



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

COMMUNITY & PLACEMAKING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Community & Placemaking S.P.C. hosted in the Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk on Thursday 12th December 2024 at 4pm.

- Present:** Cllr. Robbie Nash (Chair), Garreth Weldon, Cllr. Fiona Mhic Choincille, Kevin Moran, Miriam McGuill, Cllr. Michelle Hall, Cllr. Shane McGuinness, Lorna Costello (Remote)
- Officials:** David Jones – Director of Services, William Walsh- S.E.O., Olivia McCormack-S.E.O., Michelle Curran-A.O., Sinead McVerry-A.O., Mark Johnston-Senior Engineer (Remote).
- Apologies:** Cllr. Paddy McQuillan, Aaron Karol Pundol, Finbar Gethins-S.E.O.

1. Welcome & Introductions

Cllr. Robbie Nash as Chairperson of S.P.C. welcomed everyone to today's meeting and commenced the round table introductions.

2. Standing Orders

- Standing Orders as already adopted by County Councillors and referenced all SPC members to Pages 20-23.
- SPC Meeting Quorum is 4 members present of which 3 must be elected officials. In the event that chairperson is unable to attend a meeting, another elected member may chair the meeting.
- Standing Orders include the function of the S.P.C. as formulation, development, monitoring and review of policy. The committee must meet a minimum of 4 times per annum and all meetings will be hybrid with alternating meeting times and location venues in Dundalk, Drogheda and Ardee.

3. Role & Scope of Strategic Policy Committee

Discussion points included;

- Previous achievements over last few years
- creating a wellness policy to incorporate into all existing and new policies
- encourage wellness inclusivity into all policies
- play and recreation policy
- Reminder the L.E.C.P. Presentation to PPN Representatives will be on 13th January 2025.

4. Work Programme 2025

- Management of Construction Works in Public Realm
- Play Policy 2025
- Litter League
- Age Friendly Strategy
- Immigration Strategy
- Traffic Calming Policy 2015
- Parks & Open Spaces Bye-Laws
- Urban Speed Limit Review
- Road Safety Plan 2025

5. Date for next Meeting

Dates of upcoming meetings for 2025 agreed by all present as follows with time and venue for later dates to be agreed:

Thursday March 27th 2025 at 3pm in Drogheda Venue.

Thursday June 26th 2025

Thursday September 25th 2025

Thursday December 11th 2025

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Minutes confirmed at SPC meeting held on: 27th MARCH 2025.

Signed by Chairperson: Michelle Hall (Deputy)