

To the Lord Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Report No. 244/2017
Report of the Chief Executive



Monthly Management Report – July 2017

Report to the Lord Mayor, Members of the Corporate Policy Group and Group Leaders

Section 136 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 places an obligation on the Chief Executive to prepare Monthly Management Reports for Council. The monthly report for July 2017 is submitted herewith.

Finance

Please be advised that there are no additions or changes to the Monthly Local Fund Statement & EU/IMF Report listed on the City Council Agenda.

Environment & Transportation Department

Please see attached report. (Page 2-5)

Housing & Residential Services

Please be advised that there are no additions or changes to the Housing Supply Report No 243/2017 listed on the City Council Agenda.

See

Planning & Property Development

Please see attached report. (Page 6-11)

Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

Please see attached report. (Page 12-17)

Human Resources Department

No report received

Corporate Services Department

Freedom of Information

Please see attached Report in relation to Freedom of Information statistics.
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Owen P. Keegan
Chief Executive.

Dated : 23rd June 2017

Environment and Transportation Department Progress Report July 2017

Public Consultation – draft River Basin Management Plan of Water Framework Directive

The draft River Basin Management Plan was launched by Minister Coveney on 28th February for Public consultation. The closing date is 28th August. Its purpose is ultimately improve all rivers, lakes, estuaries, tidal areas and ground water bodies to good chemical and ecological status or potential while maintaining all water bodies at good or high ecological and chemical status. Presentations are ongoing to the City Council, five area offices and Environmental SPC over May and June.

The Local Authorities Water and Communities Office has set up four public consultation meetings at the locations and times below for further information on the plan. Comments on the plan particularly local issues with Dublin City Council rivers and tidal areas.

Meeting Location	Date	Time
Parnell's GAA Club (North Central)	Monday 27 th June 2017	7.30-8.30pm
Kilmainham Courthouse (South Central)	Tuesday 28 th June 2017	7.30-8.30pm
Our Lady of Dolours Church, Glasnevin (North West)	Wednesday 28 th June 2017	7.30-8.30pm
Ballybough Community Centre (Central and South East).	Thursday 29 th June 2017	7.30-8.30pm

Dublin City Noise Maps

The Traffic Noise & Air Quality Unit has just completed the revision of the 2012 noise maps and production of new Dublin City Noise Maps for 2017. A revision of the maps is required to be carried out every 5 years as per the Environmental Noise Directive and Environmental Noise Regulations, SI No. 140/2006. The development and production of the maps was carried out over a 15 month period. Dublin City Council is the 1st local authority to have completed the 2017 Noise Maps. The report 'Noise Maps, Report and Population Statistics' is currently in draft format and will be finalised for forwarding onto the EPA before July 31st 2017, as is required by SI 140/2006. The maps and report will be up loaded to Dublin City Council's website so as to be accessible to the public

Pay & Display Machine replacement programme

400 Pay and Display Ticket machines are operational on-street under the new lease contract. There are 4 "multifunction" Pay and Display Ticket machines on-street which, in addition to accepting payment for parking also provide visitors with information in relation to local points of interest. An additional 100 machines will be installed shortly that will facilitate card or coin payment and will also have the capability to provide additional local information.

Parking Tag and alternative methods of paying for parking

The average number of transactions per week is now 86,000, representing 43% of weekly Pay and Display revenue. There are 121,000 live accounts with an average of 540 additional motorists registering each week. Up to 70% of all Parking Tag transactions are now made via the Parking Tag App. Once off payments in shops or charged directly to mobile phone bill or credit card on average account for 3200 payments per week. The Council will shortly engage in 'Market

Discussion' with potential service providers regarding the service in advance of a Request for Tender for provision of the service.

Car Clubs

Two Car Clubs remain operational on-street and have availed of 115 Car Club Permits. There are currently 19 dedicated car club only bays in the City. Discussion is ongoing with both operators who are seeking additional permits in order to expand their services and the number of vehicles located on-street, including additional EV vehicles.

Electric Vehicle Only Parking

There are currently 35 dedicated EV only bays located on-street and further sites are being examined for suitability.

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)

Submissions for funding under phase 1 of the SBIR Illegal Dumping challenge have been received and are currently being assessed. The challenge invited proposals to combat illegal dumping using low cost, innovative and technological solution to track, deter and prevent illegal Dumping in the Dublin Region.

Bin Tagging System

Tagging of all DCC litter bins with a unique identifier code and QR code is underway. This project will build a comprehensive map of all bins in the DCC areas and will allow member of the public to report via smartphone issues with bins by simply scanning a QR code placed on the bin. The rollout has commenced in the North West Area.

