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To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT

2018 PROGRESS REPORT LAUNCHED



Minister for Finance and Public Expenditure & Reform, Paschal Donohoe T.D. joined Chair of the NEIC Programme Implementation Board, Michael Stone for the launch of the 2018 NEIC Progress Report.

The report sets out the advances that are being made in implementing the recommendations central to the Mulvey Report for regeneration of the North East Inner City. This focuses on investment and support to tackle crime and drugs, maximize educational and training opportunities, create local employment opportunities, an integrated system of social services and improvements to physical infrastructure and local environs. The report is available to download at <http://www.neic.ie/news/neic-2018-progress-report>

AMBITION FOR 2019

The NEIC Programme Implementation Board ambition for 2019 is set out on Pg. 28 of the 2018 Progress Report. Some of the key points contained in the narrative are as follows:

- The Board will support An Garda Síochána in the development and implementation of a Community Policing Plan that meets the needs of the NEIC area.
- A focus for 2019 will be continuation of the development of the integrated service delivery framework for children and youth services
- To increase employment opportunities and support local services, the number of posts under the Social Employment Fund will remain at a minimum of 50 in 2019.
- Targeted career pathways will be developed through initiatives such as work experience, Guidance Outreach officers and P-Tech.
- The addiction sub-group established in 2018 will focus on implementing the National Drugs Strategy in the area.
- The opening of the new Summerhill Primary Care Centre will enhance the delivery of health services in the North East Inner City. (see separate note below)

2019 FUNDING

The 2018 Progress Report details where Government funding was spent in 2018 and outlines plans for 2019, which sees funding increased to €6.5 million (from €3.9 in 2018). Expenditure of the €6.5 million allocation to the north east inner city for 2019, under the

Department of Rural & Community Development Community Enhancement Programme, will be overseen by the NEIC Programme Implementation Board and five Sub-Groups. Similar to 2018, funding will be considered for proposals and projects which clearly demonstrate potential to contribute to delivery of the actions set out in the Mulvey Report 2017. The Chairman has issued refined parameters for funding proposals to the Chairs of each of the Sub-Groups as follows:

- A strategic approach should be taken when identifying initiatives to be funded in 2019.
- The initiatives identified should be sustainable – i.e. there should be the potential to mainstream the initiative if successful [NEIC funding in 2019 can be used to prove the concept].
- Credit should be given to initiatives that will operate within an integrated framework.
- Credit should also be given to consortium proposals or initiatives that deliver outcomes across multiple services / Mulvey actions.
- Initiatives should be quality-focused and add value to the existing service infrastructure in the NEIC.
- Initiatives should indicate how they meet unmet or emerging needs and be outcomes-focused.
- Initiatives should clearly outline (in their application for funding) the metrics / indicators that will be used to measure the outcomes of the initiative and provide detailed feedback to the relevant subgroup on those outcomes at year end.
- Initiatives receiving funding in 2019 must undertake to (regularly) update the NEIC Map of Services <http://www.neic.ie/map>.

SUMMERHILL PRIMARY CARE CENTRE (PCC)

A briefing note was circulated by the HSE representative to the NEIC Programme Implementation Board at its meeting held on 19th December 2018. The key information provided was as follows:

*Summerhill Primary Care Centre, located opposite the existing Summerhill Health Centre site, will become operational in **March 2019**. The Summerhill Primary Care Centre (PCC) is one of 14 centres being delivered nationwide through a Public Private Partnership mechanism. This is the first group of Primary Care Centres developed in this manner in Ireland. The PPP Company Healthcare Centres PPP Ltd., comprises Prime, Balfour Beatty and InfraRed Capital Partners Ltd. who are responsible for the design and build of the 14 Primary Care Centres. Thereafter the PPP Company will be responsible for providing facilities management services for the 25-year contract period. The building is currently being commissioned and it will provide services to both the local community and the wider North Inner City areas.*

The accommodation in this Primary Care Centre is laid out across ground, 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors and is 4,351 sq. m in size and includes 68 basement car parking spaces. The Centre has a range of clinical spaces to include interview, group and bookable rooms to deliver a wide range of services. The facilities have been developed to meet the highest infection control, safety and energy standards in a bright and modern environment.

The Services to be provided in the new Summerhill PCC

- *General Practice Services – Summerhill Family Practice*
- *Public Health Nursing / Community Nursing Service*

- *Primary Care Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Speech & Language Therapy*
- *Psychology*
- *Dietetics*
- *Primary Care Social Work*
- *Dental (4 surgeries)*
- *Community Mental Health Team incl. Day Hospital Services*
- *Disability – Early Intervention and School Aged Teams for children with disabilities*
- *Ambulance Service (located in a separate building)*

Two Primary Care Teams will be based in the Centre in conjunction with staff providing all network services for the entire North Inner City area.

There will be approximately 60 Primary Care staff located in the building, plus a further 30 staff for Mental Health, 10 Dental staff and 25 Disability staff. The nursing staff currently based in Summerhill will move to the new PCC.

Buildings currently occupied at North Clarence St. and 82 Amiens St. will be vacated and the existing Summerhill Health Centre will be handed over to HSE Social Inclusion and Addiction Services who plan to locate a new Health Link Homeless multi-disciplinary team and/or SASSY who provide counselling service to under 18s.



- **Summerhill Primary Care Centre**

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

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