# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC), HELD ON TUESDAY, 14 MARCH, 2017

## **ATTENDANCE**

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**: Mr Brian Hanney (BH)

Cllr Dermot Lacey (DL)

LOCAL COMMUNITY: Mr Joe McCann (JMcC)

Mr Alf Guinevan (AG)

LRSDC: Mr Martin Murphy (MM)

Mr Mick Davoren (MD) Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)

**VENUE**: Aviva Stadium Management Building

# 1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Cllr Kieran Binchy. RG noted that Cllr Binchy had said that he would be standing down from the committee. BH requested that RG ask KB to notify his position in writing in order that BH can get the South East Area Committee to nominate a new Councillor for the Committee.

# 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 6 December 2016 were an accurate record of the meeting. Agreed minutes to be put up on the Aviva Stadium website.

#### 3. MATTERS ARISING:

BH noted that the wheelchair access at the top of Lansdowne Lane had been put in position.

BH said that new public lighting for Lansdowne Road would be delivered in early April and that the work would be done then. All in agreement that this would make a great improvement to the area.

AG noted that the proposed BADRA / LADRA meeting with the Gardai had not taken

place. MD noted that the Gardai had agreed to meet both resident associations individually. MD said he would follow up with the Gardai in relation to the meeting with LADRA.

#### 4. OPERATIONS UPDATE:

MM outlined the programme of upcoming events in the stadium. These are as follows:

- 18 March: Ireland v England rugby international
- 24 March: Ireland v Wales (World Cup)
- 28 March: Ireland v Iceland (friendly)
- 1 April: Leinster v Wasps Champions Cup
- 13 May: FAI Junior and Intermediate Cup Finals
- 27 May: Guinness Pro12 Final
- 4 June: Ireland v Uruguay (friendly)
- 11 June: Ireland v Austria (World Cup)
- 17 June: Robbie Williams Concert
- 25 June: Phil Collins Concert
- 2 August: International Champions Cup.

MM noted that there was a possibility of a Champions Cup semi-final on 22 April. This will depend on the different quarter finals.

MM also noted that remedial work on the pitch will take place following the Phil Collins concert and in advance of the International Champions Cup match on 2 August.

AG asked that actual kick-off times for all matches be included on the Aviva Stadium website. MD undertook to see that this was done. He noted that the policy is to put the fixture up once the fixture is known and the additional information to follow when available.

AG asked could Lansdowne Park be included in the Aviva Stadium advertisement around road closures for major matches. MD said the advertisement really only included primary roads but he would look to have Lansdowne Park included.

AG also mentioned the fact that a much larger number of bikes were being locked to lampposts etc during events. He felt that this was dangerous. MD said the Gardai were putting out notices in relation to where bikes might be left but he would speak to them in relation to the lampposts.

# 5. COMMUNITY FUND:

RG noted that he had written out to any 2016 projects that had not drawn down the funding. He said in two cases given that the funding would not be drawn down before the end of March that he had informed the recipients that the monies would be put back in the fund and they could re-apply when they were in a position to do so. He noted that there were four projects still to draw down funding including Marian College but that all of them had been in touch.

RG distributed a list of projects that are seeking funding in 2017. He noted that the independent assessor, Philip Land, is away for a couple of weeks but would hope to begin contacting the projects before the end of March with a view to having a report mid April.

AG queried the communications process in relation to applications. RG noted that every application received was written to and given an outline of what happens next. The next step is for Philip Land to contact the project and to go to meet with them. Mr Land then makes a recommendation which goes back to the SCC who have the final decision on

how the funding is allocated. RG undertook to circulate Philip Land's report once it was to hand. He also noted that any projects requiring urgent funding at that stage would be accommodated.

MM noted that the Covanta Community Gain Fund has allocated monies to a number of projects. He noted that the projects receiving money were outlined in the Covanta Newsletter.

RG said that he felt quite a large number of the projects were also in receipt of funding from the Aviva Stadium Community Fund. RG undertook to look through the projects with a view to establishing ensuring that no projects were receiving dual funding for the same projects. RG also said that he would supply Philip Land with a copy of the Covanta newsletter in order that he was fully informed when meeting with individual groups.

RG noted that given the more limited area served by the Covanta Fund that it was important that there was no duplication in the funding. All were in agreement with same.

## 6. SEAN MOORE COMMUNITY AWARDS:

DL noted that a date had been set for the Community Awards. This is 24 May. He noted that he will supply more information in advance of the Awards.

## 7. ANTI GRAFFITI CAMPAIGN:

BH noted that DCC had produced a new anti-graffiti video. MD said he would try to have same played at the Ireland v Iceland friendly match.

## 8. **NEXT MEETING:**

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place in the Aviva Stadium Management building at 6:30pm, on 2 May

#### **RODDY GUINEY**

Hon Sec Stadium Community Committee

16 March 2007

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