MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC), HELD ON TUESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2019

ATTENDANCE

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL: Mr Brian Hanney (BH)

Cllr Danny Byrne (DB)

LOCAL COMMUNITY: Mr Joe McCann (JMcC)

Mr Alf Guinevan (AG)

LRSDC: Mr Martin Murphy (MM)

Mr Daniel Wynne (DW) Mr Aidan Byrne (AB) Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)

VENUE: Aviva Stadium Management Building

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Cllr Claire Byrne and Mick Davoren.

2. **PRESENTATION**:

A series of presentations in relation to the Stadium were given by MM, AB and RG. These covered the history of the project; the sustainability of the stadium and the interaction between the stadium and the local community.

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting of 23 April were an accurate record of that meeting. Same to be put on the stadium website as per policy.

4. MATTERS ARISING:

JMcC and AG brought up the subject of the Marian College Sports Hall. They felt that despite the funds received from the Stadium Community Fund that there were very few opportunities for members of the local community to use the facilities of the Sports Hall. RG to set up a meeting with Mr Paul Meany of Marian College. (Subsequent to the meeting RG has written to Mr Meany.)

5. **OPERATIONS REVIEW**:

MM updated the meeting in relation to Euro 2020 and matches scheduled to be played at the Aviva Stadium. He noted that the stadium would be closed for all other operations from 15 May to 7 July. The matches that are currently scheduled are for 15/19/24/30

June. He noted that a major investment was being carried out in the stadium in advance of the Euros which included the floodlighting, the pitch and a new big screen. In relation to a question he noted that the Fanzones in relation to the Euros would be located at Dublin Castle and Merrion Square.

In relation to upcoming fixtures he noted that there are two soccer internationals scheduled for 14 November (v New Zealand) and 18 November (v Denmark). He also noted that as customary Leinster would play one of their Heineken Cup matches at the stadium during December.

6. COMMUNITY FUND:

RG updated the meeting about same. He said that there are still four projects which were granted funding in 2018 and have yet to draw down their funds. He noted that these organisations had been reminded. Out of the 39 projects that had successfully applied for funding in 2019, 19 have already drawn down their grants. JMcC requested that the BADRA funding be drawn down.

Following a discussion on the Community Fund it was agreed that RG would look to find suitable quotes from those receiving grants for use on the website. It was also agreed that RG would contact various projects with a view to seeing if they have suitable pictures available again for use on the website.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

MM stated that in relation to the mural project which will see street artists putting up agreed street art to cover the area close to the railway lane which has currently attracted a great deal of graffiti. This project is being carried out in conjunction with CIE and Dublin City Council. Planning permission has been granted for same. He hoped that work would commence in the coming month.

8. **NEXT MEETING:**

It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday, 26 November, at 6:30pm, in the Stadium offices. This meeting to be followed by annual Christmas dinner.

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Hon Sec Stadium Community Committee

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