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## Monthly Management Report – June 2021

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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 June 2021 City Council meeting is submitted herewith.

### **Environment & Transportation**

Please see attached report.

### **Planning & Property Development**

Please see attached report.

### **Culture, Recreation & Economic Services**

Please see attached report.

### **Human Resources**

Please see attached report including Smart Cities/Smart Dublin update.

### **Law Department**

#### **Freedom of Information**

Please see attached Report in relation to Freedom of Information statistics.

### **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.

### **Housing & Community Services**

Please see Housing Supply Report on Agenda.

**Owen P. Keegan**  
Chief Executive

**Dated: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021**

## Environment and Transportation

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

Moby now have a fleet of 140 electric bikes available for public hire. Bleeper continue with their successful operations with over 700 bikes now available for public hire. Both operators have provided free bikes for healthcare workers throughout 2020 and this is continuing in 2021. The ongoing roll out of additional bike parking continues which will facilitate the expansion of stationless bike operations. A target has been set for the installation of 819 stands at 168 locations during 2021. Bleeper's membership increased by 125% in 2020 and stood at over 76,000 at the end of 2020. Users of Bleeper bikes cycled almost 867,000 km in 2020 burning 145 Million calories. In their first 6 months of operations Moby's members cycled the equivalent of 4 times around the earth. Stationless bike hire operations saved the equivalent of almost 200 Tonnes in Carbon emissions in 2020. Research is progressing regarding integration/interoperability options with other mobility/transport services.

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

Due to the Covid 19 Virus Isolation, the number of transactions per week in April 2020 had reduced to 10,500 from a high of 126,155 at the beginning of March. This rose to 22,097 weekly transactions for week ending 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020. The current Covid 19 situation means that the numbers using the parking Tag has dropped very significantly in line with the reduction of parking meter usage. The weekly revenue on average of €400,000 had reduced to €25,000 for Pay and Display parking in March and April 2020. However, by week ending 30/5/21 that week's revenue was €270,071.25 (up from the sum of €209,266 on we 24/4/21 – however still down from the week ending 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020 figure of €282,356.71). There has been a rise in the number of live accounts from 262,396 for week ending 24/4/2021 to 266,603 for week ending 30/5/2021.

### Car Clubs

There are currently two Car Club companies (GoCar and Yuko) operating within the Dublin City Council administrative area. Both companies had requested and were approved for additional permits in order to expand their services. The total number of live Car Club permits currently issued is 376.

### Permit Parking, Pay & Display

As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic and the current Government restrictions which were announced on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020 all new applications for Residential Parking Permit schemes (i.e. new schemes and extensions to hours of schemes) have been placed on hold until further notice. This is partly due to the workload arising from the implementation of the new COVID 19 on street measures being implemented throughout the city. However, existing applications in the system are being prepared to be sent to ballot from January 2021. The following Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme will have extended operational times with the following details:

Pay and Display Permit Parking scheme extension of operational times June 2021:

<u>Name of Rd</u>	<u>Days and Times</u>	<u>Date for new operational times</u>
Rathmines Park Dublin 6	Mon- Sunday 7am to 24.00 hours	30/06/2021

The following Pay and Display Permit Parking Schemes will go to ballot early in May 2021 with closing dates in June that will be confirmed when they are sent out to ballot.

### Name of Rd

Victoria Villas, Dublin 3  
Brighton Avenue, Dublin 3  
Cecil Avenue, Dublin 3

### **Electric Vehicles**

Dublin City Council is aware of the transition to electric vehicles as set out in the Climate Action Plan as we prepare to respond to the needs of the citizens of the City by providing a sustainable urban mobility strategy. The Council is also aware that technology is changing rapidly and that a range of different solutions will be required to successfully address current and future mobility demand, not only in the City, but also across the wider Dublin Metropolitan Area. This requires careful consideration and planning to ensure that the Council can play their part to facilitate the provision of a comprehensive, reliable and interoperable electric vehicle-charging infrastructure. This is so that members of the public and business community can be confident in making decisions to purchase electric vehicles and to use electric vehicles for personal, leisure and business use, for use on both short and long journeys. In order to inform the four local authorities of the type and number of chargers required, the four Dublin Local Authorities, together with SMART Dublin and CARO, have commissioned a strategic study. This will allow us examine how the four Councils can best facilitate the provision of electric vehicle-charging infrastructure across the Dublin region and the scale of investment required.

### **Claims Liaison Section**

The Claims Liaison Section's primary objective is to assist Irish Public Bodies Insurance to effectively manage the investigation and defence of public liability and employee liability claims against Dublin City Council. The Section deals with claims spreading across Drainage, Roads Maintenance Division, Waste Management, Wastewater Services, Water Services, Public Lighting and Traffic management. All Employee claims from all departments against the Council are also investigated within the Section.

DCC is obliged under its contract for insurance with IPB to adhere to agreed protocols in liaising with IPB and their legal representatives. It is also in the public interest that the successful management and the best defence of claims against DCC is presented. The unit is also tasked with devising and overseeing risk strategy within the relevant sections to assist with a comprehensive programme of hazard identification and elimination. Assisting those Departments to identify the risk patterns and to devise controls and assist in putting such controls in place, supporting a proactive risk management strategy. The unit also liaises with IPB's Special Investigations Unit regarding possible fraudulent claims against DCC.

Investigation and determination of cases continues throughout the Covid Restrictions and in 2020 the Section dealt with 507 Cases against the Council. The Section is currently closely monitoring trends in relation to claims arising from to e-scooter usage. The progress of a number of claims is now being monitored closely.

### **Road Maintenance Services**

Road Maintenance Services resolved over 2,000 customer enquiries and service requests during the period January to April inclusive. Additionally, during the same period 950 defects and hazards on the road network were repaired and/or made safe by our direct labour crews. Furthermore, a total of 77 critical defects and hazards were repaired and/or made safe within 24 hours of being recorded. Road Maintenance Services will deliver a €12-Million Annual Works Programme in 2021. This will see the resurfacing of 14kms of carriageway and the reconstruction of 12kms of footpath. Resurfacing works commenced on-site in the North Central Area in May. The Division is currently in the process of preparing contract documentation, running tender competitions and appointing contractors to deliver the remainder of the works programme.

### **Bridges & Other Road Structures**

Bridge Maintenance have completed all of the 2019 Principal Inspection on bridges and the follow up urgent works and other routine maintenance works. Remedial works were carried out to boundary and retaining walls. Special Inspections are underway on Butt & Matt Talbot Bridges and special inspections are being planned on three other bridges. Scour inspections are being planned on all Bridges on the Liffey, Dodder and Tolka Rivers.

### **Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Fund**

With reference to the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2019, 29 of the 38 organisations/groups approved in principle have completed their projects and drawn down their grant funding to a total sum of circa €1.4m. The remaining 9 organisations/groups have until the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 to complete their projects and draw down their approved grant funding.

At the Community Gain Liaison Committee's April meeting the members discussed and agreed that a Dublin Waste to Energy Projects Grant Scheme would be launched in the autumn of 2021. The details of the 2021 Scheme will be advertised publicly in due course.

### **Waste Services Update**

#### **Street Grading**

226 surveys were undertaken on 179 streets across the six waste management areas in April 2021. Grading was mainly carried out between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday. 75% of streets graded received a Grade A, 10% Grade B, 15% Grade C, 0% Grade D.

<b>AREA</b>	<b>No. Streets Graded</b>	<b>No. Surveys</b>	<b>Grade A</b>	<b>Grade B</b>	<b>Grade C</b>	<b>Grade D</b>
Central	20	40	32	2	6	
South East	27	29	21	5	3	
South Central	23	41	28	2	11	
North Central	38	38	34	3	1	
North West	31	38	17	9	12	
City Centre	40	40	36	2	2	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>

32 on-street recycling facility surveys were undertaken in March 2021. 65% received a Grade A, 25% Grade B, 10% Grade C, 0% Grade D. The reduction in recycling facility surveys this month was due to an IT issue which has now been resolved.

<b>AREA</b>	<b>No. Bottle Banks Graded</b>	<b>No. Surveys</b>	<b>Grade A</b>	<b>Grade B</b>	<b>Grade C</b>	<b>Grade D</b>
Central	1	1			1	
South East	10	11	9	2		
South Central	12	12	6	4	2	
North Central	5	5	5			
North West	2	2		2		
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

#### **Recycling Services**

A new contract for the operation and management of Civic Amenity sites is now in effect. The incumbent contractor Panda Greenstar will continue to manage these sites for the next two years with an option to continue for two further 12 month periods.

The Bring Centre at Kylemore Park North remains closed due to a fire at an adjoining site. Refurbishment works are currently underway with an anticipated timeframe for completion of approximately 12 more weeks. Patrons are currently being advised to use Windmill Road Bring Centre.

A cashless green waste fee trial is currently underway in Grangegorman Bring Centre.

Waste Management Services have completed a review of our Textile Recycling Service. A number of sites have been identified where ongoing and extraordinary levels of illegal dumping occur and removal of textile banks from these sites will take place in June 2021. A range of alternative locations and/or arrangements have been identified to ensure that sufficient capacity to recycle textiles is available relatively close by to any banks scheduled for removal.

Service provider Textile Recycling Limited continue to replace single unit on-street textile banks with double units, capable of hosting wheeled clothes bins. This has led to a visible improvement in the textile recycling service provided by the council and a marked decrease in instances of overflowing textile banks.

