

Monthly Management Report - December 2017

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 the September 2017 City Council meeting 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

Please see attached report. (Pages 2 - 6)

Housing & Community Services

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Planning & Property Development

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Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

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Human Resources

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Law Department - Freedom of Information

Please see attached Report in relation to Freedom of Information statistics. (Pages 23 - 25)

Owen P. Keegan Chief Executive.

Dated: 22nd November 2017

Environment and Transportation

Public Consultation – draft control of Stationless On-Street Bicycle Hire ByeLaws

The draft byelaws were put out to public consultation following presentation to the Transportation SPC and full Council. The public consultation closed on 24th August and a report was presented to the Transportation SPC on 27th September with a recommendation that the Bye-Laws be sent to the next Council meeting for adoption. The Bye-Laws were subsequently adopted by the City Council at its October meeting.

Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme Community Gain Liaison Committee (CGLC) Update @ 10.10.17

The Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2017 opened for applications between the 1st March 2017 and the 30th April 2017. 48 grant applications were received from the Irishtown, Ringsend and Sandymount Catchment Area. The applicant organisations are divided into three categories as outlined in the table below and the total amount of funding requested is €14,704,942.78.

Numbers of Applications Received with Reference to the Value of Grant Applied for

Categories	<€20,000	€20,000 - €100,000	>€100,000	Total
Number Applications Received	19	10	19	48
Amount Requested from Community Gain Fund	€171,211.73	€608,060.52	€13,925,670.53	€14,704,942.78

The Community Gain Liaison Committee met on the 12th July 2017, 14th July 2017 and the 15th September 2017 to preliminarily assess grant applications. The next grant application assessment meeting is scheduled for the 3rd November 2017. No decisions regarding the allocation of grant funding have been made to date.Ms Elizabeth Allman of Sandymount Ladies Golf Society was appointed as Community Representative on the Community Gain Liaison Committee to represent the interests of the Arts, Culture, Education, Environment and Sports sectors. This position was previously held by Ms Mary De Courcy.

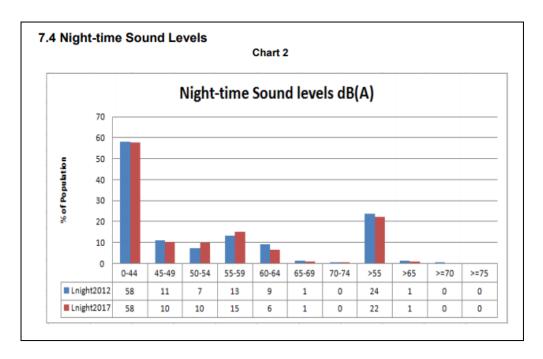
Pay & Display Machine replacement programme

600 Pay and Display Ticket machines are now operational on-street under the new lease contract. A further 100 "multifunction" Pay and Display Ticket machines are currently being installed on-street which, in addition to allowing coin and "wave and pay" payments will also provide visitors with information in relation to local points of interest.

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' was due to 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. The report 'Noise Maps, Report and Statistics was completed on schedule and forwarded onto the EPA as required by the SI 140/2006. The chart below provides a comparison between the 2012 and 2017 night time population exposure values.



The full report can be viewed on the Dublin City Council website at the following link:http://www.dublincity.ie/main-menu-services-water-waste-and-environment/noise-maps-and-action-plans. The report and noise maps can also be downloaded from this location.

Parking Tag and alternative methods of paying for parking

The average number of transactions per week is now 98,000, representing 45% of weekly Pay and Display revenue. There are 172,000 registered motorists with an average of 600 additional motorists registering each week. Over 72% 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 4,000 payments per week. The Council is currently engaged 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 be 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, was published in mid July. Works are expected to 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	Design er	Comments
1	College Green	NTA/DCC	DCC	An Bord Pleanála requested further information in respect of the College Green Project and this information was submitted on 20 th October. An Bord Pleanala requested that the further information be published and made available for public comment for a 3 week period. This was arranged and the public consultation process commenced on 16 th November. Submissions may be made to An Bord Pleanála up to 7 th December.
2	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4 – Clarendon Street/Row	DCC	DCC	Part 8 planning approval in place. Detailed design and tender process planned in 2018 with works scheduled to commence in early 2019
3	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 5 - Duke Street / South Anne Street Area	DCC	DCC	Preliminary design works underway with Part 8 planning application to be lodged in 2018

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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	Consult ant	Consultant in the process of being appointed.
6	Cathal Brugha Street/Findlate r 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/LIHA AF/NTA	Rougha n O'dono van/Mic hael 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/C OWI	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.
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
10	Sandymount Promenade	OPW/DC C	DCC	At pre planning stage. Proposal to raise promenade wall by up to 360mm north of Martello Tower. New flood wall around Martello Tower on sea side. 14 new flood gates at openings. Closing of two existing openings.

