



Minutes

Meeting	Community Liaison Committee
Date-Time-Location	Wednesday 17 January 2024, 10.00 via Microsoft Teams
Members present	Jason Aughney (JA), Cllr Deborah Byrne (DB), Brendan Doggett (BD), Neasa Hourigan TD (NH), Brian Jordan (BJ), Eugene Kelly (EK), Fiona Kelly (FK), Lori Keeve (Chair) (LK), Peter McCann (PMC), Eamonn McCluskey (EMC), Fionnuala McHugh (FMH), Victoria MacKechnie (VMK), Luke McManus (LMM), Cllr Nial Ring (NR)
By invitation	Michelle Collins, Billy O’Riordan (Workday)
Apologies	Paul Coleman (PC), Garda Sergeant Darren Collier (GSDC), Brian Gormley (BG), Cllr Ray McAdam (RMA), Kathleen McCann (KMC), Garda Shauna Naughton (GSN), Neil O’Riordan (NOR),

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1. Minutes and Matters Arising		
1.1. LK welcomed everyone following the Christmas break and new SU reps were introduced to the group. LK also thanked BOR for attending to update on the Workday development.		
1.2. It was noted that the scheduled discussion with Community Gardaí on antisocial behaviour had to be postponed until a later meeting due to an unplanned state visit.	NOTE	
1.3. The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.	NOTE	
1.4. LK noted a number of ongoing matters to be deferred until the next meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Garda update • Creative signage • Access to toilet facilities 	NOTE	
1.5. LK noted that the latest update on maintenance works to the playground indicated that a contractor would be appointed imminently. Further update to be requested from TU Dublin Estates for the next meeting.	TU Dublin	
1.6. LK noted that queries around the Community Sponsorship Policy would be brought to the Community and Culture Committee. The CLC will be kept informed on the process.	NOTE	
1.7. It was agreed that the design plan for the junction of Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Upper would be presented at the next meeting. It was noted that the CLC is awaiting DCC feedback on the possibility of relocating the D7ET school bike parking onto the junction.	GDA DCC	
1.8. LMM raised concerns about changes to campus accesses and the lack of communication around them. There was a strong		



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<p>discussion on this issue with SU reps also confirming that no notice had been given. LK noted that the changes were a TU Dublin decision and provided the most recent update from Estates: both the gate by the Church of Ireland chapel and the Fingal Place gate were open again from 7am this week and would be closed at 5pm until the end of month. She noted that Estates hope to return to the regular hours from late March onwards.</p>	NOTE	
<p>The CLC were understanding of anti-social behaviour issues however failed to see value in prolonging the early closures. They noted that it was unacceptable that no signage or public notice was given. It was also noted that the lack of TU Dublin representation at the meeting did not help. It was agreed that a letter would be drafted from the CLC to TU Dublin on the issue.</p>	ALL	
<p>2. Anti-Social Behaviour Discussion</p>		
<p>2.1. LK invited the Students' Union representatives to talk about recent anti-social behaviour events in and around Grangegorman, its impacts on students and actions being taken to tackle the issues. BJ outlined a number of incidents from October – present and informed the CLC of meetings with the Community Policing Forum, and with the university. Actions highlighted included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New lighting installed at Broadstone. • Two additional Community Gardaí added to the area. • Additional university security patrols in the Central Quad. • Central Quad turnstiles now fully operational. 		
<p>2.2. LMM requested further information about a specific incident in the Central Quad that required a heavy Garda presence. BJ stated that there were non-students present making threats and being aggressive and reports of this incident led to the Garda response. He noted that the SU was unhappy with the university's response to the issues however acknowledged that they are working together to address them as much as possible. He stated that a crisis response plan was in progress.</p>		
<p>2.3. LK noted advice from the Garda Sergeant on the importance of logging every incident with the Bridewell as this aids the Gardaí in allocating resources to a given area. It's much harder for the Gardaí to react to ongoing issues if all instances aren't logged. She added that Garda Sergeant Darren Coller and Community Garda Shauna Naughton would give details on actions being taken in the area when they are able to attend the CLC.</p>		
<p>2.4. LMM suggested that a creative signage campaign to inform people – local community and students – might be helpful in making aware of the importance of logging incidents. This was welcomed by the CLC. It was noted that signage at Broadstone would need to be led by DCC and on campus signage would be</p>		



