

Minutes

Meeting Consultative Group

Date-Time-Location 17th December 2020 online via Microsoft Teams

Members present Cllr Joe Costello (JC); Paul Horan (PH) TU Dublin; Sharon Hughes (SH)

TU Dublin SU; Luke McManus (LMM) Community Rep; Tara Mulvany (TM) GDA; Róisín Cahill (RC), GDA; Melda Slattery (MS) TU Dublin;

Rachel Fitzgerald, HSE; Andrea Valova (AV) HEA.

Apologies Cllr Anthony Flynn (AF) DCC Public Rep, Rebecca Gorman (RG) TU

Dublin SU, Carmel Kitching (CK) HSE, Stewart Logan (SL) DHLGH, Annette Murphy (AM) HSE, Kevin Sheridan (KS) HSE, Angela Walsh (AW) HSE Service Users Rep; TU Dublin, Leslie Shoemaker (LS); DCC Public Rep, Anne-Marie Donoghue (AMD) HSE Service Users, Eoin Farrell (EF) NTA, Noel Gallagher (NG) TU Dublin Staff, Eugene Kelly

(EK) Community Rep; Ger Casey, GDA.

By invitation Philip Cohen & Aisling Roche, Grangegorman Histories

Item Action Date

- 1. Welcome and Minutes of the last meeting
- 1.1. TM welcomed everyone and gave a brief rundown of agenda. She noted Ger Casey had passed on his apologies for being unable to attend.
- 1.2. Minutes of previous meeting were approved.

2. **Project Update**

- 2.1. TM provided month by month update on all projects progressed at Grangegorman during 2020 and noted the following:
- 2.2. March
 - Nationwide lockdown causing cessation of construction.
 - Community use of the campus during this period captured in GDA Summer newsletter.
- 2.3. May
 - Construction resumed with all necessary Covid-19 safety measures on 18th May.
 - Joining Up-the-Dots 3 report launched and available on GDA website.
 - Local employment figures from development for Sept-Nov between 6-8%. Next employment opportunities include construction of D7ETNS in January and Academic Hub late Spring/early Summer.
 - GDA Training & Employment Co-ordinator due to meet contractors for the school in early January regarding Grangegorman Employment Charter.

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2.4. June

 Grangegorman Histories foundation document and website launched - huge milestone for Grangegorman Histories Expert Working Group.

2.5. August

 Carriage Gates refurbishment by Dunwoody & Dobson and returned in Nov. Colour of gates based on expert historic paint report and reflects original 19th century beige stone oil paint.

2.6. Sept

- Work began on temporary Printmaking Workshop and Field Sports Changing Facilities. Timeline for completion estimated to be Q1 2021.
- Residential Care Neighbourhood now at Stage 2a Design.
 Anticipated that project will be ready for planning in Q2.

2.7. Oct

 Number of online events took place from Sept-Nov including: Grangegorman Histories events for Culture Night and Dublin Festival of Histories & Grangegorman Business & Enterprise Group Webinar on Getting Started in Social Enterprise. KMcC also participated in Social Clauses for Public Procurement online conference and research.

2.8. Nov

 Lower House first building to receive heat from the Grangegorman Energy Centre. Finishing touches to building underway. Ready for occupation by TU Dublin in January 2021.

2.9. Dec

- Open architectural design competition for TU Dublin's FOCAS Research Institute launched.
- Timelines for opening of Broadstone Plaza pushed back to new-year.
- Completion works on Central Quad continuing. East Quad open for students shortly.
- Construction of D7ETNS due to commence on site on January 4th. Information packs will be delivered to houses in the area on Friday, 19th Dec. Meeting with local reps and contractor will be set up in early January.

 '...the lives we live' Public Art book has been published. Limited print edition but will be made freely available online in 2021 at www.ggda.ie. Note will be posted online to announce.

