



Minutes

Meeting	Consultative Group
Date-Time-Location	17 th September 2020 online via Microsoft Teams
Members present	Cllr Joe Costello (JC) DCC Public Rep, Anne-Marie Donoghue (AMD) HSE Service Users, Eoin Farrell (EF) NTA, Noel Gallagher (NG) TU Dublin Staff, Paul Horan (PH) TU Dublin, Sharon Hughes (SH) TU Dublin SU, Lori Keeve (LK) GDA, Eugene Kelly (EK) Community Rep, Luke McManus (LMM) Community Rep, Tara Mulvany (TM) GDA, Melda Slattery (MS) TU Dublin, Leslie Shoemaker (LS) TU Dublin Staff, Andrea Valova (AV) HEA
Apologies	Cllr Anthony Flynn (AF) DCC Public Rep, Rebecca Gorman (RG) TU Dublin SU, Carmel Kitching (CK) HSE, Stewart Logan (SL) DHLGH, Annette Murphy (AM) HSE, Kevin Sheridan (KS) HSE, Angela Walsh (AW) HSE Service Users Rep

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1.	Welcome and Minutes of the last meeting		
1.1.	TM welcomed everyone and gave a brief rundown of the agenda for the meeting.		
1.2.	The minutes of the meeting were approved.		
1.3.	LS queried if previous minutes from December had been amended as reflected at the last meeting. TM confirmed that they had been recorded as issues raised.		
2.	Project Update		
2.1.	TM gave a presentation on all live projects on the Grangegorman development, beginning with healthcare.		
2.2.	Residential Care Neighbourhood It was noted that this project is working through the detailed design stage with the aim of lodging for planning permission before the end of the year. However this was also noted as being subject to change.		
2.3.	FOCAS It was noted that this TU Dublin project is in early initiation stage and that the group will be kept informed of updates.		
2.4.	Pre-Construction Projects TM provided an update on the Academic Hub and West Quad for TU Dublin, noting that the Academic Hub is due to go to tender for construction at the end of the month and that the West Quad is on hold until next year. It was noted that the D7 Educate Together School is still aiming to commence on site before the end of the year.		
2.5.	Projects Under Construction		



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<p>The following updates were provided on projects currently on site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Central and East Quads are working towards handover to TU Dublin. All dates are subject to change however the East Quad will be handed over first in the next month or so. • The Lower House window installation is now complete and the building is on track to be completed by the end of the year. The Design Team are working with Grangegorman Histories to include contextual images throughout the building. • Construction on the Printmaking Workshop and Sports Changing Facilities has commenced on site. The contractors are Weslin Construction for the Printmaking Workshop and Cabinpac for the Sports Changing Facilities. These projects are due for completion in early 2021. • As of last update, Broadstone Plaza is due for completion in November. • The interim Energy Centre on site is now fully commissioned and ready to connect into the Lower House, East Quad and Central Quad. • Restoration of the carriageway gates at the Clock Tower is under way. The gates are expected back on site in mid-October. 		
<p>2.6. Grangegorman Histories The group was given an overview of two upcoming online events; one as part of Culture Night on 18th Sept on the story of the Grangegorman Archives, and the second on Grangegorman and epidemics in today's context as part of the Dublin Festival of History on 2nd October. The group was encouraged to sign up for the events.</p>	ALL	
<p>2.7. Public Art The group was informed of progress on '...the lives we live' book which looks at the last 5 years of the Grangegorman public art programme.</p> <p>It was noted that Alexandra Carr is one of the three artists selected for site specific public art commissions on site, in this case, the Central Quad. <i>Solaris Nexum</i> is currently in production stage and links in with the science and math functions that will be in the building.</p>		
<p>2.8. GLLF It was noted that the latest local employment figures (August) stand at 9.5%. A conference on Social Benefits is taking place on 7th October which will showcase the work of the GLLF and other similar groups.</p>		



