



**Minutes for Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Meeting for (Transportation & Infrastructure)**

**Held on Zoom on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021**

<b>Present (Councillor and PPN members)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr John O’Leary (Chair)</li> <li>• Cllr Jim Griffin</li> <li>• Cllr Jody Power</li> <li>• Cllr Joe Kelly</li> <li>• Cllr Declan Doocey</li> <li>• Cllr Joe Conway</li> <li>• Cllr. Mary Roche</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Marian Walsh</li> <li>• Ms. Elaine Mullan</li> <li>• Mr. Farid Ahmad Mohamman</li> <li>• Mr. Jim Farnan</li> <li>• Thomas Holden</li> </ul>
<b>Present (WCCC Officials)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fergus Galvin DOS</li> <li>• Gabriel Hynes SE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nicola Keating SEE</li> <li>• Aideen Jacob AO</li> </ul>
<b>Apologies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Seamus O’Donnell</li> </ul>	

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Decisions Taken</b>	<b>Responsibility/Action/When?</b>
1.Approval of minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of Meeting dated 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021 were proposed by Cllr Jim Griffin, seconded by Cllr John O’Leary</li> </ul>	Adopted minutes to be published on website and added to Decision Time
2.Matters arising and updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J. Farnan looked for an update on Bus Connects City Plan – F. Galvin said that we won’t see sight of the plan until next year and that our role is minimal at this stage. NTA confirmed Waterford not included on Webinar until 2023.</li> <li>• J. Griffin raised issue of cancellation of bus services by Bus Eireann due to Covid and resources and asked if SPC could issue letter to highlight the concerns and request warning/notice.</li> </ul>	A. Jacob
3.NTA - Connecting Ireland Public Consultation Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• F. Galvin outlined the public consultation process circulated by NTA. Process is now open for submissions and dates for public webinars have been circulated.</li> </ul>	
4. Active Travel – Presentation by James Murray SE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• James Murray SE made a detailed presentation to the Committee on the current work of the Active Travel Team, funding arrangements and planned works for 2022. This includes developing a portfolio of future potential schemes - particularly in respect to permeability schemes which are enabling projects and developing a delivery strategy for major schemes. Some questions and discussion followed.</li> </ul>	A. Jacob to circulate a copy of the presentation to all.



5. Issues from PPN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Waterford Cycling Plan – process put in place to get more information circulated to own committees. Work progressing on a decarbonising zone, community engagement and wider buy-in. Application to EU on smart cities funding which is a major piece of work to be completed.</li><li>• Metropolitan Transport Plan – the first draft is being prepared for early new year and there will be a much wider consultation early 2022 online. The initial draft will come before SPC and Council.</li><li>• Active Travel Scheme – earlier presentation refers.</li><li>• City Bikes Scheme – progressing with 5 docking stations to be in place prior to Christmas and more to follow early new year. Map with changes to be circulated.</li><li>• A query on eScooters was raised and F. Galvin said that new draft legislation has been issued.</li><li>• WMATS – F. Galvin said that this is a high level document identifying key transport corridors , key modes of travel including park and ride with options to increase parking charges etc from which plans will be developed.</li></ul>	F. Galvin
6..Issues from SPC Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cllr Conway raised the issue of the lack of roadworks on urban streets, secondary and estate roads calling for the SPC to put this matter to the forefront. G. Hynes said that resources are allocated based on priority of need but that estate roads can be included in the RWP on a phased basis. He pointed out that the current allocation is inadequate but the final decision on the RWP would be a matter for the District Council. F. Galvin added that the allocation has essentially shrunk each year in the last 10 years and that local roads are funded from our own resources. Cllr Kelly asked if a funding comparison can be included for the RWP meeting in 2022.</li></ul>	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nicola Keating, SEE was welcomed to the meeting replacing Barbara Stosic who has moved to the Active Travel Team. Barbara was thanked for her contribution to the SPC and the Traffic Mangement role and the recently completed work on the Doneraile. The committee wished her well in her new role.</li></ul>	
Date/time next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposed date for the next meeting will be early February, 2022, to be notified at a later date. Members should send on any agenda items they wish to raise in advance.</li></ul>	<b>ALL Agenda Inclusion Deadline is -7 days from meeting</b>