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led by GDA/TU Dublin. The need to avoid 'visual clutter' was also highlighted. BD to action with DCC and LK to action with GDA/TU Dublin.	BD/LK	
2.5. The ongoing, open drug dealing at Broadstone Plaza was noted. It was agreed by all that the true deterrent to anti-social behaviour would be a clear purpose for the plaza. Ideas such as a coffee truck, skate park were mentioned as a good way to shift the current balance there. LK noted the ongoing DCC action to change the city bylaws around casual trading with Broadstone top of the list for action once in effect. However it was noted that this a long process likely to take a few years.		
BD informed the CLC of a proposed pilot project to activate Broadstone in the interim, noting that power points have recently been installed in the plaza. This will allow a coffee truck or similar to be situated there. He agreed to talk to the Councillors to come up with a plan for Broadstone. It was agreed that action around Broadstone would remain an ongoing 'matters arising'.	BD/DB/NR RMA	
2.6. There was further discussion around Broadstone and potential small physical changes to deter anti-social behaviour. BD noted that he would be in Broadstone later in the week to review the space and consider potential actions.		
3. Project Updates		
3.1. LK provided an update on all live projects starting with <u>Academic Hub & Library</u> : Continued progress on site with the main focus currently on the installation of services throughout. Window and glazing installation is also ongoing. There was a highly positive site visit with Ministers Simon Harris TD and Paschal Donohoe TD on 11 January to view current progress.		
3.2. <u>Clock Tower Windows</u> : window restoration is ongoing and progressing well.		
3.3. <u>Planning</u> : 3 applications are currently with DCC related to the Grangegorman site, and one new application to be submitted shortly.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCN – following submission of Further Information to DCC, a decision on this project is expected in the coming week. 	NOTE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workday development – BOR provided an update noting that Workday are working through the Further Information request with the intention to submit the additional information in early February. He noted the following updates to the development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A tiered element to floors 9 and 10 giving a more similar look and feel from ground level up. 	NOTE	



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing community space with a proposal to include an arts studio/gallery area on the ground floor. Greater clarity around the ramp entrance to the basement car park. 		
<p>He informed the CLC that a public information session was being planned to keep people updated on the project – date to be confirmed shortly.</p>	NOTE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Quad: The revised planning application was lodged with DCC in December and a response is expected in the next 3-4 weeks. 	NOTE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition Works: GDA due to lodge a planning application to demolish a number of one-storey structures behind the Clock Tower building to facilitate future development of the area. LK noted that a letter drop had been carried out for Marne Villas to ensure residents were aware of the project. An information session will be planned with residents ahead of any works commencing. 	NOTE	
<p>3.4. <u>Indoor Sports</u>: The Design has identified a preferred location between the East Quad and the Lower House and are now working through preliminary design for this location. It was noted that this is a change from the Grangegorman Masterplan as the original location underground has been deemed unfeasible due to a number of factors, including exorbitant costs.</p>		
<p>BJ requested information about TU Dublin's proposed masterplans for each of its campuses. LK noted that she can't speak for university plans outside of GDA's remit however it was agreed to request information on this for the next meeting.</p>	TU Dublin	
<p>3.5. <u>Grangegorman Histories</u>: A number of updates were noted including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katherine Martin appointed as new Grangegorman Histories Coordinator Five projects to be announced shortly as part of the Public Call for history projects <u>PhD Student</u>: Colm Murray announced as recipient of fully funded PhD. 		
<p>The CLC requested that the new Coordinator be invited to a CLC meeting later this year.</p>	NOTE	



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4. Community Matters		
4.1. LK informed the CLC of an upcoming exhibition – ‘Held’ – from artist Ciara Fitzpatrick in Grangegorman’s Church of Ireland chapel on 30 and 31 January. She agreed to circulate the exhibition notice post meeting. FMH noted that some of the D7ET classes have arranged to visit the exhibition. The use of the Church of Ireland chapel for events such as this was welcomed by the CLC.	LK	
4.2. It was noted that Kennedy's Coffee Truck is set to open on weekends for the first time on Saturday with a promotional offer for that day. LK stated that the owner was interested in connecting with community reps and the sports clubs that use Grangegorman to meet the needs of the community. It was noted that a flyer would be circulated post meeting. Members were encouraged to share it within their networks.	NOTE	CLC
5. Any Other Business		
5.1. LK noted that we were unable to resource a networking event this year however suggested that the CLC collaborate on plans for one in the first half of 2024. It was agreed to include on the agenda for the next meeting.		
5.2. LMM noted the GDA Board Community and Culture Committee for further discussion on relevant issues raised at the CLC.		
6. Date of Next Meeting		
6.1. The next meeting is due to take place via Teams at 10am on Wednesday 14 February 2024.		