Projects at Construction Stage

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

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4	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 3 – Chatham, Harry and Balfe Street areas	DCC	Actavo (Ireland) Ltd.]	11 th Sept. 2017	End of 2018	Works are scheduled for completion by the end of 2018.
5	Dodder flood alleviation works	ARUP/D CC	OPW, Clonmel Enterprises	August 2007	June 2018	Construction ongoing frm Ballsbridge to Beaver Row.
6	South Campshires flood alleviation works	AECOM	OPW and others	October 2014	March 2018	Works ongoing from Matt Talbot Bridge to Cardiff Lane.

Planning & Property Development

1. New Policy/Strategic

The City Council is continuing work on a number of housing initiatives, including MUHDS (Major Urban Housing Developments Sites) and the Housing Land Initiative. The Poolbeg SDZ Planning Scheme and Ballymun LAP were recently approved by the City Council, which will significantly contribute to the continued regeneration of the city. A number of existing LAPs are currently being reviewed; reports are being brought to Members. The commencement date for regulations relating to the Planning & Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016 came into effect on the 3rd July in relation to applications for 100 or more residential units and 200 or more student bed spaces, (which now go to An Bord Pleanála direct) and Part 8 applications (which must be passed by the City Council within 6 weeks of receipt of the Chief Executive's Report)

Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Development Plan 2016- 2022	New Development Plan now being implemented.Hard copy version now published	Implementation of plan objectives.
Local Area Plans/Local Environmental Improvement Plan	 Two Council Members have been nominated to Phibsborough LEIP Implementation Group. Finalised Plan now up on DCC website. 	Shop front survey to be completed and Shop front Enhancement Scheme to be prepared.
Ballymun LAP	LAP approved by City Council at October meeting.	Economic viability study to be prepared. Brief for Site 31 and Urban Forum to be prepared.
Naas Road LAP	 LAP adopted Jan 2013, review has taken place and been presented to Central Area Committee. City Council agreed at the November meeting to extend the life of the LAP for 5 years. 	Implement LAP.
Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP	 Review of LAP, adopted December 2012, presented to North West Area Committee and City Council, which agreed to extend life of LAP for 5 years. 	Retail study been undertaken by Consultants. Joint traffic study with Fingal County Council is now underway.
Architectural Conservation Areas	 Survey and assessment underway for proposed Temple Bar ACA (in accordance with Built Heritage priorities of the 2016-2022 City Development Plan). 	Continue survey work and prepare draft, internal discussion document – record and mapping to be progressed.
	 Consultants study on proposed Aungier Street ACA underway (in accordance with Built Heritage priorities of the 2016- 2022 City Development Plan). 	Continue survey, research & prepare draft for team/internal review.

Changes in Policy or Practice	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
from Department or DCC		
Poolbeg West SDZ	 SDZ Planning Scheme approved at October City Council meeting. A number of Appeals submitted to An Bord Pleanála. 	SDZ Planning Scheme approved at October City Council meeting. Preparation of responses to Appeals to An Bord Pleanála.
Public Realm Strategy	 Central Area Committee initiated the Part 8 process for Sackville Place and Cathedral Street at its Nov meeting. Liffey Street Upper and Lower are at initial stages and survey work. Part 8 for Temple Bar Square was referred back to the South East Area Committee. The Docklands Public Realm Plan is being implemented through planning gain, a full palette of materials and street furniture will be available shortly. The group are currently working with Smart City Group on pilots/ city challenges. We are also running a project with Playable City an international network facilitated by Watershed UK and yielding a bespoke engagement for Dublin The group will adjust its focus to delivery of the City Centre Master Plan Projects going forward. 	Work is continuing.
National Planning Framework Ireland 2040 Our Plan	 Consultation document launched by Minister. Presentation made to SPC in 2017. Submission incorporating views of SPC and City Council submitted to DHPCLG in May. Draft MPF published in September 2017, presented to special meeting of SPC and City Council on 19th October. Separate submissions on behalf of Dublin City Council and the 4 Dublin Local Authorities forwarded to DHPCLG in November. 	Engage with all stages of process. Submission under consideration by DHPCLG.

2. Departmental Priority

Major Current Issues	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Housing Land Initiative	Feasibility studies for each site endorsed by Elected Members (Oscar Traynor, O'Devaney Gardens and St. Michael's Estate, Jan 2017). Department agreed to fund 1 st phase of O'Devaney 56 units. PIN notice for three sites published July. PQQ/PIM for O'Devaney Gardens (excl. phase 1, 56 units) published Aug. Governance structures (board, project team, etc) set up and meeting regularly. Consultants (legal, financial, procurement, etc) engaged. Consultative Forums set up and meeting.	Tender for Phase 1 O'Devaney Gardens (56 social units) Evaluate PQQs for O'Devaney Gardens. Issue invitation to Participate in Dialogue (ITPD) to shortlisted tenderers.
Active Land Management Derelict Sites Register	 The Council is pursuing an ongoing acquisition strategy. PHASE 1 The Council acquired seven derelict properties compulsorily in Q1. PHASE 2 Notices of intention to acquire eight properties issued on 20th July, 2017. Barnamore Park, 25 A, Finglas South, D11 Barry Avenue, 7, Finglas, D11 Creighton Street, 6, D2 Fairlawn Park, 9, Finglas, D11 Kingsland Park Avenue, 7, Portobello, D8 Rutland Street Lower, 21, D1 St. Brendan's Park, 68B, Artane, Thomas Court, 37, Dublin 8 	PHASE 2 _ Update The following four properties vested in the City Council on 16 th October, 2017 and are being retained under the control of the Housing & Community Services Department to be used for social housing. Barry Avenue, 7 Creighton Street, 6 Kingsland Park Avenue, 7 Rutland St Lwr, 21 The remaining four properties, where objections were received are due to be remediated or are sale agreed. Under the circumstances the compulsory acquisition of these properties will not proceed at this time. The situation will be kept under review. PHASE 3 A further twenty properties have been identified for possible acquisition. Letters have issued to owners stating the Council's intention to acquire their properties in the absence of firm proposals to render them non-derelict.

