



# Development of New Arts Council & Dublin City Council Partnership Framework

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# Context

- ▶ 23 Local Authorities have signed a partnership framework with The Arts Council. These partnership frameworks normally focus on the actions of the arts office.
- ▶ This partnership framework is based on *A Framework for Collaboration 2016* – It is an Agreement between The Arts Council and County and City Management Association (CCMA).
- ▶ Dublin City Council have asked The Arts Council that Dublin be considered differently due to scale, local, municipal, national and international status.
- ▶ The Arts Council's annual budget was €80M in 2019 of which €30M given to the Dublin Area 20M to DCC Admin Area (estimated).
- ▶ Historic funding relationship between The Arts Council and Dublin City Arts Office includes:
  - Culture Night €30,000
  - International Literature Festival €70,000
  - Annual Arts Office Grant €38,000

# Purpose of the Presentation

- ▶ The purpose of this presentation is to begin to make visible the scale of the investment in the Arts in Dublin by both organisations.
- ▶ To propose an 'all City Council' (including libraries, events, community, Hugh Lane Gallery etc) approach to the partnership agreement with the Arts Council.
- ▶ To recommend that the partnership focuses on further research identifying the location of Arts Council and Dublin City Council funding in Dublin and highlighting areas of deficit.

\*\* At this point in time, all figures presented are estimated as further research is required.

# Purpose of the Framework

- ▶ The Framework is a statement of Common Purpose – Dublin City Council and The Arts Council are committed to working together in partnership, to promote and develop the arts in an integrated manner.

## Strategic Aims:

- ▶ **Inform** – research and dialogue providing evidence about the arts in Dublin.
- ▶ **Encourage** - a whole Dublin City Council, inter-departmental and administrative area approach.
- ▶ **Focus** - on collaboration – particularly in areas without infrastructure and targeted funds for areas of deficit.

# How is Arts and Culture Funding organised within Dublin City Council?

Culture Funding inside Dublin City Council is managed by the Culture, Recreation, Economic Services Department (CRES)

## DCC CRES Investment in the City

*SnapShot of 2019 – Total approx. 60 million*

*Culture Programming is 30 million*

*Capital Funding is 30 million*

*Estimate Arts Funding from CRES is 8-10 million*

\*\* It is difficult to extract Arts spending from all other Cultural spending.

\*\* DCC owns 20+ Arts buildings and through is Capital support

can be seen to be an equal investor with the Arts Council in the arts in Dublin.

DCC Currently Owned Arts Properties	
2.	Project Arts Centre
3.	The Ark Children's Cultural Centre (CLG) t/a T
4.	Contemporary Music Centre Ltd
5.	Filmbase
6.	Irish Theatre Institute
7.	Arts and Disability Ireland
8.	Fire Station Artists' Studios Ltd
9.	Temple Bar Gallery and Studios
10.	DANCE HOUSE BUILDING
11.	The LAB
12.	Independent Studios
13.	7 ALBERT COTTAGES
14.	8 ALBERT COTTAGES
15.	ST PATRICKS LODGE
16.	Irish Film Centre
17.	15 BACHELORS WALK
18.	UNIT 3 JAMES JOYCE STREET
19.	UNIT 4 JAMES JOYCE STREET
20.	The Firestation, Rathmines

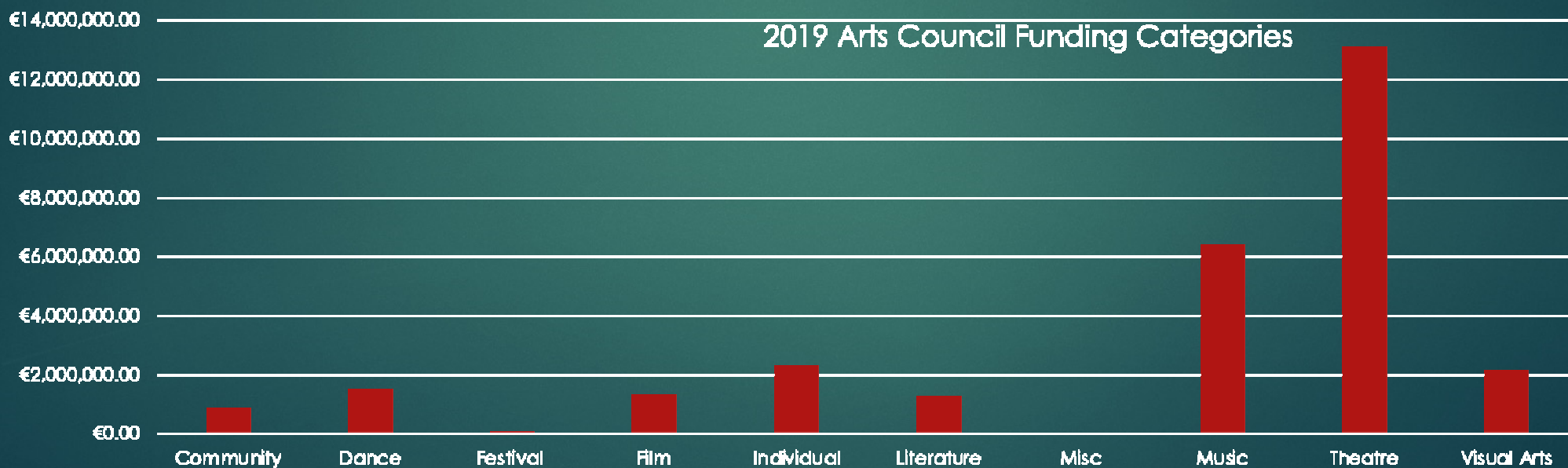
# How is Arts Funding organised within The Arts Council?

Arts Funding inside The Arts Council is managed across artform departments – music, dance, music, visual art, theatre, film, traditional arts, young people children and education, circus and spectacle, local arts, arts participation.

*A Snapshot of The Arts Council Funding*

*Arts Council investment in Dublin City Administrative Area - Total approx. 20/30 million per year*

- *Arts Council investment in Dublin City - A Snapshot Across Artforms - Total approx. 30 million per year*



# Recommendations

- ▶ Further Research - to extrapolate more clearly the Arts support across the DCC Sections and Departments.
- ▶ To identify the location by Administrative Area of Arts Council and DCC Arts funding and to look at areas of deficit.
- ▶ Actions: Based on this research to build collaborative projects and funding to ensure continued development of the Arts in Dublin by both agencies.