Anti Dumping Initiative 2017

Approval was secured from the Dept of CCAE for funding of a proposal under the Anti Dumping Initiative 2017. The project to combat illegal dumping and promote responsible waste disposal in the Dorset Street area through the use of CCTV monitoring, enforcement and information and awareness campaigns is due to begin in July. This project will involve cooperation from the Waste Management Division, Central Area Dept and Waste Enforcement.

Davitt Road Depot Refurbishment Works

A tender has been issued for the refurbishment works to Davitt Road depot. Works are expected to commence in the first week of August and the completed by the first week of October.

Herzog Park Bring Centre Realignment

A tender for works to realign Herzog Park Bring Centre, necessary due to upgrade works to the park, is due to be published in mid July. Works are expected to proceed in Mid Sept and be complete by the end of October.

Dog Fouling Bins

Installation has begun of dog fouling specific bins at the remaining locations identified by the Area depts. A total of 125 bins will have been installed as part of this project.

Extension of the 30/km/hr Speed Limit

The extension of the 30 km/hr special speed limit (reducing speed limits from 50/km/hr) was officially launched on the 31st March. The extension of the 30 km/hr limits further out into the

suburbs was launched in June. For further information and to view maps go to <http://bit.ly/2nmSEYH>.

Progress Report on Road Design & Construction Projects

Projects at Design Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
1	College Green	NTA/ DCC	DCC	College Green Environmental Impact Statement and Planning Application submitted to An Bord Pleanala (ABP) on 18 th May 2017. Submissions may be made up to 30 th June 2017. Decision from ABP expected Q4 2017.
2	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 2 – Chatham Street, Harry Street and Balfe Street area	DCC	DCC	Construction tenders received 16 th June 2017 and contract to be awarded shortly with works expected to commence in September 2017 and for completion by end of 2018.
3	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 3 – Clarendon Street / Clarendon Row	DCC	DCC	Pre - Part 8 report presented to South East Area Committee on 12 th June 2017. Part 8 Planning application process to be initiated shortly.
4	Thomas Street Environs (Crane Street and part of School Street	DCC (South Central Area)	DCC	Tenders received. In process of appointing contractor.
5	Balbutcher Lane Junction reconfiguration	DCC	Consultant	Consultant in the process of being appointed.
6	Cathal Brugha Street/Findlater Place	DCC	DCC	Design has commenced for the upgrading of the public realm in this area. Depending on the scope of the work a Part 8 may be required.
7	Dodder Bridge	DCC/LIH AAF/NTA	Roughan O'donovan/ Michael V	A consultant has been appointed for the design of a public transport bridge (with opening span) to link Sir John Rogerson's Quay with the toll plaza just south of the Tom Clarke bridge.
8	Blood Stoney Bridge	DCC	RPS/COWI	A pedestrian/cyclist bridge (with opening span) had been proposed to cross the Liffey at Forbes Street. Due to the route of Dart Underground passing under the site and a review of the route delaying any further progress with the bridge it is proposed to relocate the bridge further down river the a point linking Blood Street Road and New Wapping Street. A request for the necessary amendment to the Noth Lotts SDZ is

				to be made to An Bord Pleanála at the end of June.
	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
9	Tom Clarke Bridge Upgrade	DCC/NTA	Aecom	A feasibility study has been carried out as how to best improve the very poor pedestrian and cyclist facilities on the Tom Clarke bridge. Options to widen the existing bridge or build a new bridge just upstream were examined. Due to the huge traffic disruption (reducing traffic on the bridge to one way for 9 months) and consequential cost it is proposed to proceed with the new bridge option. The bridge will be included in the above request for an amendment to the Noth Lotts SDZ is to be made to An Bord Pleanála at the end of June.

Projects at Construction Stage

#	Scheme Name	Client	Contractor	Start Date	End Date	Comment
1	Blackhorse Avenue	DCC	Actavo (Ireland) Ltd.	June 2016	November 2017	Construction ongoing.
2	Captain's Avenue / Cashel Avenue	DCC (South Central Area)	Priority Construction Ltd.	16 th Jan. 2017	28 th April, 2017	Provision of additional parking for residents. Works completed.
3	Finglas Lanes widening	DCC (North West Area)	Clonmel Enterprises Ltd. [CEL]	23 rd April, 2017	30 th June, 2017	Widening of lanes fronting housing at three location to provide better vehicular access/parking for residents.

Planning & Property Development Department - Chief Executive's Report July 2017

1. New Policy/Strategic

The City Council made a submission on the National Planning Framework. Progress continues to be made on the draft Poolbeg SDZ and draft Ballymun LAP which will significantly contribute to the continued regeneration of the city. A number of existing LAPs are currently being reviewed; reports will be brought to Members in due course. The commencement date for regulations relating to the Planning & Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016 is expected to follow shortly, the Act will come into operation in relation to applications for 100 or more residential units and 200 or more student bed spaces.

Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Development Plan 2016-2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Development Plan now being implemented. 	Implementation of plan objectives. "Publication" version due shortly.
Local Area Plans/Local Environmental Improvement Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two Council Members have been nominated to Phibsborough LEIP Implementation Group. Implementation Group had first meeting 07/03/2017. Finalised Plan now up on DCC website. 	Variation to Development Plan re Harold's Cross Stadium site for educational/ institutional purpose to go on public display Shopfront survey to be completed.
	<p>Ballymun LAP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports & recreation workshop held 18th May. Tenure report presented to Area Committee 8th November. Pre-publication draft briefing to Councillors on 1st March & Ballymun Civic Alliance briefed 9th March. Draft LAP completed and went on public display from 5th April to 17th May. Approximately 240 submissions received. Information sessions held in Ballymun Civic Centre and in Civic Offices for Councillors. 	Chief Executive's Report on submissions and motions to be considered at Special City Council meeting on 13 th July.
Architectural Conservation Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Display for proposed 2 x ('deletion') ACAs for (1) Hollybrook Road and (2) Haddon Road & Victoria Road – in conjunction with proposed deletions from RPS (see also RPS below) has been completed. Survey and assessment underway for proposed Temple Bar ACA (in accordance with Built Heritage priorities of the 2016-2022 City Development Plan). Consultants study on proposed Aungier Street ACA underway (in accordance with Built Heritage priorities of the 2016-2022 City Development Plan). 	ACA's approved at City Council Meeting Monday 12 th June 2017. .Finalise DRAFT document following adoption. Update website with relevant information. Continue survey work and prepare draft, internal discussion document – record and mapping to be progressed.

Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Poolbeg West SDZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information meeting for members of full Council was held 19th April. Statutory consultations with stakeholders and communities ended 08th March. 109 submissions received. 108 Motions received by 28th April. Special Meeting of City Council held on 18th May agreed at City Council June meeting 	Minutes of 18 th May meeting to be agreed at City Council June meeting. Material alterations due on 4 week public display, to 12 th July 2017. Chief Executives report on submissions scheduled for September/ October City Council meeting.
Public Realm Strategy	<p>Plan for Cathal Brugha Street is progressing but site specific issues may dictate what's possible. Sackville Place and Cathedral Street will be advanced. Grafton Quarter Project Part 8's also being progressed and the streets east of Grafton St will be looked at now that LUAS is commissioning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 8 granted for Wolfe Tone Square, Peace Garden and in process for Cork Hill, Grafton Street Quarter and College Green has been lodged with An Bord Pleanála. PR Group continues to review and input into corporate issues and submissions on major infrastructure projects and issues. Currently working with Smart City Group on pilots and city challenges. The group support pilots & smart /eco trials which minimise street clutter and enhance pedestrian experience. 	Work is continuing.
National Planning Framework Ireland 2040 Our Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation document launched by Minister. Presentation made to SPC. Submission incorporating views of SPC and City Council submitted to DHPCLG. 	Engage with all stages of process. Draft NPF being prepared by DHPCLG.

2. Departmental Priority

Major Current Issues	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Housing Land Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreement reached by DCC and Minister on O'Devaney Gardens. Joint SPC held with Housing, Planning & International Relations on 9th December; agreed to proceed with Oscar Traynor, O'Devaney Gardens and St. Michael's Estate to procurement stage. At January City Council Meeting the next 	Community Consultative Forums are being progressed for Oscar Traynor Road and O'Devaney Gardens. Existing St. Michael's Estate Consultative Forum

