

COMMUNITY & PLACEMAKING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

MONDAY 23RD MARCH 2026, 2.30PM, COUNTY HALL, DUNDALK.

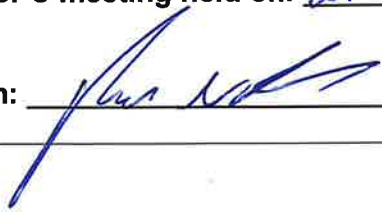
Present: Cllr. Robbie Nash (Chair), Miriam McGuill, Cllr. Shane McGuinness, Kevin Moran, Cllr. Fiona Mhic Conchoille, Aaron Karol Pundol(online).

Officials: David Jones-Director of Services, Joanna Kelly-A/Director of Services, Colette Moss-Senior Executive Officer, Bryan Coughlan-Senior Executive Officer, Mark Johnston-Senior Engineer, Michelle Curran-Administrative Officer, Graham Russell-LSP Sports Coordinator, Sinead McVerry-Administrative Officer, Grainne Fogarty-Senior Staff Officer, Colin Matthews-Executive Engineer.

Apologies: Cllr. Michelle Hall, Cllr. Paddy McQuillan, Garreth Weldon, Lorna Costello.

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action
1.	<u>Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 11th December 2025</u> - The minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th December 2025 were agreed. Proposed by Cllr. McGuinness, seconded by Cllr. Mhic Conchoille <u>Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 3rd March 2026</u> - The minutes of the special meeting held on 3rd March 2026 were agreed. Proposed by Cllr. Nash, seconded by Cllr. McGuinness.
2.	<u>Louth Outdoor Recreation Plan</u> It was noted that the Louth Outdoor Recreation Plan was previously presented to the members of the Committee with a number of amendments to the Draft Plan made following points raised by the Committee. The changes to the Draft Louth Outdoor Recreation Plan were clearly high-lighted for members information, and it was recommended that the Committee proceed to approve same and for document to go forward to the next meeting of Louth County Council for adoption with the Committee's endorsement. The draft documents were agreed by members present and the matter to proceed for consideration by full Council in April, with a view to final adoption. Proposed by K.Moran, seconded by Cllr. McGuinness.

3.	<u>Louth Play Policy</u> It was noted that the Louth Play Policy was previously presented to the members of the Committee with a number of amendments to the Draft Policy made following points raised by the Committee. The changes to the Draft Louth Play Policy were clearly highlighted for members information, and it was recommended that the Committee proceed to approve same and for document to go forward to the next meeting of Louth County Council for adoption with the Committee's endorsement. The draft documents were agreed by members present and the matter to proceed for consideration by full Council in April, with a view to final adoption. Proposed by K.Moran, seconded by Cllr. Mhic Conchoille
4.	<u>Louth Sports Plan</u> It was noted that the Louth Sports Plan was previously presented to the members of the Committee with a number of amendments to the Draft Plan made following points raised by the Committee. The changes to the Draft Louth Sports Plan were clearly high-lighted for members information, and it was recommended that the Committee proceed to approve same and for document to go forward to the next meeting of Louth County Council for adoption with the Committee's endorsement. The draft documents were agreed by members present and the matter to proceed for consideration by full Council in April, with a view to final adoption. Proposed by Cllr. Nash, seconded by Cllr. McGuinness.
5.	<u>Age Friendly Strategy</u> A presentation was provided on the finalised Louth Age Friendly Strategy, which included reference to Vision, Goals and Objectives, Strategic Themes, Strategy Development, Strategy Interventions, Implementation, Monitoring and Review. The Strategy was welcomed by members present noting that the Age Friendly agenda has been very successful in the County. Areas highlighted by members present as being of importance to older persons included housing and rightsizing opportunities, transport, social inclusion and creating connections.
6.	<u>Urban Speed Limit Review</u> An update was provided in relation to the current status of the urban speed limit review and next steps in the process. It was noted that a non-statutory consultation had already taken place and feedback from same has informed the draft bye laws that will be published as part of the statutory process. Workshops on the proposed urban speed limit changes are to be held for elected members per Municipal District. It is intended that the review process will be complete and Special Speed Limit Byelaws adopted by full Council by year end.
7.	<u>A.O.B.</u> • Queries raised about Bus Stops and Shelters and members advised these are appointed by NTA within allocated funding.

	• Regarding Under 16 ban for operation of an E-Scooter, members were advised that parental responsibility for allowing same and AGS to enforce. • Cemeteries Bye-Laws Update – members were advised the Draft Cemetery Bye-Laws will be brought before the SPC at June 2026 meeting for their review.
	This concluded the business of the meeting. Minutes confirmed at SPC meeting held on: <u>21-09-2026</u> Signed by Chairperson: <u></u>