 It was noted that Lori Keeve, GDA Communications had delivered a baby girl and that she and the baby were doing well. TM Jan



3. TU Dublin Update

- 3.1. PH noted that the pandemic had caused a number of contractual issues across projects and that this was the reason for Ger Casey's absence at the meeting. Despite the issues, a number of projects had been progressed, including.
 - East Quad building now almost complete and will be ready for student occupation by Semester 2. Video of the building was shown to the Group. PH hoped the next meeting of the Group would be in the East Quad.
 - 450 people were working on site at the Central Quad. PH expects building to be ready for handover by Feb/March.
 - Work on Park House expected to be complete by end of week. New pedestrian crossing and accesses have been installed and building will be open to students by 4th January.
 - Café in Rathdown House increased in size and acoustic panels installed. PH noted that TU Dublin waiting for increase in numbers on site before dining services commence.
 - Works on the Lower House expected to be finished just after Christmas with student occupation expected from Semester
 - Construction of Print Making Workshops and Field Sports Changing facilities also well advanced.
 - PH noted that limited refurbishment works would take place on TU Dublin Estates Shed behind Bring Centre. TU Dublin would be engaging with immediate neighbours regarding the works in early January.
 - Tenders for Academic Hub due back end of January.
 - Open architectural competition for FOCAS Institute designed to encourage engagement by architectural firms of all sizes.
 - Procurement of design team for Indoor Sports Facilities.

PH concluded that Covid-19 had huge impact on staff and students at TU Dublin with majority of classes taking place remotely and physical attendances on campus running at approx. 10%. He noted there had been huge effort by all involved to keep the show on the road.



- 4. Central Area Committee (CAC) Update JC gave an update from the last CAC. He noted that design team for refurbishment project on Constitution Hill would be appointed by end of month. Project included 130 units, made up of 66 retrofits and 64 new builds.
- 4.1 Park Shopping Centre granted permission by ABP to seek planning for 585 student accommodation units, 14 co-living units and 4 townhouses. No mention of shops or other retail units in preplanning submission but may be included in planning submission to DCC.

He also provided details of other proposed developments in the area including at North King Street, Stoneybatter and Blackhall Place and details of the Greening Stoneybatter programme.

JC noted there had been a discussion with the OPW regarding lighting requirements in the Phoenix Park. PH offered to meet with OPW to outline the approach to lighting taken at Grangegorman.

PH & JC

JC had been involved in submissions to NTA consultation on BusConnects and noted that some of the biggest issues were in Prussia St and Aughrim St areas. There was concern among local businesses in Stoneybatter that 78% of parking in the area would be taken away. A relaxation of the parking restrictions during non-peak hours was being sought.

December 1st - last day for submissions on DCC filtered permeability trial at Grangegorman Lower. Decision on permanency of measures will be taken based on a Covid mobility report arising out of consultation. Next meeting of CAC is second Tues in January.

MS asked if DCC could erect signage to make filtered permeability measures more obvious and to redirect traffic. JC said this was responsibility of Covid mobility team but that he would look into it.

5. **Community Matters**

- 5.1. LMM requested that representatives from residents associations from both sides of the Broadstone link be invited to opening of Broadstone Plaza. He also asked to be provided with more information on plan for engagement with Marne Villas on TU Dublin Estates Shed works.
- 5.2 He also asked whether a meeting of the GAWG had been held to discuss vision for public realm area outside Clock Tower. TM confirmed this issue had been discussed at the Community Liaison Committee in relation to Toucan Crossings and that feedback from that meeting had been provided to the GAWG.



- 5.3 LMM referenced litter bins and the condition of the street which is the responsibility of DCC.
- 5.4 LMM also raised security concerns of residents of Grangegorman Lower East. TM noted she was in correspondence with the residents directly.
- 5.5 LMM noted that a letter from local representatives was to be sent to Dublin City Council regarding car traffic on Queen Street and requested that GDA and TU Dublin let him know if they were interested in signing the letter.
- 5.6 He also noted his disappointment not to see Ger Casey at the meeting. He thanked GDA and TU Dublin for supporting the Christmas Lights in Stoneybatter. JC commented that there had been approaches by Tidy Towns Committees to use it as a template for other areas.

6. Presentation from Grangegorman Histories

- 6.1 Philip Cohen & Aisling Roche provided an update to the group on the work of the Grangegorman Histories Expert Working Group. The presentation is attached as an addendum to the Minutes.
- The work of Grangegorman Histories was commended by the group.

7. Date of Next Meeting

7.1. The next meeting will take place on 18th March 2021.