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To the Chairperson and Members of  
the Central Area Committee

**North East Inner City Ministerial Task Force**

A meeting of the NEIC Task Force Oversight Group was held at Department of the Taoiseach on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017. An update was presented by Dublin City Council on the implementation of the short-term measures undertaken since the establishment of the Programme Office in Sept. 2016 and discussions took place on the implementation of the recommendations of the Mulvey Report. Announcement of the external appointment to the role of Executive Chair is imminent as well as appointments to the Programme Implementation Board. In the meantime the NEIC Programme Office is up and running at the Central Area Office HQ – 51-53 Sean MacDermott St. A series of meetings have been held between the Programme Office and some key stakeholders, including other Government Departments and the North Inner City Community Coalition, regarding setting up of the structures required to implement the recommendations of the report.



A newsletter has been compiled and circulated to residents and businesses in the NEIC area. The newsletter sets out details of the short term measures undertaken with the 2016 allocation of funding and invites interested parties to engage with the Programme Office as implementation of the recommendations of the Mulvey report progresses.

Copies of the newsletter are available from the Programme Office, contact [neic@dublincity.ie](mailto:neic@dublincity.ie) or Tel. 222 5312.

Taoiseach Enda Kenny, T.D. and Minister Paschal Donohoe T.D. visited a number of completed projects in the North East Inner City and held a meeting with the Coalition Convenors on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

The updates / current status of the NEIC funded projects (short-term measures) are as set out below.

Funding Source:	Amount
Department of Transport Tourism & Sport (Dormant Account Fund)	€1,040,000
Department of Housing, Planning Community & Local Government	€3,155,000
Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs	€35,000
Dublin City Council resources	€520,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>€4,750,000</b>

<b>DTTAS / Sport Irl. - Dormant Account Fund Allocation €1.04M</b>		<b>Current Status</b>
Senior Sports Development Officer post	€60,000	In place since Sept. 2016
MUGA beside Sheriff YC: re-surfacing	€97,420	Works completed February 2017
Larkin Community College pitch re-surfacing	€97,929	Works completed April 2017
New MUGA at St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre	€180,000	New MUGA operational since 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Professional Services on above 3 pitch projects (Sports LABS)	€23,985	Completed
Small Sports Grants	€113,000	Completed - Grants allocated to 26 groups.
Sports Equipment for Youth Groups	€50,000	Completed - Equipment provided to 13 clubs / groups.
Acquisition and refurbishment of former Pigeon Club - Ballybough Boxing Club	€232,000	Refurbishment works completed. Process required to effect Ballybough Boxing Club occupation has commenced. Potential for other use/s of the premises also being explored.
Capital Grant to O'Connell Boys GAA Club	€50,000	Works substantially complete.
FAI Sport Coaching Programme - FUTSAL	€120,000	Programme is in progress with 21 participants. Course commenced in February and will run until November 2017.
GAA Coaching Programme - Dublin County Board	€18,100	Project completed April, 2017.
	<b>€1,042,434</b>	



- **Taoiseach Enda Kenny, T.D. pictured with local children at new MUGA at Sheriff St. Recreation Centre and with Richie Fox, Ballybough Boxing Club at the new boxing facility during his visit to the North East Inner City 29<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