### **Green Schools Programme**

The deadline for schools to renew/apply for the Green Flag has been extended until 25th June 2021. Renewal visits will take place in an online format. Support for schools involved with the programme is ongoing. For more information about the Green Schools Programme, please contact [greenschools@dublincity.ie](mailto:greenschools@dublincity.ie)

### **Community Environment Action Fund**

The Department of Environment, Climate and Communications have extended the completion date for projects funded under the Community Environment Action Fund 19/20 until 30th June 2021. The scheme for 2021 is expected to be announced in the second half of the year. For more information about the CEAF, please contact [ceaf@dublincity.ie](mailto:ceaf@dublincity.ie)

### **Commercial Waste Campaign**

The three Regional Waste Management Plan Offices (RWMPOs) have recently launched a suite of materials to help businesses and workplaces to improve waste management and waste segregation. This project is funded by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. The impetus for the project arose from a waste characterisation study produced by the EPA. This study concluded that while most people segregate well at home, waste segregation in businesses and work places was not as working as well. The study found that 70% of material in non-household general waste bins could (and should) have been either recycled or composted. In addition, where recycling and/or food waste bins were provided, these displayed significant contamination.

The campaign materials were developed following intensive stakeholder engagement with both business and waste industry representatives to firstly ensure that it addressed the needs of those using it and, secondly to ensure buy-in from various sectors. The materials include internal posters and external bin stickers indicating items that can be placed in each of recycling, compost and general waste bins, extra bin stickers for other waste streams (eg. glass, WEEE, hazardous), training animations for staff members and a guidance booklet on waste segregation and waste prevention. The campaign has recently gone live at [www.mywaste.ie/business](http://www.mywaste.ie/business), where the materials can be download in printable form and/or ordered for delivery.

A number of pilots to trial the materials are currently being set up. One such trial will take place in the DCC Civic Office in the coming months. These pilots will help to refine and monitor the campaign as it moves forward. For more information, please see [www.mywaste.ie/business](http://www.mywaste.ie/business).

### **Circle City Recycling Initiative**

The Circle City recycling on the go initiative was launched on the 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020 with 25 recycling bins installed in the Grafton St and Henry St areas to facilitate recycling of plastic bottles and cans 'on the go' in the city centre. Waste audits of the installed bins are being carried out to assess the success of the initiative to date and the project is ongoing.

### **Housing Waste Recycling Project**

The Housing Waste Project remains suspended due to ongoing Covid restrictions.

### **Bulky Household Waste Collection Service**

The bulky household waste service has been resumed since the 10<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Dublin City Neighbourhoods Awards 2021 /Pride of Place Competition**

The City Neighbourhoods Competition will only be organised at Area level this year in accordance with Government Health Guidelines.

Dublin City Council entered Bloomin' Crumlin/Kimmage and Finglas Tidy Towns to the IPB Pride of Place 2021 competition.

### **Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2020**

In regards to Phase 4 of the Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2020, DCC is implementing the 30km/h speed limit signage in residential areas as per the approved Phase 4 - Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2020. This will be completed by August 2021.

Following the rejection of Phase 5 of the Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2020 (Covid-19) at the September 2020 Council meeting DCC is currently working on a new proposed Speed Limit Bye-Law April 2021. There was a 2 week Non Statutory Public Consultation carried out from Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> of April 2021 to Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2021. This 2 week Non Statutory Public Consultation has concluded and we are in the process of reviewing it at the moment. A full report was presented at the May 2021 SPC meeting.

### **Quality of Water Bodies**

DCC is working to integrate a number of projects to ensure that the opportunities to meet DCC's Water Framework Directive (WFD) obligation of achieving "good" status for all our water bodies by 2027 are maximised. Current examples are:

- Consultants have been appointed by DCC to deal with flood risk across the DCC and SDCC sections of the River Camac and this is being integrated into a desire to "de-culvert" what is now seen as an over engineered river where possible so that it can, over time, be restored to a more natural state, as far as reasonably possible. The project will also involve identifying and remedying urban pollution sources, where possible. This is also being done in conjunction with an existing Greenway proposal and in tandem with Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) funded projects in the area. Environmental and topographical surveys of the catchment are nearing completion.
- The River Santry where DCC is preparing a brief to engage consultants as part of a URDF funded project to restore the river to a more natural state, and investigate and remedy sources of pollution. Again this work is being designed in conjunction with a proposed Santry River Restoration and Greenway Project. A restricted procedure to engage consultants is currently underway. On the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020, candidates were informed of the results of the assessment of the Expressions of Interest stage. The statutory cooling off period expired on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021. It is envisaged that successful candidates will be invited through to Stage 2: Request for Tender in June 2021. This project is in collaboration with Parks, Landscape Services & Biodiversity and a proposed Greenway. Fingal County Council and Inland Fisheries Ireland are very supportive of this scheme. Funding is mainly from the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund.

### **Bathing Waters**

A Task Force has been established including Dublin City Council, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, the DHPLG and Irish Water to deal with the long-standing problems regarding the quality of the bathing waters in the south city area. We are also working in close liaison with the EPA, the HSE, and experts from UCD in relation to this matter. An enhanced programme of water quality testing has identified a number of significant misconnections and areas for further investigation but field work is delayed due to Covid-19.

A number of problems with the sewer network have been identified and resolved. A Combined Sewer Overflow in the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown area was identified as a particular problem. Irish Water have completed a sewer upgrade downstream of this site to allow Dun Laoghaire Rathdown staff to remove the CSO before the start of this year's bathing season. New flow and water quality monitoring equipment has been installed at the outlet of the Elm Park stream. Sandymount beach is designated "Satisfactory" for this year. A consultant has been appointed and has commenced in collating all existing information on the Elm Park and make recommendations.

Irish Water, in partnership with DCC and Dun Laoghaire Rathdown are appointing a contractor to develop a predictive modelling system for Dublin Bay. This will give an advanced estimate of water quality at six beaches.

### **Drainage Planning**

In addition to providing drainage input on planning applications, including SHDs, we are advising on LAPs, SDZs and the City's New Development Plan. We are providing drainage input on major new infrastructure projects such as Metro, Bus Connects and various cycle schemes. We are assisting Irish Water with new planning applications/connection applications. The SuDS Working Group is now established with multi-disciplinary representation from Drainage, WFD, Roads, Climate Change, Parks, City Architects and Planning. A consultant is drawing up SuDS Guidance Documents to cover best practice in this area with draft chapters currently being reviewed by the Working Group.

### **Flood Defence**

It has become increasingly apparent that, as a result of climate change, rainfall patterns in Dublin have changed from the previous low intensity long duration type rain to shorter and far more intensive rainfall events. The existing drainage infrastructure was not designed to deal with this type of rainfall and, as a result, there have been a number of severe localised flood events in recent years. Arising from work initiated by the DCC Flood and Water Framework Division in close liaison with the DCC Climate Change Action Plan team, it has been agreed that DCC should progress a number of nature based water retention measures using a sustainable urban design approach at different locations across the City. These will have the dual effect of reducing the rate of surface water runoff into sewers, thus reducing the risk of downstream and local flooding, as well as improving the water quality of that runoff through percolating the runoff in natural media with a green infrastructure approach.

The Water Framework Division/Drainage Planning team has continued to liaise with their colleagues in Environment and Transportation, in the Parks Department and in the City Architect's Office to facilitate the implementation of this approach in particular public realm projects that are at design and construction stages. Consultants have been procured and are working on preliminary scenario's for other pilot SuDS projects on the Dodder and Santry river catchments. Introductory meetings on this project with many sections of DCC have taken place and initial scenarios are being formulated. Coastal flood risk has increased dramatically in the City over the last 20 years with an estimated 30mm+ increase in average sea level in Dublin Bay. This also leads to increased wave heights during some storm conditions. All of these factors are being included in proposed flood alleviation measures for the City.

### **Climate Action Team**

The Climate Action Team participated in the Canada-EU exchange: Supporting local action organised by BPIE. The Team also engaged with members of Dublin Friends of the Earth.

There is ongoing engagement with the Development Plan to embed climate action into the development plan. Engagement is also ongoing with the Heritage Plan and the Biodiversity Action Plan.

The Climate Action Team has recently launched the Creative Ireland funded project “Eat the Streets!” that is focused on food and climate change. The project will run until 20<sup>th</sup> June. Project team is has finalised the festival schedule for June which will mark the end of the project. The Festival format is primarily on line, with a series of activities that can be done offline by families.

The Press Office and the Climate Action Team are working on a communication strategy for Dublin’s European Green Capital bid for 2023. In February it was confirmed that Dublin is one of 16 cities running for EGCA 2023. Finalists were to be announced in April, but we are still awaiting a response.

The Climate Action Team is reviewing actions in the CCAP with respective teams to account for changes in staff, and progress in actions. New actions have been added to better reflect the work of the Council. Further reporting on progress now aligns with requirements from department, prior to the release of the Climate Amendment Bill.

The Climate Action Team completed a submission to the CAP Climate Conversations.

