

Louth County Council

Minutes of Housing, Strategic Policy Committee meeting held in the Cooley Room, Dundalk on Tuesday 14th June 2022 at 3pm.

Present: Cllr. Joanna Byrne (Chair)
Cllr. Kevin Meenan
Cllr. Conor Keelan
Cllr. John Reilly
Colm O' Hanrahan, Trade Union Pillar
Pat Mc Cormick, Chamber of Commerce

Officials: Paddy Donnelly, Director of services
Brona O' Reilly, Administrative Officer
Arja Cullen, Social Worker
Anna Marie Mc Keown, Assistant Staff Officer
Louise Feehan, Clerical Officer

Apologies Cllr. Fiachra Mc Raghnaill
Cllr. Jim Tenanty
Andrew Califf, Dundalk Simon Community
John Lawrence, Senior Executive Officer

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting of SPC Meeting held on 15th February 2022,

On the proposal of Colm O' Hanrahan, seconded by Councillor John Reilly the Minutes of SPC Meeting held on 15th February 2022 was approved.

Presentation on the National Housing Strategy for Disabled People

A presentation on the National Housing Strategy for Disabled People was delivered by Arja Cullen, Social Worker. The objectives of the Local Housing Strategy and themes of the National Housing Strategy for Disabled People were outlined. The significant progress made in achieving this year's target was discussed with a total of 43 units, from a target of 49 already allocated to persons disabled to date. The DoS advised of the Council's awareness of the requirement of Universal Design of housing units in facilitating persons disabled housing needs. The delivery of

turnkey developments was discussed and the challenges in identifying same was highlighted. The DoS spoke of Inter-agency cooperation between Louth County Council, Health Service Executive, Approved Housing Bodies and Disabled Person's Organisations in delivering housing and support to the individuals with intellectual challenges.

Presentation on the Ardee Municipal District Security Programme 2019

A presentation on the Ardee Municipal Security Programme was delivered by Anna Marie Mc Keown, Assistant Staff Officer. The objective of the Programme and actions taken were outlined. The Housing Team Responded to any questions raised.

Pat Mc Cormick, Chamber of Commerce complimented the Council on the success and effectiveness of the Programme. The possibility of expanding this programme to other Municipal Districts was supported by the members.

Update on Housing for All

The Director advised the members that Louth County Council is currently Liaising with the Housing Department in compiling a Housing Delivery Action Plan. The challenges facing the Council in the delivery of housing was discussed by the Director. An update on the Housing Delivery Plan will be given at the next Strategic Policy Committee meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 13th September 2022 .

Minutes confirmed on:

Date:

6th September 2022

Signed:

Joanna Byrne
Cllr. Joanna Byrne (Chair)