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To the Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council

**Chairperson's Report for the Community, Leisure and Culture Strategic Policy Committee
Meeting of the 3rd February, 2020.**

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Item 1: Adoption of Minutes

On the proposal of Cllr Donegan, seconded by Cllr Mitchell, the minutes of the previous committee meeting held on the 14th November, 2019 were unanimously adopted.

Item 2: Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

Item 3: Autism Friendly Library at Watch House Cross- Presentation.

The members received a presentation on the Autism Friendly Library at Watch House Cross. The presentation outlined the importance of providing facilities to those with autism and that supports such as the sensory room and relaxed performances benefit individuals with sensory impairments, special educational needs and those on the Autism Spectrum. It also outlined that the Library Staff plan to extend the programme to other library branches in Limerick. Following the presentation, the members thanked the library staff for the wonderful work they are doing in the libraries.

Item 4: Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Review 2019- Update

The members received an update on the Local Community Development Committee review of 2019. The presentation outlined LCDC Membership along with the different funding streams that are associated with the LCDC such as the Community Enhancement Scheme, Mens & Womens Sheds and also Healthy Limerick. The presentation also highlighted some achievements in 2019 such as meeting all National and EU timelines and targets.

Item 5: National Sport Policy (Development of Local Sports Strategies) - Update

The members received an update on the National Sports Policy. The presentation outlined the goals and themes of the Actions in the National Sports Policy. Limerick Sports Partnership will promote sports participation through school programmes such as Active School Flag and Be Active After School. It also outlined how the Sport Ireland Participation Unit will lead on the evaluation of Limerick Sports Partnership initiatives to deliver on the participation objectives in the National Sports Policy.

Item 6: Strategic Approach to Dereliction & Vacancy- Update

The members received an update on the Dereliction and Vacancy Strategy. The presentation outlined that the aim of the overall strategy is to significantly reduce dereliction and vacancy in the towns and villages of Limerick City and County. The Presentation highlighted the significant activity undertaken in relation to dereliction and vacancy in 2019 including derelict site inspections, issuing statutory notices and compulsory purchase orders.

Item 7: Age Friendly- Update

The members received an update on the Age Friendly Limerick Programme. The Presentation outlined the aims and objectives of Limericks Age Friendly Strategy and the many initiatives running to promote Age Friendly throughout Limerick City and County. It also informed the members that there would be public consultation to assist with writing the new Limerick Age Friendly Strategy 2021-26. The members were informed of a roadshow taking place in Limerick that week called Putting your House in order that was available to all members to attend.

Item 8: Date of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Community, Leisure and Culture SPC will be held on Monday 11th May at 3pm. Location to be decided.

As there were no other matters for discussion, the meeting was brought to a close.

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Cllr. Kieran O' Hanlon

Chairperson

Community, Leisure and Culture SPC.