To the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council Report No. 116/2019 Report of the Chief Executive



## Monthly Management Report – April 2019

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 April 2019 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 2-7)

### Housing & Community Services

Please see Housing Supply Report on Agenda.

### Planning & Property Development

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### Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

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### Human Resources

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### Law Department

<u>Freedom of Information</u> Please see attached Report in relation to Freedom of Information statistics. (Pages 35-38)

# <u>Owen P. Keegan</u>

**Chief Executive** 

Dated: 21 March 2019

### Environment and Transportation

### Control of Stationless On-Street Bicycle Hire Bye-Laws

Expansion of the service is ongoing with Bleeperbike now having 450 bikes on street. No major issues have arisen since operations commenced. Bleeperbike are now regularly getting 2 journey per bike per day which is a huge uptake of the scheme.

### Pay & Display Machine replacement programme

120 existing Pay and Display Ticket machines are being replaced with multifunction Pay and Display ticket machines under the machine lease contract. In addition to accepting coin payment these will also facilitate card terminal and contactless payments for parking.

### Parking Tag and alternative methods of paying for parking

The average number of transactions per week is now in excess of 115,000 representing 50% of weekly Pay and Display revenue. There are 177,000 active accounts, an increase of 2,000 since last month. The Council will shortly issue a Request for Tender for provision of the Parking Tag service for all Dublin Local authorities, Meath County Council and Kildare County Council.

### Dublin City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2019

The Draft Bye Laws are currently out to public consultation which runs to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019.

### Car Clubs

Two Car Clubs remain operational on-street and have availed of 155 Car Club Permits and applications received for a further 20 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 Parking/Charging**

There are currently 35 dedicated EV only bays located on-street and further sites are being reviewed for suitability. The Council is currently working on a project on trialling an on-street EV charge point which is expected to be launched in Q2 2019.

### Road Maintenance Services

The Roads Maintenance Services' Annual Works Programme 2019 was presented to Councillors at the January/ February 2019 Area Committee meetings. Road Maintenance Services is presently preparing tender documentation to hold competitions for the appointment of contractors to deliver the Annual Works Programme.

### Licensing Unit - Casual Trading

There are approximately 260 Causal Traders Licenced in designated pitches in DCC. Event trading licences are issued for events at the Aviva Stadium, Croke Park, 3 Arena, St. Patrick's Festival and other events taking place throughout the year in the City. There were 59 traders licenced for St. Patrick's Day. This included 3 hot food traders and 3 Ice Cream traders. The four Assistant Inspectors were on duty and reported a significant decrease in illegal traders out.

### Street Performance

78 yearly Street Performance permits have been issued so far in 2019, with 9 visitor permits. The most popular areas for Street performers are Grafton Street and Henry Street. The permits are issued in accordance with the Street Performers Bye-laws 2016. The Assistant Inspectors are on Grafton Street/Henry Street and other areas daily and have issued 15 warning notices to date in 2019 for breeches of the Street Performers Bye-Laws.

### Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme

The Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2019 will open for applications between the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018 and the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019. €1.5 million will be available for disbursement to eligible projects within the Irishtown, Ringsend and Sandymount catchment area.

### Dublin City Neighbourhoods and Pride of Place Competitions 2019

Preparations are underway for the local City Neighbourhoods and national Pride of Place competitions. Entry forms for the Dublin City Neighbourhoods will be distributed in the coming weeks and groups will be nominated for the National Pride of Place Competition.

## Dublin City Clean-up Day #KeepDublinBeautiful – 27th April 2019

The 4 Local Authorities, together with an Taisce's National Spring Clean, Canal Clean-up groups, Clean Coasts and Dodder Action Group with the Authority Waters Programme have come together to promote the Dublin City Community Clean-up Day to place on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Information on registering and taking part is available at www.dublincommunitycleanupday.ie.

### Herzog Park Bring Centre Realignment

Bring centre is now closed and decommissioning and the refurbishment of existing site has begun.

### National Flood Risk Management Plan

The link to the new plan is <u>www.floodinfo.ie</u>.

### **Draft Climate Change Action Plan**

The Draft Climate Change Action Plan was formerly launched by the Lord Mayor in the Mansion House on the 16<sup>th</sup> February. The public consultation phase runs until the 25<sup>th</sup> March.

### Velo-city 2019

Dublin City Council will host the Velo-city 2019 international cycling conference in the Convention Centre, Dublin from the 25th to the 28th June 2019. The Velo-city conference is the European Cyclists' Federation (ECF) annual global cycling summit and is the world's largest conference in the area of cycling, cycling infrastructure, bicycle innovations, bicycle safety, and the social and cultural changes driven by cycling on a global scale.

The conference, <u>'Cycling for the Ages'</u>, will explore visions for the cycling city of the future and how we get there from the cycling city of today; how can we support and design to ensure measures taken are inclusive for all ages, abilities and nationalities. With just over 3 months to go, we are getting ready to welcome over 1500 delegates to Dublin for 4 days of thought-provoking plenaries, programme sessions, exhibitions and networking.

# Sustainable Mobility Communications and Promotion

Sustainable Mobility Communications and Promotion now fits under the Sustainable Mobility & Projects Division. Current projects include, the Development of a link on Dublin City Councils website to inform the public of sustainable mobility projects, building of strategic partnerships to help progress the Sustainable Mobility agenda. Development of a strategy to engage with the communities surrounding Phase II of the Royal Canal Cycle and Pedestrian Route (construction starting in April 2019) to create a vision to ensure maximum potential of this resource on completion (Spring 2020).

# Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage

r		ojects at Design Stage			
	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments	
1	College Green	NTA/DCC	DCC	Following An Bord Pleanála's decision not to approve the project, it has been decided to prepare a revised application for submission during 2019.	
2	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4 – Clarendon Street	DCC	DCC	Part 8 planning approval in place. Tender process underway to appoint a contractor to commence works.	
3	Clarendon Row	DCC	DCC	This is now a separate Project as work cannot commence on-site until March 2020	
4	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 5 – Duke Street / South Anne Street Area	DCC	DCC	Preliminary design works to be carried out and Part 8 Planning Application to be submitted in 2019.	
5	Balbutcher Lane Junction reconfiguration	DCC	Atkins	Scheme involves replacement of 3 arm roundabout with 4 arm signalised junction providing link to Hampton Woods. Tender to be issued in Q1 2019.	
6	Cathal Brugha Street/Findlater Place	DCC	DCC	Consultation with local stakeholders 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/LIHAAF/NTA	Roughan O'Donovan	Preliminary design is progressing. Ground Investigation works are almost complete. The alignment and junction layout are approved by the NTA	
8	Blood Stoney Bridge	DCC	RPS/COWI	DCC have commenced Judicial Review proceeding seeking a reversal of the An Bord Pleanala decision not to approve the SDZ amendment.	
9	Tom Clarke Bridge Upgrade	DCC/NTA	Aecom	New bridge option favoured over widening option. Application submitted to NTA to proceed to next phase (Scheme Concept and Options Selection) DCC preparing brief for competition to appointment of design consultants.	

# Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage – Continued

r	Projects at Design Sta Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
10	Sandymount Promenade	OPW/DCC	Aecom/Lotts Architecture	At post planning stage. OPW appointed to carry out works. Proposal to raise promenade wall by up to 360mm north of Martello Tower. 13 new flood gates at openings. Second Part 8 Planning required for 800mm high flood wall on seaside of Martello Tower. Area Planner compiling report pre-public consultation. Construction programme revised to June 2019 – March 2020.
11	Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Route	DCC	ROD	The detailed design of the scheme is in progress.
12	Dodder Greenway	DCC	RPS	Emerging Preferred Route presented to Steering Group on February 7 <sup>th</sup> . DLRCC have requested reviewing proposal for section around Orwell Park. Otherwise agreed has been reached on reminder of route.
13	Fitzwilliam Cycle Route	DCC	Aecom	The detailed design is currently being finalised. The scheme was presented at a public information meeting on Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> and SEAC meeting on March 11 <sup>th</sup> . A summary report of the non-statutory public consultation submissions will be published on the Consultation Hub area of DCC website.
14	S2S	DCC	ROD/DCC	Entrance widening is substantially complete with exception of 3 gate instalments.
15	Point Junction Improvement Scheme	DCC	Arup	Part 8: Consultation Documents are being compiled and is now scheduled for Q2 2019, to allow for detailed stakeholder discussion.
16	Sillogue Infrastructure Scheme	DCC	O'Connor Sutton Cronnin	Detailed design is progressing, due to go to tender for construction in Q2 2019.
17	Temple Bar Square Refurbishment	DCC	REDscape Landscape & Urbanism	Tender documents currently being finalised. Tender period to commence in Q2 2019.

# Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

# Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
18	Francis Street Improvement Scheme	DCC	DBFL	Detailed design ongoing. Irish Water to install new water main in advance of road scheme. Expected to invite Tenders in Q2 2019.
19	Cathedral Street / Sackville Place	DCC	DCC	Joint working group of PPNDLG and DCC examining design options to progress Part 8 Planning for improvement works
20	Liffey Street Public Realm Improvements	DCC	DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers	Developing Preliminary Design. Site Investigation works have commenced.
21	Castle Street /Cork Hill Improvement Scheme	DCC	DCC	Redesign of aspects of the Detailed Design ongoing and preparation of tender drawings and documents underway. Expected to invite Tenders in Q2 2019.
22	Arbour Hill footpath extension phase 2	DCC	DCC	Contractor appointed, works to commence Q2 2019.
23	Royal Canal Phase 3	DCC	OCSC	Tender documents issued 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2018. Revised Tender date 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2019.
24	Royal Canal Phase 4	DCC	ROD	Options selected for cyclists and bus links to Broombridge Luas Stop and will progress to detailed design. Continued detailed design of Phase 4B.
25	Belmayne Main Street and Belmayne Avenue	DCC	DBFL Consulting Engineers	Part 8 approved at Council meeting in March. Detailed design progressing.
26	Finglas Area Roundabouts Improvement Scheme	DCC/NTA	Aecom	Consultant Appointed

### **Projects at Construction Stage**

#	Scheme Name	Client	Contractor	Start Date	End Date	Comment
1	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 3 – Chatham, Harry and Balfe Street areas	DCC	Actavo (Ireland) Ltd.]	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017	Q1 2019	Works substantially completed.
2	Dodder Flood alleviation works	ARUP/DCC	OPW	August 2007	May 2019	Construction ongoing at Ashton's Pub. RDS flood wall Part 8 documents passed by DCC at March meeting. Maintenance works to RDS wall ongoing.
3	South Campshires flood alleviation works	AECOM	OPW and others	October 2014	March 2019	A small additional tie-in section at Matt Talbot bridge is due to be completed early in 2019. The overall South Campshires Flood Alleviation Works project is due for completion in 2019, including granite facing (out to tender) and non-return valves.
4	On- Street Cycling Parking	DCC	TBC	Mar 2019	May 2019	In the process of finalising drawings and contract documents for Batch 9 which will be issued for tender mid-March 2019.
5.	Royal Canal Greenway Phase 2	DCC	ROD	January 2019	Q1 2020	The Contractor is currently onsite carrying out preliminary site works. Work will commence at Sheriff St/Guild St/Seville Place junction by the end of March.

### Planning & Property Development

#### 1. New Policy/Strategic

The Planning and Property Development Department is continuing work with the Housing Department on a number of housing initiatives, including MUHDS (Major Urban Housing Developments Sites) and the Housing Land Initiative. On the 17<sup>th</sup> October a joint Planning SPC and Housing SPC Workshop was held in the Mansion House.

The Poolbeg SDZ Planning Scheme and Ballymun LAP have been approved by the City Council, and will significantly contribute to the continued regeneration of the city. (The Poolbeg SDZ Scheme was the subject of an Oral Hearing conducted by An Board Pleanála and a decision is awaited, now that further information has been submitted).

The LAP Work Programme has been reviewed and prioritised. Work has commenced on the Cherry Orchard LAP and the implementation of the Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP.

The Regulations relating to the Planning & Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016 came into effect in 2017 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).

The new National Planning Framework 2040 provides for 265,000 extra population and associated infrastructure in the Dublin Area. The DHPLG has published new Guidelines for Planning Authorities in March 2018. "Sustainable Urban Housing" Design standards for new apartments.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> September, Government established a new Land Development Agency, to expedite state lands for development and drive strategic land assembly.

The draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy was on display until the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 and is scheduled for consideration by the Regional Assembly in May 2019. A presentation on the draft RSES was given to elected representatives on the 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in the Axis Centre Ballymun. Further to public display the draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy is being finalised.

In December 2018 the DHPLG published Guidelines on Urban Development and Building Heights. The City Council has embarked on a major review of 26 industrial land banks, following a presentation to the Planning SPC and the City Council in March

Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Development Plan 2016-2022	<ul> <li>New Development Plan continuing to be implemented.</li> <li>Z6 study – review of industrial lands. Principles agreed at Planning SPC and Council March Meeting.</li> </ul>	Stage 2 to commence Workshops to be set up with each area Committee following Local Elections to discuss variation and next steps. More detailed assessment on 4 key sites to start.

	<ul> <li>Work on background papers for Development Plan review starting this month- commencing with zoning map review of Z14 and Z15 on built out lands.</li> <li>Finglas West Strategy –presentation of strategy given to NWAC in February.</li> <li>Marrowbone lane Variation –Variation report presented to Council and passed.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>lands zoned Z14 &amp; Z15 suitable for changing to more traditional zonings.</li> <li>Workshop scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> March.</li> <li>It is proposed to agree with Members content of a variation for the area.</li> <li>Prepare Part 8 application</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Housing studies:</li> <li>Student housing study report complete.</li> <li>New study on backland development and subdivision of housing will commence looking as options for inclusion in next Development Plan.</li> <li>Planning input on assessment of Housing land potential on Council owned flat complexes nearing completion</li> </ul>	Student housing report to be presented to Members in April. Internal research work to commence. Report to be presented to Housing SPC and workshops with Members to follow.
Local Environmental Improvement Plan	<ul> <li>The work of Phibsborough LEIP Implementation Group continues.</li> <li>Architects appointed to work on Public Realm Plan for Phibsborough Village; initial public consultation held; plan at draft stage.</li> </ul>	Shop front improvement scheme to be rolled out with Area office. Village Plan: further public consultation to be held before finalising and bringing to Councillors. LEIP for Ballyfermot to be investigated.
Ballymun LAP	<ul> <li>LAP approved by City Council.</li> <li>Metro – Link, details published by NTA, show route to be underground at Ballymun.</li> <li>Consultants appointed to assess potential of</li> </ul>	Meetings with NTA on- going to establish land take for Metro. Site 31: Consultants to advise on the potential of

	Site 31.	site following
	<ul> <li>Lidl and Student Accommodation Scheme (Ref. 3930/17) on site.</li> </ul>	consultations with stakeholders and the NTA.
	<ul> <li>Decathlon: planning granted by Fingal County Council for site next to Ikea. Currently tendering works contract.</li> </ul>	Decathlon expected on site April/May this year. Store opening Feb 2020 (Dec 19 if possible).
		Demolition of shopping centre to commence after Easter.
	<ul> <li>Tender process for demolition of shopping centre issued. Contractor to be appointed end of April.</li> </ul>	Super-depot: tender to be awarded c. May 2019.
	Super depot: tender process commenced.	Cearnóg an tSeachtar Laoch: public consultation on draft design and Part 8
	<ul> <li>Consultants appointed to review design of Cearnóg an tSeachtar Laoch / civic plaza (Objective EO7)</li> </ul>	to follow Sillogue Avenue: Tender
	Sillogue Avenue realignment: tender package	to be issued.
	<ul> <li>Sillogue Avenue realignment, tender package for works prepared.</li> </ul>	Hampton Wood Link: tender package to be published mid-March.
	<ul> <li>Hampton Wood Link: tender package being reviewed. Application for funding to NTA made.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Affordable Housing Sites; Planning and housing agreeing way forward with two sites</li> </ul>	Affordable Housing Sites: advertise expressions of interest and procure market analysis.
	in Ballymun and one in Cherry Orchard.	Housing site 21: Pre- planning with O'Cualann to be held.
	<ul> <li>Housing Sites 22 &amp; 23: O'Cualann Co- Operative housing on site.</li> </ul>	Z9 lands at Carton: agree extent of variation and commence statutory
	<ul> <li>Z9 lands at Carton: variation proposals being prepared.</li> </ul>	process.
Park West – Cherry Orchard	<ul> <li>Preparatory work ongoing, including analysis</li> </ul>	Meeting with local
LAP	<ul> <li>Preparatory work ongoing, including analysis of recent Social Strategy</li> </ul>	Councillors scheduled for