### **Climate Action Regional Office**

CARO has been working with all 4 Dublin Local Authorities and Codema on the identification of possible ‘Decarbonising Zones’ (a requirement from Action 165 from the Governments National Climate Action Plan 2019). Every Local Authority had to make a submission to DHLGH by end April 2021. [CARO is continuing the roll out of the Local Authority Climate Action Training programme for local authority staff, organised on a grade/role basis.](#) The training programme was developed by CARO in conjunction with the Local Authority Services Training Group and other expert partners such as Climate Ireland. Further information is available on the CARO website <https://www.caro.ie/training-events/training>

[Climate Awareness Training for Grade VI training was offered to DCC staff over the April- May period.](#) The first regional session of the “Planning for Climate Change” training course was run over 4 sessions for the Dublin LAs on 12, 13, 19, 20<sup>th</sup> April. This course was specifically aimed at planners in the Dublin Local Authorities and is part of the Local Authority Climate Action Training Programme in response to Action 150 of the Climate Action Plan 2019.

Detailed [Climate Action team training is taking place over the June to July period. Dublin CARO and Eastern Midlands CARO are also working with Age Friendly Ireland, to developing Age Friendly workshops on Climate Action to older persons councils.](#)

[Dublin CARO is leading on the development of Green Public Procurement training for local authorities. A number of detailed meetings have taken place and a steering group is being set up with LA, LGMA, and OGP representatives.](#)

[An expression of interest was issued to 4 Dublin Local Authorities by Dublin City Council HR Department to backfill a vacant position in the Dublin CARO lost through promotion of a staff member to another Dublin Local Authority in 2020. Applicants were shortlisted and interviewed in late May 2021.](#)



[CARO is collaborating with Local Authorities in the closed call and artists and 3rd Levels in the open call of the Creative Ireland Climate Action funding call. The fund is €2m in total. The submission deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> May.](#)

[Dublin CARO, has contributed to the EV \(Electric Vehicle\) Fleet and EV Charging Guidance Document currently being finalised by the CCMA.](#)

### **Energy Management**

By end 2019, DCC had improved its energy performance by 36.5%, compared to the baseline years 2006-2008, surpassing its 2020 efficiency goal of 33% one year ahead of target. In 2019, DCC consumed a total of 172 gigawatt hours (GWh) of primary energy; this is the equivalent of 32,247 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> with an associated energy cost of €11.8 million. This represents an absolute reduction of 75 GWh in primary energy when compared to the baseline, (17,315t CO<sub>2</sub>). The 2019 Energy Review detailed how energy is consumed across the Council as well as setting out the council's targets for 2030. While this is a very encouraging achievement, it should not be seen as "job done" with even more challenging 2030 targets. Energy savings are not guaranteed from year to year, and effort must be maintained to improve upon these savings through ongoing monitoring and analysis. This will require continued and increased focus across all departments on the energy performance of DCC's buildings and operations over the coming decade.

The progress highlighted by the energy review is due the efforts of each significant energy user within the council of which are represented on the council's Energy Oversight Committee (EOC). The EOC was set up in 2017 by Céline Reilly, who was the Executive Manager within DCC's Environment and Transportation Department and was the Council's appointed Energy Performance Officer (EPO) (and is now replaced by Liam Bergin). The Committee members continued to meet in 2020 to help progress energy efficiency initiatives in DCC and put a huge amount of time and effort into drafting DCC's Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024. The EOC will continue to work to identify further potential energy efficiency and carbon saving projects, based on the findings of the Energy Review process and the actions outlined in DCC's CCAP. Significant focus is currently being placed on the development of an internationally-accredited energy management system throughout the whole of DCC as part of this process. DCC is aiming to be certified with the ISO 50001 standard in 2021.

### **Building Upgrades**

Dublin City Council is part of a €1.2M project led by Codema to test and develop a one-stop-shop project implementation unit for energy-efficient and renewable energy projects in Dublin, which will include over €5.5 million worth of upgrades to Dublin City Council buildings. The project was approved for support funding from the EU Horizon 2020 programme in January 2021. The 'DeliveREE' project will support the retrofit of a range of council facilities such as leisure centres, fire stations, libraries, offices and community buildings. This pilot pipeline of projects will be completed over the next four years, and is expected to reduce carbon emissions in Dublin by almost 1,700 tonnes.

A key part of the project will involve creating an innovative, standardised finance and delivery system for rolling out energy-efficiency and renewable energy projects at mass scale in Dublin. This will work by processing and assessing potential projects quickly and efficiently, in order to identify the most suitable buildings to upgrade. Once identified, these buildings of various types and sizes will be bundled together to gain large-scale impact on the efficiency of Dublin's building stock. The retrofit work will then be carried out using energy performance-based contracts, which will ensure long-term, guaranteed energy savings and will make the project more financially attractive to the client, the contractor and to private investors.

The DeliveREE project will officially begin in June 2021 and, in addition to Codema as lead partner, the consortium includes the four Dublin Local Authorities, alongside a range of legal,

procurement and financial experts such as Resourceful Futures Ltd, Philip Lee Solicitors Ltd and Sustainable Development Capital LLC. The project will also be supported by a strategic Advisory Board made up of national government departments and authorities, financial institutes and advisors, experienced European energy agencies and European experts.

### **Decarbonising Zones**

In response to the All of Government Climate Action Plan 2019 Action No.165 and the recent circular issued by DHLGH in February on Decarbonising Zones, the Council are in the process of identifying potential Decarbonising Zones (DZs) across the city area, which have to be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The Council are being assisted by Codema and the Dublin CARO, who are providing the evidence base of local level emissions, energy use and low-carbon resources, overlaid with other location based data which will help in decision making such as locations of housing retrofit programmes, sustainable energy communities, public buildings etc. The four Dublin Local Authorities are developing a regional based approach to defining DZs.

### **Electrification of DCC Fleet**

The Council's fleet continues to migrate to electric vehicles with 43 electric vehicles currently operating in the city.

### **Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit**

#### **Ambient Air Monitoring Network**

On 10 May 2021 The Lord Mayor of Dublin, Hazel Chu, launched "Air View Dublin", an initiative to utilise Google's Street View car take to measure air quality across the city. This project is an initiative of Google Earth Outreach and Google Street View in collaboration with Dublin City Council as part of its Smart Dublin programme. In Ireland, this is the first time a Google Street View car has been used to capture air pollution measurements including nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), nitrous oxide (NO), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), carbon monoxide (CO), fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), and ozone (O<sub>3</sub>).

The air pollution measurements will be quality assured and then used to develop maps of street-level air pollution. These, in addition to air quality pollution data insights, will be available for use by city authorities and by the public.

In mid-May, TU Dublin and Dublin City Council opened a new local air quality monitoring station on the Grangegorman campus at Park House, North Circular Road. The real time data for this station can be viewed at <https://dublincityairandnoise.ie/>

#### **Air Quality Updates**

The Environmental Protection Agency publish monthly bulletins at <https://www.epa.ie/air/quality/reports/>.

#### **Interim Mobility Intervention Programme for Dublin City**

The Chief Executive issues regular Covid Mobility report to all Councillors. All reports to date (since June 18, 2020) are available on the [Covid Mobility page](#) on the website. In addition details of schemes and consultation around the schemes are now being undertaken via the DCC consultation hub.

#### **Sustainable City Centre Strategy**

The Covid Crisis and the changes that it has brought to the city and its likely knock on consequences on the cities transport needs and the overall mobility movements in the city require that the existing City Centre Transport Strategy document be updated. This will require us to both look at the pattern of mobility in the city pre Covid and what is now needed for the next number of years.

In addition projects such as Metro link, Bus Connects, Dart +, Luas extension to Finglas and the increase in cycling funding allocation will require a coordinated view of how these projects will work together and what is required over the next 5- 6 years. The Council is also working with the three other Dublin Authorities, SMART Dublin and the CARO to publish an overarching electric vehicle charge point deployment strategy within the context of our sustainable urban mobility strategy and the Government's vehicle electrification targets.

### **Environment & Transportation Department Input to the Development Plan Review**

Transportation Planning Division (TPD) supports the Planning Authority in carrying out its statutory Forward Planning and Development Management functions. In 2021, the main Forward Planning focus is on the review of the 2016-2022 Dublin City Development Plan which commenced mid December 2020. The review takes up to 2 years and will conclude with the adoption of the final City Development Plan 2022-2028 towards the end of 2022.

Transportation Planning Division has direct responsibility for writing the Sustainable Movement & Transport chapter and supporting appendices, guidance documents and standards. This will be done in consultation with all of the relevant divisions across Environment & Transportation Department.

As the largest department within the Council, it was considered important to streamline the consultation process in order to ensure that information gathering and sharing is collated and managed in an effective manner. Transportation Planning Division has developed a bespoke online consultation process and associated tools to facilitate department wide input to the development plan review process. Initial internal consultation within the Department finished on 26<sup>th</sup> March. A review of input received is currently underway and will inform the Sustainable Movement & Transport chapter and supporting documentation. Further internal consultation will be undertaken as required. A collated report with responses to all input given will be circulated when complete within the department. It is envisaged that this bespoke consultation process and associated tools can be used as a mechanism for future department wide consultation and engagement.

In tandem with the internal consultation within the Department, the Transportation Planning Division is also involved in the preparation of the Chief Executive (CE) Reports on the public consultation for the Development Plan. In total, three phases of public display and wide ranging consultation will take place throughout the two year review process. The consultation for the Pre-Draft stage finished on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2021 with over 750 submissions received. The Transportation Planning Division was responsible for reviewing and responding to over 190 submissions relating to Sustainable Movement and Transport on behalf of the Chief Executive. The final CE Report on the Pre-Draft Consultation Stage was issued by the City Planner to the Elected Members for their consideration on the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Transportation Planning is currently working with the Planning Department to review the motions submitted at pre-draft stage by the Elected Members. In total over 1000 motions were received. A report from the Chief Executive with responses to motions will be issued to the Elected Members in June.

