



Southern Regional Assembly

13th January 2023, 12:00pm

Assembly House, Waterford and via GoToMeeting

Minutes

Presiding: Cllr. Oliver Walsh, Cathaoirleach.

Present: Cllr. Dan Boyle, Cllr. Tom Cronin, Cllr. Thomas Phelan, Cllr. Michael O'Shea, Cllr. Shelia O'Callaghan, Cllr. Terry Shannon, Cllr. Ken Murnane and Cllr Robert Beasley.

Remote Attendance via GoToMeeting: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness, Cllr. Pip Breen, Cllr. Sean O'Connor, Cllr. Maura Bell, Cllr. Gillian Coughlan, Cllr. PJ Kelly, Cllr. Alan O'Callaghan, Cllr. Thomas Kinsella, Cllr. Michael Murphy, Cllr. Kieran McCarthy, Cllr. Michael O'Meara, Cllr. John Brennan, Cllr. Gerard Murphy, Cllr. John Sheahan, Cllr. Deirdre O'Brien, Cllr. Noel Coonan, Cllr. Séamus Cosáí Fitzgerald, Cllr. Conor D McGuinness, Cllr. Michael Collins, Cllr. Siobhan Ambrose, Cllr. Joe Carroll, Cllr. Conor D McGuinness, Cllr. Deirdre Forde, Cllr. Garret Kelleher.

Apologies: None.

Officials Present: David Kelly, Kevin Lynch, Enda Hogan, Dominic Walsh, Robert Fennelly, Brigh Ryan, Karen Coughlan, Marie Harnett, Breda Curran, Samantha Richardson, Anna Higgins, Maria Murphy.

Officials Remote Attendance via GoToMeeting: Michael Buckley, Rose Power, Sarah Davoren, Lisa Moran, Áine Whelan, Eve Hayden. Elayne McDonnell, Yvonne Cooney.

External Presenters Attendance via GoToMeeting: Karina Fitzgerald, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH), Juliet Fitzpatrick, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH), Terence Connolly, Eastern Midland Regional Assembly (EMRA).

A record of attendance was taken by means of roll call.

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of Cllr. Davy Daniels of Waterford City & County Council who passed away.

1. Adoption of Minutes of Meeting held on 09th December

The Members adopted the minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2022, proposed by Cllr. Michael O'Shea and seconded by Cllr. Robert Beasley.

2. Matters Arising

None.

3. Update on Marine Planning – Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)

David Kelly introduced Karina Fitzgerald and Juliet Fitzpatrick from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) who gave a presentation update (copy available) on Marine Planning.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr. Boyle, Cllr. O'Callaghan, Cllr. McCarthy, Cllr. O'Shea, Cllr. Forde and Cllr. Kelly.

4. EU Just Transition Fund for Ireland - Eastern Midland Regional Assembly (EMRA)

David Kelly introduced Terence Connolly, Eastern Midland Regional Assembly (EMRA) who gave a presentation (copy available) on EU Just Transition Fund for Ireland. A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr. O'Meara.

5. Update on Southern Smart Region Launch

Karen Coughlan, Southern Regional Assembly gave an update on the Southern Smart Region launch taking place on Wednesday, 18th January. A reminder email inviting Members to register for the launch event will be issued on Friday afternoon.

6. Any Other Business

The following points were raised:

David Kelly reminded Members that the Association of Irish Regions: Regions in Focus 2023, Regional Seminar and Training Event is being held in the Four Seasons Hotel, Monaghan from the 7th to 9th of February 2023. He asked Members to register and to circulate amongst their colleagues.

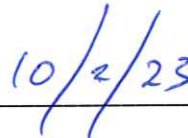
7. Date of Next Meeting

Friday, 10th February 2023 in-person and online.

Signed: _____


Cllr. Oliver Walsh
Cathaoirleach

Date: _____





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