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To the Chairperson and Members of the Central Area Committee

NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT

Further to last month's report on projects approved for 2018 NEIC funding, it has been confirmed that the Department of Justice & Equality will fund the second round of Garda CCTV extension. This means that the total funding approved is now \in 1.356M of the \in 2.5M 2018 RAPID funding allocated to the NEIC Initiative by the Department of Rural & Community Development. That leaves a balance of \in 1.144 yet to be allocated to proposals to be brought forward to the Programme Implementation Board via the four Sub-Groups. A list of all proposals funded to date is attached at Appendix 1.

The Board met on Wednesday 25th April at City Clinic (HSE Addiction Services), Amiens St. Dr. Des Crowley GP and Joanne Sexton, Psychotherapist gave a presentation to the Board on the day to day work of the Clinic and the challenges faced. Paschal Donohoe T.D., Minister for Finance and Public Expenditure & Reform attended the meeting for an update and discussion on the work of the Board.

The main updates presented by the Sub-Groups at the Board meeting were as follows:

Sub-Group 1 – Tackling Crime and Drugs

Fitzgibbon St. Garda Station

Following completion of the planning process required under Part 9 of Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (S.I. 600/2001) in February 2018 enabling works will commence on site in the coming weeks. The plans for the refurbished Garda Station will include a central hub for the Divisional Drugs Unit and the number of members assigned to the Unit will be increased back to optimum level.

Garda resources

An additional 40 Gardaí (35 Probationer Gardaí from the Garda College and a further 5 trained members on transfer) commenced duties in the Division on 3rd April. The new members will be deployed in high visibility patrols on specific community policing beats to counter drug dealing and intimidation.

Community Policing Plan

Further to the assignment of additional Garda resources development of a new community policing plan is now underway. The new plan will build on the current SAP (Small Area Policing) model and will take into account the actions and recommendation identified in The Mulvey Report. Submissions can be e-mailed to <u>store street dv@garda.ie</u> or posted to Chief Superintendent, An Garda Síochána, Store Street, Dublin 1 by 25th May 2018.

Community Support Vehicle

A new community support van has been purchased and fit out is expected to be completed by end May. The vehicle will be placed in selected locations around the Division to provide a focal point for local communities and the general public to engage positively and directly with An Garda Síochána on the ground.

Intimidation Seminar

A public seminar to discuss issues associated with drugs intimidation in the area is being arranged for the end of May. The seminar will be led by the Local Drugs & Alcohol Task Force. A facilitator will be appointed to manage the event and report on its outcomes and recommendations.

Sub Group 2 – Employment, Training and Education

Pilot Social Employment Fund

The recruitment process for the 30 posts X 30 hr week approved under the pilot Social Employment Fund is underway with a closing date for applications of 4th May and it is anticipated that recruitment will be completed by end May. The breakdown of the approved posts is as follows:

| | Childcare | Youth | Elder | Environment | Total: |
|---|-----------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|
| LYCS (Lourdes Youth & Community Services) | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | 5 |
| CASPr (Community After Schools Project) | 8 | - | - | - | 8 |
| DALC (Dublin Adult Learning Centre) | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Larkin Centre for the Unemployed | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| North Wall CDP | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |
| Belvedere YC | - | 4 | - | - | 4 |
| ASEP | 3 | - | - | - | 3 |
| Sunflower Recycling (The Green Ribbon) | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Total: | 19 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 30 |

Career LEAP (Local Employment Action Partnership)

The Career LEAP Programme targets 18-25 year olds and aims to develop the social, emotional and cognitive skills necessary for developing career identity and work-readiness. There has been full take up of places for the next course commencing on May 21st. Participants will take up their work placement with employer mentors from 11th June to July 29th. Professor Carmel O'Sullivan, Head of School of Education at Trinity, developed the NEIC programme in conjunction with Swan Youth Service, East Wall Youth and Business in the Community Ireland (BITCI).

Apprenticeships Day

An apprenticeships Day event was held in Larkin Community College on Thursday 26th April. Five companies involved in the construction industry attended to promote apprenticeships including a QS company with a particular interest in recruiting female apprentices.

Sub Group 3 – Creating an Integrated System of Social Services

Progress is being made on delivery of Mulvey actions and a number of reports on various research projects will be available shortly.

