



**To the Chair and Members of  
the Central Area Committee**

## **NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT**

### **2021 Funding**

A further round of funding proposals totaling €1,017,010 was approved by the NEIC Programme Implementation Board at its meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021. This latest round of approvals brings the total amount to €6.1M of the overall €6.5M allocated by the Government to the North East Inner City Initiative for 2021. All 2021 projects approved to date are listed under the relevant Sub-Group heading on the attached table **Appendix 1**. The table will be updated on an ongoing basis as further funding proposals are approved. The projects approved at the July Board Meeting are as follows:

### **Sub-Group 2 – Maximising Educational, Training & Employment Opportunities**

#### **P- Tech Request for additional for set up costs to expand the programme - €103,600**

P-Tech is a programme currently running in 3 secondary schools in NEIC (Joseph's Fairview, Marino College) and this proposal is for additional funding to allow for the expansion of the P-Tech programme to Rosmini, O'Connell's and Mt Carmel Secondary Schools. The amount requested covers the costs to expand the Junior Cycle aspect of the programme to the three additional schools: O'Connell's, Mount Carmel and Rosmini for January 2022.

Based on requirements of the existing initial schools, costs include: purchase of laptops, additional Robotics and Coding related equipment, provision of training for sessions for teachers who will deliver these classes; and the provision of professionally run taster sessions for students.

### **Sub-Group 3 – Family Wellbeing**

#### **CASPr – Refurbishment of Shower Room - €8,140**

CASPr's main objective is to improve children's quality of life by providing various developmental activities such as Capacitar Hopscotch Program, art activities, swimming, sports, etc. The aim is to help disadvantaged families in any way possible including supporting families in relation to hygiene, given the fact that some of our families don't have access to basic rights such as water and sanitation.

The shower rooms in CASPr's facility in Mountjoy Square Park needs refurbishment so that the children that don't have access to a shower at home will have access to one at the service.

Having shower facilities in our Mountjoy Sq. project would considerably enhance our service provision. 22 children attend the CASPr Mountjoy Square after school programme.

## **Ozanam House, Saint Vincent de Paul – 8 week parenting course €5,000**

Ozanam House and One Family will deliver 8 five week parenting programmes from September 2021 to May 2022 to a total of 80 parents across three themes:

- Positive Parenting for Changing Families
- Family Communication Parenting Teens
- Family Communication Parenting when Separated

## **Sub-Group 4 – Enhanced Community Wellbeing and the Physical Environment Contribution towards costs of Rutland Street School Re-development €900,000**

Dublin City Council took a lead role, working with the local community and the existing service providers in the former school building, to develop a vision for the Rutland Street School building and surrounding site. The vision is a complete transformation to a multi-use Community Hub creating a new civic landmark and a catalyst for further social and economic regeneration in the North Inner City area. It is envisaged that the facility will operate over a seven day cycle with community, youth and childcare services, social/recreational activities and municipal services. The building will also provide multi-functional spaces for cultural, arts and music initiatives in the evenings and at weekends.

A selection of potential building uses were considered at feasibility stage and extensive stakeholder engagement was carried out during the detailed design stage. A scheme design was prepared by the consultant design team and submitted for Part 8 approval by Dublin City Council in June 2019. Part 8 planning permission was approved on the 7th October 2019. The final design incorporates the following elements:

- Community and Youth Organisations (Lourdes Youth and Community Services, Neighbourhood Youth Project 1 and Adventure Sports Project)
- Dublin City Council (Central Area) Civic Offices
- Dublin City FM Radio Station
- Exhibition Space and Café
- Community Gardens
- Incubator enterprise units

## **Increase in Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) funding for Rutland Street School Funding Renovation**

Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Darragh O'Brien TD, announced €16m funding for the Rutland Street School Renovation Project under the URDF program, as part of Project Ireland 2040.

The complete refurbishment of the Rutland Street School is deemed a priority initiative to transform the North East Inner City area and the Government is fully committed to delivery of this flagship project, which was highlighted in the Mulvey Report 2017 "[Dublin North East Inner City - Creating a Brighter Future](#)". The URDF funding is made alongside matched funding from Dublin City Council of €4m and an NEIC Implementation Board contribution of €1.6m.

## **Return from Tokyo of Local Olympians**

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August Dublin City Council hosted an event to welcome home its Olympic competitors - Emmet Brennan and Kellie Harrington.

With careful planning the Council was able to facilitate a victory lap around the inner city. Swapping the medallists' podium for an open top bus, giving the participants an opportunity to get a bird's eye view of those who came out to celebrate their achievements.

The procession gave supporters the opportunity to salute the local heroes and particularly their Olympic gold medallist, Kellie Harrington.

The route was designed in such a way as to allow for to honour the Olympians without encouraging the congregation of large crowds. Instead, the improvised celebration ensured that fans gathered in smaller numbers to cheer on the champions as the open top bus made its way through the north inner city streets.

Kellie was conscious of the need to guarantee the safety of those celebrating and encouraged them to "stay safe and keep your social distance". She added, "We aren't out of the woods with Covid-19 yet and we need to stick together as a community".



