



Minutes

St. Margaret's Community Liaison Group

Date: Thursday, 25th May 2017
Time: 7.00pm
Location: The Maldron Hotel, Dublin Airport
Meeting No: 7

Attendees:

Name	Organisation	Initial
Danny O'Hare	CLG Chairperson	DOH
Angela Flynn	daa (CLG Secretariat)	AF
Thomas Monks	St Margaret's The Ward Residents Group	TM
Deirdre Kennedy	St Margaret's The Ward Residents Group	DK
Cllr Joe Newman	Fingal County Council	JN
AnnMarie Farrelly	Fingal County Council	AMF
Sean Costello	St Margaret's National School	SC
Raymond Fox	Irish Farmers Association	RF
Padraig Rooney	St Margaret's Concerned Residents Group	PR
Helen Gilligan	St Margaret's Concerned Residents Group	HG
Grainne O'Reilly	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	GOR
Siobhan O'Donnell	daa	SOD
Pat Molloy	daa	PM
Matthew McAleese	Fingal County Council	MMA
Cathaldus Harten	Fingal County Council	CH



1. Fingal County Council	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MMA presented information on the St. Margaret's Special Policy Area; requested nominations for community representatives to attend a workshop to further discuss this topic DK queried if this exercise would consider the planning regulations in the area of St. Margaret's as some residents are finding it difficult to acquire planning permission; MMA advised that this study will be concentrating on St. Margaret's village and there is a separate process for the Local Area Plan, however, some of the regulations to which DK refers are development policies and may not be addressed through these forums After some discussion between members it was agreed that there would be two nominations from each group (St. Margaret's The Ward Residents Group, Dunbro Lane Residents Group, St. Margaret's Concerned Residents Group), and one nomination representing the church; SC advised that he will need to take direction from the Board of St. Margaret's N.S on the matter; PR advised that he will contact the GAA Club in relation to a nomination 	<p>CLG members to submit nominations to AMF by Friday, 2nd June 2017</p>
2. Approval of Minutes	Action
<p>Chair requested approval of Meeting Minutes of 27th April 2017; no objections raised; Meeting Minutes signed and approved by the Chair</p>	
3. Fingal County Council Update	Action
<p>AMF provided an update on behalf of Fingal County Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broadband will be rolled out in St. Margaret's, Coolquay and Thornton either by eir or through the Government National Broadband Plan A grab truck will be attending to the rubbish on Dunbro Lane over the coming weeks; SC advised that there has been a bad case of dumping on Broughan Lane recently and requested that the grab truck also visit this site; AMF advised that she will investigate if this would be possible The remainder of the cuttings will be opened on Dunbro Lane shortly There is no provision for cycleways or walkways along rural roads in St. Margaret's in development plans 	<p>AMF to distribute broadband map received by Fingal County Council</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fingal County Council cannot take action, in terms of planning, in relation to reports of increased vermin; PM stated that daa complied fully with the North Runway Environmental Protection Plan and bait boxes were placed around the perimeter of the site for additional control TM queried the progress of a playing pitch for children in Kilcoskan; AMF stated that this is a possibility but subject to further discussion and the project may not progress for a while 	
<p>4. daa Update</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>PM provided an update on behalf of daa outlining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Actions from previous meeting North Runway update Runway 10/28 Overlay Project update Air quality results 2016 <p>Members raised the following queries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SC queried if Fingal County Council noise consultants were in possession of the raw noise data used to predict the noise contours related to North Runway; AMF stated that the consultant's report is available on the Public Planning File; Chair advised that SC should write a comprehensive note to AMF/PM outlining the information that he was seeking PR queried if PM could confirm that the legal guidance note provided to the Chair could not be provided to the CLG; PM confirmed this was the case - the legal note was summarised in the approved Minutes of 27th April 2017 GOR queried the drainage associated with the new road adjoining Dunbro Lane and whether the Lane would be subject to flooding; PM advised that culverts are being installed and drainage is being addressed JN queried if the waste found around Forrest Little was toxic; PM confirmed that the waste is organic and in-organic airline catering waste and a plan is being implemented in conjunction with Fingal County Council to remove it; AMF confirmed that Fingal County Council Environmental Engineers visited the site and are working through this issue with daa in line with environmental practice and are satisfied with 	<p>SC to issue written request to AMF/PM outlining noise information required</p>



