

## **Minutes / Action List**

Meeting: Consultative Group

Date / Time / Location: 18th June 2020 9.30-11.30

**Present:** Ger Casey (GC) GDA CEO; Cllr Joe Costello (JC) DCC; Eoin Farrell (EF) NTA;

Paul Horan (PH) TU Dublin; Sharon Hughes (SH) TU Dublin SU; Carmel Kitching (CK) HSE Service Users; Eugene Kelly (EK) Local Rep; Luke McManus (LMM) Local Rep; Tara Mulvany (TM) GDA; Nora Rahill (NR) GDA; Leslie Shoemaker (LS) TU Dublin; Melda Slattery (MS) TU Dublin; Andrea Valova (AV) HEA; Angela Walsh (AW) HSE; Pierre Yimbog (PY) TU

Dublin SU;

Apologies: Cllr Anthony Flynn (AF) DCC; Noel Gallagher (NG) TU Dublin; Lori Keeve

(LK) GDA; Stewart Logan (SL) DHPLG; Annette Murphy (AM) HSE; Kevin

Sheridan (KS) HSE;

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1.	Minutes and Matters Arising		
1.1.	There was a short introduction of everyone present and Tara Mulvany was introduced as the new GDA Communications Manager.		
	The Consultative Group noted their thanks to Maureen O'Sullivan for her immense contribution to the Consultative Group and wished her all the best in her retirement.		

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1.2.	LS stated that her points were not recorded in the previous meeting minutes. NR noted that this will be reviewed and updated to reference that a number of points were raised. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed, subject to the above.  NR noted that all matters raised by LS were referred to PH	GDA	
	and he will address some of the items in his presentation. Other items are TU Dublin operational matters.		
2.	Project Update		
2.1.	GC presented an update on site progress of current projects beginning with healthcare.  HSE Residential Care Neighbourhood  • Steady progress being made with design team  • Aiming to lodge planning application in September		
2.2.	TU Dublin Central and East Quads GC gave a brief overview of the new Covid-19 measures that have been put in place noting that;  • Additional space has been provided for workers. • There is now a Covid Compliance Officer for each site. • Complaints contact is: 087 3492487		
	He then provided an update on current timelines for both buildings, noting that the handover of East Quad is aiming for end Sept/early Oct with the Central Quad expected later but before the end of the year. These dates are subject to change depending on Covid-19.		
2.3.	Lower House It was noted that the building has been delayed and is now expected to be completed by the end of year but is otherwise progressing well. The new structural frames are now in place for the kitchen and dance studios.		

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2.4.	<ul> <li>TU Dublin Programme III Progress         The following updates were noted:         <ul> <li>Academic Hub: Aim to go to tender for construction at end of summer.</li> <li>Anticipated construction start after Christmas.</li> </ul> </li> <li>West Quad: Programme delivery is on pause until the end of the year.</li> <li>Print workshop and field sports changing facilities:         <ul> <li>Both projects are currently out to tender for construction.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
2.5.	D7 Educate Together School It was noted that the GDA is working towards commencing construction on site hopefully before the end of Summer.  LMM questioned when will the school be completed and when it will be open for services. GC informed the group that the school is currently due to be finished by the end of summer 2022.		
2.6.	Broadstone Plaza and Link to Broadstone/Constitution Hill It was noted that the current TII programme is aiming for completion by the end of summer. The paving works for the link were noted as being nearly completed and it is due to be reopened shortly.		
2.7.	GLLF Joining up the Dots 3: This was recently published and was noted as being the third study looking at the socio-economic profile of the Grangegorman area. Grangegorman Employment Charter: Recently cited as one of two Irish case studies in the EU guide on socially responsible public procurement. Both these studies are available online.		
2.8.	<b>Grangegorman Histories:</b> The foundation document outlining strategy of the Grangegorman working group is due to be published shortly.  Website to go live June 19 <sup>th</sup> .		