		19 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 to discuss Draft Plan and publication date.
Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Retail and Economic Report by Aecom consultants presented to July Area Committee.</li> </ul>	Joint traffic study with Fingal County Council and NTA is now underway. Belmayne Masterplan to be finalised.
Architectural Conservation Areas	<ul> <li>Survey and assessment underway for proposed Temple Bar ACA (in accordance with Built Heritage priorities of the 2016-2022 City Development Plan). Including the adjacent areas of Dame Street, Aston Quay, Crampton Quay, Wellington Quay, Bachelors Walk and Lower Ormond Quay.</li> <li>Consultants study on proposed Aungier Street ACA completed (in accordance with Built Heritage priorities of the 2016-2022 City Development Plan).</li> </ul>	Continue survey work and prepare draft, internal discussion document – record and mapping to be progressed. Team/internal review underway.
Poolbeg West SDZ	<ul> <li>An Bord Pleanála made a request for additional information to DCC on the 18<sup>th</sup> of Sept 2018 with regard to community facilities, design and car and parking strategies. Additional information submitted to An Bord Pleanála on the 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018.</li> </ul>	An Bord Pleanála currently examining the material. Decision now pending.
Public Realm Strategy	<ul> <li>Liffey Street Upper and Lower went to the Feb Area Committee Meeting to initiate Part 8. The Project is engaged in pre consultations to identify issues and inform the project stakeholders. Temple Bar PR Plan and Wolfe Tone Square will go to tender for Construction in this quarter.</li> <li>Cathal Brugha St- the project has engaged stakeholders and is now moving forward the design in order to bring to Part 8</li> </ul>	Work is continuing.

	<ul> <li>Mary St West design team appointed to bring forward proposals. Laneways Project also being progressed to develop designs for Coles Lane Jervis Lane Upper and Talbot Lane. Delivery will have to be linear in order to manage vehicular movement and take account of other build projects in the area.</li> <li>The Docklands Public Realm Plan – Public Realm Plan has been developed to guide the development of Docklands Public Realm and work has commenced on bringing forward a design concept for the Campshires to include</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>the other projects on site or proposed such as the Flood Defences and the Liffey Cycleway etc</li> <li>The Public Realm Working Group meets monthly and the Public Realm Strategic Group meets bi monthly. Both Groups work in a multidisciplinary way to support delivery of the City Centre Masterplan and resolve challenges in the Public Realm as they arise.</li> </ul>	
	• The working group will continue to advise and progress projects in the Public Realm Strategy and the City Centre Master Plan and raise issues affecting public realm by report to the strategic group	
National Planning Framework Ireland 2040 Our Plan; Regional Spatial & Economic Strategy and MASP.	<ul> <li>DHPLG launched in NPF on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018.</li> <li>RSES due to final consideration in April by Regional Assembly.</li> <li>Following adoption of RSES, Council has 6 months to prepare a response for Council.</li> </ul>	Work on report to Council on compliance with NPF and RSES will commence in April.

# 2. Departmental Priority

Major Current Issues Progress in Previous Quarter Next Stage
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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 <sup>st</sup> 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.	
	O'Devaney Gardens:	
	Phase 1 O'Devaney Gardens on site	
	(56 social units)	
	Invitation to Submit Final Tenders (ISFT) for O'Devaney Gardens issued on the 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2018.	Tenders received on 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2019. Evaluation team in place.
	Oscar Traynor Road:	
	Invitation to Participate in Dialogue (ITPD) issued on 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Outline solutions received on 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2019. Presentations by Applicants will be held in early April.
Active Land Management	The Council is pursuing an ongoing acquisition strategy.	
Derelict Sites Register		
Ŭ	PHASE 4	PHASE 4 Update
	The Council made an application for the consent of An Bord Pleánala to the compulsory acquisition of	8 Ferguson Road, D9
	the following derelict sites on 11/07/ 2018 following the receipt of objections from the owners.	10 Ferguson Road, D9
	8 Ferguson Road, D9	Awaiting structural
	10 Ferguson Road, D9	engineer's report on cost of demolishing properties.
	Oral hearings were held by An Bord Pleanála on 30/10/2018.	
	PHASE 5	

	Notice of Intention to acquire the following derelict sites compulsorily published on 11/10/2018 : Cherry Orchard Grove, 1, D10 Connaught Street, 19, D7 Connaught Street, 21, D7 Kirwan St Cottages, 2, D7 Kirwan St Cottages, 4, D7 Objections to the compulsory acquisitions were received from the owners of no's 19 & 21 Connaught Street and no's 2 & 4 Kirwan Street Cottages. The Council has determined that the property at Cherry Orchard is actually occupied by its owner, in such circumstances the compulsory acquisition will not proceed.	<ul> <li>PHASE 5 Update</li> <li>19 &amp; 21 Connaught Street, Phibsborough,D7</li> <li>Awaiting decision of An Bord Pleánala to the compulsory acquisition of both sites.</li> <li>2 &amp; 4 Kirwan Street Cottages, Stoneybatter, D7. Works to render the sites non-derelict have commenced and are ongoing and being monitored.</li> </ul>
Vacant Sites Register	<ul> <li>Vacant Sites register available on the DCC Website since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017.</li> <li><u>16</u> new Notices of Proposed Entry issued on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019</li> <li><u>4</u> of which are in DCC ownership:</li> <li>Site to the North of 18 Basin Street Lower (VS-0017)</li> <li>Site on Cork Street and Chamber Street, adjacent to Weaver Park (VS-0092)</li> <li>Site bounded by Silloge Road and Silloge Park, Ballymun (VS-0408)</li> <li>Site at Coolock Lane, Oscar Traynor Road, Dublin 5 &amp; Dublin 9 (VS-0596)</li> <li><u>140</u> submissions have been received to date (<u>116 under Section 7 &amp; 24 under Section 11</u>)</li> <li><u>72</u> sites currently on the Vacant Sites Register</li> <li><u>20 of which are in DCC ownership –</u></li> <li>O'Devaney Gardens North (VS0006)*</li> <li>O 'Devaney Gardens South (VS0007)*</li> <li>Site at corner of Infirmary Road &amp; Montpelier Hill, Dublin 7 (VS-0011)</li> </ul>	To date Notices of Proposed Entry have issued in relation to <b>196</b> <u>sites</u> To date Notices of Entry have issued in relation to <u>114 sites</u>

