



Minutes for Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Meeting for Planning

Held on MS Teams 21st January, 2021

Present (Councillor and PPN members)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. T. Phelan (Chair) • Cllr. L. Brazil • Cllr. T. Cronin • Cllr D. Daniels • Cllr. S. Power • Cllr. E. Quinlan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donal Lehane • John Galloway • Mary O'Halloran • Niall Harrington • Sean Carey
	Also in Attendance : Kevin Lynch, Southern Regional Assembly	
Present (WCCC Officials)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Quinn • L. McGee • S. Doran • H. O'Brien • J. Hawkes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D. Quinn • V. O'Shea • L. Liversage • D. Purcell
Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. J. Tobin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Heffernan

Item No.	Decisions Taken	Responsibility/Action/When?
1. Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of Meeting (27th November 2020) were proposed by Cllr D. Daniels, seconded by Cllr. T. Cronin and agreed. 	Adopted minutes to be published on website.
2. Matters arising and updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. T. Phelan (Chair) expressed condolences and votes of sympathy to Cllr. J. Tobin and family on the recent bereavement of the late Anne Tobin on behalf of the Planning SPC. • Niall Harrington wished to point out that he did not agree with John Spain's findings in the Draft City & County Retail Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be noted in minutes • It was agreed that Retail Strategy would be put on Agenda for next meeting
3. Presentation by Southern Regional Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kevin Lynch, Assistant Director/Senior Planner, Southern Regional Assembly gave a presentation on Regional Spatial & Economic Strategies and Waterford MASP giving an overview of the Southern Regional Assembly role, the role of Regional Spatial & Economic Strategies, role of National Policy and role of Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan for Waterford. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to be circulated to all members by email – sent 21/1/21
4. Presentation by PPN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donal Lehane gave a presentation for Waterford PPN to Planning SPC concerning the submission of the Development Plan regarding rural villages and communities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to be circulated to all members by email – sent 21/1/21
5. Review of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hugh O'Brien, Executive Planner gave a presentation on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to be circulated



National Development Plan	the Review of the National Development Plan. Outlining the Strategic Framework for Public Capital Investment to 2030 – the Strategic Investment Priorities, the aims and relevant issues for the review and renew, public capital investment, focus of investment, capital investment current priorities and issues for inclusion in submission	to all members by email – sent 21/1/21
6. Issues from Committee Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns regarding rural areas declining and problems with Irish Water 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> L McGree informed members that work is already underway with cross interdepartmental meetings having taken place and are ongoing
7. Issues from PPN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In reference to submissions for National Planning Framework Funding as the Chamber, WIT & Council all making separate submissions, it was felt that it would be better to all work together and make one overall submission 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Niall Harrington to forward Chambers submission to L. McGree and it was agreed that if anyone else wants to make submission send to H O'Brien before the end of the week</i>
8. AOB	None arising	
Date/time next meeting	The proposed date for the next meeting is TBC – suggested early March 2021	ALL Agenda Inclusion Deadline is - 7days from meeting