The Planning Department will finalise the Draft Development Plan ahead of issuing it to the Chief Executive for review in August 2021. The Draft Development Plan will then be put on public display in November 2021.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
1	College Green	NTA/DCC	DCC	The review of this project is ongoing and all relevant matters are being considered in advance of the preparation of a new College Green proposal and the intended submission of a planning application as soon as possible. As part of the preparation of a revised proposal, consideration is being given to the possible inclusion, within the project, of the section of Dame Street up to South Great Georges Street. A non-statutory public consultation process on this proposal was recently completed and the submissions received will inform our deliberations. A brief report on the submissions received was made to the May meeting of the Traffic and Transport SPC.
2	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4A - Clarendon Row	DCC	DCC	Tender documents have been issued for the project and following the assessment process, it is planned to be in a position to commence works after completion of the major private development currently under construction and affecting Clarendon Row. This is expected in Q3 2021.
3	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 5 – Duke St / South Anne St Area	DCC	DCC	Preliminary design works are continuing. Following internal and external consultations, a Part 8 Planning Application will be submitted as soon as possible.
4.	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 6 – Suffolk Street	DCC	DCC	Preliminary design works are continuing. Following internal and external consultations, a Part 8 Planning Application will be submitted as soon as possible.
5.	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.
6.	Dodder Bridge	DCC/LIHAAF/NTA	Roughan & O'Donovan	The planning application for this project will now be lodged as part of the NTA BusConnects project. Preliminary design is complete and the draft EIAR is being amalgamated into that of BusConnects. Land acquisitions and Land Owner agreements are still being progressed by DCC.
7.	Blood Stoney Bridge	DCC	RPS/COWI	Received An Bord Pleanála decision on 21st Sept 2020 not to approve the amendment to the SDZ to relocate the bridge to Blood Stoney Road. Awaiting a NTA report on the future plans for the DART Underground project. Project team will liaise with Planning Dept. to decide how to proceed.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
8.	Point Pedestrian & Cycling Bridge and Tom Clarke Bridge Widening works.	DCC/NTA	Roughan & O'Donovan Consulting Engineers Ltd & others	The contract for a design consultant for this scheme has been awarded.
9.	Temple Bar Square Refurbishment	DCC	DCC	The Main Works (e.g. repaving, public lighting, green infrastructure etc) will commence in 2021 with completion in 2022.
10.	Cathedral Street / Sackville Place	DCC	DCC	The Joint Working Group of the Public Participation Network Disability Linkage Group and Dublin City Council have concluded the examination of design options for the Cathedral Street / Sackville Place scheme and a design option has been chosen to progress to Part 8 Planning.
11.	Liffey Street Public Realm Improvements	DCC	DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers	Detailed design complete and tender documents being reviewed for issue Q2 2021. The proposed public lighting is been reviewed at present.
12.	Castle Street /Cork Hill Improvement Scheme	DCC	DCC	Due to a significant increase in the estimated costs for this project the project has been suspended pending review. Road Design have reviewed the cost and the extent of the proposed works and have made a submission to the CPSO.
13.	Belmayne Main Street and Belmayne Ave	DCC/NTA/LIHAF	DBFL Consulting Engineers	The tender assessment is complete and the contract will be awarded once funding approval is in place from LIHAF, NTA and Irish Water. Transfer of the required lands is also being finalised.
14.	Poddle Flood Alleviation Project	SDCC/DCC/ OPW	Nicholas O'Dwyer	Preliminary design and EIAR completed. Part X application closing date was the 11 <sup>th</sup> June. 25 submissions received by An Bord Pleanala, majority of people in favour of project with some reservations. Responses to an ABP queries sent by 11 <sup>th</sup> October. Awaiting ABP response.
15.	Camac Flood Alleviation Project 2	DCC/SDCC/OPW	AECOM	Environmental and topographical surveys substantially completed. Computer flood modelling of catchment ongoing. Website <a href="http://www.camacfas.ie">www.camacfas.ie</a> Environmental surveys have revealed more significant flora and fauna in the river and beside it than previously recorded.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
16.	Dodder Phase 3 Clonskeagh Orwell Bridge	DCC/DLRCC/OPW	Byrne Looby	Environmental and topographical survey's ongoing. Computer flood modelling ongoing. Website <a href="http://www.floodinfo.ie/frs/en/dodder-3/home">www.floodinfo.ie/frs/en/dodder-3/home</a> . Culvert surveys completed. Some difficulties with topographical surveys due to COVID restrictions.
17.	Mary's Street Pedestrianisation	DCC	DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers	Integrated Design Team appointed, preliminary design options being developed. Internal consultation continuing. External consultation to resume following lifting of restrictions.
18.	Culvert Improvement Works – Screen Upgrade Works	DCC	Tobin Consulting Engineers (TCE)	<p>Stage 1 Completed: Suitability Assessment and Options Report signed-off by DCC.</p> <p>Stage 2 Detailed design at 17 culvert screen sites located throughout the city completed. 4 sites are on the Finglas River, 3 on the Santry River, 3 on the Poddle River, 2 on the Claremont Stream, 2 on the Gallblack Stream, one each on the Naniken River, Elm Park Stream and a tributary of the Wad River.</p> <p>Stage 3: Tender Action, Evaluation &amp; Award commenced on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020. DCC is reviewing the draft Tender Documents to Procure the Construction Contractor submitted by Tobin Consulting Engineers.</p>
19.	Wad River Flood Alleviation Scheme	DCC	Nicholas O'Dwyer	Consultant appointed. Landowners and major stakeholders being contacted. New Ecological, site investigation and topographical surveys ongoing at Howth Road and Clontarf Promenade.
20.	Traffic Minor Works – Package 7.	NTA / DCC	Atkins	Consultant appointed. Finalising Designs.
21	Traffic Minor Works – Package 8.	NTA	TBC	Consultant to be appointed. At Preliminary Design Stage.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Construction Stage

#	Scheme Name	Client	Contract or	Start Date	End Date	Comment
1	Dodder Flood alleviation works, Phase 2.	ARUP DCC	OPW	August 2007	Dec 2021	Construction of new RDS wall ongoing. Programmed for completion Q2 2021. River restoration works Q3. Construction ongoing at Beech Hill road. Programmed completion Q4 2021.
2	South Campshires flood alleviation works	AECOM	OPW, Rock Roadstone and KN Network Services	October 2014	Nov 2019	Scheme is operational and all outstanding minor elements completed in 2019. Contractor for sealed manholes onsite.
3.	Balbutcher Lane Junction reconfiguration	DCC	Clonmel Enterprises Ltd	January 2020	Q1 2021	The junction was opened to traffic on 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2021. Construction works are now complete apart from final landscaping works. The junction will be monitored to assess its performance.
4	Sillogue Infrastructure Scheme	DCC	KN Circet	Nov'20	Aug'22	Construction recommenced on site on 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2021. DCC are trying get stakeholders on board to assist in the progress of the project.
5	Francis Street Improvement Scheme	DCC	KN Circet	October 2020.	Dec 2021.	Construction is expected to commence in June 2021.

## Planning & Property Development

### 1. New Policy/Strategic

The National Planning Framework 2040 provides for 265,000 additional population and associated infrastructure in the Dublin Area.

The Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy which includes a Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan (MASP) was approved by the Regional Assembly in May 2019.

The Cherry Orchard LAP was approved by the City Council in October 2019 meeting and an Implementation Group has been set up. The implementation of the Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP is being progressed, including a proposed masterplan for the Belmayne lands.

The City Council has embarked on a major review of Z6 industrial land banks, following a presentation to the Planning SPC and the City Council in March 2019. A first tranche of 20 smaller individual sites was considered for rezoning at the March meeting of the City Council, 16 of which were rezoned for Residential/mixed use.

Urban Regeneration Development Fund bids were submitted to the DHPLG based on the North Inner City, South Inner City, Clongriffin/Belmayne and Cherry Orchard; two of which have been allocated funding in this round – North Inner City and South Inner City.

