

# SANDYMOUNT & MERRION RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (SAMRA)

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**Date** : 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018; 7:30 pm

**Venue** : Sandy Mount Hotel

### Attendees :

Joan MacArthur (Chair)

Irene Lynch

Lorna Kelly

Liam Handy

Paddy Dunne

Dave Turner (Secretary)

Apologies : none

### AGENDA :

1. Adoption of EC Meeting Minutes (01-05-18)
2. ACTIONS Update – previous business
3. NEW BUSINESS :
  - a. Aviva Funding
4. AOB

### NOTES OF MEETING

1.0 EC Meeting Minutes 01/05/18 – Adopted, no modifications required

3.0 ACTIONS UPDATES – as per below

- **Website Status** – there was discussion of the proposal received and previously forwarded to all, from Geraldine Walsh (121IT Computer Training and Consultancy; www.121it.ie). It was agreed that this appears to meet our needs and will enable SAMRA to move forwards on the existing foundation. Dave Lang has been contacted and agreed to meet up with Geraldine to provide key information, to achieve the handover.  
*New Action : Dave T – to connect with Geraldine and Dave L and get this support initiated. Email exchange ongoing*
- **Poolbeg Incinerator – Construction Site Proposed Further use by Irish Water** – monitoring and active correspondence **ONGOING** (Lorna Kelly)  
*New Action : LK to write to EPA and Dublin Dock Board requesting guidance on how to enforce return of the land to previous use, beyond the temporary provisions which were granted during the incinerator construction period*
- **Waste Treatment Plant** – Agreed to gather previous related actions and transfer to Lorna Kelly.  
*Update status : Meeting has been set up for 11:00 12th July at Sandymount Hotel when Irish Water will overview the new Strategic*

*Infrastructure Development planning application Irish Water submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 6th June 2018 for upgrades to the Ringsend wastewater treatment plant between the Ringsend Upgrade Project Team with representatives of SAMRA.*

- **Merrion Strand Traffic** – ACTION Finian Loftus

**OUTCOME – EC decision to lobby councillors on Heavy Lorry Traffic Control : ONGOING Action Finian Loftus**

*BACKGROUND : Responses received from 3 out of the 11 Councillors (tba ? /Dermot Lacey-Labour /Claire Byrne-Green)  
Conclusion : detailed discussion on options available and agreed  
REQUEST has been made for the planned June Traffic Assessment scope to be expanded beyond just speed and to include size and weight – a key factor on the concerns and damage occurring*

- **PWP Scheme** – SAMRA position paper was returned by the Inspector, despite his own proposal to submit. The ABP decision is due to be made 01/08/2018
- **Poolbeg Incinerator Monitoring (Emergency Procedures) :**

*Hi David,*

*The EPA has received DWtE revised emergency response procedure (ERP) since Patrick Byrne's email to you on 02/05/2018. I have attached a copy of the ERP for your information.*

*Both Patrick and I will be available to host a meeting in the EPA office Dublin and I would appreciate if you could provide possible dates and agenda.*

*With regards,  
Thomas*

*Thomas Sexton | Industrial Enforcement Team Lead  
Office of Environmental Enforcement | Environmental Protection Agency*

*New Actions : (1) to forward across SAMRA EC (DT) (2) Develop position (ALL) (3) to set up EPA/SAMRA meeting (action DT)*

- **Flood Risk** : Drain cleaning schedules are being received BUT Question re-sent to Dermot Lacey regarding priorities and bottlenecks of drain cleaning.
- Poolbeg Peninsula Tour : Many thanks to Lorna Kelly for “Guiding Services” !
- ROSLYN PRIMARY SCHOOL, Roslyn Park House  
Planning Application # 4023/17, submitted 21/01/17 and APPROVED 26/01/18  
DISCUSSION : Concluded that SAMRA unable to influence current status of planning further

#### **4.0 NEW BUSINESS**

- AVIVA funding not available for website support service. *Action Joan : to establish what is possible*
- Sewage Plant Odours : Direct Complaints to be made to : 1-800-242739 and Irish Water 1-850-278 278
- Proposal to synchronise SAMRA updates with NEWS4 release *New Action : Irene to determine publication dates*

- *Gilford Terrace Tram Terminus – (very pretty unique) – SAMRA supports status quo and supports a request for a “Preservation Order” Action JMacA*
- *Lamp-Post repair (Sandymount Park Avenue) – in very poor condition. Action : LK to send letter to DCC, cc Dermot Lacey*
- *Pedestrian Crossing at Sandymount Green : Action FL to mke formal request*
- *Roddy’s Yard – should SAMRA raise a P.O. ?? Action LK*

**5.0 AOB**

- Proposed future agenda item : Internal discussion of synergy and alignment between SAMRA and STTCA *could be beneficial.*
- ACTION : Dave T to forward the STTCA 2017/18 Annual report for information

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**STATEMENT 06/06/18 : RE-STATEMENT OF KEY PRIORITIES**

1. **Poolbeg Incinerator Monitoring and Abnormal Conditions Readiness**
2. **Poolbeg West Planning Appeal**
3. **Merrion Road Traffic : Lack of Clarity on Planning Direction**
4. **Sewage and Water contamination levels on Merrion/Sandymount Beach areas**
5. **ROSLYN PARK SCHOOL**

**NEXT EC MEETING : Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 7:30pm, Sandymount Hotel**

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