Grand Canal Place (VS-0028)	
<ul> <li>33-36 Dolphin's Barn Street, South Circular Road (VS-0038)</li> </ul>	<b>28</b> sites on appeal to An Bord Pleanála, under
<ul> <li>Former Boys Brigade football pitches (off South Circular Road), Dublin 7 (VS-0040)</li> </ul>	Section 9(1) of the Act (+ 2 invalid appeals):
<ul> <li>Site at corner of Marshal Lane &amp; Bridgefoot Street (VS-0067)</li> </ul>	Of the <u>28</u> sites appealed, to date <b>20</b> entries to the
<ul> <li>Corner of Russell Street and North Circular Road (VS-0101)</li> </ul>	VSR were upheld by ABP, 8 entries to the VSR were
<ul> <li>Dominick Street (VS-0103)*</li> </ul>	cancelled by ABP.
<ul> <li>(Readymix Site) 5-23 East Wall Road (VS- 0117)</li> </ul>	
• Ellis Court, Benburb Street (VS-0186)	
<ul> <li>Corner of Ashtown Grove &amp; Ashtown Park (VS-0339)</li> </ul>	
• Site bounded by Poppintree Park Lane West,	
Parkview Close, Parkview Drive & Parkview Green, Ballymun, Dublin 9 <b>(VS-0380)</b>	
<ul> <li>Site located on the Southside of Parkview Road, Ballymun, Dublin 9 (VS-0383)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Site bounded by Coultry Road, Ballymun, Dublin 9 (VS-0400)</li> </ul>	
Shangan Road, Ballymun (VS-0402)	
<ul> <li>Coultry Road, site east of Coultry Gardens, Ballymun (VS-0403)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Silloge Road (formerly 187-279 Silloge Road), Ballymun (VS-0407)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>St. Michael's Estate, Inchicore, Dublin 8 (VS- 0737)</li> </ul>	
*DCC Housing & Community Services has notified the Vacant Sites Section that construction has commenced on O 'Devaney Gardens and Dominick Street sites but further details are required before removal from Register	
<ul> <li><u>67</u> Market Valuation Notices issued 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018 – Total Value (all sites on VSR on 01/01/2018) €302,555,000.00.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li><u>18</u> Market Valuation Notices issued 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 – Total Value of these sites: €63,160,000.00</li> </ul>	
• <u>5 appeals lodged with Valuation Tribunal:</u>	

Decisions Pe	nding:		
<ul> <li><u>7 ABP appeals</u></li> <li><u>3 ABP decisio</u></li> <li><u>3 VSR entries</u></li> </ul>	ns received unde <u>s received unde</u> ns pending upheld by ABP ancelled by ABF	r Section 11:	<u>3</u> hearings deferred pending decision from ABP. <u>1</u> hearing not arranged as ABP cancelled entry to VSR. <u>1</u> hearing to be scheduled.
Site	Appeal lodged with ABP	ABP Decision	
Between 274 and 290 South Circular Road, Dublin 8 (former John Players site) (VS- 0045)	01/08/2018	Uphold Entry to VSR	
1-5 Grangegorman Villas, Grangegorman Lower (VS-0051)	26/07/2018	Pending	
Site to the rear of 29-35 Erne Street Upper, Dublin 2 (accessed from Boyne Street) (VS- 0131)	20/07/2018	Uphold Entry to VSR	
294 Merrion Road (former Swiftcall centre), Dublin 4 (VS-0772)	20/07/2018	Pending	
Corner of Watling Street and Bonham Street (VS-0019)	16/08/2018	Uphold Entry to VSR	
Hyacinth Street off Ossory Road (VS- 0123)	09/10/2018	Pending	
Site to the rear of Croke Park Hotel, Jones's Road (VS- 0096)	22/08/2018	Entry cancelled by ABP	
were served w 12 <sup>th</sup> February Total amount (30 s	sites) in levies: <u>€</u>	Demands on 2,868,150.00	An additional <u>3</u> entries are currently on appeal to ABP, under section 11 of the Act. Should ABP
Of the 30 Section 15	Demands issue	ed <u>12</u> are in	uphold these entries to the VSR, Section 15

D00 sum embies	Demonds (stall)
DCC ownership:	Demands totalling levies of <b>€259,500.00</b> will be
<ul> <li>O'Devaney Gardens North (VS0006)*</li> </ul>	served on owners.
<ul> <li>O'Devaney Gardens South (VS0007)*</li> </ul>	
• St. Bricin's Military Hospital (VS0008)	
<ul> <li>Site at corner of Infirmary Road &amp; Montpelier Hill, Dublin 7 (VS-0011)</li> </ul>	€97,500 received to date
<ul> <li>Former Boys Brigade football pitches (off South Circular Road), Dublin 7 (VS-0040)</li> </ul>	in levies. Reminder
<ul> <li>Site at corner of Marshal Lane &amp; Bridgefoot Street (VS-0067)</li> </ul>	nouces will issue shorily
<ul> <li>Corner of Russell Street and North Circular Road (VS-0101)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Dominick Street (VS-0103)*</li> </ul>	
(Readymix Site) 5-23 East Wall Road	
(VS-0117)	
• Site bounded by Poppintree Park Lane West,	
Parkview Close, Parkview Drive & Parkview Green, Ballymun, Dublin 9 <b>(VS-0380)</b>	
<ul> <li>Site located on the Southside of Parkview Road, Ballymun, Dublin 9 (VS-0383)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Site bounded by Coultry Road, Ballymun, Dublin 9 (VS-0400)</li> </ul>	
DCC levies: <b>€1,826,000.00</b>	
*DCC Housing & Community Services has notified the Vacant Sites Section that construction has commenced in 2018 on O'Devaney Gardens and Dominick Street sites but further details are required before removal from Register. Should these sites be removed from the VSR the levies payable by DCC will reduce to €1,064,000.00.	
• <u>2</u> Section 18 appeals have been lodged with	
ABP (both decisions are pending): VS Ref. Site	
VS-0003 51A Old Kilmainham Road	
VS-0751 Site to side of Riverpark House, Poddle Park, Kimmage, Dublin 12	
The LCI unit is continuing to promote the Scheme and to respond to queries from prospective applicants.	The DCC website is
	currently being

	<ul> <li>LCI Applications;</li> <li>75 Valid applications for LCI since 2015</li> <li>26 letters of certification issued to date</li> <li>29 applications received since the re launch of amended Initiative in Feb 2018.</li> <li>Projects approved for LIHAF :</li> <li>i) Dodder Bridge Grant Agreement signed and consultants appointed to develop detailed design. Chief Valuer's office negotiating for acquisition of land required for bridge.</li> <li>A Transport Modelling exercise was carried out and a Junction Options report was completed and produced in Q4 2018.</li> <li>ii) <u>Main Street Belmayne/Clongriffin</u> Grant Agreement issued for CE signature. Consultants engaged for design of road.</li> <li>In Q4 2018 the Preliminary Design and Site Investigations were completed. The Part 8 public consultation was completed</li> </ul>	redeveloped and as soon as the technology is made available under this redevelopment, the LCI application form will be set up to allow for interactive online applications). <u>Dodder Bridge:</u> The Junction Options report concluded that the preferred solution was to tie into the R131 and work on the preliminary design of the bridge is progressing. Negotiations with land owners ongoing. <u>Belmayne</u> The scheme was approved by the City Council in March 2019. Elements of the Detailed Design are currently being progressed.
North Lotts & Grand Canal Dock SDZs	Investigations were completed. The Part 8 public	Public consultation for Sth Campshires Public Realm to take place this spring. This will feed into final design. Ongoing Discussions with Dublin

		Port taking place
	• Design for water based amenity area- tender being prepared at present.	
	<ul> <li>Water services and IW led Group progressing the planning and foreshore licence for the surface water outfall in Grand Canal Dock- planning input being given.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Liffey Ferry Service launched and operating.</li> </ul>	Planning work and & DM liaison progressing.
E	Bridges:	
	<ul> <li>Part 8 for Spencer Dock pedestrian and cycle bridge passed at full Council in January.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>An Bord Pleanála refused amendment to SDZ Scheme for relocation of Forbes Street pedestrian bridge to Blood Stoney Road, but allow bridge adjacent to Tom Clarke Bridge.</li> </ul>	Judicial Review procedures commenced. Await
	Dodder Bridge; design work ongoing.	further correspondence
P	Planning:	
	<ul> <li>Current applications include various amendments to previously permitted developments on applications.</li> </ul>	Work in progress
	<ul> <li>Planning Input on proposals on district heating scheme</li> </ul>	ongoing
	Building Heights Review:	ongoing
	North Lotts and GCD SDZ to be reviewed on	
	foot of recent Ministerial guidelines on Building Heights.	
		Analysis work commenced.