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Vacant Sites Register	 Vacant Sites register available on the DCC Website since 1st January 2017. 69 submissions have been received to date 65 sites currently on the Vacant Sites Register 7 of which are in DCC ownership – O'Devaney Gardens North (VS-0006) St Bricin's Military Hospital (VS-0008) Site at corner of Marshal Lane & Bridgefoot Street (VS-0067) Corner of Russell Street & North Circular Road (VS-0101) Dominick Street (VS-0103) (Readymix Site) 5-23 East Wall Road (VS-0117) Corner of Ashtown Grove & Ashtown Park (VS-0339) 	135 notices have been served to date. Of these, 36 sites were served with Notices of Proposed Entry on October 13 th 2017. 7 of which, are in DCC ownership. 18 sites on the register are currently on appeal to An Bord Pleanála (an additional 2 invalid appeals were made to the Bord)
Living City Initiative	 The Living City Initiative (LCI) application process has been streamlined and information provided to the public regarding the Scheme has been reviewed and improved on our corporate website. The Layperson's guide was scheduled to be launched in November, but due to the unavailability of Ardmhéara Bhaile Átha Cliath, Mícheál Mac Donncha and Eoghan Murphy TD, Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government, this has been postponed. The LCI 'One Stop Shop' Advisory Team are available to meet and advise owners/investors on statutory planning and development requirements. This is a free service but an appointment must be made in advance with the LCI unit. This service is being promoted on the corporate website. A leaflet to promote the scheme has been developed and sent for printing. Web site updated with information and relevant links to useful information and Revenue Department 	The Launch of the layperson guide will be rescheduled to January, 2018.
Funding Applications	Projects approved for LIHAF: i) Dodder Bridge Grant Agreement signed and consultants appointed to develop	Claims to be submitted to the LIHAF office in the DHPLG by 30 th November for expenditure in 2017

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	detailed design. Chief Valuers office negotiating for acquisition of land required for bridge. ii) Main Street Belmayne/Clongriffin Grant Agreement issued for CE signature. Consultants engaged for design of road	Claims to be submitted to the LIHAF office in the DHPLG by 30 th November for expenditure in 2017. Economic & Retail Study initiated. Discussion ongoing with NTA
North Lotts & Grand Canal Dock SDZs	 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). Application to include 260 residential units on City Block 3expected to be lodged soon. Upcoming pre- applications in relation to Blocks 9 and 17. Proposed amendment to the scheme in relation to the relocation of the pedestrian bridges lodged with An Bord Pleanála. 	Ongoing assessment of a number of planning applications on North Lotts. Construction and demolition protocol for Dockland sites finalised and in operation. Pre-application ongoing on a number of sites in North Lotts.

3. Departmental Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Record Protected Structures	 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. Public Display has been completed for: 48 Hardwicke Street, Dublin 1 58 Blessington Street, Dublin 7, Exterior 	Consultant reports being prepared. On completion to be brought to SCAC and CAC. Ongoing All proposed additions to the RPS added by
	elevations only, excluding modern fascia, shop window & door to front elevation 3. 76 Gardiner Street Upper (former convent) including chapel to rear, Dublin 1 4. 55 Amiens Street, Dublin 1 5. Fumbally Exchange, 5 Dame Lane, D 2 6. Structures 1 (red brick L-shaped wing), 3 (block to S of chapel), 4 (college chapel), 7 (walls of enclosed orchard to S of college	resolution of City Council 2/10/2017

