



## Minutes

### St. Margaret's Community Liaison Group

**Date:** Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
**Time:** 7.00pm  
**Location:** Radisson Hotel, Dublin Airport  
**Meeting No:** 18

**Attendees:**

Name	Organisation	Initial
Danny O'Hare	CLG Chairperson	DOH
Angela Flynn	CLG Secretariat (daa)	AFN
Matthew McAleese	Fingal County Council	MMA
Mary Grogan	St Margaret's The Ward Residents Group	MG
Alvean Finnegan	St Margaret's The Ward Residents Group	AF
Grainne O'Reilly	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	GOR
Brendan O'Donoghue	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	BOD
Paddy Finnegan	St Margaret's GAA Club	PF
Sean Costello	St Margaret's N.S.	SC
Raymond Fox	Irish Farmers Association	RF
Siobhan O'Donnell	daa	SOD
Miriam Ryan	daa	MR



Introduction	Action Owner
<p>Chair welcomed attendees to meeting</p> <p>SOD thanked members for agreeing to a change of date for the meeting; she also expressed sympathies to the group, on behalf of daa, on the passing of Joe McDonnell</p>	
1. Approval of Minutes	Action Owner
<p>Chair requested approval of Meeting Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> February 2019; Minutes approved and signed by Chair</p>	
2. Fingal County Council Update	Action Owner
<p>MMA provided an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fingal County Council Operations Department has conducted road improvement works on a number of local roads in St. Margaret's and the surrounding areas; litter picking in the area was also conducted and is ongoing</li> <li>Operations Department was not aware of uncompleted works on Dunbro Lane; GOR stated that road re-surfacing was not completed on one half of the Lane; MMA advised that he would ask Operations to check this area</li> <li>Draft Local Area Plan is due for publication in June; it is proposed that the Plan be brought to local Councillors in Q3 for approval</li> <li>There will be another St. Margaret's workshop towards the end of April in County Hall; MG suggested that a local venue be considered for the workshop</li> </ul> <p>A number of queries raised in response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF stated that the community conducted litter picking in the Coolquay area recently; she queried how regularly litter picking is undertaken by the Council and whether bins could be placed at the local bus stops in the area; MMA advised that he would put these queries to the relevant departments</li> <li>MG queried if the footpath at the back of Newtown Cottages, down to the N2 would be finished; MMA stated that this is not in the Capital Plan, but residents should speak to their local representative about this to try and get it onto the Capital Plan in the future</li> <li>GOR queried if the bottle bank that was removed from the back of the airport could be replaced; MMA advised that he would check</li> </ul>	<p>Fingal County Council</p> <p>Fingal County Council</p> <p>Fingal County Council</p>
3. daa Update	Action Owner
<p>SOD presented the update from daa</p> <p>Some debate ensued regarding air quality monitoring around the airport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PF noted that he would be interested to see a calculation of the fuel consumption of aircraft during taxiing and take-off, as this would be indicative of the potential impact on air quality</li> </ul>	



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MR noted that this proposal had been discussed at length at the previous meeting</li> <li>• MR noted that air quality diffusion tubes, based at 10 sites all around the airport, are sent to an external lab for independent analysis; the results are publicly reported on the Dublin Airport website and results are routinely well below the threshold for adverse effects</li> <li>• RF stated that there is a smell of fuel and rubber in the area, which raises questions for residents regarding the air quality</li> <li>• MR noted that air quality and odours will also be assessed as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report that will accompany the submission to the noise regulator in due course</li> <li>• PF stated that it is incumbent on Fingal County Council to take steps to protect the local environment; it was suggested that the Council consider a tax to offset the effects of emissions; MMA noted that taxation was a matter for central Government</li> <li>• MR stated that Dublin Airport is targeting Carbon Neutral status by 2020 and is part of the Airport Carbon Accreditation programme</li> <li>• Chair suggested that, given the continued strong community interest in air quality and related matters, that daa and FCC should consider facilitating further discussions on these issues with relevant experts in attendance; daa and FCC stated that they would discuss the issues separately with their relevant colleagues and revert to the CLG in due course</li> </ul> <p><b>Chair</b> queried why the St. Margaret’s The Ward group required such detailed flight information from Dublin Airport (with reference to a written query received on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019); AF advised that she will investigate and revert to the group with the reasoning</p> <p><b>MG</b> clarified that the St. Margaret’s and The Ward group required two large scale maps of the insulation contours overlaid on a satellite map; MR stated that these will be provided</p> <p><b>MG</b> stated that the there has been a delay in Dublin Airport addressing noise complaints; SOD stated that there has been a recent influx of noise complaints from a particular location and every complaint goes through a time consuming, thorough process before a response can be provided but every complainant does get a response</p> <p><b>MG</b> queried if flights deviate from their flight paths; SOD stated flights deviate for a number of reasons but is mainly due to safety reasons; she stated that she would request that the IAA and the Noise Flight Track Monitoring Manager come to a CLG meeting to present in more detail on this issue</p> <p><b>GOR</b> stated that it was disappointing that CLG members weren’t informed of the sod turning event for North Runway at the last CLG meeting; SOD stated that daa was asked to keep the event low key by the relevant Government departments</p> <p><b>PF</b> and <b>GOR</b> thanked daa for the funds provided to St. Margaret’s GAA Club through the Dublin Airport Community Fund</p>	<p><b>daa / Fingal County Council</b></p> <p><b>St. Margaret’s The Ward Residents Group</b></p> <p><b>daa</b></p> <p><b>daa</b></p>
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<p><b>MG</b> stated that those included in the insulation scheme wanted air circulation ventilation systems installed and not acoustic vents; MR advised that daa already provided the CLG with a written statement of its position on this issue</p> <p><b>BOD</b> stated that he would like a response from Dublin Airport on a land query; MR advised that she would follow up</p>	<p><b>daa</b></p>
<p><b>4. Update from Residents</b></p>	<p><b>Action Owner</b></p>
<p><b>RF</b> queried if Fingal County Council had bought houses in the St. Margaret's area; MMA advised that he would ask the Housing Department</p>	<p><b>Fingal County Council</b></p>
<p><b>5. Dublin Airport Planning Applications</b></p>	<p><b>Action Owner</b></p>
<p><b>MMA</b> presented information on the Dublin Airport planning applications received by Fingal County Council since the last CLG meeting in February</p>	
<p><b>6. Chairperson Meetings</b></p>	<p><b>Action Owner</b></p>
<p><b>Chair</b> advised that there have been no additional meetings with individual members of the CLG or third parties.</p>	
<p><b>7. AOB</b></p>	<p><b>Action Owner</b></p>
<p><b>AFN</b> queried if it would be agreeable to the group to reduce the amount of printed paper being used for meetings; group agreed to the use of electronic versions of Agenda and Minutes and printed copies of presentation materials</p>	

**Next Scheduled CLG Meeting:**  
30<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
7.00pm – 9.00pm  
Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin Airport