# 3. Departmental Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
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Record Protected Structures	<ul> <li>Proposed Additions to RPS agreed by Central Area Committee 8<sup>th</sup> January</li> <li>Garden of Remembrance, Parnell Street</li> <li>60-61 Manor Street, Dublin 7 – Manor Palladium Broadway, former Cinema</li> <li>Number of buildings to be added under review. Methodology to prioritise RPS additions has been prepared.</li> <li>Review of NIAH recommendations ongoing</li> </ul>	Statutory Proceedings to commence shortly.
Buildings at Risk	between Conservation Section & NIAH     Investigations ongoing on the Buildings at	Ongoing.
	Risk Register, with significant progress in a number of cases.	
Residential Land Availability Study	<ul> <li>Stage two completed: data uploaded to myplan.ie website.</li> </ul>	Prepare RLA update for DCC when DELG initiates process.
Dublin Wayfinding Scheme	<ul> <li>Phase 3 completed, radial/orbital routes.</li> <li>Tenders awarded.</li> </ul>	Subject to six monthly reviews/ monitoring.
	<ul> <li>"Cooling off" over. New orders placed November 2016.</li> <li>Additional finger panels erected.</li> </ul>	Additional locations identified and surveyed.
	<ul> <li>All structures removed to facilitate construction of LUAS Cross City have been reinstated.</li> <li>Damaged map panels replaced.</li> </ul>	Additional structures poles and panels – on order / prepared for installation
Just Eat dublinbikes	<ul> <li>Grangegorman expansion construction commenced on 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan.</li> <li>14 of 15 stations complete and operational.</li> <li>1 station postponed pending completion of Broadstone Plaza.</li> </ul>	Monitoring ongoing.
Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market	<ul> <li>The MUGA car park and dedicated Wholesale Parking Area are substantively complete and the taking in charge meeting has been scheduled</li> </ul>	Project nearing completion. Street signage and road markings are due to complete shortly and the

	<ul> <li>There are eight traders remaining in the Wholesale Fruit and Veg. Market. Vacant possession is needed for the build phase, DCC currently doing a program of works to secure temporary accommodation.</li> <li>Procurement for the detail design of the Market is being advanced but is dependent on vacant possession for construction works. We continue to report to the Markets Sub-committee of Council</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>pedestrian entrances will be gated shortly. When complete and commissioned the MUGA will be handed over to the Central Area Office.</li> <li>Move Traders to temporary accom to facilitate procurement and build programme in early 2019.</li> <li>Procure works &amp; operator to Wholesale Market</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Development guidelines and site brief prepared for depot site, including ESB site.</li> <li>Presentation given to Area Councillors and Rathmines Initiative.</li> </ul>	Revise draft brief and re- locate waste management facility. Further meeting with Area Councillors.
St Thomas's Abbey	<ul> <li>It is DCCs intention to raise awareness of the National Monument. Site and the Abbey both as part of the educational/tourism offering and also in medieval history &amp; history of monasticism.</li> <li>Publication of proceedings of St Thomas's Abbey Conference.</li> </ul>	Ongoing through Local area Office events, include walking tours, signage, display posters, social media/ Facebook Page. The Archaeology Office distributed remaining stock of the St. Thomas book for sale at Dublinia and other local sites. The contributors and editor of Medieval Dublin were contacted by the City Archaeologist. As many papers have already been published elsewhere it

		was agreed with the SCAO and stakeholders that any of the papers Conference held in October 2017conference papers may be published in the annual series Medieval Dublin (Sean Duffy Ed.) at the authors' discretion.
Moore Street Area	<ul> <li>Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht has established an Advisory/ Oversight Group to engage with Public Bodies, Developers, Traders and Voluntary Groups, including the Consultative Group to find a way forward.</li> <li>Chairman has been appointed.</li> <li>Court of Appeal decision on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018, that the High Court does not have the jurisdiction to declare a site a National Monument.</li> </ul>	Advisory/Oversight Group to present Report to the Minister on a way forward.
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.	Conservation works Ongoing. Landscape Design in development with oversight of steering group and working group monthly meetings.
	<ul> <li>Design Team have been put in place to develop a "Masterplan". Parks Department leading this project with assistance of Steering Group</li> </ul>	Ongoing
Henrietta Street	<ul> <li>14 Henrietta Street officially opened 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018.</li> <li>A new management system has been put in place</li> <li>- a separate, independently-managed company, wholly owned by the Council called Dublin City Council Culture Company. Its job is to connect Dubliners to their city through making and taking part in culture</li> </ul>	Ongoing
Saint Luke's Churchyard and Public Park project	<ul> <li>Works near completion</li> <li>Finalising of conservation works to north and south graveyards.</li> <li>Finalising of landscaping works to new publicly accessible pocket park.</li> </ul>	Launch details when confirmed to follow.

Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2019	<ul> <li>Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2019. Funding granted to DCC in the amount of €308,000 for 2019</li> <li>55 applications have been received under the scheme for 2019.</li> </ul>	Assessments have been carried out and list of potential applicants have been sent to the Department for their approval.
Historic Structures Fund 2019	<ul> <li>Historic Structures Fund for 2018.         This replaces the Structures at Risk Fund         Applications under the scheme for 2019 have         been issued to former applicants. 17         applications have been received and are being         assessed for submission to Department. 6         potential applicants have been submitted to the         Department for their approval.         </li> </ul> <li>Significant changes are that multiple</li> <li>applications for the same structure under</li> <li>different streams of the Historic Structures     <li>Fund or the Built Heriage Investment</li> <li>Scheme will not be considered in 2019, and</li> <li>that certain projects may be approved for</li> <li>funding on a phased basis, over more than one</li> <li>year.</li> </li>	Confirmation of Grants expected by the end of March 2019. Works can commence after applicants have been given Certificate of Provisional Approval Drawdown of funding from Department by 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2019.
County Heritage Officer Grants	<ul> <li>Applications have been made to the Heritage Council's 2019 County Heritage Plan Grant scheme for the following projects:</li> <li>Update the County Dublin Archaeology GIS Project for the years 2012-2015 on behalf of the four Dublin local authorities.</li> <li>Peer review of <i>Built to Last: Energy Efficiency</i> <i>in Pre-1945 Dwellings in Dublin City.</i></li> <li>Following the official launch of More Than Concrete Blocks Volume 2 on 6<sup>th</sup> February, the</li> </ul>	All County Heritage Plan funded projects to be completed by end November 2019 for drawdown of Heritage Council funding

	<ul> <li>next phase of the Twentieth-Century Architecture in Dublin City Research project will proceed with 10 new case studies from the period 1973-1999.</li> <li>Preparation of Dublin City Heritage Plan 2020- 2024 which will include: <ul> <li>Inter-departmental consultation</li> <li>Stakeholder and public consultation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
City Archaeologist Projects	• The City Wall at the Wood Quay Venue requires repointing on N side due to loss/failure of mortar due to temperature and humidity fluctuations. Information to be rolled out in advance of and during repointing project to inform public of the changes to the wall in 2019. Works expected to commence on the Wall in 2019/20 subject to consent and availability of Venue.	Mortar samples for analysis were returned. Repointing was agreed with Conservation Office and presented to NMS prior to the submission of the Consent application in January. Ongoing environmental controls and monitoring of wall and Venue by Carrig Ltd.
	<ul> <li>Installation of Wood Quay Exhibition. Works currently at Scheme Design Stage. City Archaeologist preparing content subject to scheme design agreed.</li> </ul>	Scheme design and costings submitted 23 January and under consideration by the Project Steering Group. Installation of Exhibition to expected to take place in July.
	<ul> <li>Ice House, Clare Hall – improvement works to the Ice House in conjunction with Parks Department.</li> </ul>	Works undertaken to clear rubbish and ivy etc. by Parks in February in accordance with archaeological methodology. Sign content prepared in house and ready to go to the designer.