	buildings and stone shed outside SE corner of garden wall), 8 (enclosed garden to north) & 11 (N stone boundary wall along Bloomfield Avenue) St Mary's College, Gayfield,	
	Bloomfield Avenue, Donnybrook, Dublin 4 (Site is also known as 'Avila') Public display ran from Monday, 19 th June, 2017 to Monday 31st July, 2017	
	 Public Display has been completed for: Proposed Additions to the RPS 1. Cherrymount House, Cherrymount Park, Phibsborough 2. 2-3 Mary's Abbey, Dublin 7 3. ESB Substation, Corner of East Wall Road & Alexandra Road, Dublin 3 4. 7 Meeting House Lane, Dublin 1 Proposed Amendments to the RPS: 1.133,134, 135, 136 Capel Street Dublin to now read 133, 133A, 133B, 134, 135, 136, 	Reports being prepared for December City Council meeting.
Buildings at Risk	 136A, 136B Capel Street Investigations ongoing on the "Register"; with significant progress in a number of cases. 	Ongoing.
Residential Land Availability Study	Stage two completed: data uploaded to myplan.ie website.	Prepare RLA update for DCC when DELG initiates process.
Dublin Wayfinding Scheme	 Phase 3 completed, radial/orbital routes. Tenders awarded. "Cooling off" over. New orders placed November 2016. Additional finger panels erected 	Subject to six monthly reviews/ monitoring.
Just Eat dublinbikes	Grangegorman expansion agreed with project partners. 12 of 15 station designs finalised.	Remaining 3 sites subject to discussion with Grangegorman Development Agency.
	Update of Strategic Plan inc. Advertising Funding Options to be carried out.	Following completion of Road Safety Audits, the intention is to commence construction in January.
		Update of Strategic Plan on hold to assess impact of stationless bike hire.
Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market	The Markets Sub Committee voted to defer works at the Fish Market Site until January at the request of the Traders on Capel St and city centre so the Car Park could be available for the Christmas period.	Construction of Fish Market redevelopment will commence in January.

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	 There are eight traders remaining in the Wholesale Fruit and Veg Market. Vacant possession will be needed for the build phase and alternative accommodation is being sought. All residents and businesses will be informed in advance of commencement of works. A meeting will be held with Traders in late November to outline progress. We continue to report to the Markets Sub-committee of Council. 	
Site development brief for Belcamp Lane	Site brief/review to be developed for Belcamp Lane area (further to previous work contained in the Clongriffin Belmayne LAP).	Progress/update research ongoing.
Gulistan Depot	Development guidelines and site brief to be prepared for depot site, including ESB site.	Finalise draft brief and re- locate waste management facility.
St Thomas's Abbey	 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. Book Launch by the Lord Mayor, 21st October in Pearse Lyons Distillery, James Street 	Following the book launch, the book will be sold via Dublinia and some copies will also be available through Pearse Lyons Distillery gift shop.
St James's Graveyard	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	 Official Opening is re-arranged for the New Year – dates to be agreed. Finalising scripts for interactive exhibits & tour guides. Ongoing discussions re proposed Management structures. 	Ongoing
Saint Luke's Churchyard and Public Park project	Ongoing work on site.	Completion date of 12 th December 2018 New lease agreed with occupants. Finalising of conservation works to north and south graveyards.

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2017	We grant aided conservation works to 11 churches, 21 houses, 2 public houses, 2 schools, 1 boxing club and 1 railway station. Works ranged from funding towards emergency structural works, roof and chimney repairs, facade repairs, window repairs/reinstatement, repairs to an external	All individual applicants have been paid. Drawdown from Department underway
Structures at Risk Fund 2017	boundary wall, repairs to internal plasterwork and funding towards a conservation plan. The grant aided works generated 2000 employment days and a total of €1,048,389.33 was spent on conservation works to protected structures. It results in an important benefit to protected structures and their owners. It also provides a valuable overview of conservation contractors and provides a useful interface between building owners and professional conservation advice.	
	 SRF 2017 – Amiens Street, Connolly Train Station awarded €15,000. Works completed, applicant paid, drawdown from Department has been sought 	Applicant has been paid. Drawdown from Department underway.

Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

New Policy/Strategy

Draft Parks Strategy 2017 – 2022 – The draft policy is due to be presented to each Area Committee before the end of the year.

Departmental Priority

Dublin's Culture Connects – Dublin's Culture Connects is the CRES Department legacy programme of the European Capital of Culture Bid undertaken by Dublin City Council in 2015. Dublin's Culture Connects aims to connect Dubliners to their city through culture and conversation. It does so by making cultural projects in partnership with people, businesses and/or cultural institutions. These projects include the Fundraising Fellowship, Dublin; The National Neighbourhood; the Cultural Audit and Map, and the EU Lab and other projects as may be developed. The initiative develops activities and events that bring communities together, based on people's stories, wishes and experiences and works cross sectorally in the City Council and with many external partners. Report No. 399/2017 on the establishment of a Dublin City Council Cultural Company is included on the City Council Agenda.

A Cultural Development Committee has met on two occasions since June to consider cultural infrastructure and in particular the ongoing deficit in artists workspaces and studios. Housing Department have suggested several sites for possible use as artist workspaces. Feasibility studies will now ensue.

Creative Ireland/UNESCO City of Literature – Two new Dublin Writers in Residence have been appointed for the period November 2017 to October 2018, in association with the Irish Writers Centre, who are providing workspace for the writers during the period of the residency. The writers are Declan Burke and Elizabeth Reapy. They are both engaged with library-based writing groups and will provide workshops and support to emerging writers in this setting throughout the year.

