MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC), HELD ON TUESDAY 7th OCTOBER, 2025

ATTENDANCE

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL:	Mr Brian Hanney (BH)
LOCAL COMMUNITY:	Mr. Alf Guinevan (AG) Mr Graham Clinton (GC) Ms Ann Kearns (AK)
LRSDC:	Mr Daniel Wynne (DW) Mr. Conor O'Neill (CON) Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)
GARDAI:	Superintendent Marilyn Brosnan (MB) Inspector Dave Wogan (IDW)
VENUE:	Aviva Stadium

1. **WELCOME**
   On behalf of all members of the SCC RG welcomed MB and IDW to the Committee. The SCC is delighted that the Gardai have joined the Committee.

   AK of BADRA was also welcomed to the meeting.

2. **APOLOGIES**
   Apologies were received from David French (DF), Cllr Danny Byrne (DB) and Cllr Claire Byrne (CB).

3. **MINUTES**
   It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 27th May 2025 were an accurate record of that meeting. ***Same to be put on the stadium website as per policy.***

4. **MATTERS ARISING**
   GC noted a mistake in previous minutes which should have noted his suggestion that each resident's association should have two representatives on the SCC . Same to be corrected. Same not discussed at this meeting. RG to revert to GC re same.

There were no other matters arising that would not be covered in the other topics on the agenda.

5. **OPERATIONS REVIEW**

DW updated the meeting on fixtures and events that had taken place in the stadium since the last SCC meeting. He mentioned the Lions v Argentina match which had been a sell-out. It had also been an historic occasion as it was the first time the Lions had played in Ireland. Included in his report were the two concerts (Dua Lipa and Lana Del Ray) which had been promoted by MCD. All were in agreement with the excellent way in which MCD had managed the events and the way they had communicated with the local community.

He noted that the latest Fixtures list had been circulated to the local community. In relation to upcoming fixtures, he mentioned the three (four) concerts planned for next year - Metallica (19th and 21st June), Take That (4th July) and Dermot Kennedy (11the July). AG and GC inquired as to there would be other concerts next year. DW said that that might be the case and that he would keep everyone informed if this was the case. In response to a query, he confirmed that the stadium had permission for three concerts annually and that they had to apply for licences for any additional concerts over this number.

AG queried the situation re Leinster fixtures. DW confirmed it would remain the same for the current season but that Leinster would be returning to the RDS next season. He noted that had been the case for a number of seasons they would continue to play a small number of major fixtures in the Aviva Stadium.

GC and AK asked could future leaflet drops be done on the same day if possible. They noted a large gap over a weekend with some households having a leaflet three days before those in another area. This had led to unnecessary confusion and resulted in calls to the resident's association complaining that certain residents had not received the leaflet. DW agreed to look into this.

He also noted that Stadium Manager (CEO) David French had resigned and that he would be stepping down from his role at the stadium at the end of the year. He is returning to the UK to take up a new position there.

6. **COMMUNITY FUND**

RG updated meeting in relation to the Community Fund. He said that to date almost 50% of those receiving grants from the 2025 fund had drawn down their grants. This is very much tracking as in recent years *(recipients have until May 2026 to draw down their allocated funding).* RG also outlined the details of the fund for MB and IDW. He explained the purpose of the fund and gave examples of the kind of projects that are supported every year. The fund has been in existence since 2007 and has invested almost €1.8 million in over 650 local community projects in that period of time.

AF and GC mentioned the need for defibrillators for the local community around the stadium. RG said this was a great idea and suggested BADRA and LADRA put together a proposal which would be identify the number required; possible locations; and any training needs in relation to same. He said this could be financed from next year's fund.

RG also noted that as previously announced he would be stepping down at the end of the year but he confirmed that the process was under way to find his successor for the fund and the committee.

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

GC asked the Gardai representatives present could they ensure that on event days that locally based Gardai be put in key positions such as the area around Slattery's pub. He said often local people trying to access their homes inside the cordon found difficulty getting in because the Garda on a check point did not know the streets inside the cordon.

In relation to this area around Slattery's and the Old Spot he noted that the pavements outside have become part of the drinking area. This had led to planters in this area, which had been put in position by the local community, becoming dumping grounds for glasses, food containers etc., The planters were being destroyed. MB said the Gardai would look into this.

AK noted that many things were improving but noted the continuing problems of fans urinating in local gardens and also throwing litter and plastic glasses into gardens.

AG mentioned recent filming in the stadium. DW agreed that the local resident's associations should have been notified re same and he undertook to do this in the future.

At the end of the meeting the SCC reiterated how pleased they were that the Gardai were now part of the SCC. MB said for their part they welcomed the opportunity to get constructive feedback first hand.

7.**NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that their one be one further meeting of the committee this year. RG and DW to discuss possible dates and to circulate same in the coming weeks.

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