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> stage was agreed. First meeting regarding Oscar Traynor Road held on 30th March. 	being used.
Major Current Issues	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
<p>Active Land Management</p> <p>Derelict Sites Register</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vesting Orders made for 7 properties. Process was completed on the 1th March. 	<p>One property auctioned on the 14th June. The Housing & Residential Services Dept are to initiate a programme of works to restore the remaining properties to residential use.</p> <p>A further 21 properties on the register have been identified for acquisition and the acquisition process has been initiated.</p> <p>Representations were received in 10 cases and these acquisitions are on hold pending refurbishment of the properties and they will be kept under review.</p> <p>The Chief Valuer has been instructed to commence negotiations to acquire the remaining ten properties by agreement in the first instance.</p> <p>However, one of these properties has since been sold at auction on 18th May and 1 is undergoing, improvement works which are nearing completion.</p> <p>All necessary details have been collated for over 90 sites, including details of ownership, details of title to the site, valuation for the site and confirmation that the site has been vacant for 12 months. Notices of Proposed Entry have been served on 50 site owners and following receipt of submissions, Notices of Entry onto the Vacant Site Register have been served on 34 sites owners. Additional Notices of Proposed Entry will issue to over 40 site owners week ending 23rd June 2017 and work is ongoing to collate the necessary details for the remaining sites eligible for entry on the register.</p> <p>Consultants for Design & Construction of Dodder Bridge and Main Street Clongriffin to be appointed in June</p> <p>Meeting held with DHPCLG LIHAF team to review Grant Agreement for sign off in June. Next meeting is scheduled for the 26th June</p> <p>Meetings scheduled with Property owners and NAMA</p>
Vacant Sites Register	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacant Sites Register established and on DCC Website from 1st January 2017. 41 Notices of Intention to place properties on the Vacant Sites Register issued to property owners on the 1st March. 	
Funding Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCC submitted 5 applications for infrastructural 	

	<p>funding under LIHAF (Local Infrastructural Housing Activation Fund) by closing date 14th October 2016. Further information was submitted as requested on 2nd December.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHPCLG advised on 3rd April that LIHAF funding had been approved for 2 DCC applications: Belmayne/Clongriffin and Dodder Bridge. 	
North Lotts & Grand Canal Dock SDZs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work commenced on preparation of a “Water Animation Strategy” (a stated objective of the scheme). Further to the public consultation phase, the Public Realm Masterplan Preparation process is now complete. Dodder Bridge now at design stage. Applications and pre applications; Further information recently requested for mixed use development on block 7 ; comprising hotel, offices, café, retail (66k sq m in total). <p>Application to include 260 residential units on City Block 3 expected to be lodged soon. Upcoming pre- applications in relation to Blocks 9 and 17.</p>	<p>Ongoing assessment of a number of planning applications on North Lotts. Construction and demolition protocol for Dockland sites finalised and in operation. Proposed amendment to the scheme in relation to the Relocation of pedestrian bridges to be lodged with An Bord Pleanála. Pre-application ongoing on a number of sites in North Lotts</p>

3. Departmental Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Record Protected Structures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of buildings to be added under review – in particular outstanding recommendations from already adopted ACAs (Thomas Street & Environs ACA and Capel Street ACA). Review of NIAH recommendations ongoing between Conservation Section & NIAH. Proposed additions to RPS for Stella Cinema, St. Mary’s College (Donnybrook), Richview House (Palmerston) and Fumbally Exchange. Corrections to RPS for Morrison Chambers (Nassau Street) and 190a Rathmines Road Lower (Former fire station). SEAC agreed to initiate statutory procedure to add to RPS. Proposed addition of the Central bank – deferred. Statutory procedure has been initiated for deletions to RPS at Hollybrook Road and Haddon Road/Victoria Road, in association with proposed new ACAs for these areas (see also ACAs above). Public display finished 16th May. 	<p>Consultant reports being prepared. On completion to be brought to SCAC and CAC.</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Legal references requested from Law Department. When ownership has been determined the statutory process will be initiated.</p> <p>Deletions approved by City Council Monday 12th June 2017. Notify owners, update RPS and website with</p>

		information.
Buildings at Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigations ongoing on the “Register”; with significant progress in a number of cases. 	Ongoing.
Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Residential Land Availability Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage two completed: data uploaded to myplan.ie website. 	Prepare RLA update for DCC when DELG initiates process.
Dublin Wayfinding Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 3 completed, radial/orbital routes. Tenders awarded. “Cooling off” over. New orders placed November 2016. 	Subject to six monthly review/monitoring.
Coca Cola Zero dublinbikes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 8s for 4 no. Metropoles – approved by Council at November meeting. Grangegorman expansion agreed with project partners. Update of Strategic Plan inc. Advertising Funding Options to be carried out. 	<p>1 Digital Metropole under construction. 3 scrolling completed. Grangegorman Station design work being finalised.</p> <p>Update of Strategic Plan commenced.</p>
Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design of the Car Park and Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) is complete and tender docs issued. The car park will continue as pay and display until the build program. Design Detail for Redevelopment of Markets building being progressed and the traders have met with DCC Management a number of times regarding logistics. 	Procurement process will continue in tandem with design elements being undertaken by DCC.
Living City Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aim of the Living City Initiative is to bring life back into the heart of the relevant cities by offering tax relief for qualifying expenditure incurred on the refurbishment or conversion of certain buildings where conditions are met. To date, take-up on the scheme has been lower than anticipated. Finance Act 2016 has removed restrictions in relation to floor area and reduces minimum spend threshold. Scheme has also been amended to include tax relief for landlords in respect of residential element. FAQs updated on DCC website. 	<p>Active Land Management Unit has in place a multi-disciplinary team to meet with property owners or developers to advise on issues related to the Scheme.</p> <p>An information leaflet/guidance document is being prepared to accompany the re-launch of the scheme in Q3.</p>
Site development brief for Belcamp Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site brief/review to be developed for Belcamp Lane area (further to previous work contained in the Clongriffin Belmayne LAP). 	Progress/update research ongoing.
Guliston Depot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site brief to be prepared for depot site, including ESB site. 	Finalise draft brief.
St Thomas’s Abbey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Monument. It is DCCs intention to raise awareness of the site and the abbey both as part of the educational/tourism offering and also in medieval history & history of monasticism through an Expert Steering Group. Outcomes 2017: Archaeological reconstruction illustrations /excavation 	<p>Book launch 12th October</p> <p>Community events 13th</p>