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2.9.	<p>Communications</p> <p>An update was provided on the hoarding proposal from Epoch which is awaiting details from the designer.</p> <p>It was noted that the Fingal Place Gate opening hours are due to extended pending consultation with the residents there. This is under consideration and subject to current circumstances. The extended hours are expected to be from 7am-9pm. LMM noted that this will make a big difference for access from Stoneybatter to the Luas.</p> <p>The issue of fireworks in the area was raised. It was noted that the Gardaí are working with TU Dublin Estates and are carrying out regular patrols on site.</p> <p>EK mentioned a local derby may be taking place in Grangegorman in October to help support well-being and suggested that it would be good if the group could promote the event. TM agreed to share event details if confirmed.</p>	
3.	TU Dublin Update	
3.1.	<p>PH informed the group of TU Dublin updates noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While the East Quad will hopefully be handed over soon, there will be a reduced student presence on campus with small staggered groups likely for the remainder of the year. • The majority of student learning is taking place online. • There are unlikely to be performances on campus this year. • The Central Quad and the Lower House will likely have no student activity until semester 2 next year. • Park House will have its first new tenant next week – the Office of the Planning Regulator. • As part of the Park House works, there will be a new pedestrian crossing installed on North Circular Road connecting Park House to the campus. • Rathdown House works are almost completed with the building due to reopen in the next few months. • The canteen will not reopen at this time as the numbers on site will be too low. • There will be a coffee shop in the East Quad which will be run by a local business – Kennedys – and include employees from the neighbourhood 	
3.2.	<p>SH queried if the Employment Charter would extend beyond building construction. PH confirmed that this is happening with Sodexo, the facilities managers for the Central and East Quads. LK gave a brief overview of this, noting that these would also be the first permanent jobs arising from the development.</p>	



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<p>4. Central Area Committee (CAC) Update JC gave an update from the last CAC, noting that discussions covered the bollards trial on Grangegorman Lower, Manor Street cycle path, Greening Stoneybatter, Phoenix Park traffic, BusConnects and the issue of fireworks in the city.</p> <p>He highlighted that there was a lot of concern around the communications for the bollards trial and the councillors made the decision to extend the trial until the end of January to allow for a wider consultation process. The councillors will decide in January whether to continue or terminate the trial. He added that this time also allows it to link in with BusConnects consultation expected in October.</p> <p>LMM noted concerns around the public realm on Grangegorman Lower and expressed the need for an overall vision of this area. He suggested that this is something the GAWG could look at. LK noted that this is a DCC area but agreed to bring the matter to the GAWG.</p>	GDA	
<p>5. Transport Presentation from NTA</p> <p>5.1. EF gave a presentation to the group on the NTA Transport Strategies, Implementation and Covid-19 Emergency Response. It was noted that a copy of the presentation would be made available to the group.</p> <p>Points of note were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The importance of seeing the reasons why people travel – only ¼ of daily travel (pre-covid-19) was for commuting – and striking the balance of moving through the city with where people live • Providing new transport hubs looks at not just the transport but about the spaces created for them • NTA will be going to consultation soon to review the strategy for the Greater Dublin Area • Cycle corridors as well as bus corridors are key to the thinking around BusConnects. • The BusConnects redesign has been very heavily influenced by the consultation process. There have been two to date with 50,000 submissions for the first, and 10,000 for the second. • A significant issue has been capacity and access to schools/colleges and hospitals. • There will be a new consultation process in the next few weeks on the latest network alignments • Early consultation on the Luas Finglas has begun. • The sustainable transport management measures grant (STMG) is a big part of the work of the NTA and contributes to projects such as the Broadstone Gate • The contracts for the pedestrian crossings on Grangegorman Lower are due to be awarded shortly. 	EF/GDA	



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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covid-19 interventions seen as important safety emergency measures – the plan is available on the NTA website.• The importance of considering the short and long-term travel requirements under and after Covid-19.		
6. Any Other Business		
6.1.	LMM queried the absence of the GDA CEO. LK noted that he unfortunately had to give his apologies due to a meeting clash.	
6.2.	LMM raised the issue of construction vehicles on Grangegorman Lower during school run times by Walls Construction and noted that contractor parking has also increased. PH noted that he has raised these issues with Walls at the highest levels. LK added that the GDA has tried to help mitigate the issue where possible by providing space for Walls on the Grangegorman site.	
7. Date of Next Meeting		
7.1.	The next meeting will take place on 17 th December 2020.	