

## MALAHIDE COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING NOTES MONDAY 20/02/2023

### 1. Minutes of Last Meeting

1.1 Approved.

### 2. Matters Arising

2.1 The Secretary raised concern with the plan to adopt a WhatsApp group given the inherent data protection issues. The topic was discussed, and given that some members may choose not to publish their contact details leading to a divergent communication paths, it was agreed to abandon the plan. The Secretary to review the options of a Broadcast only option for the future.

### 3. Committee Membership

3.1 The Chair informed the Committee that a new subcommittee has been formed with the Coill Dubh Representative as Chair. The Environmental Subcommittee will have a particular focus on whether the Council has taken respective estates in charge. Any parties interested in joining or providing information to the Subcommittee should contact the Secretary.

### 4. Planning Report

4.1 PEL/001/23 MCD Promotions – Malahide Castle Concerts

4.1.1 The Chair informed the Committee of the planned upcoming concerts to be held in June. The Committee broadly welcomed the concerts, given how they were largely well run last year.

4.1.2 St Margaret's Road Representative noted that some of the exams would cross over with the junior and leaving certificate exams, and that increased management at the end of the night would be beneficial. The Chair accepted the point. The Forum to raise this point with the Council.

4.1.3 The Chair recommended that additional portaloos be provided this year. While the Castle seemed to have sufficient facilities within the boundary, the facilities outside, particularly around Castle Terrace and the train station were lacking. To be included within the letter to the Council.

4.2 F22A/0636 Garvagh Homes Limited - Larch Wood, Estuary Road

4.2.1 The Chair informed the Committee that the application had been refused.

4.3 F22A/0652 Garvagh Homes Limited - Wycliffe, Millview Road

4.3.1 The Chair informed the Committee that the Council had requested additional information (AI) on the proposal.

4.4 Retention Application to Rear of Gilbert & Wrights

4.4.1 The St Margaret's Road Representative brought the retention application to the rear of Gilbert & Wrights to the Committee's attention. The concern is that G&W will use this space in the future as an outdoor drinking area. The Chair suggested writing to the Council to request that similar time restrictions in place with other hospitality operators in the area be applied here too.

### 5. Works to Inbhir Ide & Inbhir Ide Drive at Pope John Pauls II

5.1 The Inbhir Ide Drive & Close Representative informed the Committee of planned works by the Council to the roads immediately beside PJPII. The Council has not engaged with

the local Residents Association, and requested support from the Forum. The Chair agreed that a letter be sent to the Council to support the residents request for engagement on the project.

**6. Airport Noise Update**

- 6.1 The Committee discussed the Kettles Presentation in respect of the divergent flight plans. The Chair advised that daa are clearly not using the new runway for easterly departures at present to avoid raising further opposition to its application for changes to the original planning conditions for the new runway. Situation to be monitored.

**7. Tidy Towns**

- 7.1 The Castle Terrace Representative informed the Committee that high levels of vandalism / damage to Tidy Towns initiatives. Recently planted boxes at the train station have been damaged or taken. The watering system has also been damaged, after only been recently repaired.
- 7.2 The Castle Terrace Representative reminded the Committee that volunteers are still required. Meet every Saturday at 10:30 at the train station.
- 7.3 The Inbhir Ide Drive & Close Representative queried who was responsible for the large planters along the Dublin Road. The Castle Terrace Representative confirmed that they were installed by the Council to stop cars illegally parking and doing the school drop offs.

**8. Neighbourhood Watch Report**

- 8.1 No update.

**9. Treasurers Report**

- 9.1 The Treasurer confirmed that there had been payments in the month from Coill Dubh and Seapark. Still chasing down some members.
- 9.2 Public Liability insurance of €320 paid.
- 9.3 Confirmed a balance of €8,995.

**9. AOB**

- 9.1 None.

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

- 10.1 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**11. Date of AGM**

- 11.1 Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 proposed, subject to availability of conference facility in Grand Hotel.