



Minutes

Meeting	Consultative Group
Date-Time-Location	17 th June 2021, online via MS Teams
Members present	Roisin Cahill (RC) GDA; Cllr Joe Costello (JC) DCC Public Rep; Eoin Farrell (EF) NTA; Noel Gallagher (NG) TU Dublin Staff; Gillian Hegarty (GH) HSE; Paul Horan (PH) TU Dublin; Luke McManus (LMM) Community Rep; Tara Mulvany (TM) GDA; Mark O'Donnell (MOD) TU Dublin SU; Melda Slattery (MS) TU Dublin; Andrea Valova (AV) HEA; Leslie Shoemaker (LS) TU Dublin Staff;
Apologies	Anne-Marie Donoghue (AMD) HSE Service Users; Cllr Anthony Flynn (AF) DCC Public Rep; Rebecca Gorman (RG) TU Dublin SU; Eugene Kelly (EK) Community Rep; 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 brief rundown of agenda. She noted that Mark O'Donnell, incoming TU Dublin Student Union President would be attending the second half of the meeting.	
1.2.	A clarification to the March minutes regarding JC 's comments on student accommodation was noted and the minutes will be amended.	
2.	Project Update	
2.1.	<p>TM provided an update on behalf of GDA and noted the following:</p> <p>RCN - still working through Stage 2a 'developed' design. Aiming to have a planning application in by Q3 which will involve pre-consultation with the local community.</p> <p>D7ETNS - construction works progressing well and on programme. Starting to pour floors in Teaching Block and finishing last of rising walls in General Purpose block.</p> <p>Entrance area outside school at start of Stage 2b detailed design. GDA will present final plan to CLC once further progressed.</p> <p>Approval and funding for Art Jam hoarding proposal from artist Emmalene Blake. Funding received from DCC, TU Dublin, Ganson and GDA.</p> <p>Print Making Workshop - work on this project nearing completion. Plan is to have building in operation for the arrival of students in Sept.</p> <p>Academic Hub & Library - Hope to have letter of acceptance to winning tenderer in coming weeks. This will dictate start date of</p>	



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works. There will be alterations to pedestrian movements in area as a result. GDA looking at ways to minimise as much as possible.		
FOCAS Research Institute - evaluations for technical consultants and Stage 2 of architectural design competition will take place in July.		
Clock Tower - stabilisation and fabrication works to be carried out. The contractor procurement process is ongoing with no definitive date for commencement of work yet. Repairs on Carriage Way gates now fully completed.		
SDZ Height Review - GDA statutorily obliged to carry out independent review of building height strategy in the Grangegorman Planning Scheme. This is ongoing. GDA to update and provide opportunity for discussion at a later meeting.		
Broadstone Plaza - works are still continuing through Transport Infrastructure Ireland. Expect to see area opening in summer however no definitive date yet.		
Biodiversity - positive comments regarding biodiversity on campus have been received with credit to Grangegorman Estates Mgt. Team. Wild meadow grasses seeded between EQ & LH. Several shrubs and holly trees planted at back of Grangegorman Villas East.		
Filtered Permeability – GDA still awaiting drawing from DCC on plans for the filtered permeability measures on Grangegorman Lwr.		
GDA Election - term of office for community representatives on the GDA Board and Consultative Group ending on 8 th September 2021. Agency has started election process by calling for registration of interested groups from 9 th June. Closing date for receipt of registration forms is 30 th June. Election will take place 16 th August.		
Public Art Now - the Public Art Now conference takes place between 24-26 th June. Tickets are free but registration at publicartnow.eu required.		
Stoneybatter Festival takes place this weekend. Highlight will be Grangegorman Histories showing of 'Meetings with Ivor' followed by 'interview with Ivor' filmed by Luke McManus.		
The <i>Grangegorman Lives</i> series continues as part of RIA Dictionary of Irish Biographies.		

2.2. TU Dublin Update

PH provided an update on behalf of TU Dublin and noted the following:



