# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC), HELD ON TUESDAY, 5 JULY, 2016

# ATTENDANCE

| DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL: | Mr Frank Lambe (FL)  |
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|                      | Mr Joe McCann (JMcC)<br>Mr Alf Guinevan (AG)                         |
| LRSDC:               | Mr Martin Murphy (MM)<br>M Mick Davoren (MD)<br>Mr Roddy Guiney (RG) |
| VENUE:               | Aviva Stadium Management Building                                    |

#### 1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Cllrs Chris Andrews and Kieran Binchy.

## 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 26 April 2016 were an accurate record of the meeting. Agreed minutes to be put up on the Aviva Stadium website.

#### 3. MATTERS ARISING:

FL said he was still looking into the situation in relation to the public lighting and that he would get back to MM in relation to same. MD said he had initiated a project to provide signage for the portable toilets around Londonbridge Road. He said that he hoped this would be in position for upcoming events.

It was agreed that any other items from the last meeting would be taken under the business of the meeting.

## 4. OPERATIONS UPDATE:

MM noted that there had been two events since the last meeting. These were Ireland v Holland soccer international with an attendance of 45,000 and the Rhianna concert with an attendance of 32,000. He noted that upcoming events included Barcelona v Celtic exhibition match (13 July); Ireland v Oman soccer international (31 August); Boston College v Georgia Tech American Football match (3 September) and a World Cup qualifier, Ireland v Georgia in October.

There had been no major issues in relation to the events. Both JMcC and AG noted that all issues had been dealt with by MD working closely with the Gardai.

#### 5. COMMUNITY FUND:

RG noted the main purpose of the meeting was to discuss the report of the independent assessor into the grant applications for 2016. It was noted that there were 32 applications to be considered and that a number of these contained multiple projects. RG noted that communications had been received both from Cllr Chris Andrews and Cllr Kieran Binchy in relation to the assessor's report. He noted that both councillors felt it was a good report and they were in general agreement with the recommendations. Those present at the meeting agreed with same and a discussion on the report ensued.

RG noted a number of points raised by CA. He requested that RG seek information in relation to applications made to the Covanta Incinerator Fund. RG undertook to do this. FL said that if there were any problems he would look into it.

CA also queried the allocation to Marian College. RG explained to the meeting that this allocation could be drawn down this year as it was for equipment for the new hall. He also noted that there was an agreement with Marian that should they received substantial funding from elsewhere that the Aviva Stadium Community Fund would not be drawn on. Again RG to check into the status of the Marian College application for alternative funding?

CA queried the difference between the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> Dodder Sea Scouts applications. JMcC noted that the 1<sup>st</sup> Port Dodder Sea Scouts has been revived. It serves a different area with a different network.

In relation to all of the applications RG noted that no grants will be paid until the project has been completed and all invoices/receipts received for the monies spent on the project.

JMcC queried the investment in the FAI coaching course. He said he felt it important to support the local football teams in the area. RG noted that the course in question which related to getting more women involved in coaching would see the participants on the course gaining experience from working with local clubs. It was agreed that this would be put in the letter regarding the grant.

There was a discussion in relation to the grants both for Havelock Square and Vavasour Square. It was agreed that RG should include in these letters a note to the organisations that the fund would like to think that the squares will be made more accessible to the wider local community.

#### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

MM mentioned Sean Moore Awards which are sponsored by the Fund. He said this was an excellent initiative which highlighted all the good work being done by volunteers in the local area.

MM also noted the DCC boxing initiative which is located in the stadium. He said this is the fifth year of the initiative which has introduced thousands of young children to the sport of boxing. He said that the stadium was delighted to support the initiative.

## 7. NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will take place at 6:30pm, on 27 September, 2016, at the Stadium Management Offices.

**RODDY GUINEY** 

Hon Sec Stadium Community Committee

7 July 2016

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