Library App launched

Libraries announce the launch of a new free mobile app for Android and iOS devices. http://www.dublincity.ie/story/new-library-mobile-app

The app provides a quick and convenient way to

- search the library catalogue,
- access and managing your library account,
- reserve and renew items,
- locate your nearest branch library and its opening hours,
- · view a list of upcoming library events,
- download eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, eComics and eGraphic novels, and
- access a wealth of online resources courtesy of your library membership.

Creative Ireland Programme 2017 – 2022/Clár Éire Ildánach - Following on from the publication of the Dublin City Culture and Creativity Plan 2017, we now are now drafting the Culture and Creativity Strategy 2018 - 2022 for Dublin City. The Dublin City Creative Ireland Team hosted a workshop with DCC staff on 27th October to discuss priorities for inclusion in the five year strategy. Priorities will be informed by this consultation, as well as public consultations held earlier in the year and by Dublin City Council's published plans and policy documents.

Commemorations – Historians-in-Residence – the historians are continuing to work on various projects including a new "History on your Doorstep" project which will be launched in the new year, sources workshops for secondary schools, history walks/lectures for various groups including Men's Sheds and retirement groups and are also participating in various programmes including Explore Your Archives week and Swift 350. Follow the historians on @DubHistorians.

Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane Strategic Plan – The Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC endorsed this plan at its meeting of 13th November 2017 and agreed that it be tabled at the December City Council meeting. Report 406/2017 is included in the Agenda.

Dalymount Park Redevelopment Project

Dublin City Council has recently gone to tender for a consultant to complete a detailed analysis including a full appraisal for the Dalymount Park Redevelopment Project. The competition closed on 17th November and the applicants are currently being assessed. The successful applicant will hopefully in place by mid December. The current plan is to have the appraisal completed by the end of first quarter in 2018. This appraisal should then inform the council on the best option of the redevelopment.

UEFA EURO 2020:

Guillaume Poisson, UEFA's Head of Euro 2020 County Projects presented to the Dublin City Council Euro 2020 Steering Group on Wednesday 15th November. The presentation gave a broad outline of UEFA Euro 2020, the expected benefits to a host City and what UEFA expects from a Host City. Dublin is one of 13 host Cities for UEFA Euro 2020. Four Euro 2020 games will take place in Dublin in June 2020 and it is expected 150,000 extra visitors will be in Dublin for the tournment. It will have significant economic impact on both the city and country.

Departmental Projects

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Kevin Street Library – Refurbishment	Construction works are continuing with handover date amended to 5 th December. Reopening date will be announced after handover, currently estimated at approximately 2 months following handover to allow for fitting-out, moving in and staff familiarisation.	Completion of works/handover and fixtures and fittings.
Coolock Library – Refurbishment	The consultant architects, Mahoney Architecture have completed the design for the refurbishment works at Coolock Library. It is anticipated that the Part 8 Planning Process will commence in December.	Commencement of Part 8 Planning Process.
Inchicore Library – Refurbishment	Designs for refurbishment and access improvements to will be delivered by the end of the year. CPSO approval is pending but it is anticipated that the Part 8 Planning Process will commence early in the new year.	Commencement of Part 8 Planning Process early in the new year.

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Terenure Library	Libraries have commenced a detailed study of the options for Terenure Library, to examine options for refurbishment, new build on the existing site and new build as a joint development in collaboration with the Enterprise Centre.	A full feasibility report, including estimated costs, planning constraints etc is expected to be complete by the end of the year. Further up-dates will issue as they become available.
Creative Ireland	Strategic plan workshop has been held.	Drafting of Creative Ireland plan for 2018
Dublin North East Inner City Project – Readers-in- Residence programme	The Readers have now catered for more than 1,000 children and are about to commence with new groups next week.	Charleville Mall library will be hosting an exciting musical adaptation of Gulliver's Travels called Lemuel Gulliver, Adventurer Extraordinaire for more than 100 children to celebrate Swift 350. Some children from the project will also be invited to attend a special event with
		the internationally renowned author Jeff Kinney.
Proposed New City Library, Parnell Square	The architects have been instructed to prepare a planning application for submission in the first half of 2018	Planning application to be developed.
Public Realm Projects	Tender assessment completed and contractor selected.	Engage with contractor and commence design phase
Rockfield Park (Refurbish tennis courts and all weather training area)	Works complete	
Liffey Valley Park (Sprint track and high jump area)	Works complete	
Hugh Lane Refurbishment Project	Preliminary Design is ongoing, stakeholder consultation to commence	Detailed design
GAGA – Getting All Girls Active	GAGA consists of two parts: 1) 6-Week sport and physical activity programmes targeting teenage girls are being rolled out by all 17 Areabased Sport Officers between November and December. 2) A day dedicated to GAGA will be held on Wednesday 13th December. A social media campaign will be run to highlight all activities taking place for teenage girls on that day.	This is pilot year of GAGA. The project will be evaluated on completion to inform future projects with this target group.