<b>Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC</b>	<b>Progress in Previous Quarter</b>	<b>Next Stage</b>
<b>Development Plan 2022-2028</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review commenced on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.</li> <li>• All documents up on website with two videos (a) on Dev Plan and (b) how to make a submission.</li> <li>• 5 thematic webinars completed on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of Jan, viewable after on the website; average over 200 attendance.</li> <li>• Major push on social and traditional media resulted in 750 submissions received.</li> <li>• SPCs received a presentation on the review.</li> <li>• Chief Executives Report on submissions circulated 19<sup>th</sup> April.</li> <li>• 1,016 motions received from the elected members. CE Report on motions to be circulated by the 4<sup>th</sup> of June.</li> </ul>	<p>List of RPS additions being prepared to process in advance of the Draft.</p> <p>CE Report on Motions due for circulation 4<sup>th</sup> June. Council Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June.</p>



<b>Development Plan 2016-2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Variation no. 32: For lands at Pembroke Road, Ballsbridge went on public display March 15<sup>th</sup> 2021. Closing date 15<sup>th</sup> April.</li> <li>• Proposed variation, 33 for Jamestown lands in Finglas went on public display 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021. CE report on public submissions circulated to members, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021.</li> </ul>	<p>Variation approved at May City Council Meeting.</p> <p>CE Report on Cllr. motions to be presented at June City Council Meeting.</p>
<b>Planning/Housing Studies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of Housing land potential on Council owned flat complexes now complete and presented to Housing SPC.</li> </ul>	<p>Moving into feasibility and concept design phase.</p>
<b>Ballymun LAP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M50 Lands: Bid made for HSE new hospital, submitted 31<sup>st</sup> May 21.</li> <li>• Metro – liaison with NTA on-going.</li> <li>• New intersection with Hampton Wood completed.</li> <li>• Sillogue Avenue road realignment on-site.</li> <li>• Deport: On site as of 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021.</li> <li>• Site 1: Shopping centre: demolition near completion, expected end May-</li> <li>• Site 6: Cost rental, AHB consortium (Housing Dept) – on hold.</li> <li>• Site 9: “Empowering the Family” presented to NWAC on 16/02/21 and Pre-planning held 26/02/21.</li> <li>• Site 10: PPP bundle No. 3: for senior citizens (Housing Dept) Design underway</li> <li>• Sites 12 &amp; 14: Affordable Housing Serviced Site Funding: design underway</li> <li>• Site 21: O’Cualann, planning granted March 2020, Ref. 3623/19. On site</li> <li>• Site 22/23: O’Cualann site: near completion. (27 no. of 35 no. units completed). On site</li> <li>• Site 25: To be given to O’Cualann (Housing dept). Pre-planning held</li> <li>• Sites currently on-hold: Site 2 (Disposal not approved); Site 4 Main Street; Site 7 Boiler House (Bennets); Site 20 (Poppintree</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meetings with NTA ongoing to establish land take for Metro.</li> <li>• Awaiting decision on HSE bid.</li> <li>• To discuss long term plans for Shopping Centre site.</li> <li>• To discuss Poppintree NC re GP requirements in area.</li> <li>• Plaza: Park 8 from Parks Dept. expected June/July 2021.</li> <li>• Need to prioritise with Roads and Traffic next phase of outstanding infrastructure.</li> <li>• Sites 12 &amp; 14: Part 8 expected Q3 2021</li> <li>• Site 25: to discuss community element of this site.</li> <li>• Site 9: Empower the family to revert back to NWAC.</li> <li>• Site 10: Part 8 expected Q3 2021.</li> <li>• Site 19: land swap to be finalised with church.</li> <li>• Site 5: DCC senior citz site.</li> <li>• Site 18: to be offered to AHB protocol for cost rental.</li> </ul>

	<p>NC); Site 24 (Belclare Way); Site 26 (industrial site);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sites 31: Feasibility Study from consultants completed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site 8: to be offered to the AHB protocol for general housing.</li> <li>Site 13: DCC senior citizens housing.</li> <li>Carton site: DCC arch preparing analysis.</li> <li>Masterplan for Site 31 to be finalised.</li> </ul>
<b>Park West – Cherry Orchard LAP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LAP adopted at City Council meeting 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.</li> <li>Site 1: Serviced site fund: Part 8 application being prepared for site. Pre-planning held, May 2021.</li> <li>Site 6, 7 &amp; 8: Greenseed sites: Site 6, SHD pre-planning held with ABP, 17/02/21.</li> <li>Cherry Orchard Park: redesign scheduled for delivery 2021</li> <li>Equine centre to extend boundary: works to be carried out by DCC.</li> <li>Site 3B: talks underway with CDETB re St. Oliver’s Training Centre.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site 1: design ongoing, Part 8 expected Q3 2021.</li> <li>Site 4 &amp; 5: LDA to bring site to Planning Stage.</li> <li>Site 6: SHD for Phase 1 expected shortly.</li> <li>Cherry Orchard Park: Parks Dept to commence scoping works once level 5 restrictions lifted. Design to be completed Q1 2022.</li> <li>Site 2: delivery mechanism to be agreed.</li> </ul>
<b>Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Belmayne Masterplan approved by Area Committee</li> <li>Life of LAP extended to 2022</li> <li>Part 8 Approved for ‘Main Street’ Belmayne in March 2019.</li> <li>DCC engaged in proposal for PCC, Garda Station and new library.</li> <li>URDF application for funding submitted, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Application unsuccessful.</li> </ul>	<p>Design of LIHAF funded ‘Main Street’ Belmayne is currently being progressed.</p> <p>Revision to Belmayne Masterplan being desktop published.</p>
<b>Finglas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finglas Strategy 2021 presented to Area Committee 16 December 2020.</li> <li>Finglas Strategy 2021 deferred until Jamestown variation is progressed.</li> <li>Talks on Finglas LUAS on-going with TII</li> <li>Proposed variation no. 33 for lands at Jamestown on public display 18/03/21 to 16/04/21. 201 submissions received.</li> <li>CE Report on Councillor Motions to be issued as part of Agenda for June Council Meeting.</li> </ul>	<p>Elected members to vote on Variation at June City Council Meeting.</p>

<b>North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An Bord Pleanála refused proposed amendments to building heights in SDZ</li> <li>• Planned works on Campshires public realm.</li> <li>• Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum met 12<sup>th</sup> April</li> <li>• Report submitted to ABP in relation to high rise SHD application on City Block 9. Refused by ABP on grounds that it was debarred from issuing grant by Court decision.</li> </ul>	<p>Next meeting in June</p>
<b>Poolbeg West SDZ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> pre-application meeting held for 638 residential units on portion of Irish Glass Bottle Site.</li> </ul>	<p>Await application lodgement</p>
<b>Public Realm Strategy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wolfe Tone Square, Francis St – and Greening interventions are mobilising</li> <li>• Minor works to tie into private Development on Chatham St being completed</li> <li>• Design and preparatory work is continuing on College Green, South Anne’s St Duke St, Suffolk Street, Cathal Burgha St</li> <li>• Work is continuing to bring Temple Bar Square and Liffey St Projects to construction tender.</li> </ul>	<p>Projects are impacted by Covid measures since survey work and movement analysis are not practical and construction remains closed. Temporary measures and needs are also a factor in project delivery.</p>
<b>Redevelopment of the Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A meeting of the Members Advisory Group will be held Week of June 7<sup>th</sup> in advance of issuing Tender.</li> <li>• The Market building is being used temporarily by building sites in the area.</li> </ul>	<p>Meet advisory Group. Issue tender.</p>
<b>Urban Regeneration and Development Fund</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 1 – Awarded</li> <li>• Naas Road / Ballymount / Park West / Cherry Orchard Masterplan – Joint DCC / SDCC project.</li> <li>• Kilmainham / Inchicore Development Strategy.</li> </ul>	<p>Stage 2 Strategic Framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred Development Scenario to be presented to Steering Group on 11 June.</li> <li>• Project website due to go live end of June.</li> </ul>

	<p>16 October 2020 - Stage 2 Stakeholder consultation commenced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 2 – Bid 4 bids submitted 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020, in collaboration with Departments across DCC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. North Inner City</li> <li>ii. South Inner City</li> <li>iii. Park – West Cherry Orchard</li> <li>iv. Clongriffin- Belmayne</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Project costing exercise being finalised.</p> <p>North Inner City and South Inner City bids successful.</p> <p>€164 million awarded to 19 projects. Awaiting DHLGH direction on next steps.</p>
<b>DART + WEST (Maynooth Line)</b>	Irish Rail working on Preferred Option.	Further work & public consultation to follow with Irish Rail.
<b>DART + SOUTH WEST (Kildare Line)</b>	Irish Rail working on Preferred Option.	Further work & public consultation to follow with Irish Rail.
<b>Metrolink</b>	Current pre-Railway Order discussions with TII.	Ongoing planning input.
<b>BusConnects</b>	<p>Stage 3 Public consultation phase 4 November to 15 December 2020.</p> <p>Preparing Planning Policy response for Steering Group.</p>	DCC Bus Connects Steering Group notified of strategic issues.
<b>Finglas LUAS</b>	Public consultation on preferred route. DCC submission made 17 <sup>th</sup> sept 2020.	Ongoing meetings with TII re Preferred Option.



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<b>City Valuers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussions with developers on Pembroke Quarter lands commenced. Cost proposal sought from Developers. Meetings with DOH and NAMA have taken place also.</li> <li>• Successful bidder for Pigeon House Power Station site chosen by assessment panel.</li> <li>• Proposed CPOs at Ryders Row, Werburgh Street, Exchange Street and for new Abbey Theatre project at Eden Quay proceeding.</li> <li>• Transactions involving the HSE at The Church of the Annunciation and Fergal's Field Finglas, St. Michael's Estate, Cherry Orchard and Gulistan Terrace agreed with HSE and reported for receipt of approvals. Further iterations to Gulistan proposal agreed with HSE. Housing to advise on Councillor stipulations on Social Housing elements. HSE disposal approved by City Council vote.</li> <li>• Initial work on DCC property aspects of the Metrolink project. Markievicz Pool relocation Letter received from TII, funding of site search/design aspects by TII confirmed.</li> <li>• Heightened focus on Long Term Leasing of residential properties and hospitality sector for temporary Homeless accommodation.</li> <li>• Settlement with O'Callaghan hotels re:exchange proposal for St. Andrews Court. Not proceeding. JV proposal also rejected. Possibility of DCC acquiring O'Callaghan lands. Possibility also of DCC leasing units at Sandwith Street to be constructed by O'Callaghans, further negotiations.</li> </ul>	Ryders Row CPO. Notices for Possession served.										

