

# **BALLYMUN COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**Attendance:** Caroline Boyle, Amanda Murphy, Anne Marie Hughes, Catriona Maguire  
Frank Rock, Ellen Reddin, Mick Creedon,

**Apologies:** Audrey Meehan,

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## **Matters Arising:**

In relation to Ann Marie's request for terms of reference for the admin committee, Catriona disseminated information relating to the board, admin and working group role. This will be made available on partnership website as will the completed terms of reference and memo and articles which fully outline the workings and roles of the group.

Paddy Haughey request to start 15 minutes early was accepted by the board and any issues relating to Paddy will be addressed first at the meetings when necessary.

## **Directors Report**

As requested a Directors Report was given out. Amanda said the format was very good but she recommended to keep people names where possible out of the report so as to ensure it was less personal. Catriona explained this report would also be available on the website.

## **Terms of Reference**

Catriona outlined that these would be available on the website.

## **Networks**

Catriona handed out a copy of all the networks which was established as part of the CAG and who were members of these networks. It was discussed how these could operate, it was highlighted that the childcare network was already up and running, Catriona outlined to Caroline that the CAG would need to become an agenda item as part of the network so that information could come from the network to CAG and vice versa. It was agreed that the network members would take on the role of organising their own meetings as many of the people currently meet on regular basis.

### **Selection of Chair**

Catrina highlighted that unfortunately due to that fact the budgets had not yet been confirmed they were not in position to fund an independent chair and therefore stressed the importance of electing a member to become chair. It was confirmed that there was a quorum at the meeting to make a decision. Ann Marie put Mick Creedon's name forward for chair and this was seconded by Frank Rock. Mick accepted the position of chair.

### **AOB**

Amanda expressed concerns about the anti social behaviour that currently was occurring in parts of Ballymun and this was a huge concern that was expressed by all members of the CAG. Amanda outlined that she felt potentially that part time teaching practices was contributing to the level of children out of school during the day and this was contributing to the increased level of anti social behaviour. Ann Marie outlined that she felt that the partnership has a huge role to play in addressing the issues of what was currently happening in Ballymun in terms of anti social behaviour, education, the regeneration, the old shopping centre etc. It was decided to draft a series questions relating to these issues which would be forwarded to the admin committee. Catrina said she would draft the questions and email out to members so they could check over them before she sent them to the admin committee.

Ann Marie questioned poor attendance at the meeting, Catrina explained that she had a draft letter which she would complete and send out to members who were not attending to see if they were still interested in attending and if not would nominate another individual to take their place.

**Date of next meeting: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2009 12.30 – 14.00 in Ballymun Partnership**