	documentation/ Monastic Ireland Website. Book launch & conference October 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walking tours & community/local history groups involvement 	October Conference 14th October @ St Catherine's Church
Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
St James Graveyard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This site is a National Monument in the curtilage of former St James's church, a protected structure, which has recently been converted to a privately owned distillery and visitor centre. Continue conservation survey and works to the memorials, to provide limited visitor access, improve presentation and raise awareness. Liaison with Parks Department, SCAO & private owners, re: implementation of management plan, conservation surveys and repairs. 	Preparation of 'at risk' monument survey. Implementation of repair to 21 'at risk' monuments by conservation contractor Prepare brief for and commission laser 3D surveys
Tenement Museum Dublin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building works and renovation completed. Soft launch planned for August 2017. Official launch end Aug/early September Museum Fit out and Exhibition Development Business Planning and Management structures Community Engagement Programme 	Works completed. Ongoing
Saint Luke's Churchyard and Public Park project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Team & contractors on-site. Commencement of works for conservation and re-use of Church, grounds and graveyard 	Contracts complete; works ongoing

4. For Your Diary

Items of Interest	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant funding for Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2017 has been allocated from DAHRRGA in the amount of €34,250.51 successful applicants for DCC. 3 outside consultants/inspectors have been appointed to assist in overseeing the applications/projects. All projects to be completed by end of October with drawdown of funding from DAHRRGA in November. One successful applicant for SRF 2017 – Amiens Street, Connolly Train Station awarded €15,000 	Certificates of provisional approval issued to applicants. Initial inspections being organised to allow for projects to commence. 1st project report due to DAHRRGA 30th June 2017. Works to be completed, receipted and drawdown from DAHRRGA by 27th October 2017
Structures at Risk Fund 2017		

Monthly Management Report - Culture, Recreation and Economic Services, JULY 2017

New Policy / Strategic

- **Bull Island Nature Reserve Management Plan Review** – An update on the management plan was presented to the North Central Area Committee on May 31st 2017

Departmental Priority

- **Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership** – Beat the Street is an innovative walking and cycling initiative designed to get young people and communities moving by turning a town/city into a giant game. Last year 865 schools across the UK and Northern Ireland were involved in the programme which saw more than 300,000 people participating. From 13th September to 1st November 2017 Beat the Street is coming to Dublin and will be primarily rolled out in 51 schools across Dublin 8, 10 and 12. The aim of the programme is to inspire people to make small changes to improve their physical activity levels and health by encouraging walking or cycling. Beat Boxes will be placed to enable participants to tap with cards or fobs in order to score points and win prizes. The further the distance travelled the more points accumulated. Beat the Street has fun competitive element that not only allows schools to compete against each other – it also encourages the whole family and neighbourhood to get involved. Cards/fobs for the programme will be available to the public from late August/early September 2017 in Dublin City Council libraries and Sport & Fitness Centres. This initiative is being delivered by Intelligent Health (the creators of Beat the Street) on behalf of the Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership, Dublin City Council, Healthy Ireland, the Dormant Accounts Fund and Sport Ireland.
- **Women's Rugby World Cup 2017** - Dublin City Council and the Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership are proudly supporting the Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (WRWC 2017). The tournament will see 12 teams compete across 30 matches, North and South of the border, to determine the world champions of women's rugby. The 18 pool games will kick off at University College Dublin (UCD) on Wednesday 9th, Sunday 13th and Thursday 17th August 2017. The 12 play-off (semi-final and final) matches will take place at the Kingspan Stadium, Belfast on Tuesday 22nd and Saturday 26th August 2017. The Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 provides a great opportunity to showcase Dublin City, as a welcoming, receptive and vibrant destination ideally positioned to host world class events. This tournament will take place just 2 months before the decision is made by World Rugby on who will host the 2023 (Men's) Rugby World Cup. The Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership will host a welcoming function for the competing teams at the Mansion House Round Room on Sunday 7th August 2017 and is working in conjunction with Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council on a fan zone at UCD during the pool stages of the competition. The tournament website www.rwcwomens.com is live for information on the teams who have qualified and general information can also be found at www.irishrugby.ie/ireland2017.
- **Great Dublin Bike Ride (GDBR)** - Sport Ireland in conjunction with Cycling Ireland has teamed up with the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport, Dublin City Council, Healthy Ireland and Fingal County Council for the Great Dublin Bike Ride which is taking place on Sunday 23rd September 2017 starting off from the North Quays, Dublin. The GDBR is for all abilities and will offer a 60km route for those looking for a slightly less strenuous day in the saddle and a challenging 100km route for experienced riders. This is the 3rd year for event which is hoping to attract 6,000 participants in 2017 after the huge success of 2016 that had approximately 5000 cyclists. It will also be a flagship event in Ireland for the European Week of Sport.

