



Minutes

Meeting	Community Liaison Committee
Date-Time-Location	Wednesday 17th April – 10.00am – 11.30am – In Person
Members present	Jason Aughney (JA) SU; Paul Coleman (PC) TU Dublin Estates; Brendan Doggett (BD) DCC Central Area Office; Neasa Hourigan TD (NH) Public Rep; Lori Keeve (LK) Chair GDA; Fiona Kelly (FK) Community; Kathleen McCann (KMC) GLLF; Eamonn McCluskey (EMC) HSE; Fionnuala McHugh (FMH) D7ET; Luke McManus (LMM) Community;
By invitation	Michelle Collins (MC) GDA
Apologies	Cllr Deborah Byrne (DB) DCC; Brian Gormley (BG) TU Dublin; Brian Jordan (BJ) SU President; Victoria MacKechnie (VMK) Workday; Cllr Ray McAdam (RMA) DCC; Peter McCann (PMC) SU; Garda Shauna Naughton (GSN) Community Garda; Neil O’Riordan (NOR) D7ET; Cllr Nial Ring (NR) DCC;

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1. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising		
1.1. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.		
1.2. FMH queried the term and process for changing membership on the group noting that NOR may wish to step down as PTA rep. LK noted that membership changes are generally at the discretion of members, their organisation or in some cases, on election processes. If a member wishes to resign, their group nominates a new rep to the CLC. She also noted that the CLC allows for new member representation as the needs of the group evolves.		
1.3. LK invited BD to provide updates on the following matters arising:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadstone coffee kiosk – pilot project expected to be installed on the Plaza in the coming weeks. • Public lighting – DCC working up CIÉ to upgrade lighting on the upper plaza area at Broadstone. Further discussions are ongoing to explore potential additional lighting in and around the bridge. • Creative signage – no update on this. Caution noted with regards to potential for street clutter as extra signage is being removed from other areas in the city. BD suggested getting in contact with the Community Safety Partnership around increasing public safety awareness. • Anti-social behaviour – a number of reps noted a drop-off in anti-social behaviour at Broadstone which was attributed to the improved lighting and ongoing Gardaí action in the area. 	<p>NOTE</p> <p>NOTE</p>	



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1.4. LK invited PC to provide Estates related updates on the following matters arising:	NOTE PC	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accesses – temporary signage outlining opening times now in situ at Fingal Place and Church of Ireland church accesses. Gates currently closed at 7:00p.m. TU Dublin discussions ongoing for extending the hours for the summer months. Estates to enquire if Acting President wishes to maintain or change current arrangements. • Communications – TU Dublin are developing a plan for engaging with the community for university related campus updates. • Lighting – new public lighting installed as a trial at Orchard House. The intention is to potentially expand campus wide. • Playground resurfacing – costs still being sourced but expected to be expensive. TU Dublin to request to share costs with GDA. • Mowing – outlined plans for the summer months. No mowing has yet carried out this year due to wet ground conditions. Full mow expected in coming week. It will not be possible to fully facilitate "No Mow May" however a 2m strip will be maintained in most areas with large areas left unmown throughout the summer. 	TU Dublin /GDA	NOTE
1.5. There was discussion around antisocial behaviour involving teenagers on e-bikes and scooters, with PC noting this has prompted increased patrols by security and engagement with the Gardaí however it remains an ongoing concern. KMC noted a new Inner City Task Force which may look at improved policing strategies. It was agreed to request an update from the Community Garda for the next meeting.	GSN	
2. Project Updates		
2.1. LK provided an update on all live projects starting with <u>Academic Hub & Library</u> – External lime rendering is underway on the North Block, with scaffolding slowly beginning to come down. Mechanical and electrical works are advancing well and painting/decorating works have commenced in the North House. Expected completion is by end of the year, with TU Dublin scheduled to fit out the building early next year.		
2.2. <u>Planning:</u>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Workday</u> – A public information session was held on 15 February to provide an update on the project, which had undergone changes since the initial application in September. The session saw a significant turnout and Workday subsequently lodged a further information response to DCC. A decision is expected in early May. 		



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Demolition Works</u> – Planning permission has been granted for the demolition of the former Goirtín and transport buildings behind the Clock Tower. The GDA is out to tender for a contractor to undertake the works. The current programme aims to start works on site in June. It is likely that hoarding/fencing installed during this project will remain in place until the Workday development commences. • <u>West Quad</u> – The GDA submitted additional information on the refresh planning application to DCC earlier this month with a decision expected in May. A public procurement process was launched in February to pre-qualify candidate development partners for the project. Tender evaluations will be ongoing over the coming months. 		
<p>2.3. <u>Archaeology</u> – Initial site investigations have discovered a number of historical human remains on the east side of the site. Archaeology works are required to assess the full discovery area following the completion of the demolition project subject to agreement with DCC Archaeology and the National Monuments Service.</p>		
<p>2.4. <u>Residential Care Neighbourhood</u> – Detailed design stage is ongoing and expected continue until Autumn. The GDA and HSE have also reengaged with Fergus Martin on his proposed public artwork for this building.</p>		
<p>2.5. <u>Prussia Street Gateway</u> – Plans are currently being prepared to submit a planning application to DCC for a temporary haul road and pedestrian/cyclist route in what will eventually become the Prussia Street Gateway. There will be a public consultation prior to this application. LK to keep the CLC informed as details are confirmed.</p>	GDA	
<p>2.6. <u>Special School</u> – External work on the site is nearly completed and includes a new playscape, sensory garden, and car parking layout. The opening date has yet to be confirmed and will be circulated once available.</p>	NOTE	
<p>2.7. FMH inquired about the possibility of D7ET using Ivy Avenue as an additional outdoor area for the kids to run on. LK noted that this would continue to be used as a haul road for future site development for the foreseeable future however it is also intended to become a shared route for campus users at a later date. She agreed to pass on the request however stated that it was unlikely to be feasible.</p>	GDA	



