

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting	Resident Project Monitoring Committee
Date	19 February 2026
Time	6.30pm
Venue	NCH Boardroom and Microsoft Teams

Present

Name	Company	Initial
Peter Finnegan	Chair, Residents PMC	PF
Rhonda Evans	Communications Manager, NPHDB	RE
Phelim Devine	Project Director, NPHDB	PD
Billy Murphy	Community Facilitator	BMU
Mary Kearney	Residents Representative	MK
Jean Early	Residents Representative	JE
Damien Farrell	Residents Representative	DF
Brenda Meehan	Residents Representative	BM
Cllr Ciaran O'Meachair	Dublin City Council, South Central Area	COM
Barry McKenna	Sustainability Manager, St James's Hospital	BMcK
Cara Kavanagh	Communications Manager, Children's Health Ireland	CK
Julia Lewis	Transformation Director, Children's Health Ireland	JL
Shane Russel	Deputy CEO, Children's Health Ireland	SR
James Burke	National Transport Authority	JB
Anthony Sheedy	National Transport Authority	AS
Elaine O'Rourke (Minutes)	NPHDB	EOR

Apologies

Bruce Phillips	Dublin City Council
Cllr Ammar Ali	Dublin City Council, South Central Area
Siobhan Geoghegan	Residents Representative
George Ray	Residents Representative

Minutes to be copied to:

Dan Watkins	Residents Representative
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	Introduction	PF introduced the meeting and the noted the agenda.	NOTE
1.0	Matters Arising	Matters arising will be raised during the meeting.	
2.0	Mobility Management Update from SJH	• BMcK of SJH updated the committee on the mobility management strategy for the SJH Campus. • Refer to the presentation which accompany these minutes for full details.	

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		• BMcK noted the successful highlights of the strategy to date, which includes: ❖ Successful Implementation of a Mobility Management Plan (MMP) ❖ 45% decrease in staff commuting by car ❖ Corresponding reduction in demand for parking ❖ Public transport usage has increased by 140%. ❖ Cycling increased by 50%. ❖ Significant increase in bike parking – 300 additional secure bike parking spaces ❖ Smartertravel Mark – Gold Medal / Active Travel Award • Ongoing plans for active travel were noted. • An update was provided on the public transport links for the campus. • The 2024 SJH Staff travel survey results were noted. • BMcK provided an update on future plans for mobility management, which includes: ❖ Ongoing implementation of the Mobility Management Plan ❖ Carsharing - Agreement signed with Kinto and launch to follow. ❖ Close the campus to through traffic ❖ Parking management strategy ❖ Charging for Ecars ❖ Staff travel survey / traffic survey ❖ Memorial Square works, to include: ○ Provision of additional bus stops on campus to accommodate the increased frequency of services ○ Redirect buses around the square ○ Enhanced public realm ○ Additional “Cycle Hub” • Resident Reps requested that when the next traffic survey for the campus was taking place, if the surrounding roads could be considered as part of the survey. BMcK agreed to review this request but noted that the roads outside the campus come under the remit of DCC and any survey would need to be agreed with them. • Resident Reps also requested that when the new bus stops are being added, to ensure that they are sheltered. BMcK noted he considered this a must for the campus and is following up. • A discussion took place in relation to access through the campus once the NCHI opens. It was noted that through access across the campus will become restricted around the time the NCHI opens. Local residents will be notified when this will be due to come into effect. Resident Rep’s requested that consideration be given to local residents to allow them access through the campus if the number plate recognition system is put in place. SJH/CHI advised they would consider this request and any other proposed solutions for residents once	