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TII have submitted an expression of interest in Port Tunnel site at junction of Swords Road and Collins Avenue for temporary relocation of football pitch for Home Farm &amp; perhaps also Whitehall Rangers FC. Interaction commenced with James Nolan on PPP bundle aspects. Possibility of agreement to mutual benefit between DCC and TII.</li><li>• Disposal of retail site at St. Michael's Estate being considered.</li><li>• Consideration of future uses for School of Music building.</li><li>• Inspection planned of Civil Defence depot at Wolfe Tone Quay carried out. Civil Defence to move to Unit 29 Cherry Orchard Industrial Estate when NCOD opens.</li><li>• Acquisition of 1North Frederick Lane reported.</li><li>• Offer made for the acquisition of 119/119A Emmet Road for regeneration purposes. Acquisition of 9 other adjoining properties also being actioned.</li><li>• Strong growth in fee income from other Dublin Authorities.</li><li>• Completion of the acquisition of a key site at Ship Street in the soon to be published Werburgh Street CPO. Discussions with another plot owner proceeding.</li><li>• Building search for Stanley Street/Civil Defence Depot re-location running into difficulties. Meeting with DFB to consider way forward. Poor response from market soundings. DCC site/building project solution to be further examined.</li><li>• Preferred bidder for Pigeon House Power Station site chosen</li><li>• DRHE instruction to explore possibility of acquiring modern block(s) of Student Accommodation buildings.</li><li>• Family dispute slowing acquisition of Sean O'Casey house at NCR.</li></ul>	
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### 3. Departmental Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
<b>Record Protected Structures</b>	<p>Buildings at the five addresses below were added to the RPS by resolution of City Council on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nos. 6, 7, &amp; 8, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8</li> <li>• No. 31 Old Kilmainham, Dublin 8</li> <li>• No. 139-149 North King Street, Dublin 1</li> </ul> <p>Statutory notifications were issued on the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 for the proposed addition to the RPS of the two buildings below and inviting the making of submissions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Former Player Wills Factory, Nos. 276-288 South Circular Road, Dublin 8</li> <li>• No. 134 Thomas Street, Dublin 8</li> </ul> <p>Closing date for submissions was 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021</p> <p>51 submissions received re: Player Wills proposal 17 submissions received re: 134 Thomas Street proposal</p> <p>Submissions were sent to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for his observations to be received no later than 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021.</p>	<p>Reports to go to July City Council meeting.</p>
<b>Built Heritage investment Scheme 2021</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Built Heritage Investment Scheme (BHIS) 2021</b> Dublin City Council received an allocation of €369,600 under this year's BHIS Scheme. A total of 112 BHIS applications were received by the closing date of 24<sup>th</sup> February, Following an assessment process, 88 proposed projects have been granted funding by the Department. An additional 11 projects have been placed on a waiting list.</li> </ul>	<p>The Minister has approved grant funding for the 88 recommended BHIS applications. The applicants have been notified by letter of their provisional grant offer of funding. Inspections will be carried out on all 88 successful projects.</p>
<b>Historic Structures Fund 2021</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Historic Structures Fund (HSF) 2021</b> A total of 17 applications were received by the closing date of 24<sup>th</sup> of February. Following an assessment process, 5 proposed projects have been recommended for funding to the Department.</li> </ul>	<p>The next BHIS return to the Department is due on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021</p>



## **Culture, Recreation and Economic Services**

### **New Policy/Strategy**

EU Programme Participation Strategy 2021 - 2027 was presented to the Arts, Culture, Sports and Recreation SPC on 17/5/21 and Traffic & Transport SPC on 25/5/21. The implementation of the strategy is continuing with the establishment of the European support Office for the organisation. Night Time Economy Strategy commenced an engagement process on the development of a draft Night Time Economy Strategy during May, which will develop further during June with external co-ordinator and 2 research teams in DCU. Local Economic & Community Plan feedback has been submitted to the Department of Rural & Community Development on the draft LECP guidelines 2021. Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan Steering Committee met with the Tánaiste on 19<sup>th</sup> May in advance of the development of the next renewed Regional Enterprise Plan to 2024. Local Enterprise Development Plan has been completed for the period 2021 – 2024 for the continued development of the SME sectors across Dublin City.

Outdoor Dining Enhancement Scheme: The focus of this Scheme is to provide a level of financial support to tourism and hospitality businesses in to purchase or upgrade equipment to provide additional outdoor seating and therefore to increase their outdoor dining capacity for the summer of 2021. The scheme is open to attractions, hotels, restaurants, cafes, public houses or other tourism and hospitality business establishments where food is sold for consumption on the premises. The scheme will provide for up to 75% of the ex-VAT cost of equipment purchased/installed with a maximum allowable contribution of up to €4,000 per applicant. The Outdoor Dining Enhancement Scheme is being administered by the Local Authorities in partnership with Fáilte Ireland. The scheme will close on 30/9/2021. Funding under the scheme is only available to existing businesses and all applicants will be required to comply with planning codes, legislative requirements and other compliance requirements. To date, Dublin City Council has received 250 applications.

### **Departmental Priority**

Trading Online Vouchers (TOV) scheme 2021 received 183 applications, and approved 452 applications. Value of the TOV approved in 2021 is €1,039,410

Feasibility, Priming and Expansion Grants approvals in 2021: 20 approved grants to value €362,450 supporting creation of 37 jobs.

Training – 2,427 participants attended 62 training programme from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan – 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Mentoring – 661 hours of mentoring were completed 1<sup>st</sup> January – 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 – group, individual & Brexit specific.

Libraries-Branches re-opened for browsing and borrowing and four branch libraries reopened with a 'Call and Collect' service which allows library users to order books and collect them from the library when they are available. Inchicore Library remains closed for refurbishment & the temporary library at Richmond Barracks is not available at present (vaccination centre). At this point of the phased re-opening, library users can reserve books through the online catalogue, however there will be no seating for reading or studying, and users are encouraged to keep their visit as short as possible, and to use the self-service kiosks or library app to issue and return items. Visitors will also be able to collect printing from the Surfbox printers in our 16 browse and borrow branches. Public PCs are not currently available for use. More details on our current service offer here Library users can also access a diverse range of e-books, e-audiobooks, lots of interesting on-line courses as well as digital comics, e-magazines and newspapers. Details here The 'Ask a Librarian' service continues. Since May of 2020, 1537 home deliveries have been made, totalling nearly 8,000 items. The library outreach team have also delivered 670 library stock items to hostels, nursing homes, sheltered accommodation and schools in the first quarter of 2021.

EnrichEuropeana+ Dublin City Libraries and The Digital Repository of Ireland are part of a new European funded project. This exciting initiative will combine citizen science and artificial intelligence to unlock handwritten documents from the 19th Century and make them available to researchers, students, amateur historians and the public. Find out more about EnrichEuropeana+ [here](#).

### Departmental Projects

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Social Media Reach	<p>Twitter: Impressions increased from 1,060,000 to 1,540,000 Profile visits increased from 8426 to 10,100</p> <p>Instagram: Impressions were 259,200 Likes and interactions were 13,300</p> <p>Facebook: Impressions: were 168,865 Likes were 4,612</p>	<p>Maintain &amp; increase current online audiences.</p> <p>Continue to provide programmes and podcasts on YouTube and Soundcloud</p>
Refurbishment of 1930s wing	Review of submissions	Construction to begin Aug 2021, & to be completed Aug 2022.
Collection displays	<p>Present in Time Future a centenary exhibition celebrating the life of Cecil King. 11<sup>th</sup> May - 28 Nov 2021</p> <p>Lane Legacy exhibition reopened to the public.</p> <p><i>Maud Cotter: a consequence of – a dappled world</i></p> <p>2 June – 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021 is a solo exhibition by Maud Cotter. The title is inspired by Pied Beauty, a poem by Gerard Manley Hopkins which celebrates the diverse and disparate nature of existence.</p>	<p>Exhibitions now open</p> <p>Opening 2<sup>nd</sup> June</p>
Offsite storage	Property now identified for temporary offsite specialist fine art storage to museum standards. Plans are in place to move from current fine art storage	Finalising contracts
Online programme of art education	13 x online art education programmes and virtual resources including Coffee Conversations, Culture Clubs, art activity films, VTS Sculpture Club, audio description for people with a visual impairment, and Criunniu na	Ongoing development of innovative art education programming.

	nOg on 12 <sup>th</sup> June. Our Artist's Takeover in June is by Alice Butler.	<a href="http://www.hughlane.ie/lectures/forthcoming-lectures">http://www.hughlane.ie/lectures/forthcoming-lectures</a>
Teen Culture Club	We are currently working towards setting up a Teen blog on Tumblr that will give a flavour of our programming for teens.	Teen Culture Clubs with youth groups. Also developing new Teen Takeover series.
20 & 21 Parnell Square Development of Hugh Lane Gallery	Regular monitoring of the neighbouring buildings following completion of safety works until feasibility study which will form part of the development plan for the Hugh lane Gallery.	Date of Feasibility to be finalised
Collection care	Monitoring of gallery environmental conditions and security continues 24/7.  Recruitment process for Critical Vacancies for Art Technicians and Paper Conservator is underway.	Ongoing  Recruitment to be completed Q3 2021
Wi-Fi installation	Wi-Fi now live in the Gallery to support visitor experience and engagement with Collections and Programming.	Completed May 2021
New website	Redevelopment of website underway, to improve public engagement with Gallery Collections and Programmes.	Due for completion Q4 2021
Branding	Project progressing in line with proposal. Linking with Web development project.	Due to be completed Q2 2021
Resumption of face to face DCSWP programme delivery.  DCC Sport/Recreational Centres	Delivery of outdoor programmes has commenced following easing of restrictions from 10 <sup>th</sup> May. Officers focusing on walking and socially distanced exercise programmes in outdoor venues.  As per the easing of restrictions DCC Sport Centre's and Indoor Sporting venues to re-open on June 7 <sup>th</sup> .	All officers are observing Covid-safety restrictions in line with Government Guidelines and Sport Ireland Return to Sport Guidelines  Official guidelines on indoor re-opening not yet released. Senior Management consulting on all H&S issues in lead-up.

