

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC),
HELD ON TUESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, 2020**

ATTENDANCE

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL: Mr Brian Hanney (BH)

LOCAL COMMUNITY: Mr Joe McCann (JMcC)
Mr Alf Guinevan (AG)

LRSDC: Mr Martin Murphy (MM)
Mr Andrew Keegan (AK)
Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)

ALSO PRESENT: Ms Annette Cleary (AC)
Mr Don Daly (DD)

VENUE: Aviva Stadium Management Building

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Cllr Danny Byrne, Cllr Claire Byrne and Mick Davoren.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 26 November 2019 were an accurate record of that meeting. Same to be put on the stadium website as per policy.

3. UEFA PRESENTATION:

Mr Don Daly and Ms Annette Cleary representing the DCC / Euro 2020 local organising committee. They made a presentation on how plans were advancing for the four Euro 2020 games planned for Dublin in June of this year.

Following the presentation there was a discussion particularly in relation to the trialing of the closing of the DART station for the Ireland v Denmark match. Both JMcC and AG felt that there had been little or no consultation with the local communities most affected by the games. JMcC in particular made a number of points around what had happened to spectators both coming and going to the game. He also said that he tried to contact a member of the local organising committee and that there had been no response.

RG also noted that he had sent the comments from the last SCC meeting into the local committee. It was agreed that the best way forward was for RG to set up a meeting with the head of the local organising committee and other relevant members of his team.

(Subsequent to the meeting contact was made with the local organising committee and a meeting was set up for Thursday, 5 March.)

4. MATTERS ARISING:

It was agreed that there were no matters arising from the minutes that would not be dealt with under the business of the meeting.

5. OPERATIONS REVIEW:

MM noted that there had been three matches held at the stadium since the last meeting. The next fixtures due up are Ireland v Italy (7 March); Leinster v Saracens (4 April) and Leinster v Munster (18 April).

MM noted that the major works on the stadium in relation to the sports lights, the pitch and the big screen had all been completed. He said that there would be a number of overlay works for Euro 2020 which would take place in May.

He noted that the Euro 2020 matches would see the stadium handed over to UEFA from 15 May until 7 July. The matches scheduled to be played at the Aviva Stadium are

- 15 June at 17:00 hours, Poland v TBC;
- 19 June 14:00 hours, Sweden v TBC;
- 24 June at 17:00 hours, Sweden v Poland and
- 30 June 17:00 hours, round of last 16.

The other team to feature in the fixtures on 15 and 19 June will be known once the various matches consisting of Bosnia, Serbia, Ireland and Northern Ireland take place.

6. COMMUNITY FUND:

RG noted that notification that the fund was open for 2020 applications had been sent out to the relevant organisations. The closing date for applications is the end of March.

In relation to the current fund he noted that projects were being completed and funding applied for on a regular basis. He expected that all of the monies for the 2019 fund would be drawn down by the spring of this year.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

MM noted that the graffiti which had been professionally done had been defaced plans have been agreed to make this good once again.

AG queried the new stadium signage. MM reassured him that any lighting would comply with the existing planning permission.

MM also noted that the Aviva Stadium would become the Dublin Stadium for the duration of the Euros.

A brief discussion was held in relation to mobile phone etiquette at meetings and it was agreed that the chairman would request that all mobiles be switched off for the duration of the meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING:

As MM had to leave the meeting before the conclusion it was agreed that RG would speak with him in relation to a date for the next meeting. Same to be circulated.

RODDY GUINEY

Hon Sec
Stadium Community Committee

27 February 2020

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