<p>how it has been dealt with so far</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RF stated that the Voluntary Dwelling Purchase Scheme (VDPS) should remain open for a longer period than is currently agreed, to allow residents ample time to make a decision; PM advised that the Scheme is being rolled out as approved by Fingal County Council as part of the discharge of planning conditions and daa is not considering any further changes to the Scheme RF stated that a jet plane broke off from its flight path and came over his property around 8am on the morning of 25th April and queried the reason for this when weather conditions were good at the time 	<p>SOD to investigate flight deviation on 25th April 2017</p>
<p>5. Update from Residents</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>PR advised that St. Margaret’s Concerned Residents Group issued a letter to the Chair prior to the meeting; PR read the contents of the letter in its entirety to meeting attendees and the said letter is appended on page six of this document as agreed by CLG members</p> <p>The following points were made in response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair advised that he asked for legal guidance and the guidance he read out was not imposed on him by daa or Fingal County Council; Chair saw this as a note to guide him rather than it being a document submitted for discussion; the Minutes of 27th April 2017, which were adopted by the meeting, had captured the essence of the guidance received by the Chair; Chair stated that he would ensure openness in the group and has not seen any lack of openness from daa, Fingal County Council or the residents so far PM stated that daa’s position in relation to the dissemination of information and the legal Proceedings was made clear at the last CLG meeting PM also stated that Minister Ross’ position has updated since the Dáil question referenced in the letter was raised - as the Minister’s responses to the Dáil in May will confirm, the Minister is not in a position to discuss any issues pertaining to the legal Proceedings PM advised that the longitudinal analysis was requested in November 2016 and not almost a year ago as stated in the letter read by PR AMF stated that the reference to drainage in the letter read by PR did 	<p>PR to distribute letter from St. Margaret’s Concerned Residents Group to CLG members</p>



<p>not align with the agreed Minutes of 27th April 2017 and what was stated at the last meeting; Fingal County Council intends to fully participate in the CLG with due regard to the judicial review; as much information as possible will be provided and anything received by the planning authority is available on the Public Planning File</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOD stated that daa is providing updates on North Runway and airport developments and is fully committed to doing so into the future, however daa is also in a position where it has to protect its case 	
<p>6. Chairperson Meetings</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>Chair advised that there has been no additional meetings with individual members of the CLG</p>	
<p>7. AOB</p>	<p>Action</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TM queried if copies of planning permissions for Dublin Airport could be provided on a two monthly basis as is the case at the Dublin Airport Environmental Working Group; Chair advised that this should be added to the Agenda going forward RF queried if there are any updates on the impact of North Runway on animal welfare; PM advised that this is being reviewed as part of the Environmental Impact Statement related to the Proposed Change to Permitted Operations SOD stated, that the daa CEO, Kevin Toland, is leaving the daa to take up a position with Aрызta in the coming months 	<p>AF to add new item to Agenda; Planning Permissions for Dublin Airport</p>

Next Scheduled CLG Meeting:
27th July 2017
7.00pm – 9.00pm
The Maldron Hotel, Dublin Airport



Appendix

Ref: Item 5 - Update from Residents (page four)

Letter read by PR

St Margarets Concerned Resident's Group

Mr Danny O'Hare
Chairperson
Community Liaison Group

21st May 2017.

Re: Community Liaison Group Meeting Thursday 27th April 2017

Dear Chairman

I refer to the most recent meeting of the CLG whereby a statement was read out to the entire group by the Chairperson on behalf of the Daa.

Firstly we must object with regard to the appropriateness or lack thereof as this was not on the agenda of the meeting circulated to the group beforehand. Furthermore is highly irregular that a copy was not made available to all present and despite requests for same, it has not been furnished to any of the local representatives. The draft minutes have been issued and circulated by the CLG and the statement made has not been attached. This is a gross contravention of the terms and operations of the CLG. As you are aware the CLG has been established as a liaison mechanism to inform the wider community through the representatives that have been elected to the group. Failure to issue important material facts presented at this group is a material breach of its terms of reference and flies in the face of the principles of its establishment in accordance with Condition 28 of the planning permission.