DCSWP Virtual Hub	Supportive online approach for ongoing delivery of DCSWP programmes during Covid-19 restrictions and to provide resource for increased participation/reach in long-term. Virtual Hub to continue as resource tool. Working group established to plan further programmes/initiatives.	Programme concluded for 2021. 3323 participants in total across 8 weeks.
Outdoor Programmes - Parks	Due to the upcoming increase in demand for outdoor programmes in the coming months DCSWP is currently working closely with Parks & Landscape Services around accessibility for Sport Officers to city parks for the delivery of outdoor programmes.	In discussion/In progress
Keep Well Campaign	National initiative to support communities. Funding secured from Sport Ireland to support three DCSWP multi-sport initiatives. Multi-sport online Older Adult campaign - Classes delivered three times per week. 60-90 older adults participating.	Ongoing. Remaining Keep Well initiatives to be launched.
Sport for Young People Small Grants 2021	Sports clubs within the administrative area of DCC and affiliated to a National Governing Body invited to apply for financial assistance for the Sport for Young People – Small Grant Scheme (4-21 years of age)	170 applications received for 2021. Applications currently being assessed by DCSWP.
Orienteering	DCSWP to roll out programmes in 2021 in partnership with Orienteering Ireland. Programmes to be all-inclusive. Group programmes and training leadership programmes for Youth Leaders and Teachers in planning stages.	Pilot programme to commence end of May. Provisional plans for school programme end of June,
Training	Disability Inclusion/Autism in Sport Training Safeguarding Online Training.	Ongoing (Monthly)
Governance Code	Process on achieving compliance commenced. External consultation and working/ sub-group established.	Ongoing. Deadline on (voluntary) compliance end of 2021
Co-Funded Programmes	Athletics, Boxing, Cricket, Football, Rowing and Rugby programmes delivered by 27 Co-funded Officers.	School Programmes recommenced following return to education.

City Library, Parnell Square	DCC appointed a project manager in January 2021 who is currently examining in detail the scope of Phase 1, and will be working closely with the architects and design team over the coming months to finalise the design and assess costs.	Given the complex design history of the project we are taking time to ensure that the scope of the works is accurate and functional for the entire project before proceeding
Inchicore Library Refurbishment	Finalise appointment of contractor and lodge commencement notice.	Commence construction as soon as possible. More detailed report including updated programme next month.
Finglas Library Development	Part 8 Planning Proposal accepted by Council on 10 <sup>th</sup> May. Our online consultation received 250 responses, the results of which are currently being compiled along with the results from our one-to-one interviews and group workshops.	Complete detailed design following consideration of submissions and proceed to issue tender in Q3.
Bridgefoot Street New Park	Construction has now resumed after Level 5 restrictions	Expected to open to the public in Q3
Dublin Bay UNESCO Biosphere Discovery Centre	Submission of an EIAR to An Bord Pleanála in Q3 2021	
Cois Abhainn Liffey Vale Biodiversity Centre	Public Consultations to be held in May/June	Part 8 application
Dublin City Biodiversity Action Plan (2021 – 2025)	Report to be presented to May SPC	Public consultation process
Green For Micro	A new initiative to prepare small businesses for the low carbon, more resource efficient economy of the future. <a href="http://www.localenterprise.ie/Green">www.localenterprise.ie/Green</a> 3 Applications processed.	Soft programme launch is enabling refinement of process.

Your Dublin Your Voice – Citizen engagement	The results of the second YDYV survey on the Dublin.ie brand of 2021 were analysed and disseminated.	The third survey for Heritage is currently being drafted.
Dublin Economic Monitor (DEM)	The Q2 DEM is currently being developed and published in June. An accompanying video is being scripted.	Full details <a href="http://www.dublineconomy.ie">www.dublineconomy.ie</a>
MODOS	The MODOS Innovation Award pilot continued to receive applications throughout May. The pilot includes mentoring & training elements. The MODOS Innovation pilot is in collaboration with the Regional Waste Office and will conclude in June. Full details at <a href="http://www.modos.ie">www.modos.ie</a>	Modos D8 Programme in collaboration with the South Central Area Office and the Digital Hub; will run in June.
ENFUSE Challenge	ENFUSE 2021 Final took part on 27 <sup>th</sup> May.	An evaluation process will take place on ENFUSE 2021.
Dublin Place Brand	Finalising brief to engage a place brand specialist to assist in developing a strategy for the Dublin Place Brand.	Publish Tender document on eTenders website
	The Dublin Brand Team are now part of the City Recovery Comms & Marketing Working Group. Chaired by Coilin O'Reilly this group includes staff from Chief Executives Dept., Comms Dept, Events Section, etc.	The group are working on a city recovery campaign to promote the reopening of the city.
	Diversity in Dublin is an initiative from Creative Ireland and the Arts Office in conjunction with the Gallery of Photography. 5 photographers have been chosen to connect and engage with diverse Dublin communities and reflect on the dramatically changed social and cultural landscape of our capital city.	The team are working with the Arts Office and Gallery of Photography to bring this work to a public audience. An exhibition of the work will be presented to the public through outdoor advertising spaces.

## DATES/EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

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<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>
Business Advice Clinics & Variety training courses	<a href="https://www.localenterprise.ie/DublinCity/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/">https://www.localenterprise.ie/DublinCity/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/</a>	Range of dates
Right to Read National Programme: Summer Stars	All branches - Library staff will deliver story times and activities.	15 <sup>th</sup> June – end of August
History and Heritage The Irish Revolution 1916-1923 Lecture Series	Free online history lecture series on the Irish Revolution	It will run until the end of June. More details <a href="#">here</a>
Work Matters Events Online demonstration and Q&A on Europass Profile	Library online Cabra	Thursday 10th June at 6.30pm Tuesday 15th June at 12pm Details <a href="#">here</a> .
Little Library Initiative:	All branches	Month of June
Drawing from the Well: Meet the Artists In conjunction with the Irish Traditional Music Archive		More details and booking on the library events page <a href="#">here</a> .

## **Human Resources**

### **Human Resources Department – May 2021**

The total number of employees at 31<sup>st</sup> December was 5933 (headcount). The full time equivalent (FTE) number (i.e. taking account of work sharing arrangements) was 5618.3.

Working arrangements continue to be a blend of office and home working with all staff attending the office a number of days each week.

The Human Resources Department continued implementation of the programme of recruitment and promotion during the month of May.

The following competitions recently concluded and panels were formed – Business Analyst, Plumber, Sheet Metal Worker, Housing Liaison Worker, Graduate Recruitment (LGMA programme), Beach lifeguard, Litter Enforcement Manager, Senior Accountant and Senior Systems officer ( IS and Digital Services).

Positions advertised in May include Administrative Officer. The Administrative Officer competition is progressing to the shortlisting stage with over 600 applications to be reviewed. The HR Department continues to engage with successful candidates on the recently formed Senior Executive Engineer panel, through the PAS. It is also engaging with the successful candidates on the Executive and Assistant Engineer panels.

A recruitment programme for Temporary Clerical officers is ongoing with the PAS clerical officer panel being used. 8 Horticultural Students have been recruited for the Summer for the Parks and Landscape Division. The recruitment process for the LGMA Graduate programme is finalised with the new Graduates due to start in June.

The initial discussions with the Environment and Transportation Department have commenced with a view to recruiting Graduate Engineers later in the year. The Swimming Pool Relief Lifeguard competition has commenced. The next class of Fire Fighter recruits is finalised and will commence training shortly.

PAS will finalise the selection process for the posts of Executive Manager shortly. PAS recruitment campaigns for Senior Engineer and Senior Executive Planner have commenced.



## **Smart Cities / Smart Dublin**

The Smart City programme continues to expand with a number of flagship initiatives launched recently. A full list of projects and more information on the smart city programme is available at [www.smartdublin.ie](http://www.smartdublin.ie)

Dublin has been recognised recently as one of the world's 'smartest' cities according to the Eden Strategy Institutes' independent Smart City 2020/2021 report. Scored across a number of criteria, the report compares smart city programmes across the world and ranks Dublin as the 26th smartest city globally. Dublin has moved up the ranks from last year's report by 15 places, scoring highest on the 'Leadership' and 'People-Centricity' criteria. The report highlights the success of Smart Dublin's Smart District approach, acknowledging the innovative capacity of our districts to test and trial with agility, before wider scaling.

