

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STADIUM COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (SCC),  
HELD ON TUESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER, 2017**

**ATTENDANCE**

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL:**

Mr Brian Hanney (BH)  
Cllr Dermot Lacey (DL)

**LOCAL COMMUNITY:**

Mr Joe McCann (JMcC)

**LRSDC:**

Mr Martin Murphy (MM)  
Mr Mick Davoren (MD)  
Mr Roddy Guiney (RG)

**VENUE:**

Aviva Stadium Management Building

**1. APOLOGIES:**

Apologies were received both from Cllr Mannix Flynn and Alf Guinevan.

**2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

AG asked RG to ensure that minutes of all meetings are kept up to date on the stadium website. He noted that currently the last minutes on the website are for September 2016. RG undertook to look into same. It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting were an accurate record of that meeting. Same to be put on the stadium website as per policy.

**3. MATTERS ARISING:**

RG noted that AG had been in contact to say how much the new lighting on Lansdowne Road had been appreciated. He said that it makes a major difference to the road. He asked DH to thank DCC on behalf of the community. MM echoed these sentiments.

JMcC noted that the meeting with the Gardai and LADRA had still not taken place. MD agreed to follow up on same and set up the meeting.

#### 4. OPERATIONS UPDATE:

MM updated the committee on operations. He said there had been quite a number of events since the last meeting but there had been no issues in relation to same.

He noted that the following events were scheduled for the period from now until end of the year.

- 6 October: 7:45pm. Ireland v Moldova.
- 7 October: 2pm. Leinster v Munster.
- 5 November: 12 noon. FAI Cup Finals – two matches.
- 11 November: 5:30pm Ireland v South Africa.
- 18 November: 5:30pm Ireland v Fiji.
- 25 November: 5:30pm Ireland v Argentina.
- 16 December: 5:30pm (TBC) Leinster v Exeter

MM noted the work currently going on on the bridge. He noted that team buses enter the stadium via this route. He said there are some concerns over what might be done to the roundabout as currently its low nature facilitates buses coming this route. DL said there should be no reason why anything needed to change. MD to discuss same with the relevant authorities.

MM also noted that he would be contacting DCC in relation to trimming the trees on the road directly across from the Stadium Offices. He said that these tended to move a great deal during high winds and there was a worry that they might come down. (*Subsequent to the meeting BH confirmed that he is making enquiries in relation to the trees and will be back shortly in relation to same.*)

#### 5. COMMUNITY FUND:

MM noted that the fund had now been in existence for ten years. He noted that during that period of time €1.1 million had been allocated to projects. He said that currently slightly over €900,000 had been drawn down. He said that the stadium would be looking to undertake some publicity in relation to same once the €1 million had been passed.

RG updated the committee on the status of the Community Fund. He noted that 33 projects had been allocated funding for 2017. He said that of these projects 18 had currently drawn down their funding. If funding has not been drawn down by the remaining 15 by the end of the year RG will be in contact with same to get a definitive date for drawing down of the funding. Otherwise funds will go back into the general fund.

RG undertook to contact Paul Meany of Marian College in relation to the allocated funds there.

RG showed the meeting materials produced by National Print Museum. He said the Fund had supported National Print Museum on a number of occasions and that same had been excellent in giving credit for the Aviva Stadium Community Fund involved.

There was a short discussion in relation to the Covanta Fund. RG noted from the applications that quite a number of projects received funding both from the Covanta Fund and the Aviva Stadium Community Fund. It was agreed that RG should make a specific reference to this on the application form noting that funding cannot be sourced from both for the same project. All were in agreement with same.

#### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

JMcC raised an issue in relation to the Liverpool match. He stressed that this was not

really a stadium issue but one for the Gardai. MD reiterated his intention to set up a meeting with the Gardai where same could be discussed as well as all other issues.

JMcC noted the BADRA Harvest Fair/End of Summer Fair which was coming up and would be held on the Dodder Walk. He said that the Parks Department of DCC normally cut the hedging along the Dodder bank to facilitate this. He said this had not been done as yet. BH said he would look into it. (*Subsequent to the meeting BH confirmed that he had spoken to the Parks Department and this would be done.*)

**7. NEXT MEETING:**

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 28 November in the Aviva Stadium Management building at 6:30pm,

**RODDY GUINEY**

Hon Sec  
Stadium Community Committee

29 September 2017

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