



## **Traveller Accommodation Unit**

- New Maintenance Framework has been completed and is in operation since March 2021.
- Seven Halting Site voids were allocated to Travellers in 2021 to date.
- Upgrades are to 9 bays in St Joseph's Park are due to start shortly.
- The new Caravan Loan Scheme is expected to be launched in early to mid July 2021.
- The provision of electricity to 48 families in St Dominic's Park, Tara Lawns and Northern Close is underway. The provision of sanitation units to St Dominic's Park and Tara Lawns will be provided at the same time. It is expected that this project will be completed by November 2021. All unauthorised occupants in the three Traveller Specific Schemes will become tenants with DCC thus removing them from the unauthorised list.
- Currently investigating lands under the remit of other councils within Dublin City Council borders for development.
- Fire Safety is currently being implemented across all sites.
- All documentation regarding 57A Reuben Street and the Avila Park projects have been sent to the Planning Department for their final report. It is expected that once this is received a Part 8 planning application will immediately follow.
- A new citywide group dealing with waste issues has been set up as part of dealing with the issue of increased dumping on sites.
- A redesign of St Margaret's Park is currently underway. Consultation on residents needs has been completed. A number of tenants have been officially signed up to bays or allocated social housing as their preference. A maintenance programme is being implemented and the playground is to be refurbished.
- The rehousing of residents from Labre Park continues. There are currently five houses being purchased to rehouse specific families. TAU is working with the local area office and allocations to prioritise social housing options.
- Naas Road project cannot be fulfilled. TAU will keep the site. It will be developed when Irish Water take in charge the connections outside Grove Court.
- Tender documents being prepared on the structural integrity phase of the conditional survey. Expect completed tender process by end July 2021.
- Tender documents being prepared on the retrofit phase of the conditional survey. Expect to be published on etenders by end June 2021.
- Northern Fringe projects is at preliminary stages. Traveller Accommodation features heavily in the draft documents.
- The term "illegal" has been removed from all interactions regarding the Traveller community except where the wording is used in legislative language. A memo was sent to all Traveller Accommodation Unit staff to this effect and alternative wording has been agreed.

Single Stage Approval in Principle			Proposed Budget
14	<b>St Joseph's Park</b>	Upgrade of 9 bays to begin July 2021. New housing project to be developed subject to Licencing agreement with Fingal County Council	
3	<b>Avila Park: Community Centre</b>	Documentation sent to Planning Dept for report. Expect to apply for Part 8 in July 2021.	€900,000
1	<b>St Mary's: New Build</b>	Single stage application to Dept. for overcrowding new build. Agreement regarding licence with Fingal County Council to be completed.	€350,000
1	<b>Reuben Street</b>	Documentation sent to Planning Dept for report. Expect to apply for Part 8 in July 2021.	€350,000
5	<b>Site investigations</b>	Site investigation surveys on all Traveller Halting Sites with a view to redeveloping all sites under new 2019-2024 TAP.	€80,275.25
All	<b>Fire Safety 2021</b>	Addressing Fire Safety concerns on all sites. Ongoing twice-yearly process. Updating of alarms in Group Housing Schemes being implemented.	
STAGE 1 – Outline Project			Proposed Budget
10	<b>Grove Lane – Stage 1</b>	Stage 1 approval granted. CENA the Traveller Approved Housing Body has been engaged to liaise with residents to move the project forward.	€2.9 million
STAGE 2 – Detailed Design			Proposed Budget
24	<b>Labre Park: Re-development (Phase 2 &amp; 3)</b>	Project redesigned due to flood risk issues. Regeneration Committee has been formed and will make decisions in consultation with the stakeholders. Rehousing continues.	€12.5 million
30	<b>St. Margaret's Park Dayhouse Upgrade</b>	Redesign of project underway in consultation with residents. Expect new design within eight weeks.	€2,566,000
Final Stage			Proposed Budget

**Next meeting of the LTACC is on Friday 16th July @11.30am via ZOOM.**