



## Minutes / Action List

**Meeting:** **GDA Consultative Group Meeting**

**Date / Time / Location:** 12<sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Present:** Mr Ger Casey (**GC**) GDA, (Standing in for Ronan Doyle), Mr Colin Baker (**CB**), GDA, Mr Paul Horan (**PH**), DIT, Mr Nigel Orr (**NO**), DIT, Mr Pat Kearney (**PK**), DIT Student Union, Mr Sean Tone (**ST**), HSE, Ms Melda Slattery (**MS**), DIT, Cllr. Ray McAdam (**RMA**), DCC, Cllr. Padraig McLoughlin (**PML**), DCC, Ms Maureen O’Sullivan (**MOS**), Public Representative, Mr Donal Keys (**DK**), DIT Staff, Mr Seamus Harrington (**SH**), Local Community Ms Karen Taylor (**KT**), Irish Advocacy Network

**Apologies:** Mr Ronan Doyle (**RD**), GDA, Mr Joe Costello (**JC**), Public Representative, Mr David Keogan (**DK**), DIT Student Union, Mr Eoin Farrell (**EF**), NTA, Ms Fiona, Fox (**FF**), Local Community, Ms Sheena Duffy (**SD**), HEA, Mr Derek Dockrell (**DD**), HSE, Mr Barry Hurley (**BH**), Irish Advocacy Network

Item	General Discussion / Action	Owner	Deadline
1.	Minutes		
	Minutes from the last meeting (20 <sup>th</sup> June 2013) agreed.	GDA	

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<b>2.</b>	<b>Catholic Church</b>		
2.1.	<p><b>PH:</b> Pointed out that the Catholic Church was donated to the GDA and will eventually be restored and will become useful for a multiple of uses including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church Functions</li> <li>• Teaching</li> <li>• Drama Clubs</li> <li>• Gatherings of sorts</li> <li>• Consultations</li> </ul>	DIT/GDA	
2.2.	<p><b>GC:</b> The ownership of the Catholic Church is currently in the hands of the GDA.</p>	GDA	
2.3.	<p><b>PK:</b> What are the conditions attached to the Chapel/Church?  <b>PH:</b> Stain glass windows will remain on the building, these cannot change. The building is a protected structure. Ownership is held with the GDA but the Catholic Church will receive use of the building also.  <b>MOS:</b> What about the local community?  <b>PK:</b> What about the student Union?  <b>PH:</b> We would like to stay positive that all parties may get good use of the building.</p>	GDA	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Adaptive Reuse</b>		
3.1.	<p><b>GC:</b> The GDA offices will soon be moving into the Clocktower (part of the building explained on the diagram).</p>	GDA DIT	
3.2.	<p>The GDA are awaiting back the Lower House Reports.</p>	GDA	

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3.3.	<p><b>DK:</b> Questioned raised as to whether the GDA are bounded by the lowest bidders when it comes to the tender process?</p> <p><b>GC:</b> To an extent but each tendering company must be challenged on their bid prices.</p> <p><b>PML:</b> Are there any clauses for local employment?</p> <p>Process Described:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter Intent</li> <li>• Paper work needs to be put in line before tender is accepted.</li> <li>• Pre Site Meetings occur.</li> <li>• Predicted employment possibilities may be included in tendering process.</li> </ul> <p><b>GC:</b> This is very much a two-step process, Tendering and Monitoring. There will be a need for different skills for different contracts.</p> <p><b>DK:</b> Would like to be kept in the loop with what skills will be required.</p>	GDA DIT	
3.4.	<p><b>SH &amp; PK:</b> With Adaptive Reuse behind schedule should we be worried about the students having a space to move into on time?</p> <p><b>GC:</b> Our design team are trying to achieve the date still, we are staying positive.</p> <p><b>PH:</b> The worst case scenario, we still have Mount Joy Square.</p>	GDA DIT	
4.	<b>Demolition</b>		
4.1.	<p><b>GC:</b> Crushing will begin soon. Contract behind by two weeks. No real difficulty with contract as contract is running well. No major complaints from any parties or residents.</p>	GDA	
5.	<b>Archaeology</b>		
5.1.	<p><b>GC:</b> Works that were carried out beside the GDA office building uncovered the old basement. Nothing out of the ordinary found. This will be documented.</p>	GDA	
6.	<b>PPP Marketing Day</b>		

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6.1.	<p><b>GC:</b> The GDA, DIT and NDFA carried out a Marketing Day on the 9<sup>th</sup> September. This moved along well and we have had plenty of follow up requests. There is a lot of interest being shown.</p> <p><b>GC:</b> Because of the size of this project there will be international interest as well as local interest.</p>	DIT GDA	
6.2.	<p><b>PK:</b> Noted the need for more student accommodation.</p> <p><b>GC:</b> The GDA would like to see the numbers rise from accommodation for 600 people to 1000 people.</p> <p><b>PML:</b> Are there any plans to build Student Accommodation outside the SDZ?</p> <p><b>PH:</b> There have been a few interested parties that have approached us on this matter. There are always possibilities that DIT may have partnerships with some of these companies in the future but there is nothing at present.</p>	GDA DIT	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Broadstone Gate</b>		
7.1.	<p><b>GC:</b> Part VIII proposal will go to DCC for consideration in November. We need to get this passed. Broadstone is key to the Planning Scheme.</p>	GDA DCC	
7.2.	<p><b>PML:</b> What is the story with Maxol?</p> <p><b>GC:</b> The proposal was rejected by councillors. NAMA are looking at sites for Maxol now. This is Plan B in action. The GDA are not directly involved. The GDA will focus on the design.</p>	DCC	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Updates</b>		
8.1.	<p>Further updates were provided on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary care</li> <li>• Energy Hub</li> <li>• Primary School</li> </ul>	HSE GDA	
<b>9.</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>		
9.1.	None.		