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Thrive & Forever Fit	Thrive and Forever Fit programmes were delivered by the Sport Officers during the 3 rd quarter of 2017. These programmes, targeting people with mental health difficulties and older adults respectively, delivered multiple sport and physical activities in venues around the city to increase participation rates amongst these target populations.	Programmes will be sustained where possible and /or rolled out again in 2018.
The National Neighbourhood	A launch for the 2017/2018 partnerships and projects took place in City Hall in October with a view to building on the impacts over the last 12 months. New projects are beginning to be developed within Dublin City Council	To connect artists, community groups and others into creative projects locally that will continue throughout 2018.
Fundraising Fellowship, Dublin	We have 80 community groups working with us currently on developing marketing plans, 4 have been given 12 month mentorship in fundraising. 3,000 have viewed a Guide to Marketing Video and our 4 Fundraising Fellows continue to work through their 24 month learning programme in the area of sponsorship, marketing and fundraising.	4 community organisations were selected to participate in a structured 12 month memtoring and training programme to help build capacity in their sponsorship, fundraising and marketing. The 4 organisations are: The 100 Archive www.100archive.com; Common Ground www.commonground.ie Dublin Cycling www.dublincycling.ie and the Calcutta Run for their work with the Peter McVerry Trust in Dublin www.calcuttarun.com. Introduction to Fundraising for Community Groups and Arts Organisations took place on 14/11/17 for 30 groups.
Cultural Audit & Map	The Cultural Map is developing a comprehensive database and a user-friendly website and is identifying and recording information on the city's culture, spanning arts, heritage, sport, recreation, food, the environment, science and more. An online 'map' will be developed to give	The technical service for the building of this dataset and interface is due to go to open tender in due course.
	residents and visitors a sense of what's at the heart of the city's many communities as	

	well as providing information on cultural things to do; along with a resource to Dublin City Council and other policymakers to plan how they will support culture in Dublin. This project requires the continued cooperation of a cross section of Dublin City Council departments for it to be successfully realised.	
EU Lab	The EU Lab aims to match partners with common interests to help them build projects and source European funding.	The EU Lab team will continue to meet with Dublin City Council sections to build projects and project applications against calls from EU for funding streams.
Citizen engagement	We are continually involved in community engagement across all Dublin villages	Overall 1,850 people (aged 5 to 85) have participated in 130 workshops and events in the past 4 months
Liam Mellows Memorial	The Liam Mellows Group, City officials, Councillors and Ardmhéara has met on 3 occasions	Planning Dept. will now consider the application.
Erasmus Plus EU Project – developing Visual Thinking Sttrategies in 7 European countries	Inaugural project meeting in Alicante November 17 th .	Project implementation in each country participating.

Dates/Events for your Diary

Event	Location	Date / Time
Glow Family Festval	Smithfield https://www.facebook.com/grassh opperevents/	09/12/17
Sli an Críoi (Winter Solstice Festival)	Smithfield area https://www.facebook.com/sliabch-roi/	21/12/17
New Year's Festival	Citywide	31/12 – 01/01/18
Lets Walk and Talk Christmas Traditions Walk. Tea & mince pies afterwards in CHQ	Meet at Gaiety Theatre	05/12/17 @ 2.30p.m.
Comhairle na nÓg first meeting of new Comhairle. Topic for 2018 is mental health	Wood Quay Venue	11/12/17
Raheny Shamrocks GOAL Mile	St. Anne's Park	25/12/17
Dermot Bolger 'Bang Bang & other Dublin stories. A performance by actor Pat McGrath	Bewleys Café Theatre	11/12/17

Event	Location	Date / Time
Culture Club (connecting people to museums, galleries libraries and other cultural venues	The Hugh Lane Gallery	01/12/17 10.30a.m
Cultural Vollago	Irish Museum of Modern Art	05/12/17 10.30a.m
	The National Library of Ireland	18/12/17 10.00a.m
	The National Museum of Ireland	29/12/17 11.30a.m
The Jacob's Biscuits Exhibition	City Hall	Commenci ng at end November
Patrick O'Connell: the man who saved FC Barcelona Exhibition	Dublin City Library & Archive	10/11 – 21/12/17
A range of Christmas events for Children including story-telling, arts and crafts, a writing competion and a film screening.	Raheny Library	Month of December
Winter Evening for Creative writing groups of Dublin City Public Libraries at Dublin City Library & Archive. MC, Dave Kenny	Dublin City Library & Archive, Pearse Street	06/12/17 6.30- 9.00p.m.
Notabelles Ladies Barbership Chorus for a medley of songs and music	Music Library, Central Library , Henry Street	11/12/17 1.00 p.m.
Poetry & Prose Readings with Esmé Lewis and Oliver Dunne	Pearse St. Library	13/12/17 5.30p.m.
Jingle all the Way – a lunch time recital	Music Library, Central Library, Henry Street	13/12/17 1.00p.m.
The snowman – an event organised for local school with NUI Maynooth Music Department.	Music Library, Central Library, Henry Street	14/12/17 12 p.m.
Dublin City Council Choir will perform Christmas music	Cabra Library	14/12/17 6 p.m.
Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane Programmes December 2017	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	
First Friday Hugh Lane Culture Club visit to Francis Bacon Studio followed by tea/coffee.		1/12/17 10.30am
Free Sunday Public Tours – Highlights of the Collection and Temporary Exhibitions.		Every Sunday 2.00 p.m.
Coffee Conversation: Mr and Mrs Haslam by Sarah Cecilia Harrison with Jessica Fahy		6/12/17 11.00am
		08/12/17

