

Minutes

Meeting Community Liaison Committee

Date-Time-Location 20 October 2021 via Microsoft Teams

Members present Cllr Joe Costello (JC); Lori Keeve (LK); Eugene Kelly (EK); Kathleen

McCann (KMcC); Liam McDonagh (LMD); Fionnuala McHugh (FMH); Luke McManus (LMcM); Mark O'Neill (MON); Catherine Stapleton

Apologies Jason Aughney; Shane Boyne; Dave Kilmartin; Cllr Ray McAdam; Garda

Shauna Naughton; Neil O'Riordan; Cllr Nial Ring

Item Action Date

- Welcome and Introductions
- 1.1. LK welcomed everyone and gave a brief rundown of the agenda. It was noted that there were new members on the group and introductions were made.
- 2. Minutes and Matters Arising
- 2.1. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.
- 2.2. LK noted the following matters arising from the previous meeting:
 - Access Opening Hours Fingal Place and Park Shopping Centre gates are due to operate from 7:00 – 21:00 daily shortly. A notice will go out to the group when this comes into effect.

GDA

- Update on bins No update since the last meeting which noted that the request had been lodged with DCC. TU Dublin have started a monthly clean up of the Broadstone Plaza and Grangegorman Lower areas.
- 3. TU Dublin Update
- 3.1. In DK's absence, LK read his report to the group which noted:
 - TU Dublin now have students on campus with 60% of students now on site and 60-80% on most programmes.
 - Student services such as canteens, student desk, counselling, med centre, library, careers are also open.
 - Sports has been back in action since the summer and the facilities have been in high demand with numbers in excess of 1,000 community users per week.
 - Currently reduced capacity at peak student times for community groups however TU Dublin Sports aims to facilitate all user groups where possible.
 - Current sports changing rooms are due to be demolished soon with new temporary facilities due to open in November.
 - Glassmonogue Gym is at capacity with student use and operating with covid-19 limits in place, including set times for booking.



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 Upcoming Community event 'Relay for Life' will take place in early 2022.

4. Project Update

4.1. LK provided an update on all live development projects beginning with the active construction sites.

D7ET school

Construction works progressing well and on programme, the build currently between 4th & 5th floors. Hoping to top out the Teaching Block by the end of year. GDA engaging with DCC on detailed design for Grangegorman Square. The plans will be brought to the CLC for discussion as part of the next stage.

4.2. Printmaking Workshop

Completed in August and now in use by students. It has been shortlisted for an award with the Irish Design Institute.

4.3. Field Sports Changing Facilities

Aim to have them in use by TU Dublin in November.

4.4. Broadstone Plaza

Now open. It is managed by DCC. Aware there have been issues with littering and anti-social behaviour. The issues have been raised with DCC and the local Gardaí have been working with Transdev to resolve issues at the Luas stop.

The Broadstone Link operates 24/7 since the Plaza opened. The link is managed by TU Dublin.

LMM raised concerns in relation to the management and upkeep of Broadstone Plaza noting high levels of litter there. He also suggested that this would be a prime location for local traders. JC agreed that this suggestion would be beneficial to the Plaza. He noted that anti-social behaviour and high litter levels have brought to the attention of the DCC Area Manager.

LK noted that GDA and TU Dublin have also been raising the issues and reiterated that TU Dublin Student Volunteering Society have commenced a monthly clean-up of the area. It was agreed to keep the item on the agenda going forward.

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4.5. <u>Academic Hub & Library</u>

Delays since the last meeting. Resolving details in the tender process before a contractor can be appointed. GDA will notify everyone when a start date on site is confirmed.

4.6. FOCAS Research Institute

Closing out the tender process for the Design Team selection which the GDA hopes to announce shortly.



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- 4.7. Further updates were provided on:
 - Residential Care Neighbourhood remains in detailed design stage
 - West Quad Continuing to complete design details
 - SDZ Height Review currently being assessed internally
 - DCC Filtered Permeability GG Lower works progressing well
 - Public Art Alexandra Carr's 'Solaris Nexum' was installed in the TU Dublin Central Quad in August.
 - Grangegorman Histories upcoming event on History of Terminology Around Mental Health on 21 Oct at 18:00.
- 5. **GLLF** Update
- 5.1. KMC provided the following update:
 - 21% local employment on site
 - TU Dublin have included a local employment clause
 - Grangegorman ABC in process of going to tender for core ABC programmes.
 - Working on ABC budget for 2022 which includes looking at reallocating funds in line with emerging needs in the area.
 - Looking at the TU Dublin organisational design process with a view to incorporating and mainstreaming some of the existing GLLF partnerships, initiative and models of engagement.
 - GLLF made a submission to the DFHERIS consultation process for the government strategy for adult literacy, numeracy and digital literacy.
- 6. **Community Matters**
- 6.1. JC highlighted a parking issue outside the Bring Centre. He stated that the 6-8 spaces allocated were often unavailable for those dropping off items at the centre. He was concerned that longer-term parking was happening preventing Bring Centre users from utilising the spaces. LK noted that there have been other issues with parking along Grangegorman Lower and the GDA will request DCC Parking Enforcement to look into the matter.

GDA

LMM suggested that traffic management and mobility may need to be examined as, along with the Bring Centre parking issue, a lot of the parking spaces are being taken up by people who have music classes leaving residents struggling for parking. LK advised LK that she would look into the status of the Accessibility and Mobility Plan which she believed was under review.

6.2. LMM raised the issue of sports events parking, and noted difficulties with coach/bus turning on Grangegorman Lower. He gueried if the East Quad car park could be used at the weekends to help alleviate the issue. KMC noted that permits for the car park there are for TU Dublin staff only. LK agreed to bring the

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Item Action Date issue to GEM and follow up on the suggestion of bus/coaches potentially using the car park to turn. 6.3. LMM queried the status of a previous request for a public water LK tap on campus and suggested looking into Ecofil. LK agreed to follow up and revert to the group. LK requested the CLC to reach out to their networks to remind 6.4. cyclists to be careful on Grangegorman Lower as pedestrians and other cyclists may be crossing the campus or accessing Kirwan ΑII Street. MON noted that the Park Shopping Centre Link can be very hectic with cyclists at times as the route is used by a school bike bus. FMH agreed to raise the matter with the parents involved in **FMH** the cycle bus. LMM noted that preparations are currently underway for the 6.5. Stoneybatter Christmas Lights and he hoped that GDA would support the event again this year. LK noted that the GDA is considering the request. 6.6. EK raised an issue of a protruding metal lip on the paving near the Central Quad. He stated that his daughter had fallen there when her scooter got caught on it and noted at least two other kids had similar falls that same day. LK agreed to follow up on the LK issue and report back. 7. Any Other Business LK thanked everyone for attending. She apologised for tech issues experienced and stated that she looks forward to working with the new group. 8. Date of Next Meeting 8.1. The next meeting will take place on 17 November 2021.