- **Biosphere Discovery Tours** – This will be our second summer to provide unique guided boat tours of Dublin Bay Biosphere. The tours will be provided onboard Dublin bay cruises every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday from June 23rd.
- **Bull Island Volunteers** – A team of volunteers is in place every weekend on North Bull Island to engage with visitors and to explain the ecology, history and culture of the island.
- **Tea Rooms** – A contract has been awarded to ‘Mangetout’ to operate the new tea rooms in St. Patrick’s Park which opened 26th June 2017
- **Parks Revenue Works Programme 2017** – Updates are provided at Area Committees.
 - **Dublin City Council and City of Dublin Education and Training Board** are facilitating the development of a collaborative partnership with Dublin Institute of Technology, the National Concert Hall, and the Royal Irish Academy of Music, to establish and support a strategic music service and network across the five administration areas of Dublin City. Application completed and delivered. Results known in July.
 - **Arts in Education Policy** – Actions will seek local structure by arrangement with the Area Offices, hoping to bring together in conjunction with the LECP, local stakeholders in informal and formal education by September in preparation for Creative Ireland initiatives in this area.
 - **Dublin Culture Connects** – Funding fellowships awarded and training commenced.
 - **The National Neighbourhood Projects** – Neighbourhood Committees formed with each National Cultural Institution.
 - **Cultural Audit** – Will be delayed due to technical issues until September.
 - **Culture Night** – Traffic and pedestrian management plan advised for this year by Gardai and Planning Department
 - **Luke Kelly Statue** – Proposals reviewed as requested by the Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC with Artists involved, the Kelly family and PPN Network. Recommendations to issue to the Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC in July.
 - **The 2017 Summer Stars Programme** – was launched on 13th June and will run in all branch libraries until 31st August. Children taking part in the programme get a special reading card at the local library to track their reading during the summer holidays. The target is eight books, and at various stages the children receive rewards to encourage them to keep reading. Those who take part in the challenge will be invited to an event in their local library in September to celebrate participation. They will receive a Certificate of Achievement and goodie pack.

Departmental Projects

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Upgrade of St. Audeon’s Park and Grounds	Discussions continuing with Contractors	Commence works
Bushy Park (new tennis courts and all weather training surface)	Civil works ongoing	Contractor on site

Renovation / Greening of Wolfe Tone Park & Public Realm	Consulting with all stakeholders regarding development of this site.	Prepare tender documents
Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Bridgefoot Street (new park)	Public consultation 15 th June (2 sessions)	Progress to design stage
Rockfield Park (new tennis courts)	Awaiting delivery of Columns	Courts in place by August
Temple Bar Square	2 nd workshop held 8 th June	Agree design and develop final proposal
Weaver Square (new park)	Works have commenced. Large oak tree used in the show garden in Bloom planted 15 th June 2017	Works continuing
North East Inner City	Initial site visit took place 15 th June 2017	Design to be agreed
Kevin Street Library – Refurbishment	Construction works are continuing. Tender for furniture/fit-out awarded and arrangements with contractor underway.	Completion of works/handover (23 rd August)
Pilot distribution system for inter-library loans	Pilot underway with two deliveries/collections to/from Dublin City branches each week.	Monitoring and review of pilot to be undertaken.
Dublin North East Inner City Project – Readers-in-Residence programme	Three school and community readers working in 17 different centres in the area; very positive feedback and excellent engagement.	Work to continue during summer months on evaluations of survey work etc. public readings in library and Rose festival; logo and promotional material to be devised.
Dublin North East Inner City Project – CoderDojo programme	Pilot project begun with 20 children, with field trip to Coolest Project at RDS 17 th June and themed weekly making and coding sessions beginning in Charleville Mall Library.	Coding to continue during summer months with reserve list for future sessions due to high demand.
Creative Ireland	Discussions on drafting of 2018 plan underway	Drafting of Creative Ireland plan for 2018
Proposed New City Library, Parnell Square	Site investigations at Colaiste Mhuire and 20/21 Parnell Square are substantially complete. Information gathered during these works will serve to de-risk the	Site investigation works to be completed.