Sub Group 4 – Improving the Physical Landscape

Public Realm Plan (incorporating the Greening Strategy)

Work of the Dublin City Council multi-disciplinary internal working group is progressing and a preliminary report will be brought to Sub-Group 4 before end Q2.

The Green Ribbon – 2018 Funding Proposal

A report on The Green Ribbon progress to date and costed proposal for further development and expansion of the project was considered and recommended to the next meeting of the NEIC Budget Sub-Group for approval of 2018 funding.

Street Art / Murals

Following approval of funding by the PIB for Phase 2 work is proceeding to engage artists via Dublin Canvas to develop concepts and costings for selected sites as well as identification of other suitable sites for community art projects to take place in 2018.

Shopfront Improvement Scheme

Following completion of pilot project in Dorset Street applications have also been approved for Talbot St. and the Scheme will now be rolled out to Amiens St. / North Strand in Q2.

Football Diversionary Programme – Late Night Leagues model

Final draft Heads of Agreement document has been drawn up for discussion and sign-off by FAI, An Garda Siochána and Dublin City Council. The position of Football Diversionary Programme Officer will be advertised by FAI shortly with a view to getting the Programme up and running in the summer months, subject to formal signoff of the Agreement by all parties.

Sean Mac Dermott St. Swimming Pool

Agreement in principle has been reached with Swim Ireland for use of the pool during hours that are currently closed i.e. Sat. p.m., Sunday and Monday. A detailed programming proposal with operational requirements and costings to be drawn up by Swim Ireland by mid-May for consideration by Sub-Group 4 in the first instance and recommendation to the NEIC Budget Sub-Group.

NEIC Community Grants

The closing date of 2018 NEIC Community Grants Scheme (Round 1) was 30th April 2018. 67 applications were received seeking a total of approx. €172,000 from a 2018 budget of €100,000 (total budget for 2 rounds). The assessment process will be undertaken during May with a view to making recommendations to the next meeting of the Board.

If any further information is required in relation to the above projects please contact the Programme Office directly. General information is available on <u>www.neic.ie</u>

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APPENDIX 1

NEIC Initiative – 2018 Funding Proposals Approved to date (Total €2.68M)

| Department of Rural & Community Development RAPID Allocation €1.356M (of €2.5M) | | | | |
|---|------------|--|--|--|
| Anna Liffey Drug Project ACMT Pilot Project (2017) | €100,000 | | | |
| North Inner City Folklore Project | €30,000 | | | |
| 2018 Community & Family Events | €300,000 | | | |
| NEIC Community Grants Scheme | €100,000 | | | |
| Lourdes Day Care Centre Extension and alterations | €300,000 | | | |
| FAI Late Night Leagues | €100,000 | | | |
| Irish Rail Bridges clean up (co-fund) | €25,330 | | | |
| Reader In Residence Charleville Mall Library | €75,000 | | | |
| Coder DoJo Charleville Mall Library | €35,000 | | | |
| Vantastic Pilot Project - Transportation for Elderly | €15,000 | | | |
| Pilot Barista Training Course | €6,240 | | | |
| Career Leap Course (contribution to ETB) | €24,320 | | | |
| Youth Counselling | €14,000 | | | |
| Community Action Network - Dialogue | €8,000 | | | |
| HOPE - theraputic services | €9,000 | | | |
| Street Art / Murals | €80,000 | | | |
| Shopfront Improvement Scheme | €60,000 | | | |
| Programme Office Activity Costs | €75,000 | | | |
| Total: | €1,356,890 | | | |

| Department of Justice & Equality €219K | |
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| Garda CCTV | 184,000 |
| Additional pedal bikes and PPE | 35,000 |
| Total: | €219,000 |

| Co-funded Dept. Employment Affairs and Social Protection €500K and Dept. Public Expenditure & Reform €500k | |
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| Pilot Social Employment Scheme – 30 posts | €1,000,000 |

| DTTAS / Sport Irl Dormant Accounts Fund Allocation €100,000 | |
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| North East Inner City Canal Adventure Programme | €25,000 |
| Scoil Uí Chonaill – 'Cultivating Connections Programme" | €15,000 |
| DCU Sport & Wellbeing Research and Innovation Programme | €20,000 |
| Corporate Governance Programme | €5,000 |
| Activation Programmes for Volunteers (New Activities and Sports Club Development) | €15,000 |
| Trinity Access Programme - (linked to Sporting events) | €20,000 |
| Total: | €100,000 |

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