<b>DHPCLG Allocation - Social Inclusion €250,000 (DCC match funding €250,000)</b>		
NEIC "BallyMacSheriff" Halloween Festival	€145,000	Following the success of the inaugural festival in 2016 Planning is underway for the 2017 Halloween Festival. A Steering Committee, including a representative of the NEIC Programme Office has been formed and a Festival Co-Ordinator has been engaged.
Reader in Residence Project - Charleville Mall Library	€75,000	Programme underway since February 2017. 12 Schools participating.
CoderDojo Digital Skills - Charleville Mall Library	€35,000	Programme underway in Central Library and Charleville Mall in partnership with Coderdojo Foundation.
Home from Home Learning Spaces (ELI at the National College of Ireland)	€40,000	Underway since Jan. 2017.
An Cosán - SHaRE (Some Help and Reading Enjoyment) Reading Programme	€25,000	Awaiting appointment of a programme coordinator by An Cosán.
Trinity Access Programme	€60,000	The Programme commenced in January 2017 and will run to June 2018 with three secondary schools
<b>Dublin Inner City Community Co-Operative - 4 projects total: €42,620 Funding awarded to Dublin Inner City Community Co-Op</b>		
<i>1. North Wall CDP Crèche Play area</i>		<i>Licence Agreement process delayed pending requirement that plot be vested in advance of disposal.</i>
<i>2. LYCS Junior Leadership Programme</i>		<i>Underway - 13 young people are participating, between the ages of 14 to 16yrs, 10 female and 3 male.</i>
<i>3. ICON - Research on hidden disadvantage in NEIC private rented sector</i>		<i>Underway - ICON has developed a partnership with the Dublin Tenants Association who have been conducting work in this area</i>
<i>4. Daughters of Charity - Kitchen Equipment, Hardwicke St. Comm. Ctr.</i>		<i>Completed</i>
Arts Grants Top-Up (Neighbourhood and Voluntary Category)	€50,000	Underway – in collaboration with the City Arts Office
Mens' Shed Project - North East Central Community Garden	€27,380	Infrastructure installed on site w/e 02/06/2017
	<b>€500,000</b>	

<b>DHPCLG Allocation - Social Regeneration €250,000 (DCC match funding €250,000)</b>		<b><u>Current status</u></b>
Painting of Sheriff St. Upper Lifting Bridge	€250,000	To be completed by end Summer 2017. Project being managed by DCC Environment & Transportation Department.
Roads Re-surfacing (parts of James Joyce St. and Railway St.)	€152,000	Completed
Portland Place Park (Phase 1)	€63,000	Completed
General Public Domain improvements	€45,000	Completed
	<b>€510,000</b>	



- **Taoiseach Enda Kenny, T.D. and Cllr. Nial Ring** pictured with Dublin Street Artists at new mural “The story of Mud Island” on hoarding at DCC Housing Development at Ballybough Road. The project was funded under the North East Inner City Initiative.

<b>DHPCLG Allocation November 2016 - €2.655M</b>		
Ballybough House, Courtney Place and environs. Physical improvement works	€400,000/ €350,000	Substantially completed
Public Domain Improvements including roads re-surfacing	€745,000	Completed
Vacant sites Hoardings	€20,000	Completed
Public Lighting Upgrade to LED	€195,000	Substantially Completed.
Painting of public lighting lampposts	€55,000	Completed
Dorset St. Fire Station (In Community Use) - structural works	€250,000	Works to external façade agreed by City Architects Dept. and due to commence shortly.
Lourdes Daycare Centre – Funding for professional services for planning conservatory to rear	€30,000	Funding transferred to Lourdes Daycare Centre.
The LAB (City Arts Office) internal improvement works	€75,000	Substantially completed.
Sean Mac Dermott St. Swimming Pool (Internal refurbishment Works)	€206,000	Swimming pool reopened on April 25 <sup>th</sup> Further report below.
Sheriff St. Recreation Centre Equipment upgrade	€80,000	In progress

Ballybough Community Youth & Fitness Centre (Xmas Lights)	€12,600	Completed
Mountjoy Sq. Railings restoration and improvements	€300,000	Phase completed
Sophia Housing Association (Internal Alterations & External Works)	€55,000	On hold
	<b>€2,667,600</b>	

## Sean MacDermott St. Swimming Pool Upgrade

Further to query at last months Central Area Committee meeting, an order has now been placed for external signage. The signage which is due to be erected w/e 23/06/2017, is *“Back-lit powder coated steel route sign with recessed white acrylic,”* to be affixed to the front and side of the building as indicated on the visual representation below.



Solutions for visual improvement of the entire façade of the pool building are still being considered. Visual samples of proposals received to date are set out below.

These proposals have not been accurately costed yet but it is anticipated that costs will be significant. To date no source of funding has been identified, however, the proposals will be retained for further consideration should additional funding become available. The final solution will be required to incorporate the new signage that will be in place at that stage.



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