# 4. For Your Diary

Items of Interest	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Conserve your Period Dublin	This CPD accredited course is aimed at both the	From 12 <sup>th</sup> February to 30 <sup>th</sup>

House	professional and the owners of Dublin's historic dwellings. The course is organised annually by the DCC Heritage and Conservation Offices with the Irish Georgian Society and takes place over 12 consecutive Tuesdays at lunchtime at the City Assembly House. The course promotes the Living Cities Initiative. This jointly-organised course has been running for 8 years.	April. DCC Heritage Officer, Conservation Officer and Conservation Research Officers each contributes a lecture to this series.
Festival of History Archaeology events	The Archaeology of Mils and Milling seminar DCC/NUI/NE Viking guest lectures from Norway	18 October WQV October date and venue TBC

### Culture, Recreation and Economic Services

### NEW POLICY/STRATEGIC

The new 5 year Library Development Plan: Libraries Unlimited A Strategic Direction for **Dublin City Public Libraries 2019 – 2023** has been published and is available to view at dublincity.librariesunlimited.ie

### DEPARTMENTAL PRIORITY

**Urban Regional Development Fund -** Further to the success of the URDF Category B Application for Artists Workspaces. The Arts office is engaging in a procurement process for the next phase.

### **UNESCO City of Literature:**

The 2019 **Dublin One City One Book** festival will run for the month of April. This year's chosen title is *The Country Girls Trilogy* by Edna O'Brien. Booking is now live for all events at dublinonecityonebook.ie including the flagship event 'An evening with Edna' which takes place on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in the Round Room at the Mansion House.

### International Dublin Literary Award

The 2019 shortlist will be announced on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April. It will be on the website and in the media from midnight and featured on *Morning Ireland* RTE radio1 by Sinead Crowley, Arts & Media correspondent.

An event to celebrate the 10 shortlisted books chosen from a longlist of 141, will take place in the Oak Room, The Mansion House, at 11.00 hosted by Lord Mayor, Nial Ring, Patron of the Award. MC Keelin Shanley will introduce the books and actors Geraldine Plunkett and Bryan Murray will read from each. The 24<sup>th</sup> winner will be presented on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019. More information at <u>http://www.dublinliteraryaward.ie/</u>

**Spring into Storytime** will take place nationally in April. Story reading events for children will be programmed in all libraries in Dublin City. National publicity will support the programme and information will be available on our website and in local libraries. Part of the Right to Read programme to promote literacy and reading.

Launch of Dublin Learning Festival in Mansion House with Lord Mayor of Dublin, Nial Ring : 8 April from 11.00 am to 2.00pm.

### Commemorations

The 34<sup>th</sup> series of **City Hall Lunch-time Lectures** will take place every Tuesday in April in the Council Chamber from 1.10-1.50 p.m. The overall theme is: **Irish Women and the Irish Revolution** and speakers/topics are: Constance Cassidy/Constance Markievicz; Dr Margarita Cappock/Sarah Cecilia Harrison; Helen Litton/Caitlin Bean Ui Chleirigh; Anthony Jordan/Maud Gonne; James Curry/Rosie Hackett. Admission free; seats available on a first-come, first served basis.

**Music Town: Emerging Artists Series:** As part of **The Music Library**'s **Emerging Artists** series, **Dublin City Public Libraries** presents **Lugosi** and **No More Questions** for an afternoon of music, song and chat. Both bands will play a 30 minute set and take part in a Q&A with the audience, with compere **Marky Edison** (Musos' Guide). Both acts will then play a set together to close the show, showcasing the festival's spirit of collaboration. Saturday 13th April at 2.30

Music Town Event with Anne Maree Barry Max 8-10 participants: As part of the Musictown Festival 2018 Artist & Film Maker, Anne Maree Barry invites participants to explore a variety of processes including storytelling, writing, art and film making. Tuesday 16th April at 12.30

**Evil Literature: Banned Books in the collections of Dublin City Library and Archive** This exhibition, which is based on the collections of Dublin City Reading Room and Dublin City Archives will be launched on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 6.00 pm at Dublin City Library and Archive, Pearse Street, and will run during the months of April and May

### Blazing a Trail: Irish Women Who Changed the World

The women in this vibrant exhibition have excelled in the arts and entertainment, science and medicine, politics, sports, aviation and adventure. Find out more about these remarkable Irish women, from artist Sarah Purser to ground-breaking architect Eileen Gray, including plenty of contemporary trailblazers such as Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell and athlete Sonia O'Sullivan. Linked to the new book from O'Brien Press of the same name by Sarah Webb and illustrated by Lauren O'Neill, this exhibition celebrates the centenary of votes for women in Ireland and the women who fought to change history.

### Rathmines Library: April, Walkinstown Library May

A large delegation from Greater Seattle Partners (GSP) will visit Dublin from 6 – 10 May 2019. GSP is a public-private partnership that promotes and drives international trade, business and investment for the Greater Seattle region. GSP and the Seattle Metro Chamber are leading an International Leadership Mission (ILM) to Ireland. The ILM will bring elected officials, c-suite executives and leadership from education and the non-profit sector to benchmark Greater Seattle against Greater Dublin and Ireland; examine how Ireland is dealing with critical issues that our own region may also be facing; learn about Ireland's unique story and how Dublin and Ireland are harnessing their assets to compete in the global economy and develop relationships with an important business and trade partner.

Dublin & Greater Seattle have both witnessed significant growth in recent years and want to discuss with us what are some of the keys to this success as well as some of the challenges, such as stresses on housing and infrastructure and homelessness and want to discuss how is the greater Dublin region working together to test bed solutions to some of these issues, such as the Smart Dublin Initiative which aims to position Dublin as a global leader in developing new urban solutions. Date: May 9<sup>th</sup> Council Chambers, City Hall.

A delegation from Glasgow City Council comprising Cllr. David McDonald, Dr Bridget McConnell (Chief Executive of Glasgow Life) and Jill Miller (Director of Cultural Services) will visit Dublin on 9 - 10 May and will meet with city officials to discuss various aspects of culture and leisure in the city and will also pay a visit to Henrietta Street Museum, Hugh Lane Gallery and Smart Docklands.

**EuroMAB Conference (2<sup>nd</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019) Dublin** Bay Biosphere will host the UNESCO EuroMAB conference, which will see Biosphere practitioners, managers, policy-makers, researchers, educators, ecologists, scientists, social entrepreneurs, creatives and community leaders from across Europe, North America and Canada come together to develop 'local actions for global challenges'.

Through a series of workshops and fieldtrips (see <u>http://euromabdublin2019.ie</u>) the conference will consider tangible outcomes that can be implemented both by individual Biospheres, and collectively as part of the World Network, which will support the Sustainable Development Goals of Agenda 2030.

Delegates will deliberate on best practice in tackling marine plastics, empowering young people to take action, promoting the circular economy, engaging local enterprises in responsible tourism, adding value to local economies through charters and branding, developing research platforms and partnerships with universities, promoting learning through art and culture, and acting as climate change observatories, among others.

Field trips to Howth Head, Bull Island, Dublin Port, Dalkey and Dublin Bay will provide delegates with an opportunity to experience the special place which is Dublin Bay, a unique UNESCO Biosphere in a major European city.

### Hugh Lane Gallery new exhibition - Our Plundered Planet by Mark Dion

### 4<sup>th</sup> April – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019

*Our Plundered Planet* offers commentary on human treatment of the natural environment, posing the question of human responsibility. Mark Dion's work examines the relationship between human beings and our biospheres and the link between cultural and capital ecologies. This exhibition coincides with **EuroMAB 2019** a conference on Biospheres being held in Dublin Castle and Dublin Bay Biosphere Reserve, Ireland from 2 to 5 April 2019. A fully illustrated colour catalogue will accompany this exhibition with essays by art historian **Prof. Dr. Petra Lange-Berndt** and art critic **Patrick Jaojoco**.