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		the tender for the car park operator is complete and recognition system is agreed. • PD noted that in accordance with planning conditions the campus will be closed for through traffic except for emergency services. Visitors to the hospital will need to leave through the entrance they arrived in. Any change would need to be resubmitted to An Bord Pleanála for approval. • A broader discussion will be required with DCC with regard to the changes to the roads surrounding the hospital that will affect residents when campus access is restricted.	
3.0	BusConnects and Implications	• JB and AS of the NTA updated on the BusConnects Infrastructure Project. • Refer to the presentation which accompany these minutes for full details. • It was noted the goal of the BusConnects Dublin programme is to provide a better, more reliable and more efficient bus service for everyone. To do this, an integrated array of projects need to be implemented concurrently. • The aims and objectives of the core bus corridors were noted. • The Liffey Valley to City Centre scheme is the first of 12 core bus corridors to begin construction in the Greater Dublin Area. The scheme totals 18.4 kilometres of bus priority in both directions, aiming to include provision of the necessary, bus, cycle and walking infrastructure enhancements. • The scheme will begin at Fonthill Road and will continue south towards Coldcut road, through Ballyfermot village and onto Sarsfield Road. The scheme then continues through Grattan Crescent, Emmet Road, and James's Street before reaching Thomas Street and High Street. From High Street, it will join the existing city centre traffic system. • Information relating to the scheme can be viewed at LiffeyValleyScheme.ie. • The plan for the Mount Brown Bus Gate was noted and discussed. • The contract for the Liffey Valley to City Centre scheme has been awarded to GMC Group Limited. • The 6 month look ahead timeline for the Liffey Valley to City Centre Scheme was noted and includes: ❖ Section 1 – LS SC to Ballyfermot Road – March/April 2026 ❖ Section 2 – Ballyfermot Road to Kylemore Road Junction – November 2026 ❖ Section 3 – Kylemore Road to Concolbert/Sarsfield Road Junction – March/April 2026 ❖ Section 4 – Sarsfield Road/Grattan Crescent to Myra Close/South Circular Road – January 2027 ❖ Section 5 – South Circular Road to Bow Lane West – November 2026 ❖ Section 6 – Bow Lane West to High Street – March/April 2026 • The construction duration will be approximately 2 years.	

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		- Contact details for the scheme are: ❖ For queries related to the construction of the Liffey Valley Scheme contact: 1800 303 700 ❖ To contact by email: liffeyvalleyscheme@busconnects.ie ❖ Liffey Valley website – www.liffeyvalleyscheme.ie ❖ The main BusConnects project website is available at the following link: www.busconnects.ie ❖ For bus service queries info@nationaltransport.ie ❖ GMC Contractor Local Liaison officer – Samantha Keely samantha.keely@gmcirl.com - CHI and NTA are currently reviewing the timing of works around the NCHI car park entrance to ensure they are completed ahead of the hospital opening. - It was noted there are no plans to remove any parking from Mount Brown and Mount Brown Residents will be notified ahead of any works taking place. - A discussion took place with regard to the changing of the bus routes around the local area. The NTA are to follow up to confirm when the No. 13 route is to finish. - Resident Reps noted the issues for local people with the removal and changes of bus routes, particularly the 123 bus and the issues it has caused for local people. Where route changes have improved access for people coming into the city, it has caused issues for those living within the area. The NTA acknowledged this has been raised a number of times and advised they are continually reviewing public feedback and there are compromises to be considered to accommodate pedestrians, residents, cyclists and cars. - It was noted that orbital routes are also to be introduced as part of the overall plan and this will assist residents living within the area. - The treatment of the bus stops along the quays is part of the DCC plans.	
4.0	CHI Commissioning of NCHI	- SR and JL of CHI updated on the commissioning works currently being undertake at the NCHI. - Refer to the presentation which accompany these minutes for full details. - SR noted the apologies from the CHI CEO who was unable to attend the meeting due to a family bereavement. - SR updated the meeting on the CHI preparation plans for the move into the NCHI and noted residents will be advised as the plans proceed. - JL provided details of the commissioning works taking place in the NCHI with Level 6 currently being commissioned as part of the early access works. Further levels are due to become available in the next couple of weeks. - The top risk to the successful delivery and opening of the NCHI remains the confirmation of the substantial completion date from the Contractor. - JL advised that the NCHI is the first digital hospital and the first to introduce electronic healthcare records (EHR) in	

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		Ireland and CHI will require 7 months to complete full commissioning and training from the date of substantial completion to open the hospital. - The move of patients from the existing hospitals to the NCHI was discussed. JL noted this will involve a number of cooperating entities to ensure the safe passage of patients. The final plan is currently being devised. The proposed plan is to transfer the patients on a Sunday when it will be most convenient to close roads along the route to assist with the move. A communications plan is currently be finalised to ensure the public are aware of the move. - A series of events are planned in the 6 week run up to the opening and residents will be advised of these. - The helipad has been licenced for 200 landings per year. Residents will be informed when testing of the helipad is due to start. - It was noted that the Children's Research and Innovation Centre (CRIC) will remain in Crumlin for the present. Work on the new centre will not start until the NCHI has opened and settled. A 5 year extension on the current planning application has been submitted and work will begin in approximately 12 to 18 months' time. There has been no change to the original planning application. A lessons learned based on the construction of the NCHI will be reviewed ahead of works starting on the CRIC and local residents will be liaised with ahead of any works taking place.	
5.0	Future Residents Engagement with SJH and CHI	Due to time constraints at this meeting, it was agreed to hold a separate Teams meeting with Residents to discuss this matter.	
6.0	AOB	None	

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