



Grangegorman
Development Agency
Gníomhaireacht Forbartha
Ghráinseach Ghormáin

Minutes of Consultative Group Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd March, 2010 at the GDA's offices

Present: Ms. Gabrielle McKeown, Dr. Frank McMahon, Ms. Melda Slattery, Mr. Andrew Myler, Ms. Tracy Flinter, Ms. Maura Cunningham (Rep. Mr. Pat Kearney), Cllr. Ray McAdam, Ms. Anne O' Connor, Mr. Michael Quirey, Mr. Sean Tone, Ms. Kaethe Burt O' Dea, Mr. Ken McCue.

Apologies: Mr. Eamonn Cusack, Mr. Barry Kearney, Mr. Cyprian Brady T.D., Mr. Joe Costello T.D.

In Attendance: Mr. Philip L'Estrange, Ms. Nora Rahill, Mr. Ronan Doyle (GDA staff).

1. Minutes of meeting held on 15th July, 2009

The Minutes from last meeting were agreed.

2. CEO's welcome and introduction

Mr. Ronan Doyle introduced group and functions and introduced Mr. Philip L'Estrange who is the acting CEO .

3. Project update

Mr. L'Estrange gave an update on the development to date. Ms. Melda Slattery asked if there was anything the group could be doing to help with the Government memo. Mr. L'Estrange said the Department of Education & Science were finalising the Memo for Government and that it is important now to promote the project as much as possible at this critical stage.

Mr. McCue asked if any more information had been received on the one per cent for arts programme. Mr. L'Estrange said that we would find out about this from the department and circulate the information by e-mail before the next meeting. Ms. Rahill added that the Department may not run per cent for art programmes for temporary buildings and therefore the information we would be looking for would be in relation to the permanent school.

Mr. McCue asked why he hadn't been asked to contribute in relation to the short listing for the library complex. Mr. L'Estrange explained that at this stage the criteria for the short listing process was mainly related to experience of the candidates in delivering similar type buildings. There will be an opportunity for the Consultative Group to meet with the design team once appointed.

Mr. McCue asked about the access to the pitches for schools, was it ad hoc or more formalised. Mr. L'Estrange said that the HSE were in the process of formalising the access agreement with all users.

Dr. Frank McMahon asked for clarification on the timelines provided in Mr. L'Estrange's presentation and if they were all reliant on a Government decision. Mr. L'Estrange confirmed that they were.

4. Communications

Mr. Doyle gave his presentation on how the GDA has and would continue to communicate with the stakeholders and Consultative Group.

5. Any other business

Dr. McMahon noted that the Department of Transport did not attend the meetings very often. He felt it was important that they should as with the idea of sustainability in mind, public transport would be very important for the site. Mr. L'Estrange said that the GDA have had meetings with the different transport organisations in the area including CIE, The RPA and Dublin Bus on several occasions. Mr. Doyle agreed to pursue the matter of attendance with all stakeholders.

Ms. Kaethe Burt O' Dea said that she had met with the RPA in relation to the Lifeline project recently and the meeting has gone very well, they had been very open to discussions and ideas.

Mr. Michael Quirey wanted it noted that Grangegorman was still a working hospital and priority must always be given to the welfare of the patients. There must be careful management when people were coming onto the site. Ms. Burt O' Dea asked who groups should approach if they wanted access. Ms. Anne O' Connor said that Mr. Doyle could be approached who would in return approach the hospital management, something that has worked in the past.

Ms. Slattery said that DIT was very grateful for the permission and co- operation of the hospital management in relation to allowing them put on a play onsite.

The Consultative Group accepted the invite from the Board to meet.