Basic Talks Series:* Irina Gheorghe is	1pm
interested in work whose final form	
involved being physically present as well	
as deviation as a way to twist this	
presence, ambiguity as a language to	
address visitors from another world and	
vagueness as a method to access this	
other world while never leaving this one.	2/12/17,
	10.30am-
	12.30pm
Life Drawing classes led by artists	-
Felicity Clear and Beth O'Halloran	
-	2/12/17,
	1pm-3pm
Beginners Drawing Course led by	
Felicity Clear and Beth O'Halloran	2/12/17, 2-
	3pm
Winter construction: During this workshop	
for 10-14 year olds with artist Marie	
Farrington participants will be introduced	
to paper construction. Using paintings	
from the collection as inspiration for our	
designs, we will draw on, cut out and fold	
paper templates to create dynamic	3/12/17,
sculptural forms.	1pm
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Public Lecture: The Memory of Ice:	
Arctic Visions and (Re) Visions from	9/12/17
the Victorian era to the present by Dr	11.30am-
Russell Potter, Professor of English and	1pm
Director of Media Studies at Rhode Island	٠
College, USA	
	9/12/17, 2-
Christmas Card workshop for adults.	3pm
Experiment with embossing printing	op
techniques to make your own Christmas	
cards in this workshop led by artist Janine	
Davidson	13/12/17
Baviasori	13/12/17 11am
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Constellation. Design your own	
embossed card inspired by stars and night	16/12/17,
skies during this art workshop for 9-12	2-3pm
year olds with artist Janine Davidson.	2 Opiii
Joan Glad With artist barine Davidson.	
Coffee Conversation: Drawing from	
<i>'Tank'</i> by Edward and Nancy Kienholz	
with Yvonne Pettitt	
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Galaxy. Make your own Christmas decorations inspired by the moon, stars		1-3pm
and our galaxy in this art workshop for 6-10 year olds with artist Ashleigh Downey. As well as bringing them home with you can add some of your decorations to the Hugh Lane Christmas tree if you would like!		Sundays, 3pm-4pm
Shine through 2018! Get ready to start a New Year and experiment with reflections of light and shadows with artist Janine Davidson. Drop in Family workshop.		Saturdays, 11am
Sunday Sketching . During these free sketching workshops for families we invite you to explore and respond together to our collection and temporary exhibitions through discussion and drawing.		Sundays 11.30am- 1.30pm
Art History lectures series in association with the Peoples College: Avenues into Modern and Contemporary Art		
Portfolio Preparation Course led by artist Elaine Leader		
Eithne Jordan exhibition "Tableau" runs until 14 th January 2018		
"The Ocean after Nature" exhibition runs until 14 th January 2018		
For further details, including fees and booking requirements, please visit www.hughlane.ie		
GAGA Day Getting All Girls Active	Multiple locations/online promotion	13-12-17
Boxing Showcase	National Stadium, South Circular Road	12-2 4 th ,5 th , 6 th & 7 th December
Soccer late Night Leagues Finals	Irishtown Stadium	6-9pm 08-12-17
Transit Gateway Silvia Loefler – An exbibition that explores the deep mapping of Dublin Port.	The Lab Gallery	18/01/18

Human Resources Department

Workforce Numbers

The total number of employees at 31st October 2017 was 5797 (headcount). The full time equivalent (FTE) number (i.e. taking account of worksharing arrangements) was 5438 The total workforce number of 5809 represents a reduction of 20.35% since December 2008. Reduction in resources has taken place in Management grades where numbers have reduced by 34%, Clerical/Admin have reduced by 28.8%, Professional/Technical grades (e.g. engineer, planner, architect grades) where numbers have reduced by 22.4%. Numbers in Operational grades have reduced by 24.2% and in Firefighter operational grades by 8.3%. Throughout recent years, and on a continuing basis, managers and staff have undertaken restructuring, reassignment and prioritisation of work to continue service delivery to citizens and customers despite reduced workforce numbers. Managers and staff are continuing to review how services are delivered to optimise customer service, within constrained resources.

	FREEDOM of IN	FORMATION R	EQUESTS		
Ref No	Request Details	Name(s)	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/5580/17	seeks records re exemptions from local property tax	Ken Foxe	Press	31/10/17	22/11/17
FOI/5579/17	seeks records on DFB breathing apparatus and vehicle servicing	Irish Sun	Press	27/10/17	23/11/17
FOI/5578/17	seeks records re foreign travel by staff and councillors	Irish Sun	Press	26/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5577/17	seeks records re Airbnb and home sharing	Sunday Independent	Press	25/10/17	21/11/17
FOI/5576/17	seeks records re most popular book on loan from library	Robert Mallin	Client	24/10/17	6/11/17
FOI/5575/17	seeks records re absences due to stress in Fire Brigade	Robert Mallin	Client	24/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5574/17	seeks records re hoax calls to fire brigade	Robert Mallin	Client	24/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5573/17	seeks records re elderly abuse	Robert Mallin	Client	24/10/17	20/11/17
FOI/5572/17	seeks records re fire safety at Ayrfield	Cllr Cian O'Callaghan	Cllr	24/10/17	
FOI/5571/17	seeks records re staff foreign travel	Gillian Hogan	Client	24/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5570/17	seeks records re danger of Luas Line to cyclists	Nicole Kenny	Client	24/10/17	
FOI/5568/17	seeks records re abandoned dogs	Andrea Howard	Client	23/10/17	16/11/17

