

Chairman's Report of SPC 4

Housing Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 26th January, 2017

Refugee Resettlement Project

Mary Mulholland, Director of Services, advised that counties for Refugee Resettlement had already been selected and contacted by the Department. Kilkenny did not, at present, form part of this process. She advised that Kilkenny County Council is prepared for any future assignment and the Co-Ordination Officer for Kilkenny County Council is Lyndsey Butler.

Review of Traveller Accommodation Programme (TAP) 2014-2018

Margaret Newport, Senior Social Worker, advised members that Kilkenny County Council was statutorily obliged to carry out a review of TAP during the lifetime of the programme in line with Departmental guidelines. Margaret provided an overview on targets, delivery to date and key challenges going forward.

Strategic Plan for People with a Disability

Martin Mullally, Senior Executive Officer, advised members that the core goal of the Strategy is to meet the identified housing needs of people with disabilities locally whether they are currently living in the community and or in a congregated setting.

The updated draft strategy will be submitted to the Housing Agency for inclusion in the overarching National Disability Strategy.

Homeless Report 2016

Margaret Newport provided a breakdown of homeless presentations over the year and discussed challenges going forward.

Annual Report

Martin Mullally provided an overview of the Annual Report 2016.

Signed: _____
Chairperson

Date: _____