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Inchicore Library refurbishment	In the context of potential development of a new library as part of larger plans for Emmet Road. This project is currently being reviewed.	0
Terenure Library feasibility study	The Law Dept has made progress in identifying the owner of the freehold. The matter was passed to Planning and Property Management	Planning and Property Management will instruct the Chief Valuer to make contact with the owner of the freehold
Crumlin-Drimnagh Library	DCC are in the process of acquiring the site at Scoil	Initial feasibility study completed. Has been submitted to the City Librarian. The

### **DEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS**

	Éanna, subject to the terms and financial consideration for the development of a new library for Crumlin-Drimnagh	consultant will put together a more detailed design study in consultation with the architects on the neighbouring housing site with a view to making joint presentation to the area committee later in the year. Maintenance and works to secure the old school house will take place as soon as possible.
Proposed New City Library, Parnell Square	The planning decision period continues	Planning decision expected in May 2019.
Peace Garden, Christchurch	Contractor on site to redevelop this garden	Flanders Memorial ceremony to be held on the 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2019. Official park opening scheduled for June 2019
St. Audoen's Park	Project complete	Official opening held 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
Le Fanu Skatepark, Ballyfermot	Tenders received and currently being assessed	Contractor to be appointed by end April 2019
Hugh Lane Refurbishment Project	Part VIII application lodged in late March/early April 2019	Complete detailed design and seek approval to proceed to procurement phase.
Lord Mayor's 5 Alive Challenge 2019	This is the 7th year of the LM 5 Alive Challenge. Approximately 400 people signed up to participate in this year's challenge. The challenge consisted of 5 races at around 5km in distance. Participants were encouraged and supported along each of the race routes by 35 mentors assigned to the challenge	To mark the conclusion of the 2019 5 Alive challenge and the participants' achievements, a celebratory evening will take place in City Hall on Friday 26 April from 6pm
Active School Flag/Active School Week	Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership is working with schools around the City to assist them in achieving the Active School Flag. DCSWP Sport Officers, co-funded sport specific Officers and the HSE Health Promotion Officer for Physical Activity link in with schools aiming to achieve the flag and provide advice and support. National Active School Week takes place from 7 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2019. Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership will provide information and advice on a range of physical activities programmes and opportunities that are available	DCSWP to work with schools on a continuous basis to support increases in sport and physical activity opportunities for school students.

	to schools for Active School Week.	
Residential Artists' Studio Open Call 2019	Assessment of applications for this award are being finalised by City Arts Office. The 3 x premises are St Patricks Lodge & 6 & 7 Albert Cottages Hampstead Park.	April 2019 – January 2020 Successful applicants will be offered rental periods of 3 to 10 months (shorter lets may be considered). Each premises is fully furnished with 2 x bedrooms, living area, kitchen and a small studio/work space Included also is complimentary TV, phone and wifi service. Rent is capped at €700 per month.
Erasmus+	Erasmus+ EU Grant Award 'Permission to Wonder' – Supporting Schools to Implement the Visual Thinking Strategies method to enhance Learning with Visual Arts' Public Engagement across 6 x EU Cities & 30 x schools	Amsterdam 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019 - 4 <sup>th</sup> Partners Project Management Meeting 4- 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2019 3 <sup>rd</sup> Training practicum for 24 x Educators

### DATES/EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Councillors can see all library events in their area on the Libraries Section of the Council website at these links:

http://bit.ly/DCC-Central-Area

http://bit.lyDCC-North-Central

http://bit.ly/DCC-North-West

http://bit.ly/DCC-South-Central

http://bit.ly/DCC-South-East

Event	Location	Date & Time
Musician in Residence	Walkinstown Library	17/04/19 1.00 – 2.00 p.m.
Drop in Workshop: Writing Lyrics for Young Adults.		
Musician in Residence Riona Sally Hartman will guide young adults in the cut-up lyrics writing technique famously used by many songwriters including David Bowie and Radiohead. No experience necessary		
Work Matters at your Library	Central Library	08/04/19 at 1.10 p.m.
Start or Grow a Design and Craft Enterprise presented by Emer Ferran Enterprise Development Programme Manager Design 7 Crafts Council Ireland.		
Spring Start Your Own Business – 6 week programme	Central Library	25/04/19 at 6.30 p.m.

Career Direction and Development Programme	Cabra Library	16/04/19 at 6.00 p.m.
CareerChoicesandDecisions:how to make thebestdecisionsforworking life.		
Writing effective CVs and Cover Letters: an interactive workshop.	Ballyfermot Library	16/04/19 at 6.00 p.m.
<b>Interview Skills:</b> preparing for the competency based interview	Polluformot Library	17/04/19 at 6 00 p m
Bliain na Gaeilge – An	Ballyfermot Library Leabharlann Bhaile	17/04/19 at 6.00 p.m. Gach Aoine / Every Friday
Ghaeilge sa Chathair	Formaid	at 11.30 a.m. – 12.15 p.m.
Aon Dó Trí: Scéal agus Ceol do Naíonán. Bi-lingual Stories and Songs for Little Ones. Fáilte roimh chách. All welcome. Le tuilleadhy eolais, cur glaoch leis an leabharlann. In partnership with City of Dublin Education and Training Board.	Ballyfermot Library	
Offset / Offsite Dublin 2019	The Point Square www.iloveoffset.com	05/04/19 – 07/04/19
Musictown	Citywide www.musictown.ie	05/04/19 – 22/04/19
Handel's Messiah Performance	Fishamble Street	13/04/19 at 1.00 p.m.
Defence Forces Easter Sunday Ceremony	O'Connell Street	21/04/19
Night Run 10k	Docklands/Ringsend	28/04/19 at 9.00 p.m.
Dublin Dance Festival	Various Dublin locations www.dublindancefestiva l.ie	01/05/19 – 19/05/19
International Dublin Gay Theatre Festival	Various Dublin locations www.gaytheatre.ie	06/05/19 – 19/05/19
Get Going, Get Rowing	Grand Canal Dock www.rowingireland.ie	09/05/19 – 12/05/19
Red Bull Cliff Diving World Series 2019	Grand Canal Dock	10/05/19 – 12/05/19

Darkness into Light Walk	Various City venues/Ringsend/Clonta rf	11/05/19 – 12/05/19
See link for what's on in Hugh Lane Gallery	http://www.hughlane.ie/ phocadownload/hugh% 20lane%20education%2 0feb%20- %20may%202019.pdf a nd http://www.hughlane.ie/l ectures/forthcoming- lectures?start=10	February to May 2019 Education Programme
The Last Great Album of the Decade curated by Sheena Barrett and Pádraic E Moore featuring new work by Anne Maree Barry, Declan Clarke, Alan Phelan and Cliodhna Timoney this exhibition is presented in association with MusicTown and events will be taking place in collaboration with MusicTown and Dublin Learning	The LAB Gallery Foley Street, Dublin 1	22/03/19 to 12/0519 Open Mon - Fri 10am - 6pm Sat & Sun 10am - 5pm
Curators Tour – The Last Great Album of the Decade part of the Dublin Learning Festival	The LAB Gallery Foley Street, Dublin 1	12 April 2019 11pm – 12pm
Music City: A walking tour with Dónal Fallon	The LAB Gallery Foley Street, Dublin 1	Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 19 15:00 to 17:00
Screen Writing in the Music Library with Anne Maree Barry	Central Library, Ilac Centre, Henry Street, Dublin 1	Tuesday, 16 April 2019 from 13:00 to 15:30
MusicTown Brought to you by Dublin City Council and Aiken Promotions, the programme covers an array of musical styles and genres. Setting out to explore and celebrate the diverse constellation of music cultures that exist in Dublin City, MusicTown aims to unify the city, making its music relatable and accessible, instilling a sense of pride in Dublin's musical heritage,	Citywide	12- 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2019 http://www.musictown.ie/

whilst welcoming newcomers and visiting artists.				
Lord Mayor's 5 Alive Celebration Night	City Hall	26/04/2019 at 6.00p.m – 9.00 p.m		
Multi-Sport Easter Camp	Irishtown Stadium	23/04/2019 - 26/04/2019 - 9.30a.m - 2.30p.m		
Cricket Easter Camp	St. Columbus College,	15/04/2019 – 18/04/2019		
	Whitechurch, D16	10.00a.m – 5.30p.m		
Girls Rugby Easter Camp	Donnybrook Rugby Club	26/04/2019 9.30a.m – 2.30p.m		
Cadbury's Easter Egg Hunt	Merrion Square	18 – 20/04/19 – 10.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.		
The Good Run (5K)	St. Anne's Park	18/04/19 10.30 a.m. – 12 noon		
Na Fianna GAA 5k Run	Albert College Park	19/04/19 - 10.00 a.m 11.00 a.m.		
Raheny Shamrocks Battle of Clontarf 10 mile Cross Country	St. Anne's Park	22/04/19 - 10.00 a.m 1.00 p.m.		

