

**The University of Dublin**  
**Trinity College**

**Minutes of the Site and Facilities Committee Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2010 in the Board Room.**

**Present** Dr K J McGinley in the Chair  
Vice Provost/Chief Academic Officer - Professor Patrick Prendergast  
President of the Students' Union - Mr Conán O Broin  
Board Representative - Mr Peter Connell  
Bursar – Professor Margaret O'Mahony  
Prof. Roger Stalley  
Heads of Schools Representative - Professor Mary McCarron  
Mr Paul Coote - Treasurer's Office  
Director of Buildings - Mr Paul Mangan

**Apologies** Deans Representative - Professor Colm O'Morain  
Interim Chief Operating Officer - Mr Tony Mc Mahon

**In Attendance** Dean of Students - Professor Gerry Whyte  
Deputy Director of Buildings - Mr Pat McDonnell  
Executive Officer – Miss Sally-Anne Mac Mahon

**1. Minutes**

**SF/09-10/32** – The minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were approved by the Committee subject to the following amendments:

**SF/09-10/18 – Proposed Property Purchase**

The title was amended to read **Proposed Property Purchase – Lincoln House**

### **SF/09-10/19 – College Park Floodlighting**

It was noted that ~~DUCAC's~~ the **Department of Sport's** preferred option is 3 no. poles on either side of the Rugby Pitch.

The Committee noted that this project will be funded jointly by the ~~IRFU~~ **DUFC**, Department of Sport and DUCAC.

The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

## **2. Matters Arising**

A matter arising from the minutes was discussed and has been recorded below, (see Minute SF/09-10/33).

### **SF/09-10/33 – Additional Student Residents**

In answer to a query the Director of Buildings advised that the process of selection of a suitable candidate to provide additional residential space for students is at short list stage. He said that a detailed paper will be prepared with a specific emphasis on costs in conjunction with Mr Paul Coote, Financial Planning Manager, for circulation to Executive Officers.

## **3. Section A**

### **SF/09-10/34 – Draft Development Control Plan**

The draft text and a set of drawings for the Development Control Plan (DCP) were circulated to the Committee for review. He said that in preparing the draft DCP he had united submissions from heads of schools and administrative areas and had commissioned Coady Architects to prepare a 'capacity study' to identify areas for possible redevelopment. The Director of Buildings outlined the key points in the text and presented a slide show indicating all possible sites/areas on campus with development potential either in the short or long term. It was understood and noted by the Committee that a number of possibilities for development as shown in the presentation were considered aspirational at this time. The Director of Buildings undertook to amend the document to highlight such important issues as priority areas for development and likely phasing amongst other issues. It was further agreed that the Director of Buildings will reiterate the policy

of openness of the College's city centre campus and satellite buildings with the wider city. This was suggested in the context of a brief discussion on the current proposal to develop the Nassau Street side of College.

As a point of information the Director of Buildings informed the Committee that ahead of any decision to retain buildings in situ, demolish existing buildings to make space for rebuild or to purchase any building, a Cost Benefit Analysis would be carried out.

It was noted that the draft document will be circulated for review and comment to the Heads of Schools Forum, Fellows Committee, the College Planning Group, Executive Officers, Senior Admin Group, with a view to final consideration being given to the text at the May meeting of Site and Facilities Committee. In the meantime the Director of Buildings stated that he would welcome any comments from members and would be pleased to meet members individually to discuss their opinion on the draft text. Following approval by this Committee the document will be circulated to Board for endorsement.

#### **4. Section B**

##### **SF/09-10/34 – Appointment of Planning Committee for School of Engineering Building**

A memorandum dated 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010 from the Director of Buildings, seeking to appoint a Planning Committee for the proposed redevelopment of the site between Lincoln Place and the Physiology Building to provide up to 15,000 sq.m for Engineering and Natural science, was considered by the Committee. At the request of the Bursar the sentence in the Director of Building's paper reading "The accommodation will replace inadequate and out of date facilities for Engineering in the Printing House, Museum and Pearse St" shall be removed from the memorandum.

The suggested membership of the Planning Committee was approved. It was agreed that a Board Representative should be invited to join this and all future Planning Committees.

## **5. Section C**

### **SF/09-10/35 – Biosciences Project Team**

The Committee noted the minutes of the Biosciences Project Team meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

The Director of Buildings undertook to write to the Chief Operating Officer to request a memorandum of understanding be issued referring to Human Resources issues in relation to the Biosciences Development.

### **SF/09-10/36 – Long Room Hub Planning Committee**

The Committee noted the minutes of the Long Room Hub Planning Committee meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

## **6. Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

## **7. Date of Next Meeting**

### **SF/07-08/37 – Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Site and Facilities Committee is scheduled for 11am on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May and will be held in the Board Room, House 1.

Signed .....

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