



## Minutes

Meeting	Consultative Group
Date-Time-Location	9 December 2021 via Microsoft Teams
Members present	Collette Burns ( <b>CB</b> ) TU Dublin; Fiona Davis ( <b>FD</b> ) HSE; Ronan Dunphy ( <b>RD</b> ) TU Dublin Staff; Neasa Hourigan TD ( <b>NH</b> ) Public Rep; Sharon Hughes ( <b>SH</b> ) TU Dublin SU; Lori Kieve ( <b>LK</b> ) GDA; Eugene Kelly ( <b>EK</b> ) Community; Cllr Ray McAdam ( <b>RMA</b> ) DCC; Annette Murphy ( <b>AM</b> ) HSE; Mark O'Neill ( <b>MON</b> ) Community; Cllr Nial Ring ( <b>NR</b> ) DCC; Rachel Simons ( <b>RS</b> ) HSE Service Users; Andrea Valova ( <b>AV</b> ) HEA
By invitation	Conor Sreenan ( <b>CS</b> ) GDA; Catherine Stapleton ( <b>CS</b> ) GDA
Apologies	Eoin Farrell ( <b>EF</b> ) NTA; Leslie Shoemaker ( <b>LS</b> ) TU Dublin Staff; Thomas Stone ( <b>TS</b> ) TU Dublin; Mark O'Donnell ( <b>MOD</b> ) TU Dublin SU

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1. <b>Welcome and Introductions</b>		
1.1. <b>LK</b> welcomed everyone and gave a brief rundown of the Agenda. She introduced Conor Sreenan ( <b>CS</b> ) GDA's Director of Strategy & Design who was invited to provide an overview of the Residential Care Neighbourhood in the context of the Grangegorman Planning Scheme.		
2. <b>Residential Care Neighbourhood (RCN) Overview</b>		
2.1. <b>CS</b> explained the background for the RCN, noting that it will be the third HSE project in Grangegorman. McCullough Mulvin Architects and Todd Architects lead the design team for the project. He presented the project in the context of the whole Grangegorman site noting that it will be located along one of the 'green fingers'. Key points noted were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RCN will be the first residential project at Grangegorman.</li> <li>• It will have c. 100 beds for elderly and continuing care and include a dementia unit, a pharmacy and day care centre.</li> <li>• It will replace existing facilities in St Elizabeth's Court.</li> <li>• Building height range is 2-4 storeys as set out in the Planning Scheme.</li> <li>• Ivy Avenue will be the main servicing route for the building.</li> <li>• The project is currently at detailed design stage – between Stage 2a and 2b.</li> <li>• Next stage will be to lodge the project for planning permission. This will be in 2022.</li> <li>• There will be consultation prior to submitting for planning.</li> <li>• The tender process for a building contractor will commence once planning has been approved.</li> <li>• Current programme anticipates construction to commence in 2024.</li> </ul>		



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2.2. <b>CS</b> opened the discussion by inviting questions from the group. <b>NH</b> raised a number of queries. She requested further information about the residents to be relocated from St Elizabeth's Court. <b>CS</b> noted that the HSE and GDA are working closely with them to ensure the move is as seamless as possible. In response to her query regarding the pharmacy, <b>CS</b> noted that tendering for the leasing of the facility has yet to be progressed. <b>CS</b> confirmed that no additional heights would be sought for the project, He also confirmed that all beds within the RCN would be single occupancy.	GDA	TBC
2.3. There were queries raised about how the 'green finger' would be developed. <b>NH</b> , <b>CB</b> and <b>MON</b> all commented on this, raising questions of biodiversity, the potential to consider a wetlands element here, and ensuring links with the rest of the campus are embedded into the build in terms of management and operations. The group requested to be kept updated of biodiversity plans for this area.	GDA	TBC
2.4. <b>AM</b> raised a concern around maintaining access to the Primary Care Centre. <b>CS</b> assured the group that full access to the PCC would be maintained throughout the RCN project. She also noted the adjacency of the audiology wing as being a concern during construction.		
2.5. It was queried if the NCR car park would remain to service visitors to the PCC or if there were plans to include an underground car park as part of the RCN project. <b>CS</b> noted that there are future plans for an underground car park in this locations to serve these facilities in the Grangegorman Masterplan.		
3. <b>Minutes and Matters Arising.</b>		
3.1. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.		
3.2. <b>LK</b> noted the below matters arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SDZ Heights Review – ongoing and will be presented to the group at a later date</li> <li>• Grangegorman Square – will keep the group informed of updates.</li> </ul>		
4. <b>Project Overview</b>		
4.1. <b>LK</b> provided a slide presentation outlining the current status of projects within the Grangegorman development.		
4.2. <b><u>D7 Educate Together (D7ETNS)</u></b> - construction works progressing well and on programme. The teaching block is now at top floor level with the topping out of the building on schedule for January.		