28. A Community Liaison Group shall be established, involving representation of the Saint Margaret's Community, Fingal County Council and the Dublin Airport Authority. The composition of the committee and any variation thereof shall be subject to the prior agreement of the planning authority. The committee shall facilitate consultation with the existing community in accordance with the policies and objectives of the Fingal County Development Plan, 2005-2011 in relation to Saint Margaret's.

Reason: To provide for ongoing communication, dissemination of information and consultation with the local community affected by the proposed runway.

From the little notes that we managed to make during this statement the following was indicated by Daa through the Chairperson;

- Reduced Information sharing going forward due to pending litigation
- No further information would be discussed or answered regarding noise levels, VPDS, Insulation scheme



- Longitudinal sections which have been promised for nearly a year, will now **not** be provided.

Fingal County Council also confirmed that due to ongoing litigation that no discussions would take place in relation to surface water or drainage issues.

The approach by the two main stakeholders (Daa and Fingal County Council) in this regard is extraordinary. This approach is a deliberate attempt to hide behind a litigation which is completely divorced from the matters being excluded and we cannot allow this to persist. Both stakeholders are using the ongoing litigation as a means to conceal the pertinent information that the residents are entitled to as members of the Community Liaison Group. Despite numerous assurances by DAA and Minister Ross, Daa have continued to neglect their responsibility of producing the information requested showing complete disregard for the residents of St Margarets. Our residents are extremely concerned in this regard and must insist that this is provided as promised.

The longitudinal data was requested by St Margarets' Concerned Residents at the special CLG meeting on 10th November 2016, and this was followed up by Clare Daly TD with questions to Minister Ross on 27th March, where he confirmed this information would be presented to the next CLG meeting on 30th March (which was deferred until 27th April 2017). It is completely unacceptable to use the litigation as a 'smokescreen' as there is no relevance of this and the ongoing litigation.

Dáil Question

No: 1252

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the failure of the DAA to provide the community liaison group with the longitudinal measurements of noise over their homes; if all relevant information can be made available to residents as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

- Clare Daly.

* For WRITTEN answer on Tuesday, 21st March, 2017.

Ref No: 14278/17 Proof: 131

Answered by the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
Shane Ross

REPLY

As the Deputy is aware, the daa has statutory responsibility to manage, operate and develop Dublin Airport, including the North Runway project.

However, in order to be of assistance, I have had enquiries made and I understand from daa that it continues to provide information on noise to local communities. Most recently, it arranged a presentation by experts Bickerdike Allen



Partners to the Dublin Airport Environmental Working Group on 15th March regarding noise data from the permanent Noise Monitoring Terminals in the vicinity of the airport.

I also understand that the longitudinal analysis requested at the Community Liaison Group is currently being finalised and will be presented at the next meeting of that forum which is scheduled for 30th March.

As you are aware Mr Chairperson, the Daa have continued to progress works on their lands in connection with the new runway which is the primary reason of the establishment of the CLG. Whilst these works are ongoing and live, failure to adequately discuss or adhere to normal requests in relation to the aforementioned works is tantamount to breach of the planning condition as a whole. Such preclusion of information sharing undermines the capacity, operation and purpose of the CLG.

I therefore request that Daa and Fingal County Council reconsider their respective positions in order that the CLG can operate as it was designed to operate, with full inclusion, openness and transparency. Failure to have a fully participating CLG is a breach of the planning condition. I hope this will not create further difficulties for the parties involved.

In the interim as Chairperson I would be most obliged if you could copy all parties with the aforementioned statement read by you on behalf of Daa at the meeting. It is proper procedure and practice that all representatives should receive this. We would welcome a response from both Daa, Fingal County Council and the Chairperson with regard to the foregoing.

Yours Sincerely

Helena Merriman
Chairperson
St Margaret's Concerned Residents Group
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