



Minutes

St. Margaret's Community Liaison Group

Date: Tuesday, 5 September 2023

Time: 7.00pm

Location: Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin Airport

Meeting No: 46

Attendees:

Name	Organisation	Initial
Danny O'Hare	Chair	Chair
Janine Davidson	Secretariat	JD
Angela Flynn	daa	AF
Matthew McAleese	Fingal County Council	MMA
Grainne O'Reilly	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	GOR
Mary Grogan	St. Margaret's and The Ward Residents Group	MG
Pearse Sutton	St. Margaret's and The Ward Residents Group	PS
Liam O'Gradaigh	St. Margaret's GAA Club	LOG
Jim Scully	Irish Farming Association	JS
Brendan O'Donoghue	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	BOD
lan Carey	Fingal County Council	IC

Apologies & Absences:

None



Introduction	Action	
Meeting started at 7.05pm to allow all members to join. Chair welcomed attendees.		
1. Apologies and Absences	Action	
No apologies received. MMA joined via Zoom.		
2. Approval of Minutes	Action	
Previous meeting minutes were approved.		
3. Matters Arising		
LOG requested update on Kilcoskan NS noise monitoring results. AF advised that daa		
can provide data up to the present day, but approval would need to be sought from the	daa	
school to provide this to the CLG. AF to follow up with the school regarding permission.		
MG queried if a yearly schedule was available for essential maintenance works. AF said		
that she is looking into publishing an indicative calendar for residents. Members		
discussed if the works could be spread over a number of individual days rather than four		
days in a row. BOD queried how maintenance was completed before North Runway. AF		
advised that essential maintenance works always took place on the South Runway and		
that prior to the opening of North Runway, the crosswind runway (16/34) was put into		
operation to facilitate the works.		
LOG queried the availability of the noise monitoring quarterly reports. PS requested		
that all flights since North Runway opened be recorded as individual complaints as		
members did not feel that the noise complaint reports are reflective of the number of		
complaints. Members discussed the complaints options, request for emailing option and		
asked if a member of the noise team who attends the DAEWG, can attend the next CLG.		
AF advised that she revert with this feedback to the noise and flight track monitoring		
service (NFTMS) and will invite a member from the noise complaints team to attend the		
next meeting. Secretariat advised she will send on the Quarterly reports to members as		
soon as available.	daa	



4. FCC Update (including Planning Applications) – presented by MMA	Action	
MMA provided an update on the enforcement proceedings and advised that the		
planning files list was unavailable in advance of the meeting but will be provided to		
members with the minutes.		
LOG queried the expected timeline for the enforcement decisions. MMA advised that		
next steps have to be decided on each of the five enforcements. He stated that there is		
a huge amount of technical data that needs to be reviewed and FCC understands the		
urgency and frustration of local communities and every effort will be made to expedite		
the process where possible. LOG queried if FCC have undertaken separate noise		
monitoring in the area. MMA advised that noise monitoring results are provided by daa		
but are verified by FCC noise consultants WSP.		
5. daa Update – presented by AF	Action	
AF presented daa's update including July passenger numbers, notification on South		
Runway's essential maintenance works, the Residential Noise Insulation Scheme, the		
launch of Dublin Airport's Economic Impact Report and the upcoming round of the		
Community Fund. AF provided an update on the mobile noise monitoring schedule and		
the upcoming change to location. Members agreed to reduce the duration of the		
mobile noise monitoring from twelve months to six months going forward.		
LOG queried when the capacity application will be submitted by daa. AF advised that it		
would be later this year and that the public will be informed, and the CLG and DAEWG		
will receive presentations in advance of the application. LOG queried the passenger		
numbers to date and asked what the plans are if daa expect to breach the 32 million		
cap this year and if further information on the schedules for the rest of the year can be		
provided. BOD asked if other Irish airports could be used for flights as an alternative to		
Dublin. MG queried what plans daa has in place for the increase passenger numbers		
and noted that this plan should be in place. AF advised that passenger numbers are in		
line with 2019 and forecasted passenger schedules cannot be provided at this time. AF		
advised that airlines are not restricted to using Dublin Airport and can use other		
airports in Ireland. LOG queried if FCC are working on plans for additional infrastructure		
in anticipation of daa's application to increase capacity. MMA advised that		





infrastructure such as the road network and any requirements would be assessed by the Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) and National Transport Authority (NTA) as part of the planning application process.

JS queried what will happen to the houses purchased as part of the Voluntary Dwelling Purchase Scheme. AF outlined some of the alternative uses for these houses in the future. Members expressed concerns for those residents who remain in close proximity to homes sold under the Scheme and asked that daa consider these residents in any future plans. AF advised that residents' concerns will be taken into consideration in this respect.

GOR advised that following the previous meeting, there has been a noticeable increase in the Gardai presence in the area which was welcomed. **AF** thanked GOR for her feedback and advised she will pass it on.

6. Residents Update Action

PS presented, on behalf of the members, an overview of the requirements for St. Margarets, the impact of airport operations on the village area, and the previous initiatives outlined under older Development Plans. PS provided a map for members to view, which showed key areas for development in the local area. Members expressed their frustration that over the years and through multiple iterations of the county development plans and local area plans, the St. Margaret's community have not had the proposed developments progressed such as footpaths, cycle lanes, and community initiatives. PS explained that this has led to areas such as St. Margarets village, Rivermeade, and Coolquay having limited options to progress as a result. MMA advised on the Capital Programme and the process that takes place to secure capital programme funding for projects. MMA advised that the priority for preparing Local Area Plans etc., was agreed by the Elected Members and Coolquay LAP was not identified in the first tranche of Plans. Members asked if special consideration could be given to St. Margarets based on the airport's impact and it being a unique community in that sense; also noted that people can't get planning permission due to airport; it was queried if FCC and daa should be reviewing the plans together, and if funding could be allocated for a consultant to produce an independent study for the area. MMA advised that any community could proceed with the preparation of a study and any





other supporting information, however, no such study was provided for in the County		
Development Plan. MMA advised that the statutory Plan for the area was the Dublin		
Airport Local Area Plan which contained the strategy for St Margaret's Special Policy		
Area, set out in Appendix 1 of that document. Members queried if the community		
groups could request funding from the daa through the CLG or other initiatives such as		
the Community Fund. AF advised that a request can be made through the CLG for		
review, and while an application could be submitted to the Community Fund, it would		
need to meet the criteria in the same way as other applications are considered, in order		
to be fair and equitable to all local community groups. Chair suggested as a next step		
that members provide a brief outline as to what they propose to be funded and to		
show what would be expected in terms of cost. Members advised they would revert		
with this information.		
7. Chairperson Meeting	Action	
Chair advised that he had no meetings.		
8. AOB	Action	
No other business raised.		

Meeting concluded at 9.20pm

Next Scheduled CLG Meeting:

14 November 2023 at the Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin Airport