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Quad & East Quads – in operation phase. Ongoing decanting and snagging. National Optometry Centre (NOC) also operational and open throughout summer. Limited number of students due to Covid-19 but science students held limited end of year show in EQ and some music rehearsals and practicing taking place. • Park House – in limited operation. • Lower House – limited use by part time students for music practice. • Migration – 10,000 students, staff and crates moved. Chatham Row, Kevin Street, Rathmines, Sackville Place and Cathal Brugha Street have moved. • Energy projects - GSi looking to explore deep bore geothermal. TU Dublin co-operating on a test beside Energy Centre in July/Aug. This will involve small rig and minimum disruption expected. More information to be provided closer to the time. • West Quad – GDA/TU Dublin examining options as to how to progress the sale of Aungier St. • Indoor Sports – design team procurement is progressing. • He also noted the Print Making Workshop, Field Sports Changing Facilities and Estates Shed refurbishment, and added to TM's update on the Academic Hub and FOCAS Research Institute. 		
2.3. Discussion		
2.3.1. LS queried why heat was on in Central Quad. PH noted there was commissioning still going on in the building.		
2.3.2. LS also raised concern regarding the number of eating facilities across campus. PH said that benchmark exercise had been done against other Universities and that provisions were not dissimilar to Maynooth University, which has similar population and relation to external services. He noted there were 150 seats in Lower House Food Hall and the Café in Rathdown House had been doubled to 120 seats.		
LMM noted that there are a lot of community entrepreneurs providing catering and that the provision of the coffee van on campus has proven successful. He suggested that these facilities could offer potential if the University was under resourced in terms of catering. He questioned how small community entrepreneurs were being facilitated in gaining access to campus		
PH responded that this would be considered if the current catering provision proves insufficient but noted that the current provision had been designed on what was believed to be a reasonable benchmark and went through a public procurement process. He noted that Kennedys, a local catering company, had been procured for the East Quad alongside larger operatives like Aramark.		
2.3.3. JC queried how projects were being funded and requested an update on the sale of Aungier St and Bolton St. PH noted that funding for the		



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<p>Academic Hub & Library is already in place following the sale of previous properties. The next phase will include a sale and leaseback model for Aungier St. This is dependent on the property market. Bolton Street will likely require exchequer support and various options are under review.</p>		
<p>2.3.4. JC queried the end-use where the current D7ETNS is situated. PH said that the Masterplan envisages student accommodation in this area.</p>		
<p>2.3.5. LMM asked if there would be connectivity between the Primary Care Centre and the Central Quad. PH said this area was still being used as a haul road for the school construction. He noted that in the long term Ivy Avenue is envisioned as a pedestrian/cycle route with access for service vehicles only.</p>		
<p>2.3.6. LMM raised a community proposal for a dog park on campus in order to alleviate the issue of dogs off leashes. PH noted that he was not aware of the proposal but that it was the responsibility of dog owners to look after their dogs. TM clarified that the proposal, which had been raised at the CLC, was brought to the attention of Grangegorman Estates Management. She noted it had been discussed in previous years but was not likely to go ahead due to a lack of available space. PH added that there was considerable cost involved which would be prohibitive. MOD added that with the arrival of more students on campus people will be less likely to let their dogs off leads.</p>		
<p>There was further discussion on Grangegorman being more than a university campus and investment should be reflective of all stakeholders. There was a strong feeling of wanting to work together to action community requests. The request for bins on Grangegorman Lower raised at the CLC was given as an example of this. TM informed the group that DCC progressing this matter and are working on an analysis of the area. TM agreed to feedback these views, and those on the dog park, internally.</p>		
<p>3. Central Area Committee Update</p>		
<p>3.1. JC provided an update on the most recent Central Area Committee to the group. He noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCC extended the period for suggestions on the permanent filtered permeability scheme to 26th May and these are currently being collated before a presentation of the plans can be finalised. • Cathal Brugha Street has been handed over to the Dept. of Education and Skills and will continue in educational use for the CDETB. • Public realm initiatives including new murals in Stoneybatter, wildflower planting in Drumalee and tree planting in the area. • The deadline for submission to ABP on the O'Devaney Garden plans is 29th June. • DCC plan to pedestrianise Capel Street for June and July as a pilot project that could be used as a model for other city areas. 		



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stoneybatter Festival taking place this weekend and give an overview of the festival programme. LMM thanked GDA and TU Dublin for supporting the festival. 		
4. Students' Union President Presentation		
<p>4.1. The incoming Students' Union President Mark O'Donnell (MOD) gave a presentation on the role of the SU. The presentation will be made available on the GDA website.</p>		
<p>MOD noted that the SU represents over 28,000 students across the City Campuses, Blanchardstown and Tallaght. He outlined how the SU functions on two levels – political and operational – representing students both locally and nationally, while also organising student events, supporting services and fundraising activities, and running elections for class reps. PH added that the University provides professional support to the SU such as governance, finance, legal obligations. MOD's term is 1st July 2021 – 30th June 2022 however he can run for 3 terms.</p>		
<p>4.2. The group thanked MOD for his presentation. LMM suggested that, covid-19 restrictions permitting, it would be nice to organise something informal between students and the community to allow them to interact with each other once students arrive on campus.</p>		
5. Next Meeting		
<p>5.1. TM thanked everyone for their contributions. The next meeting will be confirmed following the appointment of the new Consultative Group in September.</p>		