

Coastal Liaison Group

Meeting No. 6

30<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Conference Room, County Hall

Minutes

<b>Representatives Councillors</b>	<b>Present</b> P. Mulville A Henchy	<b>Apologies</b> B. Dennehy D. Healy
<b>Representatives Community</b>	H. Donovan P. O'Brien R. Brett M. Deegan C. Sargent J. Dockrell	F. Price
<b>Council Officials</b>	K. Halpenny H. Visser S. Peppard	

Mr. K. Halpenny noted apologies from members.

**1. Minutes of Meeting held 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017.**

The minutes of the meeting which had been circulated prior to the meeting were discussed. It was noted that the amendments which had been AGREED to the minutes of Meeting No. 4 were made.

**2. Update Report on National Coastal Erosion Audit.**

Hans Visser gave an update in relation to the report. He stated that there have been a number of difficulties gathering information from Local Authorities. The draft report should be available end of September and the intention would be to circulate and follow up with communities.

He also informed the group that it is intended to have a National Conference with Local Authorities from abroad, i.e. Netherlands, Denmark etc., to discuss remedies for coastal erosion including engineering methods, results of audits. He also stated that any suggestions from the group in relation to what is to be included in the Conference would be welcome.

At this point John Dockrell spoke re a system in America to prevent coastal erosion. He stated that this was very cost effective and environmentally friendly. He produced several photos showing the effect and stated that he was

Following on from this a detailed discussion took place between the group and it was AGREED that Hans Visser would liaise with John Dockrell and contact Sandsavers to discuss the work suggested and possibly arrange a site visit in October. It was also suggested and AGREED that the OPW should attend the site visit.

Councillor Paul Mulville commended John Dockrell on this proposal and also Fingal County Council staff for work to date.

### **3. Discussion on Draft of Brief for Study on Coastal Flooding**

Kevin Halpenny introduced Item No. 3 and stated that this brief was commissioned and prepared for Fingal County Council and that this was one part of much larger document.

Hans Visser gave a synopsis of the brief document. Kevin Halpenny discussed the Scenarios. He stated that cost needs to be considered and also the impact on families looking at this structure. Discussion took place and it was AGREED that Fingal County Council deal with the relevant landowners directly and come back to the public community with the final plan and make a presentation.

It was also agreed that the group would come back to Hans Visser by 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 regarding any feedback in relation to the brief.

It was also noted that issues raised by Mr. F. Price (in email) regarding the brief were discussed and addressed.

### **4. Date/Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 4.00pm in County Hall, Swords.