to the next meeting of this committee), upcoming community facilities and Brigid 1500. The report will be circulated to all members after the meeting. Denis thanked Cllr. Aoife Breslin for her support and work while she was chair. He also welcomed Cllr. Kelly as new chair for the committee.

IV. Consideration of Policy Issues - Work Plan (2022 Updates)

The Work Plan including 2022 updates was circulated to members prior to the meeting. The work plan was adopted on the proposal of Clir. Evie Sammon seconded by Clir. Carmel Kelly.

V. Consideration of Policy Issues – review of Municipal Art Collection Purchasing Policy – Lucina Russell

The Municipal Art Collection Purchasing Policy was circulated to members prior to the meeting. Lucina Russell noted the changes made to the document and the upcoming work in relation to the policy. The policy was adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Evie Sammon seconded by PJ Fagan.

VI. Public Participation Network (PPN) Overview & Representative Charter – Grainne Fleming, PPN Coordinator

Grainne Fleming gave a comprehensive overview of the work of the PPN. She detailed the work of the PPN in 2021which focused on the review of internal practices. The primary focus for the PPN in 2022 is to strengthen relationship within the PPN, with new partners and with stakeholders. The Representative Charter (circulated before the meeting to all members) was supported by all in attendance and was agreed upon on the proposal of PJ Fagan, seconded by Dr. Lorraine Benson.

VII. Brigid 1500 – Mario Corrigan, Senior Executive Librarian

Mario Corrigan presented the report produced by ARBATA detailing the proposed structure of events, celebrations and areas of work which will be undertaken in the lead up to the anniversary of the death of St. Brigid in 2024.

VIII. Motion from full council (Clir. Cussen – Residents' Associations Grants)

John Shannon summarised Cllr. Cussen's motion and detailed the procedures relating to residents' association grants. Discussion on the matter took place and it was agreed that best practice would be to establish a sub-committee to further investigate the exact nature of the motion and potential solutions. Cllr. Kelly sought nominees from the committee, Cllr. Tracey O'Dwyer and Vivienne Kelly-Keane volunteered and upon the proposal of Denis McDermott, John Shannon was nominated to sit on this sub-committee. This committee will seek clarification from Cllr. Cussen and after examination of the proposal will report back to this committee. Following discussion it was agreed that the calculation in private estates would be based on the number of houses in the estate not on the number represented by the residents' association.

IX. Correspondence

Correspondence received from June Fest/White Lily Events and response to same was circulated in advance of this meeting was noted by committee with no matters arising.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 5^{th} May 2022 at 11.30 a.m. location to be confirmed.

The meeting concluded.

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