

***Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly***  
***Tionól Reigiúnach Oirthir agus Lár-Tíre***

***MINUTES MEETING***

***OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND  
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY***

***HELD ON***

***FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016***

***IN***

***COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN***

**MINUTES OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016 COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN.**

Cllr. Paddy Bourke	Cllr. David Healy
Cllr. Paddy Bracken	Cllr. Gerry Horkan
Cllr. Christy Burke	Cllr. Ivan Keatley
Cllr. Mick Cahill	Cllr. Dermot Lacey
Cllr. Thomas Cullen	Cllr. Brian McDonagh
Cllr. Kieran Dennison	Cllr. Padraig McEvoy
Cllr. Eamon Dooley	Cllr. Seamus McGrattan
Cllr. Francis Duffy	Cllr. Martin Miley
Cllr. Andrew Duncan	Cllr. Maria Murphy
Cllr. Gaye Fagan	Cllr. PJ Reilly
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Tommy Reilly
Cllr. Catherine Fitzgerald	Cllr. Pat Vance
Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick	

**In Attendance:**

Ms. Joan Martin, Designated Manager EMRA  
 Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA  
 Mr. Malachy Bradley, EMRA  
 Ms. Clare Bannon, EMRA  
 Ms. Susan Mahon, EMRA

Apologies received from Cllrs; T. Brabazon, K. Feeney, P. Kearns

An Cathaoirleach, P. Vance welcomed Cllr. Martin Miley to the Assembly.

**ITEM 1**

**Adoption of Minutes held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Minutes of meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were proposed by Councillor Paddy Bourke and seconded by Councillor Mick Cahill  
 The Minutes were **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.

**ITEM 2**

**Local Economic and Community Plans**

Mr. Malachy Bradley informed the Members that there were no Local Economic and Community Plans for this meeting. Mr. Bradley also informed that there was 1 outstanding LECP remaining in the Region.

**ITEM 3**

**Planning**

**Fingal County Council Draft Development Plan 2017-2023**

A submission on the observations of the Assembly of the Fingal County Draft Development Plan 2017-2023 was circulated to Members for their consideration. Mr. Malachy Bradley outlined that the Draft Fingal County Council Development Plan was generally consistent with the Regional Planning Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area 2010-2022.

After discussion from Cllrs K. Dennison, D. Healy, B. Fitzgerald and T. Reilly, the submission was proposed by Cllr. G. Horkan and seconded by Cllr. K. Dennison.  
The submission was **APPROVED**.

**ITEM 4**

**Programme of Work 2016**

The Director briefed the Members on the Programme of Work as adopted. Mr. Conway informed that the Annual Report will be available in June and that the SPAs will commence in June also. Mr. Conway reported on the implementation of the new financial management system, LECs, NOAC, Celtic Seas, RESILENS and EU Affairs programme within the Assembly.

Cllr Horkan complimented the staff of the Assembly on the work being carried out and acknowledged the Brussels attack – a letter of support was to issue to staff in the Brussels office.

This was **AGREED**.

**ITEM 5**

**Committee of the Regions update**

Members of Committee of the Regions were not in attendance as the Plenary and Bureau meeting were being held in Brussels.

**ITEM 6**

**Correspondence**

The correspondence was **NOTED**.

**ITEM 7**

**Any Other Business**

Ms. Clare Bannon was introduced to the Assembly.

The Director informed the Members about the AIR Training event that will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> May in Waterford.

Well wishes sent to the Assembly Members running for election to Seanad Éireann, Cllrs. Horkan, Feeney, Markey and Richmond.


Cllr D. Lacey requested that congratulation be issued to The Little Museum of Dublin on the European Union Prize for Cultural Heritage/Europa Nostra Award.

**ITEM 8**

**Date of Next Meeting**

The Next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is due to be held on, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 11.00am

Signed:

  
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**Cllr. Pat Vance**  
**Cathaoirleach EMRA**



Mr. Jim Conway  
EMRA

Date: 13/05/16.