The Smart District programme continues to expand with the launch of Smart D8 in March by Minister Harris. Smart D8 adds to successful district initiatives such as 'Smart Docklands' and the 'Smart DCU' programmes. The aim of the Smart D8 initiative is to improve the health and wellbeing of citizens in Dublin 8 through collaboration and innovation. With a number of Ireland's leading hospitals, research institutes and a vibrant start-up community-based in the area, it is the ideal location for a Smart District focused on the health and wellbeing of citizens. The Digital Hub, Smart Dublin, Dublin City Council and St. James's Hospital are joined by HSE Digital Transformation, Tyndall National Institute, St Patrick's Mental Health Services, Trinity Research & Innovation, Trinity Translational Medicine Institute, National College of Art & Design, Guinness Enterprise Centre and Health Innovation Hub Ireland as partners in this initiative. The first round of 'Smart D8' pilot calls focusing on population health have been evaluated, the winning pilots will be announced by end of June.

### **Google Airview partnership**

Google and Dublin City Council are working together on a flagship initiative to measure local street by street air quality across the city. The Air View Dublin partnership will see Google's first ever EV Street View car deployed around the city to measure air quality for one year, starting from the 10th May. This also the first time a Google Street View car has been used in Ireland to capture air pollution, in addition to capturing imagery for the company's maps app.

### **Accelerating the potential of drones**

Minister McGrath announced 20 projects to be funded under Public Service Innovation Fund – 'Accelerating the potential of drones' was one of the funded projects which is led by Dublin City Council in collaboration with Irish Aviation Authority, Local Government Management Agency and Smart Dublin. The project aims to accelerate the potential of drones for local government. From discovering innovative new use-cases, to bolstering public trust and safety, this project will explore how Councils can use drone technology to deliver better, safer and more efficient services. The project will be delivered over the rest of 2021 with support from partners the Irish Aviation Authority, the Local Government Management Agency, Smart Dublin and U-Flyte. The webinar launch is available here: <https://smartdublin.ie/accelerating-the-potential-of-drones-for-local-government-webinar/>

### **Dublin Cycle Buddy App**

This was one of the winning ideas from the 'Velo City' international cycling conference, which was held in Dublin in 2019. The app finally launched at the end of May to help make cycling around Dublin easier. The Dublin Cycling Buddy helps cyclists find bike-friendly routes, cycle parking facilities and allow users to suggest improvements for Dublin's roads and cycle lanes. Users can also find the best routes for trips, provide community feedback, participate in city challenges and competitions, win prizes, as well as access hints and tips for better cycling in Dublin. Dublin Cycle Buddy also includes real time data on all of Dublin's bike-sharing options and shows locations of cycle parking across the city. The app is free to download from Apple's App Store or Google Play. The app has been downloaded by over 2,000 users within the first week of the launch.

### **Wifi4EU partnership with Virgin Media**

Virgin Media Business has teamed up with the Smart City programme in Dublin City Council to roll out free superfast public Wifi in more than 30 locations. The three-year partnership is part of the WiFi4EU initiative, which aims to connect communities across the city and is funded by the European Union and Department of Rural and Community Development. It is part of a €120 million European-wide plan to boost Wifi connectivity in public spaces and places. The new programme will offer communities access to speeds of up to 500Mbps and aims to boost digital skills. This programme will support connectivity in areas of the city that need it most with a particular emphasis on strengthening community engagement and supporting wider digital innovation initiatives. The full list of locations will be announced on 20<sup>th</sup> June as part of World Wifi day.

### **Dublin City Council's Digital Twin Initiative**

The Smart city team are experimenting with 3D modelling and how new technologies can transform the future of planning and engagement. This flagship innovation partnership with Bentley and Microsoft was a finalist in the 'Fast Company' magazine 2021 competition for World-Changing Ideas in the Spaces, Places, and Cities category. Microsoft CEO, Satya Nadella has highlighted the Dublin project as a leading example of how technology is changing how we plan the future of cities.

### **Visioneers**

Visioneers is a new smart cities education module that forms part of the 'Academy of the Near Future' initiative, established by Dublin City Council and Trinity College Dublin in 2019. The programme has won funding from Science Foundation Ireland's (SFI) Discover Programme to support the delivery of workshops to Transition Year students around Ireland (1,000 students). The initiative is a partnership of CONNECT with Dublin City Council via the Smart Docklands project. The workshops will introduce participants to sensors and the Internet of Things with a focus on how this can address city challenges. Visioneers is one of 49 public engagement and education initiatives, which will share a national investment of €5.2 million through the SFI Discover Programme, which aims to improve public understanding of science, technology, engineering, and maths (STEM) and engage a wide audience of people with STEM topics. If you know of a transition year programme that would like to participate, please get in touch! Please get in touch if you have any feedback or queries about the smart city programme or ideas for new projects or collaborations [smartcity@dublincity.ie](mailto:smartcity@dublincity.ie)

## Law Department

### Freedom of Information

Ref No	Request Details	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/8342/2021	seeks records re: long term leases completed in 2020 and 2019	Client	23/04/2021	
FOI/8347/2021	seeks records re: play facilities in family hubs	Press	01/04/2021	
FOI/8348/2021	seeks records re: homeless booking practices	Press	01/04/2021	
FOI/8349/2021	seeks records re: the Church of St. Stephen's, also known as the Pepper canister	Client	01/04/2021	
FOI/8350/2021	Seeks records re building at Rathmines	Business	01/04/2021	30/04/2021
FOI/8351/2021	seeks records re: Strand Road Cycle Trial public consultation	Client	06/04/2021	07/04/2021
FOI/8352/2021	seeks records re: named section 5 application	Client	06/04/2021	23/04/2021
FOI/8353/2021	Seeks records regarding Councillor Ethics Breach	Press	07/04/2021	
FOI/8357/2021	seeks records re: tree pruning	Press	08/04/2021	
FOI/8358/2021	seeks records re: Housing Estates that are Taken in Charge	Other	12/04/2021	
FOI/8359/2021	seeks records re: proposed white-water rafting facility	Press	12/04/2021	
FOI/8361/2021	seeks records re: Eircom micro pillars	Client	12/04/2021	
FOI/8363/2021	seeks records re: family homeless hubs	Client	12/04/2021	
FOI/8364/2021	seeks records re: Chief Medical Officer for Dublin City Council	Client	12/04/2021	29/04/2021
FOI/8366/2021	seeks records re: inspection of named property	Client	13/04/2021	
FOI/8367/2021	seeks records re: traveller accommodation sites	Press	13/04/2021	
FOI/8368/2021	seeks records re: Dublin-Belfast Economic Corridor Report	Press	13/04/2021	
FOI/8370/2021	seeks records re: parking report	Client	13/04/2021	
FOI/8371/2021	Seeks records regarding recruitment of specific posts.	Client	13/04/2021	
FOI/8372/2021	Seeks records re Councillor travel expenses	Press	14/04/2021	
FOI/8373/2021	seeks records re: domestic rubbish dumped at named location	Client	14/04/2021	
FOI/8375/2021	seeks records re: agreement documents relating to DCC & GO Car	Client	14/04/2021	
FOI/8376/2021	seeks records re: request information pertaining to a specified laneway	Client	14/04/2021	
FOI/8377/2021	Seeks records regarding provision of social housing through long term leasing.	TD/Senator	15/04/2021	

FOI/8380/2021	Seeks records re public toilets	Client	16/04/2021
FOI/8381/2021	seeks records re: assaults reported on Councils wardens	Client	19/04/2021
FOI/8383/2021	seeks records re: Fire Safety Notices	Press	20/04/2021
FOI/8384/2021	seeks records re: Street Sweepers	Client	20/04/2021 26/04/2021
FOI/8385/2021	Requests evaluation & audit reports re homeless	Press	20/04/2021
FOI/8387/2021	Seeks correspondence re Belmayne estate.	TD/Senator	21/04/2021
FOI/8389/2021	Records regarding planning applications	Solicitor	21/04/2021
FOI/8391/2021	Records regarding long term lease and maintenance	Press	21/04/2021
FOI/8392/2021	seeks records re: planning enforcement case/files	Client	22/04/2021
FOI/8393/2021	Requests records re housing statistics	Client	22/04/2021
FOI/8394/2021	Seeks records re Dublin Docklands	Press	23/04/2021
FOI/8395/2021	Seeks records of correspondence with NTA on subject of sustainable transport projects fund.	Client	23/04/2021
FOI/8398/2021	Requests littering records	Client	23/04/2021
FOI/8400/2021	Requests records re Euro 2020	Press	23/04/2021
FOI/8401/2021	Requests records re purchase/ownership of named premises	Client	26/04/2021
FOI/8402/2021	Seeks records re HAP transfers	Client	26/04/2021
FOI/8403/2021	seeks records re: URDF	Client	26/04/2021 29/04/2021
FOI/8404/2021	seeks records re: Parking Enforcement at Finglas Road	Client	26/04/2021
FOI/8406/2021	seeks records re: Parking Enforcement	Client	26/04/2021
FOI/8408/2021	seeks records re: Council's Transport Division (Parking Policy & Enforcement)	Client	26/04/2021
FOI/8409/2021	seeks records re: impounded dogs	Press	26/04/2021
FOI/8410/2021	Records regarding repairs carried out on pavement	Client	27/04/2021
FOI/8411/2021	seeks records re GAA Croke Park & Handball Alley	Client	27/04/2021
FOI/8416/2021	seeks records re: Named residents association	Client	29/04/2021
FOI/8423/2021	Request records of Development Plan regarding Botanic Road	Business	30/04/2021

The above table represents a snapshot of the position with non-personal FOI requests only, received in **April 2021**

The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2021 is outlined below.

Total requests opened in the period 01/01/2021 - 30/04/2021	277
Total requests closed in the period 01/01/2021 - 30/04/2021	250