## **Community Arts Co-ordinator**

Irma Grothuis as the new Community Arts Co-ordinator for the NEIC.

Irma's role will be to co-ordinate a Community Arts Programme which will celebrate and build on creative arts practices that have taken place in the NEIC to date, and to create new opportunities for arts and creative practices to take place through strategic short, medium and long-term goals.

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## Transform Women Inform Lives

Dublin was chosen by the Carter Center in Atlanta, a U.S. based NGO as one of just 13 cities around the world to participate in its first global Inform Women, Transform Lives campaign, a ground-breaking effort that aims to ensure that women can seek and receive impactful information from their governments and thrive in their communities.

Dublin City's goal with this campaign is to promote the benefits of active living and healthy lifestyles leading to improved physical and mental health and overall wellbeing of women in the North East Inner City area. The vision is to create this improvement via increased awareness of local amenities, participation and engagement in wellbeing initiatives and active recreational activities. We are also using the recreational activities as a springboard to establish the information needs of the women participating and ultimately providing the information.

As part of the global @CarterCenter *Inform Women Transform Lives* campaign, Lord Mayor, Alison Gilliland, joined locals in Liberty Park as she *took the pledge*: <http://bit.ly/infopledge>.

#info4women #informwomentransformlives [www.cartercenter.org](http://www.cartercenter.org)



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## APPENDIX 1

### NEIC Programme – 2021 Funding Proposals Approved to date (July 2021)

<b>Department of Rural &amp; Community Development Community Enhancement Programme Allocation (€6.1M of €6.5M)</b>	
<b>Sub-Group – Enhanced Policing</b>	
Operation Cribbage (Additional Policing resources for Liberty Park & Environs)	€370,000
Domestic Violence and Child Protection - Training for Practitioners	€1,600
Training Bursary – Understanding and Responding to Domestic Abuse (Dundalk IT)	€5,600
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€377,200</b>
<b>Sub-Group 2 – Maximising Educational, Training &amp; Employment Opportunities</b>	
School Principals Network – MA in Education (Special Option Poverty and Social Inclusion in Education) – Yr 2 of study for teachers who commenced the course in 2020	€42,900
Adult & Community Education Strategy for NEIC (co-fund with CDETB)	€12,750
Nurture Room Training for NEIC Primary Schools	€6,675
ICRG (Inner City Renewal Group / Eastside & Docklands Local Employment Service) Bursary 2021	€10,000
Childcare CPD Training Bursary	€41,200
Career LEAP Programme	€79,697
P-Tech	€103,600
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€296,822</b>
<b>Sub-Group 3 – Family Wellbeing</b>	
Service Provision for 7 to 10 year olds (Belvedere Youth Club)	€48,764
Under 18s Mental Wellbeing Therapeutic and Counselling Support (YPAR) (3 months)	€19,750
Community Case Management	€325,000
Parenting Programme Co-Ordinator (via Tusla)	€60,000
Ozanman House – 8 Week parenting programme	€5,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€458,514</b>
<b>Sub-Group 4 – Enhanced Community Wellbeing and the Physical Environment</b>	
NEIC Greening Strategy (Phase 2 : 2021-2023)	€545,000
Community Events Programme 2021	€325,000
Sport, Recreation & Wellbeing Programme 2021	€200,000
Community Arts Programme 2021	€155,000
Intercultural Development Co-Ordinator Yr. 2	€60,800
The Green Ribbon Environmental Project	€146,000
Rutland School Re-development	€900,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€2,331,800</b>
<b>Sub-Group 5 – Substance Use, Misuse and Inclusion Health</b>	
Recovery Coach Internships	€16,400
Recovery Café (Recovery Academy of Ireland)	€55,000

HOPE – Recovery Case Manager	€21,000
Community Aftercare Programme for released prisoners	€90,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€182,400</b>
<b>Sub-Group 6 – Alignment of Services</b>	
Swan Youth – Detached Youth Outreach Programme	€150,000
'City Connects' Primary Schools Support Programme (Revised from previously approved figure of €367,951)	€314,680
NEPS / HSE – Multi Disciplinary Team supports for primary schools	€405,777
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€870,457</b>
<b>NEIC Programme Office – Overarching all Sub-Groups</b>	
NEIC Social Employment Fund – maintain existing 55 places	1,000,000
Programme Office Costs 2021	260,000
Emerging Needs Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Priority Technology Needs of Schools for remote learning</i> €96,760</li> <li>○ <i>Transitional Roma translation Service for NEIC Schools</i> €24,000</li> <li>○ <i>LYCS Temporary Accommodation contribution</i> €10,128</li> <li>○ <i>Hill Street Family Resource Centre – 0-6 equipment</i> - €1,760</li> <li>○ <i>Lourdes Daycare Centre Kitchen Equipment</i> - €5,392</li> <li>○ <i>The Oasis Centre, Counselling and Mental Health Supports</i> – €12,000</li> <li>○ <i>CASPr – Refurbishment of Shower</i> -8,140.00</li> </ul>	250,000
Community Grants Scheme 2021	100,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€1,610,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>€6,127,193</b>