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2.9.	Bollards Trial – Grangegorman Lower It was noted that the local residents' proposal requesting a bollards trial on Grangegorman Lower was submitted to Dublin City Council and that DCC has agreed to a 4-week trial.		
2.10.	Community Engagement NR noted that the Make Place Make drawing competition is still ongoing.  It was noted that the Stoneybatter Summer Festival will not progress as a live event this year but the committee are working to host a number of virtual events.  JC requested access for St Brendan's FC to hold a relay race in Grangegorman on Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> June. He also requested permission to hang a festival banner at the campus entrance gate. NR to pass St Brendan's details to TU Dublin for these queries to be addressed.	NR	
2.11.	LMM raised a query around social entrepreneurs seeking access to site (ie coffee trucks, childcare supports), stating that he felt stronger engagement was necessary to support local enterprise. NR noted that the GLLF has linked with a number of local business to date and agreed to ask the Coordinator Kathleen McCann to contact LMM in relation to this.  PH added that he has had daily contact with 3 coffee van providers for summer period and that a TU Dublin procurement process was in place for tenderers from Sept.	GDA	

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3.	TU Dublin Migration Presentation		
3.1.	<ul> <li>PH provided an overview of TU Dublin's current plans for migrating to Grangegorman.</li> <li>He noted that there were a number of challenges for TU Dublin as they address the impact of Covid-19. He outlined two scenarios as follows: <ul> <li>Scenario 1: East Quad delivered in Sept. &amp; Central Quad delivered in Nov. Music will remain in Rathmines.</li> <li>Kevin Street, Cathal Brugha Street, and Sackville Place will remain open for Semester 1.</li> <li>Scenario 2: East Quad and Central Quad late opening. A major full move to the Grangegorman campus will then be required over Dec &amp; Jan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
3.2.	<ul> <li>Main points from the presentation were as follows:</li> <li>The Lower House has experienced delays however work is progressing well.</li> <li>Rathdown House renovation is commencing in June. Completion end Oct/Nov.</li> <li>Park House: the new library location under way. Completion: Oct/Nov 2020.</li> <li>New pedestrian crossing for students is being implemented around the campus.</li> <li>Improved cycling lanes are being looked at.</li> <li>Improved bus stops/routes are being looked at.</li> <li>A general discussion on the presentation followed. LS raised a number of operational matters and felt that staff were unhappy with office size and plan. She raised concerns that social distancing will not be obtained and that the staff's voice isn't being heard. PH noted that there have been a number of meetings and consultation phases set up to address these issues and that TU Dublin have processes to deal with staff and students concerns.</li> <li>AW questioned what the impact on the local community will be with the widening of bus stops on NCR. PH noted that parking spaces will be lost to obtain the space.</li> <li>Questions were raised around the provision of safe cyclist route from Bolton Street to Grangegorman. PH explained that this will be improved once Broadstone has opened.</li> </ul>		

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3.3.	The Grangegorman Area Working Group was discussed.  LMM requested a better channel for community reps to get information on work of GAWG. GC clarified the terms of reference of the GAWG, and the technical nature of the group. The group discussed the basis, structure and responsibility of the GAWG. GDA to follow up by email to LMM and CLC group regarding GAWG.	GDA	
4.	Any Other Business		
4.1.	JC raised concerns about the height and density of accommodation surrounding the GDA site and the proposed accommodation on Prussia Street. GC noted that the developments were private developers. GDA will be facilitating access to the campus via two new openings in the Grangegorman boundary wall. The Agency is not party to these developments other than agreeing to the access. This aligns with the Agency's responsibility under the SDZ to have access to Prussia Street		
4.2.	JC noted the need for broader discussion so that issues across a number of areas are not dealt with in isolation; for e.g. bollards, transport, Bus Connects etc. GC noted that the Agency looks to engage with the various bodies to ensure the broader issues are considered.  TM suggested a new meeting format for the next Consultative Group meeting focusing on specific areas of interest for the group. TM to look at Transport for the next meeting. The group could propose suggestions for future meetings as required.  Everyone was in favour of this.	GDA	
5.	Next Meeting		
5.1.	The next meeting of the Consultative Group is due to take place on 17 <sup>th</sup> September.		