

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC),
HELD ON TUESDAY, 6 DECEMBER, 2016**

ATTENDANCE

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL:	Mr Brian Hanney (BH) Cllr Kieran Binchy (KB)
LOCAL COMMUNITY:	Mr Joe McCann (JMcC) Mr Alf Guinevan (AG)
LRSDC:	Mr Mick Davoren (MD) Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)
VENUE:	Aviva Stadium Management Building

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Martin Murphy.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 27 September 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 a replacement Councillor would be appointed for Cllr Chris Andrews at the next South East Area committee meeting.

BH said that he enquired into the situation in relation to public lighting in Lansdowne Road. He said that a decision had been taken by DCC to replace the current lighting with a more powerful option. He said that the funding had been put in position and this work would be carried out in the New Year.

BH said in relation to the query at the last meeting concerning wheelchair access at the top of Lansdowne Lane close to Shelbourne Road that again DCC had agreed that this work would be done. Again it would be done in the New Year.

4. OPERATIONS UPDATE:

MD said that November had been a busy month at the Stadium with 184,000 patrons attending five events.

He noted upcoming events as being Leinster v Northampton on 17 December. This would be a 19:45 kick off and a full house is expected. Other games confirmed for the New Year include Ireland v France (25 February); Ireland v England (18 March); Republic of Ireland v Wales (24 March) and Republic of Ireland v Iceland (28 March). There will then be a break until May.

JMcC and AG then brought up a number of ongoing issues which they felt needed to be dealt with. Issues included public urination; incorrect parking on match days; cars being driven through crowds on match days; patrons walking to matches still carrying alcohol and littering particularly of drink cans etc. It was agreed that this would best be dealt with by a separate meeting with the Gardai. MD to set up meeting with JMcC and AG and the relevant Gardai.

AG also requested that MD look into situation regarding parking on Lansdowne Park close to the Lansdowne Road/Lansdowne Park/Shelbourne Road corner. MD agreed to look into same.

5. COMMUNITY FUND:

RG noted that he had written out to all relevant personnel concerning the closing date for the 2017 Aviva Stadium Community Fund. He did this following the last meeting at which it was agreed to bring the date forward to 31 January in order to give people the chance to draw down funding for projects during the course of the year. He noted that applications had been received from five projects to date.

In relation to funding still to be drawn down from the 2016 fund he noted that there were 18 projects still to draw down funding. He said this was quite normal. He did say, however, that he would write to all of those where there is finance outstanding at the beginning of January with a view to getting an update on their projects.

RG noted that he had met with Paul Meany of Marian College to discuss their sports hall project. He said that this was currently on schedule to be completed by May 2017. He said that Mr Meany wished to place on record his thanks both to the Stadium Community Fund and also Dublin City Council for everything they had put into the project to date. He noted that since his last update on the project that they had received a substantial grant from Waste to Energy.

RG noted that he had reconfirmed to Mr Meany that the grant for equipment could be drawn down early in 2017.

He also said that Mr Meany had queried the ongoing funding. RG had suggested to him that he look for funding for 2017 and that subsequently any requests would be reviewed on a year to year basis. RG to write to Mr Meany to confirm same.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

JMcC noted that BADRA would be sending out a newsletter to all of the members. It was agreed that MD would provide 700 copies of the laminated agreement in relation to what happens for traffic, parking, etc on match days. MD to contact JMcC directly.

AG said that while it was not a problem for the Stadium that he believed that DCC would need to look into a major resurfacing of Shelbourne Road once the current construction

projects are completed in the area.

7. NEXT MEETING:

No date was set for the meeting. RG to come back to the committee in relation to same.

RODDY GUINEY

Hon Sec
Stadium Community Committee

9 December 2016

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