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**WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL
HOUSING & CORPORATE ESTATE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
10th March 2022**

Attendance: Cllr. John Snell, Cllr. Mags Crean, , Cllr. Grace McManus, Cllr. Tommy Annesley, Mary-Anne Parsons (PPN), Joe Lane (WCC), Theresa O'Brien (WCC), Helena Fallon (WCC), Declan Marnane (WCC) Aoibheann McCloy, Cllr. Paul O'Brien, Mick Ryan, Muireann Dalton

Apologies: Niamh Dublin Simon, Cllr. Aoife Flynn Kennedy

At the outset of the meeting Cllr John Snell welcomed Muireann Dalton to the housing and Corporate Estate SPC

Item 1: Minutes of Meeting of 9th December 2021 and 21st January 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th December was proposed by Cllr Paul O'Brien and seconded by Cllr Tommy Annesley

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st January was proposed by Cllr Grace McManus and seconded by Cllr Mags Crean

Item 2: Matters arising

There were no matters arising that would not be dealt with in the course of the meeting

Item 3 : To Receive a presentation on Cost Rental Scheme

The members received a presentation on the Cost Rental Scheme from James O'Hallorhan and Colin Byrne from Cluid Approved Housing Body

The members welcomed the presentation and after the presentation the following points were made

What happens after the 25/30/50 years are up where does the tenant go then
This scheme does not result in a forever home for people
Are the applicants limited to the area of the properties or can anyone apply

There was also a discussion around Approved Housing Bodies and how the Local Authorities are working well with them – the fact that the AHB'S fill a void that the Local Authorities cannot meet was acknowledged.

Right sizing of properties was also discussed and the ability of persons to move either to a bigger or smaller unit when the need arises

At the end of the discussion it was agreed that the presentation from CLUID would be circulated to the members of the SPC

Item 4: To receive a presentation on Housing for All – A new housing plan for Ireland

Joe lane DOS gave a presentation to the members on the above which outlined Wicklow County Councils progress to date as follows:

- Relatively advanced with a broad idea of where units will be delivered. (1348)
- Balance between land availability , schedule of works, resources, available infrastructure, geographical balance.
- Draft will be subject to change/building schedules etc
- Sufficient land available for most of this plan, but land availability will become an issue in the future.
- 3 large local authority owned sites – mixed development, social and affordable: Lott lane, Burnaby and Rehills.
- One PPP identified (Burgage 106 units) but likely to be further schemes as ambitious national targets set.

Item 5: To receive a presentation on ppp

Declan Marnane gave a presentation to the members on the PPP Bundles

A discussion was had around the two presentations and the following points were raised

- Town centre developments
- Evolving communities and linking them with existing communities
- Level of development and the new Development plan being prepared at present


- It was agreed that the presentation would be circulated to the members

Item 6: Any other Business

Cllr Annesley asked for an update on the Ukranian people coming to Ireland to flee the war in their country and as this was an ever changing issue it was decided that updates would be given with the CE report on an monthly basis

Mary Ann Parsons enquired regarding the policies agreed at the previous meetings and Helena Fallon agreed to circulate them when they were finalised

This concluded the business of the SPC Meeting

Signed 
Cllr John Snell Cathaoirleach

Dated 24/11/2022

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