### Human Resources Department

### Workforce Numbers

The total number of employees at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 was 5901 (headcount). The full time equivalent (FTE) number (i.e. taking account of worksharing arrangements) was 5563.15

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 as the workforce profile changes. Managers and staff are continuing to review how services are delivered to optimise customer service as effectively as possible.

The Human Resources Department will shortly commence the process of preparing a City Council Workforce Plan for the three-year period 2019 – 2021. This process will be informed by a detailed review of the staffing requirements across the organisation. The Plan will set out in broad terms the projected level of employment over period 2019 to 2021.

# Law Department

Ref No	Request Details	Name(s)	Requeste r Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/6621/201 9	Seeks all records on the Molly Malone statue	Dean Ruxton	Press	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6619/201 9	Seeks records re the allocation of 20 million costs for 2.7km cycleway from Fairview to Amiens St	Ryan Carrick	Client	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6618/201 9	Seeks breakdown of homeless HAP payments by DRHE for one two three bed accommodation in each Dublin postcode.	Lois Kapila	Press	28/02/201 9	
FOI/6616/201 9	Seeks records regarding physical/verbal attacks on animal wardens since Feb 2016.	Daily Mail	Press	27/02/201 9	14/03/201 9
FOI/6615/201 9	Seeks records regarding quad bikes.	Sunday Times	Press	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6614/201 9	Seeks records regarding correspondence between Hugh Lane Gallery & the National Gallery in London.	Sunday Times	Press	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6613/201 9	Seeks records regarding Tramway Lane.	Maura Connolly	Client	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6612/201 9	Seeks records regarding correspondence between Lord Mayor and Gianna Care.	The Times	Press	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6610/201 9	Seeks records regarding staff numbers, retirements and pensions.	Thomas Heavey	Client	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6609/201 9	Seeks records regarding refusals of social housing offers.	The Journal	Press	27/02/201 9	19/03/201 9
FOI/6608/201 9	Seeks records on complaints regarding	The Journal	Press	27/02/201 9	

	standards in private				
	rented accommodation				
FOI/6607/201 9	Seeks records on complaints regarding short term lets.	The Journal	Press	27/02/201 9	
FOI/6605/201 9	seeks records re qualifications of staff member.	James Glynn	Client	26/02/201 9	
FOI/6604/201 9	seeks records re road layout at Parkside Court	Conor Galvin	Client	26/02/201 9	
FOI/6603/201 9	seeks records re operations of Dublin Street Parking Services Ltd	The Phoenix	Press	26/02/201 9	21/03/201 9
FOI/6602/201 9	seeks records re Lord Mayor function	David Gorman	Client	26/02/201 9	
FOI/6599/201 9	Seeks records re bollards on cycle lanes	Erin McGuire	Press	25/02/201 9	
FOI/6597/201 9	Seeks records re meeting between DCC and Valuation Office re Aviva and Croke Park value.	Craig Farrell	Press	25/02/201 9	
FOI/6596/201 9	Seeks records regarding ambulance crew staffing.	Craig Hughes	Press	25/02/201 9	04/03/201 9
FOI/6594/201 9	Seeks records regarding social housing developments.	Future Analytics	Business	25/02/201 9	05/03/201 9
FOI/6591/201 9	Seeks records regarding property at Protestant Row.	Beauchamp s Solicitors	Solicitor	25/02/201 9	
FOI/6589/201 9	Seeks records re legal claims by cyclists with regard to Luas accidents.	Erin McGuire	Press	21/02/201 9	
FOI/6588/201 9	seeks records of number of dog licences issued between Jan 2014 and Feb 2019	Jane Fallon Griffin	Press	21/02/201 9	14/03/201 9
FOI/6586/201 9	Seeks copy Planning Enforcement File E0763/18	Mary Walker	Client	18/02/201 9	
FOI/6585/201	Seeks records of	Benjamin	Press	20/02/201	

9	correspondence on Capital Dock development.	Haugh		9	
FOI/6582/201 9	seeks records of correspondence between HSE and DRHE re ACCESS	Sean Finnan	Press	19/02/201 9	21/03/201 9
FOI/6581/201 9	Seeks records re waste collection complaints	Catherine Sanz	Press	19/02/201 9	19/03/201 9
FOI/6580/201 9	Seeks records on homeless hubs 2018/ 2019	Gordon Deegan	Press	19/02/201 9	
FOI/6579/201 9	Seeks records of complaints against plans by DCC to establish homeless hubs in various parts of city.	Gordon Deegan	Press	19/02/201 9	21/03/201 9
FOI/6578/201 9	Seeks records on social and affordable houses supplied in 2017 and 2018	Gordon Deegan	Press	19/02/201 9	19/03/201 9
FOI/6576/201 9	Seeks all correspondence between DCC and Urbo re stationless bike hire licence	Jonathan Keane	Client	19/02/201 9	21/03/201 9
FOI/6575/201 9	Seeks City Council report which contained figures for newspaper article on rte.ie /news/2019/Dublin /climate	Ken Foxe	Press	19/02/201 9	19/03/201 9
FOI/6574/201 9	Seeks records re most visited and used libraries.	Marga Rodriguez	Client	19/02/201 9	
FOI/6573/201 9	Seeks records relating to lack of beds for homeless people.	Ken Foxe	Press	19/02/201 9	21/03/201 9
FOI/6572/201 9	seeks records re anti social behaviour	Barry O'Kelly	Client	19/02/201 9	14/03/201 9
FOI/6571/201 9	seeks planning enforcement records	David Armstrong	Business	18/02/201 9	11/03/201 9
FOI/6569/201 9	seeks planning records re site on Mill St	Dervla Fay	Client	18/02/201 9	19/03/201 9

FOI/6566/201 9	seeks records re Clontarf Baths	The Journal	Press	15/02/201 9	14/03/201 9
FOI/6563/201 9	seeks records re Lord Mayor's diary	Dublin Inquirer	Press	14/02/201 9	14/03/201 9
FOI/6560/201 9	seeks records re seagulls	Irish Times	Press	12/02/201 9	19/03/201 9
FOI/6559/201 9	seeks housing stats re waiting list	Evelyn Harte	Client	11/02/201 9	04/03/201 9
FOI/6557/201 9	seeks records re cost of illegal dumping	Irish Daily Mail	Press	11/02/201 9	14/03/201 9
FOI/6556/201 9	seeks records re agreement between Dublin City Gallery and National Gallery London	Sunday Times	Press	11/02/201 9	
FOI/6555/201 9	seeks records re stand alone accommodation on properties eg mobile homes/ log cabins	The Journal	Press	11/02/201 9	11/03/201 9
FOI/6553/201 9	seeks records re Poolbeg West SDZ	Irish Times	Press	08/02/201 9	11/03/201 9
FOI/6551/201 9	seeks records re accident at Lr Rathmines Rd	Rutherfords	Solicitor	08/02/201 9	
FOI/6550/201 9	seeks records re North Lotts Strategic Development Zone	Sunday Business Post	Press	08/02/201 9	11/03/201 9
FOI/6548/201 9	seeks records re correspondence between DRHE and Inner City Helping Homeless	The Journal	Press	07/02/201 9	
FOI/6547/201 9	seeks records re petition on road closure	Peter Lynch	Client	07/02/201 9	11/03/201 9
FOI/6546/201 9	seeks records re vacant sites	The Journal	Press	06/02/201 9	
FOI/6545/201 9	seeks records re sequence of traffic lights at High St	Caitriona Ni Chonchuir	Business	05/02/201 9	22/02/201 9
FOI/6543/201 9	seeks records re Modular Homes Tender	The Journal	Press	05/02/201 9	13/02/201 9

The above table represents a snapshot of the position with non-personal FOI requests only, received in February 2019

The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2019 is outlined below.

Carried forward from 2018	76
Total opened at February 2019	168
	244
Total closed at February 2019	109
Live cases	135