

Coastal Liaison Group

Meeting No. 5

31st May 2017

Conference Room, County Hall

Minutes

Representatives	Present	Apologies
Councillors	P. Mulville, B. Dennehy A. Henchy D. Healy	B. Martin
Community Representatives	H. Donovan P. O'Brien C. Sargent M. Deegan F. Price	R. Brett
Council Officials	K. Halpenny H. Visser	B. McClean G. Clabby S. Peppard

In attendance: Jackie Fowler (Staff Officer)

Mr. K. Halpenny noted apologies and informed the meeting of the recent resignation of Mr. P. Murphy (Community Representative for The Burrow Beach, Sutton). Mr. C. Sargent said that the Group had yet to meet both his and Mr. Murphy's expectations and he also questioned the benefit of attending meetings as they didn't particularly relate to The Burrow Beach, Sutton. Mr. K. Halpenny assured the members that there is no 'off shelf' approach to the issue and that the Group will continue to work to set priorities and address concerns in relation to Coastal Erosion/Coastal Flooding in Fingal.

1. Minutes of meetings held on the 22nd March 2017

The minutes of the meeting which had been circulated prior to the meeting were discussed.

Mr. C. Sargent noted that his attendance at the meeting were not noted in the minutes circulated and it was AGREED to amend the minutes to show his attendance.

Mr. M. Deegan asked that the minutes be amended to reflect that there were concerns that Rush North Beach was just one storm away from a serious threat to a number of properties. Following discussion it was AGREED to amend the minutes to reflect this.

Mr. F. Price asked if two items detailed in the minutes had been followed up on and these were the circulation of a note on the Process for Procurement and the request for the Water Services Department to provide a Report on the Rush WWTP.

Mr. K. Halpenny told the members that the Process for Procurement would be discussed later in the meeting under Item No. 4. With respect to the Report on the Rush WWTP, it was AGREED to follow up on this request.

2. Report on National Coastal Erosion Audit

Mr. H. Visser informed the Group that the draft report had been delayed and it had only been issued this afternoon.

It was noted that the report cannot be circulated to the Group as the draft has to be presented to the LGMA for their feedback and subsequent approval.

As soon as the report becomes publically available, it will be circulated to the Group.

3. Update on Community webpages for Coastal Flooding and Erosion in Fingal

Mr. K. Halpenny gave a brief demonstration of the new Fingal Coastal Liaison Group webpage which is available on <http://www.fingal.ie/planning-and-buildings/fingalcoastalliaisongroup/>.

The webpage provides information on the group and provides links to all relevant meeting documentation, reports and presentations. The Group was asked to submit any reports or suggestions for suitable web content to Ms. J. Fowler.

It was AGREED that the Webpage be added as an Item on the next meeting Agenda.

4. Progress Report on the briefing document for study on Coastal Flooding in their areas

Mr. K. Halpenny informed the Group as no submissions had been received during the procurement process for the briefing document, it was now behind schedule.

Mr. K. Halpenny informed the Group that Fingal County Council will now work with the Office of Public Works in preparing a detailed briefing document and it is expected that a consultant will be in place by the end of July to prepare the detailed Tender Document.

Mr. K. Halpenny stated that this will not just be another study; it will also deliver a robust Work Programme which will propose options, solutions and examine viability. It will endeavour when identifying possible solutions to pin down the 'methodology' in so far as possible. The study will examine the funding options available.

The Briefing Document will be circulated to the Group when it is finalised.

5. Date/Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 30th August, 2017 at 4.00 p.m. in County Hall, Swords.

Any other business

Mr. C. Sargent asked that 'Matter Arising from the Minutes' be added to subsequent agendas and this was AGREED.

CHAIRPERSON

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