FREEDOM of INFORMATION REQUESTS - Continued					
Ref No	Request Details	Name(s)	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/5563/17	seeks records on hospital parking charges	Andrea Howard	Client	23/10/17	23/10/17
FOI/5562/17	seeks records re clamping of motor cycles	Damien Johnston	Client	20/10/17	9/11/17
FOI/5561/17	seeks records re expenditure on sports and recreational facilities	Andrew Byrne	Client	20/10/17	
FOI/5560/17	seeks records re payment of university fees to councillors	Emily McCann	Client	20/10/17	17/11/17
FOI/5558/17	seeks records re numbers of homeless	Michelle O'Kelly	Client	19/10/17	13/11/17
FOI/5556/17	seeks fire records re Halloween night	Carrie McMullan	Client	18/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5555/17	seeks records re insurance contracts	Dorothea Dowling	Client	17/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5553/17	seeks records re Bye Law on prohibition on the consumpt ion of Intoxicating Liquor on Roads and in Public Places	Orla McGing	Client	17/10/17	24/11/17
FOI/5550/17	seeks records re 999 calls	Cliona Hughes	Client	13/10/17	10/11/17
FOI/5549/17	seeks records re councillors attendances	Matthieu Chassain	Client	13/10/17	6/11/17
FOI/5548/17	seeks records re homeless accommodation	Samantha O'Brien	Client	13/10/17	8/11/17
FOI/5547/17	seeks records re planning enforcement file	Marc Kilkenny	Client	13/10/17	8/11/17
FOI/5543/17	seeks records re community based cctv cameras	janus fabricius nielsen	Client	12/10/17	
FOI/5542/17	seeks records re Dalymount Park	Sean Meehan	Client	12/10/17	9/11/17
FOI/5541/17	seeks records re parking policy for pay and display on Creighton St	Shannon Guzman	Other	11/10/17	9/11/17
FOI/5539/17	seeks planning enforcement records re Old County Road, Crumlin	Irish Mail on Sunday	Press	11/10/17	9/11/17
FOI/5538/17	seeks records re lobbying returns	Sunday Times	Press	10/10/17	
FOI/5535/17	seeks records re planning enforcement at Old County Road	Jack Power	Client	9/10/17	9/11/17

FREEDOM of INFORMATION REQUESTS - Continued					
Ref No	Request Details	Name(s)	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/5534/17	seeks records re properties that failed inspections in 16 & 17	Irish Times	Press	9/10/17	6/11/17
FOI/5533/17	seeks records re complains on emergency accommodation	Irish Times	Press	9/10/17	8/11/17
FOI/5532/17	seeks records re the Spire	The Herald	Press	9/10/17	27/10/17
FOI/5531/17	seeks records re local government auditor	Jack Power	Client	9/10/17	8/11/17
FOI/5530/17	seeks records on animals	Killian Dowling	Client	9/10/17	9/11/17
FOI/5527/17	seeks records re satellite dishes	The Herald	Client	9/10/17	7/11/17
FOI/5526/17	seeks records re websites visited by staff	Aakanksha Surve	Client	6/10/17	
FOI/5525/17	seeks records re Marianella apartments, Rathgar	Barry Saul	TD/Senator	6/10/17	23/10/17
FOI/5524/17	seeks records re cost of food provided for council meetings	Kieran Barrett	Client	6/10/17	27/10/17
FOI/5523/17	seeks records re prosecutions taken under Waste Mngt Act	RTE	Press	6/10/17	20/10/17
FOI/5522/17	seeks records relating to use of Irish language	Maria Schaler	Client	5/10/17	24/10/17
FOI/5521/17	seeks records re Spencer Dock development site	IMS	Business	5/10/17	
FOI/5520/17	seeks records relating to GAA pitches at St. Anne's Park	Padraig Corkery	Client	3/10/17	24/10/17
FOI/5519/17	seeks records re RAS scheme	The Herald	Press	3/10/17	15/11/17
FOI/5518/17	seeks records re old post & phone boxes in Dublin	RTE	Press	3/10/17	
FOI/5517/17	seeks records re overtime and staff policy		Staff	3/10/17	27/10/17

The above table represents a snapshot of the position with **non-personal** FOI requests only, received in October 2017

The overall position regarding $\,$ FOI requests $\,$ from 01/01/17 is outlined below.

Carried forward from 2016 30

Total opened at October 2017 564

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Total closed at October 2017 487

Live cases 107