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4.3.	<b><u>Field Sports Changing Facility (FSC)</u></b> - final snagging ongoing. It will likely be January when they will come into use.	
4.4.	<b><u>Academic Hub &amp; Library (AH)</u></b> – the next project to commence on site in early 2022. Construction expected to take 28 months. This centralised library will replace temporary library in Park House. The North House Annex will be demolished as part of the contract.	
4.5.	<b><u>FOCAS Research Institute</u></b> – Carr Cotter Naesens announced as the Design Team lead following international design competition. Stage 1 designs are being developed for Mar/Apr 2022. Aim to commence construction in 2024.	
4.6.	<b><u>Clock Tower (CT)</u></b> – Currently evaluating construction tenders with the aim to start essential stabilisation works in early 2022.	
4.7.	<b><u>Prussia St Gate</u></b> – Proposed design for the gateway will be presented in early 2022.	
4.8.	<b><u>Access</u></b> – changes to opening hours now in effect. Fingal Place, Park Shopping Centre and Grangegorman Lower Gates now open from 7am – 9pm daily. The main gates remain open 7am – 10pm and Broadstone Link is open 24/7.	
4.9.	Further updates were provided on Grangegorman Public Art and Grangegorman Histories – see website for further details.	
4.10.	<b>LK</b> noted that the GDA also hopes to progress the RCN, West Quad and Indoor Sports in 2022.	
5.	<b>TU Dublin Update</b>	
5.1.	<b>CB</b> provided a number of TU Dublin update to the group. She noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TU Dublin hosted a TASC event which saw a visit from President Michael D Higgins on the 7 Nov 2021.</li> <li>• St Laurence's is being used by the HSE as a covid vaccine walk-in centre.</li> <li>• Temporary signage is being developed to help people navigate the campus more easily.</li> <li>• TU Dublin organisation design is ongoing with a number of key positions now filled, including 6 new VPs.</li> </ul>	
6.	<b>Discussion</b>	
6.1.	<b>SH</b> raised an issue regarding a lack of covered outdoor spaces for students, noting that other universities have provided this for the wetter/colder weather due to the ongoing restrictions. <b>CB</b>	



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stated that discussions are happening around this and agreed to follow up and report back.	CB	
6.2. <b>MON</b> raised the issue of the Happy Days Coffee Van being a temporary amenity on campus and enquired if there are plans to go to tender for a more permanent arrangement for community enterprises in Grangegorman. <b>CB</b> noted that there are no plans to go to tender at present. <b>LK</b> added that this is something that could be further explored as the campus develops. <b>MON</b> enquired about community access to current facilities and when they might reopen to the public. <b>CB</b> noted that only staff and students can access the facilities while restrictions remain in place. She agreed to keep the group informed of changes to this.	NOTE  CB	
6.3. <b>MON</b> stated that there is a community interest in potentially developing allotments on site and suggested that the area between the East Quad and Broadstone could be a suitable location. He enquired if there were plans for this area and if there might be scope for a community allotment on site. <b>LK</b> explained that the area mentioned is HSE land and is intended for mixed-use development in the Masterplan. <b>CS</b> noted that the GDA has full planning permission for the public realm across the site that must comply with DCC's sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDs). It was noted that the idea of a community allotment is something of interest however it needs to be carefully considered within the context of the public realm plan for the site.		
6.4. <b>SH</b> raised an issue with the catering options available to students on campus stating that students are not satisfied with the quality and cost of food provided. She queried if the Box Park proposal could be revisited as the idea of street food providers is much more appealing to students. It was noted that TU Dublin have procured the catering contracts to serve the current needs of the campus and that there are no plans to develop the Box Park at present. <b>CB</b> to report back to the group on catering provisions at the next meeting. <b>LK</b> noted that other groups have suggested that Broadstone Plaza has potential for casual trading which would also benefit students if developed. <b>RMA</b> and <b>NR</b> agreed to bring the matter of casual trading at Broadstone to the Central Area Committee.	CB  RMA/NR	
6.5. <b>CB</b> noted that it would be great to see Broadstone Plaza utilised as suggested above however the refuse issues there would need to be dealt with first. <b>RMA</b> stated that there is currently no schedule for cleaning the plaza and noted that he will be raising this at the next city council meeting. <b>LK</b> added that TU Dublin Student Volunteering Society have started a monthly clean-up of Broadstone which has been really successful so far.	RMA	
6.6. <b>EK</b> raised an issue with footpaths being closed and no temporary path put in place while works were carried out near the western boundary of the campus. He stated that this causes slip hazards as the grass becomes muddy where people create their own		



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paths. It was noted that the footpath has now been reopened. <a href="#">LK</a> agreed to raise the issue ahead of any works in this area to avoid this issue in future.	LK	
6.7. <a href="#">EK</a> requested an update on the trip hazard identified in the paving between the Central Quad and An Croí. <a href="#">LK</a> noted that TU Dublin Estates are progressing the matter and agreed to keep the group updated on the issue.	TU Dublin	
6.8. <a href="#">NR</a> requested that the Christmas opening hours of the Bring Centre are shared amongst the local network. <a href="#">LK</a> agreed to post the times on across GDA social media.	LK	
7. <b>Date of Next Meeting</b>		
7.1. <a href="#">LK</a> agreed to issue the meeting dates for 2022 before the end of the year. It was agreed that 9:30am was an agreeable time for the majority of the group. Barring further restrictions, it is hoped that the next meeting will take place in-person and include a tour of the new facilities.	LK	TBC