new children's hospital

Resident Project Monitoring COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting	**Resident Project Monitoring Committee**
Date	**20 February 2025**
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
Billy Murphy	Community Facilitator	BMU
Mary Kearney	Residents Representative	MK
Jean Early	Residents Representative	JE
Siobhan Geoghegan	Residents Representative	SG
Cllr Ciaran Ó'Meachair	Dublin City Council, South Central Area	COM
Tadhg Kelly	BAM Building	TK
Chloe McHugh	Community Liaison, BAM Building	CMcH
Elaine O'Rourke (Minutes)	NPHDB	EOR

Apologies

Bruce Phillips	Dublin City Council
Phelim Devine	Project Director, NPHDB
Cllr Ammar Ali	Dublin City Council, South Central Area
George Ray	Residents Representative
Brenda Meehan	Residents Representative

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Dan Watkins	Residents Representative
Damien Farrell	Residents Representative

No.	Item	Description/Action	Owner
	Introduction	The agenda was reviewed and agreed. It was noted that Councillor Ciaran Ó'Meachair and Councillor Amir Ali have been appointed to the Committee in place of Marie Devine. The Committee wish to thank Ms Devine for all her work on the committee and wish her well in her new position as a TD.	NOTE
1.0	**Apologies**	Apologies for this meeting were noted.	
2.0	**Previous Minutes and Actions Update**	Previous minutes dated 20 February 2025 were approved at the meeting. **CRIC** – RE to follow up with CHI to check on the status of this project.	

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3.0	**Construction Update**	TK presented an outline of the construction works currently ongoing. ***External Works*** • The snagging phase of the external works has commenced. • Landscape works are ongoing. • Some resurfacing works will take place during May beside the RMCH site. • Campus CCTV to commence going live. • It was noted that the walkway at Rialto Bridge/ Linear Park remains blocked off. TK noted that opening part of it via the Rialto Luas stop had been explored but Transdev refused as the junction is for Luas customers only. It was queried who originally requested this walkway to be closed? RE to follow up to check. COM agreed to submit a question to the DCC area office for a reopening date. MK noted the current set up is unsafe for pedestrians due to the new bike lane in place and the issue needs to be resolved. • Helipad - Some minor modifications are being made to the helipad this week and commissioning will take place shortly. RE noted it will be June or July before test flights take place. RE will inform residents when testing is planned. • Generator at Brookfield – following on from a query it was noted that this did not breach DCC regulations, but BAM have moved the generator into the building to remove any further issues. • NCH entrance area – following on from a query it was noted that the main entrance area into the hospital is now in its completed state. ***Internal Works*** • Commissioning and cleaning have commenced. All systems are currently being completed and made live. • Sensor lights in auto mode are now substantially commissioned but TK noted some lights do remain on for operational and security reasons.	
4.0	**Community Benefit Update**	• CMcH presented an update on the community benefit programme which covered the 4 main pillars of the programme. • Pillar 1) Maximising local employment and training – The target set for new entrant employment was 11,813 person weeks and the programme achieved 13,308 person weeks, which exceeded the target set. There were 3 employment categories a) general, b) apprentices and c) graduates/interns across a range of construction, technical and operation/admin areas. Feedback from some of the participants was noted. It was noted that the numbers of up people wanting to take up apprenticeships was not as high as anticipated. A lessons learnt paper is to be produced and will be passed on to all relevant stakeholders.	

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		• Pillar 2&3) Raising Aspirations & Improving Community Health and Wellbeing – Education Outreach Initiatives – 3000 plus students engaged with various activities including work experience, careers fairs, school talks, creative projects, site tours and mock interviews. • Pillar 4) Supporting Local Business Enterprise – between 2018 and 2024 and over €60m was spent with SME's locally (this figure only represents the value of sub-contractors and services procured by BAM but not sub-contractor spend). CMcH noted that BAM completed twice yearly surveys of site personnel over the construction period between 2019 – 2024 and the contribution to the local economy is estimated at €26m. • BAM also put in place a voluntary community benefit fund of €500,000 which supported student bursaries, community grants, culture and community arts legacy initiatives and general community benefit activities. An additional bonus round of community grants is launching in 2024 with the accumulated underspend from across the fund. • Other contributions include charity donations and pro-bono work valued at €100k+ and staff volunteering 100+ hours to various projects in the community. • An independent valuation of the entire programme so to be commissioned which it is hoped will lead to further initiatives like this one on future projects.	
5.0	**Capturing and recording the unique and innovative aspects relating to NCH project**	• A discussion took place in relation to capturing and recording all the unique and innovative aspects of the design, the build and the equipping processes which includes the contribution of the Resident Project Monitoring Committee. • RE outlined the NPHDB plans for the legacy project. • PF and BM are currently working on the Resident PMC aspects and will bring a paper back to the committee for review. • Talks to be arranged with SJH and CHI to continue with a similar community engagement committee once this committee completes its work for the construction of the hospital. • SG noted that issues that arose for local residents during the construction of this project need to be addressed and a lessons learnt produced, this should then be passed on to relevant stakeholders. Other initiatives that were put in place during this project to assist the community, such as wheel washing, covering trucks, car washing, window washing should also be highlighted. • A further meeting to focus on these aspects is to be arranged.	
7.0	**Next Meeting**	• The date of the next meeting is 10 April 2025 (TBC).	

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8.0	AOB	• RE noted that Friday afternoons will be facilitated for Resident visit to site. Resident Reps to send on names to RE and she will co-ordinate.	

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