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<p>2.8. <u>Public Art</u> – ‘THE GOLDEN BANDSTAND – Sculpture’ is completed, and plans for the inaugural event are currently in train for early May. Bookings will be managed via TU Dublin events email and will be open to everyone. The intention is that the artwork will also allow for spontaneous/informal use between event bookings.</p>	NOTE	
<p>The CLC was invited put forward ideas for the inaugural event. LK noted that the artist had a couple of local bands in mind and that the Conservatoire has been approached. It was noted that D7ET was on midterm for the planned date however LMM suggested other schools may be available. LK noted that further details would be circulated to the CLC once confirmed.</p>	LK	
<p>2.9. <u>Grangegorman Histories</u>: A number of updates were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recent Brendan Kelly interview with Tommy Tiernan on RTE on his book ‘Asylum: Inside Grangegorman’. • Phizzfest event with Poet Lianne O’Hara on 11 May. The event includes discussion with Brendan Kelly along with a reading of some new poems associated with the site’s histories. • Grangegorman Histories are working with the HSE to finalise the transfer of remaining artefacts and archives from the transport building behind the Clock Tower. They are coordinating with the National Archives, National Museum and Royal College for appropriate storage and decontamination. • Grangegorman Lives are still ongoing with recent features, including Sir William Stokes. Walking tours have also been conducted for various groups including the school. Tours are available upon request. 		
<p>2.10. <u>Recruitment</u> – The GDA has announced an emerging new Special Projects function and is currently recruiting for three new roles. These roles will support the Build Digital initiative led by TU Dublin in the first instance. The CLC was asked to share the roles in their networks to anyone who may be interested.</p>	ALL	
<p>3. Community Matters</p>		
<p>3.1. KMC provided updates on the work of the Labour and Learning Forum and Grangegorman ABC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted last update showed c.10% of local employment on the Academic Hub construction. • GDA initiating a three-year project to develop a new strategic plan focusing on community benefit and engagement that aims to last beyond the Grangegorman redevelopment. • Noted that given the changing needs of the area since the GLLF was first established, the forum is currently undergoing a refresh. The CLC will be kept informed as the refresh progresses. 		



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently procuring for services to gather socioeconomic and demographic data on the area based on the 2022 census to form Joining Up the Dots 4. • Noted St. Mary's Primary School has become the first school to transition from religious ethos to Educate Together and has been renamed Paradise Place. 		
<p>3.2. LMM noted the exciting progress of the new community engagement strategic plan and suggested it would be useful to capture previous community representatives' experiences. KMC discussed the task of gathering feedback through semi-structured interviews to ensure a detailed understanding. The goal is to solidify the Agency's impact and share its practices nationally. It was agreed that this would become a future agenda item once there's further progress to report.</p>	KMC	
<p>3.3. FMH informed the CLC of the installation of new murals at the school to brighten up some of the external spaces. The artworks are all based on local nature and were coordinated with street artist Holly Pereira. LK noted that it was great to see artists involved with the hoarding artworks carrying out this exciting project.</p>		
<p>3.4. FMH requested an update on the proposed play space adjacent to the school. LK informed the CLC that this remains an active project with the GDA working through preparing the tender documents to procure a contractor for the works. She noted that the GDA hopes to appoint the contractor by the end of the year with works expected to commence in early 2025. FMH noted that the school would like to start using the space again as additional play space until works commence.</p>	NOTE	
<p>3.5. FMH queried if it would be possible for the school to use Ivy Avenue as space to run/race. LK noted that Ivy Avenue remains a construction haul road for the moment and it is highly unlikely this would be possible however she agreed to request internally and revert. She informed the CLC that Ivy Avenue would become a shared construction/service access in future with a crossing point connecting the school and Primary Care Centre to the rest of the campus. The crossing point is intended to be installed at the same time as the playscape.</p>	LK	NOTE
<p>3.6. LMM raised concerns about increased bus parking on Rathdown Road leading to safety issues for pedestrians and cyclists. He emphasised the need for a management strategy to address this issue. PC acknowledged the issue and noted ongoing discussions with sports regarding coach parking for sports events. He added that Estates is also looking into the possibility of other university groups/visitors using coaches to inform a coordinated approach on the issue. He committed to providing an update once more information is obtained.</p>	Estates	



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3.7. LMM suggested connecting 'THE GOLDEN BANDSTAND – Sculpture' with the Stoneybatter Festival to explore potential support for their programme. LK confirmed that the artwork would be available for booking by the time of the festival. PC noted that campus buildings typically close early during summertime and may affect events for access to facilities. He agreed to revert to the group confirming summer hours and suggested coordination with Estates and security as needed.	PC	
3.8. LMM informed the CLC about the upcoming Rathdown Road and District Residents' Association Street Feast planned on campus on 25 May.	NOTE	
3.9. JA shared details on the upcoming Relay for Life event for the Irish Cancer Society taking place next Thursday 25 April. He noted that the SU has carried out leaflet drops and engagement with local shops and schools and encouraged the group to attend and to share with their networks.	NOTE	
4. AOB		
4.1. The next meeting will take place on 15 May 2024 at 10 am online via MS Teams.		