	project ahead of construction.	
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Dates/Events for your Diary

Event	Location	Date / Time
International Track Cycling Grand Prix	Sundrive Velodrome, Eamonn Ceannt Park, Crumlin, Dublin 12	1 st & 2nd July 2017
Summer Camps	Ballyfermot, Ballymun, Finglas and Markievicz Sport and Fitness Centres	From 3 July 2017 throughout summer
F.A.I. Summer Camps	Various location across all 5 administrative areas of the city	From 3 July 2017 throughout summer
The Irish Revolution 1917 – 1923 – three part lecture series	Branch libraries in each Council area	12 th June onwards
Summer Stars Reading Programmme	Branch libraries	June - August
Summer Programme for Children	Branch libraries	July and August
Words on the Street 2017	Locations around the Parnell Square Cultural Quarter	07/09/17
Shrine for Girls – a series of site specific sculptural installations in different cities around the world, reflecting on the global plight of exploited women and girls.	The Lab Gallery	16/06/17 – 20/08/17
Like a Bird I Could Sing – Anne Maree Barry's project on the history of the Monto	The Lab Gallery	16/06/17 – 20/08/17
Coffee Conversations (a) An introduction to the Port Perspectives community drawing clubs exhibition–Fee €5 (b) Artist Anne Madden will discuss her work in the exhibition Colours of the Wind – Adriane's Thread Fee €5 Basic Talks: Artist and writer Eimear Walsh will discuss her practice. Free Film screenings: Anne Madden Painter & Muse. Director Bill Hughes, RTE Art Lives, 2006. 56 mins. Free	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	05/07/17 @ 11.00 a.m. 12/07/17 @ 11.00 a.m. 14/07/17 @ 1.00 p.m. 09/07/17 @ 3.00 p.m. 12/07/17 @ 1.00 p.m.

Heritage Week: Walking through time. Trail through Charlemont House with insights into architectural features and heritage.		24/08/17 @ 11.00 a.m.
Event	Location	Date / Time
Exhibition of works by Anne Madden: "Colours of the Wind" – Ariadne's Thread	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	1/06/17 – 10/09/17
Children's workshops: Art workshop for 3 – 6 year olds. Fee €5 Art workshop for 6 – 10 year olds Fee €5	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	08/08/17 @ 11.00 a.m 10/08/17 @ 11.00 a.m 17/08/17 @ 11.00 a.m 24/08/17 @ 11.00 a.m 31/08/17 @ 11.00 a.m
Summer Camp 6-10 year olds. Fee €40	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	04 – 07/07/17 10.30 – 12.00
Summer Camp 10-14 year olds. Fee €40	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	11 – 14/07/17 10.30 – 12.00
Summer Camp 14-17 year olds. Fee €40	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	18 – 21 July 2017 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Docklands 5K Road Race	Docklands http://www.docklands5k.com/	06/07/17
City Spectacular Free family street performance event	Merrion Square http://www.cityspectacular.com/	07 – 09/07/17
Grand Dublin Swim	River Liffey	15/07/17
98fm Big Slide Festival	Winetavern St. and Ampitheatre http://www.98fm.com/	15 – 16/07/17
Dublin Maker (Invention and creativity family festival)	Merrion Square http://www.dublinmaker.ie/	22/07/17
Festival of Chariots (Re-enactment of a sacred journey of Lord Krishna)	Merrion Sq/St. Stephens Green http://rathayatra.ie/	29/07/17
Dublin Concert Band Summer Sessions	Herbert Park, Ballsbridge Patrick's Park, St. Patrick's Cathedral Harold's Cross Park, Harold's Cross http://dublinconcertband.ie/	09/07/17 – 2 – 4 p.m. 23/07/17 – 2 – 4 p.m. 13/08/17 – 2 – 4 p.m.
Wood Quay Summer Sessions (series of lunchtime concerts)	Civic Offices Amphitheatre https://dublin.ie/whats-on/dublin-city-council-events/	Every Thursday in July
Rock n Roll Half Marathon	Start CHQ, Phoenix Park http://www.runrocknroll.com/dublin	12 – 13/08/17

