

SANDYMOUNT & MERRION RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (SAMRA)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date : 17th October 2017; 7:00pm

Venue : Sandy Mount Hotel

Attendees :

Joan MacArthur (Chair)

Irene Lynch

Lorna Kelly

Paddy Dunne

Finian Loftus

Fergus Murray

Dave Turner (Secretary)

Dave Madden

AGENDA :

1. Adoption of Minutes (22-09-17)
2. PREVIOUS KEY ACTIONS UPDATES
3. Waste Treatment Plant – Overview (DMadden)
4. AGM Preparation
5. AOB

NOTES OF MEETING

1.0 MINUTES – 22-09-17 (Adopted – no further comments)

2.0 PREVIOUS ACTIONS UPDATES

- **Sandymount Coastal Flood Defence Scheme** – Phase 1 (Part 8 Proposal) :
Letter sent outlining SAMRA position – CLOSED
- Website Status – OUTSTANDING
- **Poolbeg West Draft Planning Scheme** - minuted action superceded and formal Letter of Appeal lodged with Bord Pleanala
- **Poolbeg Incinerator – Emissions monitoring** – letter sent to EPA CLOSED
- **Poolbeg Incinerator – Construction Site Proposed Further use by Irish Water** – monitoring and active correspondence ONGOING

3.0 WASTE TREATMENT PLANT – Overview (Dave Madden)

DISCUSSION

- Odours are the biggest problem (North Wind)
- Concern that SAMRA objection exists formally on Irish Water Website to a 9Km pipeline. This was actually the outcome of a “Supreme Court Decision” in 2014 and the record needs to be corrected. *Action to be assigned*
- Current proposal is to build an extended Ringsend Plan – using new filtration techniques, used by 0.5m pop, with an actual population of 1.6m.

- There does not appear to be a viable solution to resolve the capacity need, which is a grave concern for SAMRA, which is endeavouring to give full support.
- **ACTION (Dave Madden)** : 1) Letter to Irish Water to explain our concerns and request that we (a) visit IW or (b) have IW overview at SAMRA EC meeting

4.0 MERRION STRAND TRAFFIC – Discussion

- **Status** : Permit required for over 4-Axle Vehicles for hours 07:00-19:00. NO NIGHT-TIME BAN
 - SAMRA – request to understand the rules ie :
 - Weight Limit
 - Size Limit
 - Speed Limit
 - Access Times
 - How does Permit System work
 - How do we enforce
- ACTION : Dave Turner to pursue with DCC Traffic Department

5.0 AGM PREPARATION – Deferred to next EC Meeting

6.0 AOB – New Item

- Next Meeting : Lorna Kelly to bring a map of the Poolbeg Peninsula and overview with SAMRA EC, educating on the (1) Existing Land Useage and (2) Proposed Land Useage. To link the relevance of this to SAMRA interest and influence. ACTION : LK + DT to prepare material.

6. STATEMENT 22/09 : RE-STATEMENT OF KEY ISSUES OF CONCERN

- **Poolbeg Incinerator Monitoring**
- **Poolbeg SDZ Appeal**
- **Merrion Road Traffic density** and non-compliance with speed limits, is leading to aggressive behaviour and is a potential predecessor to a serious accident
- **Sewage and Water contamination** levels on Merrion/Sandymount Beach areas

NEXT MEETING : Tuesday 14th November, 7:00pm, Sandymount Hotel

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