MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC), HELD ON TUESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2022

ATTENDANCE

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL:	Mr Brian Hanney (BH) Cllr Danny Byrne (DB)
LOCAL COMMUNITY:	Mr Alf Guinevan (AG) Mr Terry Byrne (TB)
LRSDC:	Mr Martin Murphy (MM) Mr Mick Davoren (MD) Mr Andrew Keegan (AK) Mr Daniel Wynne (DW) Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)
VENUE:	Meeting held over Zoom

1. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cllr Claire Byrne (CB)

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 5 October 2021 were an accurate record of that meeting. Same to be put on the stadium website as per policy.

3. 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.

4. OPERATIONS REVIEW

MM updated the meeting in relation to the situation in the stadium since the last meeting. He noted that the recent Six Nations game with Wales had been first event with a full capacity for some time. He noted the great atmosphere from all involved. He said there had been some problems with the digital ticketing system but these had been in relation to fans not being conversant with the system rather than the system itself He noted the next two home Six Nations fixtures against Italy (Sunday 27th February @ 1500hrs) and Scotland (Saturday 19th March @ 1645hrs). There will also be two soccer friendlies against Belgium (26th March @ 1700hrs) and Lithuania (29th March@ 1945hrs)

He noted that there would be four concerts later in the years which would include The Eagles, Harry Styles and Westlife for two nights.

5. COMMUNITY FUND

RG noted that he had written to all 2021 projects that had not drawn down funding as yet. In most cases they confirmed that they would be doing so before end March. A small number agreed that projects unlikely to go ahead until later in year. RG agreed that if they re-applied their project would be favourably dealt with in the 2022 fund.

RG also noted that details of the 2022 fund had been widely circulated in the local community and had been publicised by D4 News. He said that anyone applying for funds over recent years had been included in the circulation of the information.

RG said that he would be happy to do the first assessments of the projects which may be submitted for funding this year. As before a report will be submitted to the SCC for final agreement on the allocations.

He also updated the meeting in relation to the agreed project that will see a bench in the local area being erected in memory of Joe McCann. He said he had talked to DCC re same and a satisfactory location had been agreed. He noted that he had yet to circulate copy for the proposed plate but he would do so shortly.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

TB raised the question of usage of an area outside the stadium for a possible community project. MM noted that he would be speaking to BH in relation to same to see what the options were.

AG thanked MD for actions taken in relation to catering staff congregating before games in a particular area. AG also raised issues in relation to parking of rental cars in area when matches are on. All agreed this was an issue for the Gardai. MD undertook to talk to gardai re same.

Following a request from TB and AG, MD said he would request additional barrels for waste in the stadium's requisition to DCC Cleansing Dept.

TB also raised issue of drink being carried out of stadium after games and glasses being thrown away. He said one particular Garda on Bath Avenue was excellent in tackling this problem, he felt others were more lax. MD to mention same to Gardai.

7. NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that next meeting would take place at the end of April, RG to confirm date.

RODDY GUINEY Hon Sec Stadium Community Committee

21 February 2022

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