Ironman 70.3 (Half Ironman Triathlon)	Dun Laoghaire start – Phoenix Park finish	20/08/17
Finglas Festival	Mellows Park (8 am – 8 pm)	08/07/17
Rose Festival	St. Anne's Park (9 am – 6 pm)	15 – 16/07/17
Event	Location	Date / Time
Official openings of new changing room pavilions	Tolka Valley & Springdale (TBC with Lord Mayor)	18 th & 20 th July 2017
South Docks Festival	Pearse Square, Docklands	20/07/17
Liberties Festival	St. Patrick's Park (12 pm – 4 pm)	22/07/17
Taking Care of Business 2017 – A Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation Initiative - this event is specifically designed to help small and start up businesses understand and benefit from the services provided by many of our State Offices and agencies	Dublin Castle	07/11/2017

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FOI/5270/2017	Seeks records regarding maintenance on retractable umbrellas in Meeting House Square.	Irish Times	Press	31/05/2017	
FOI/5269/2017	Seeks financial reports relating to Sean Mc Dermott St , Coolock, Crumlin Swimming Pools.	Paul Begley	Business	31/05/2017	
FOI/5268/2017	Seeks records regarding Kildare County Council representation in submissions for Eastern Midlands Region Waste Management Plan.	Declan O'Brien	Client	31/05/2017	31/05/2017
FOI/5267/2017	Seeks records regarding firs safety at Cross Guns Quay development.	Margaret Boland	Client	31/05/2017	
FOI/5266/2017	Seeks records regarding number of applications for homeless services across four Dublin authorities since 2013.	John Conneely	Client	31/05/2017	
FOI/5265/2017	Seeks records regarding: Architectural drawings of phase 1 of new Priory Hall apartments Number of employees in DCC below Grade 6	Robert Sammon	Client	31/05/2017	
FOI/5261/2017	Seeks information on compensation paid out for years 2000 - 2016.	TV3	Press	31/05/2017	
FOI/5259/2017	Seeks records regarding applications for permission to use a crane in most recent five complete years.	Helena Vallely	Client	31/05/2017	15/06/2017
FOI/5258/2017	Seeks records regarding applicants for social housing and number of vacant social units.	Gerry Adams TD	TD/Senator	31/05/2017	
FOI/5257/2017	Seeks records regarding planning enforcement file.	Ciara Durham	Client	26/05/2017	
FOI/5256/2017	Seeks records relating to meeting between Chief Executive and Airbnb.	Sunday Times	Press	26/05/2017	14/06/2017
FOI/5255/2017	Seeks information regarding numbers of local people employed in construction of St. Helen's Drive, Finglas.	J Moran	Client	26/05/2017	16/06/2017

FOI/5254/2017	Seeks information regarding retirement gratuities paid to former Councillors between March 2016 and May 2017.	Independent	Press	26/05/2017	26/05/2017
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FOI/5251/2017	Seeks all records regarding planning permission granted to property in Chapelizod	Iain Conway	Client	26/05/2017	
FOI/5250/2017	Seeks access to planning enforcement files	Sheehan & Co Solicitors	Solicitor	26/05/2017	
FOI/5249/2017	Seeks access to Planning Enforcement file	Niall Whelan	Client	26/05/2017	
FOI/5246/2017	Seeks records regarding complaints about clamping from May 2016 to present.	The Journal	Press	26/05/2017	
FOI/5244/2017	Seeks records relating to erection of hoardings and scaffolding at Johnson's Court.	Peppe Santoro	Solicitor	26/05/2017	26/05/2017
FOI/5243/2017	Seeks audit reports made by the council or it's officers into Dublin Town, internal reports on the work of Dublin Town and all correspondence between DCC and Dublin Town from January 2015 to date.	Independent	Client	25/05/2017	13/06/2017
FOI/5230/2017	Request for dealings between DCC and NAMA	Ciaran D'Arcy, The Irish Times	Press	12/05/2017	12/06/2017
FOI/5222/2017	Seeks records regarding housing allocations in area B and staffing in housing department.	Robert Sammon	Client	04/05/2017	24/05/2017
FOI/5220/2017	Seeks information regarding parking in the City for TDs.	Hannah Sullivan	Client	03/05/2017	04/05/2017

<p>The above table represents a snapshot of the position with non-personal FOI requests only, received in February 2017</p> <p>The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2017 is outlined below.</p> <table> <tr> <td>Carried forward from 2016</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total opened at May 2017</td> <td>254</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>284</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total closed at May 2017</td> <td>176</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Live cases</td> <td>108</td> </tr> </table>	Carried forward from 2016	30	Total opened at May 2017	254		284	Total closed at May 2017	176	Live cases	108	<p>received in May 2017</p>
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