

**Housing, Community & Emergency Services Department  
South East Area Office**

**To the Chairperson and Members of the  
South East Area Committee**

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**Report of the Director of Services, South City**

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**Grand Canal**

A meeting was held in January 2020 with Waterways Ireland representatives and Councillors to discuss ongoing management and maintenance of the canals in the city and to agree a new structure for quarterly interaction between Waterways Ireland and DCC. The latest meeting was held on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 via Microsoft Teams and the next meeting will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022.

**Portobello Harbour Square**

A meeting was held in early September 2021 with City Architects and hotel contractor and other internal departments to discuss arrangements for managing the build and the renovation of the square. Extent of square to be licensed as a compound has been agreed and new Hoarding Licence and Road Opening Licence have been granted to developer. Parks and Landscape Services will undertake a comprehensive local consultation around the re-design of Portobello Harbour Square in conjunction with the South East Area Office. The agreed design will then be submitted for approval under Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended). A meeting with Councillors has been arranged for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 during which Parks Department will set out plans for the proposed public consultation.

**Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)**

Herzog Park, Rathgar – Final Phase

The Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP) was approved by the South East Area Committee in January 2015. One of the main objectives that emerged during the formation of the plan was the redevelopment of Herzog Park. The South East Area Office undertook local consultation and worked with Redscape and Park Services to create a plan which was brought to Part 8 and approved at the January 2017 meeting of the City Council. The final phase of the works include the re-alignment of the front boundary of the park and the revised car park layout, as set out in the Part 8 permission. Talks are ongoing with Road Construction Section to timetable preparation of tender for these works. When this work is carried out, further landscaping inside the park will be required as part of the works to complete the project.

**Ranelagh Gardens Park**

New display boards at entrances to the park have been ordered and they will be installed in early 2022 using 2021 Discretionary Funds.

**Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP)**

The Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP) was adopted at the June 2017 South East Area Committee meeting. Following that it was proposed to prepare planning applications under Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, for the redesign of (1) Library Square and (2) Cambridge Road.

*\*Both of these projects are now listed on the Capital Programme 2021 – 2023 and have been awarded funding from the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF).*

**Library Square:** (Mitchell & Associates) Meetings with internal stakeholders were held during September and October 2018. A meeting was held with local businesses to discuss parking / loading arrangements on 5th December 2018. A presentation was made to area councillors on 13th February 2019 and a preliminary draft design was brought to a public meeting for all stakeholders on Thursday 21st March 2019 in the Ringsend Irishtown Community Centre (RICC). Following a period of consultation up to 19th April 2019, submissions were received and were reviewed by the project team. A revised design was brought before the Public Realm Working Group on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019. A meeting of all internal stakeholders was held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and further meetings work was identified by key departments. An invitation to tender for additional services to bring the project to Part 8 was issued to consultants on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The closing date for submissions was 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and Mitchell & Associates were formally appointed on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Preliminary meeting of design team took place on 15<sup>th</sup> December and detailed consultations with internal departments were carried out in January 2022. Work on finalising the design has now commenced and Part 8 should be lodged before end of Q2 2022. Councillors will be briefed before we commence the formal Part 8 process.

**Cambridge Road:** An initial public workshop in relation to Cambridge Road was held on Thursday 30th August 2018 in the RICC. Meetings with Redscape Architects and internal stakeholders took place in September and October and designs were drafted based on consultations which were brought to a second public workshop/meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Further information was required in relation to road design and drainage requirements for the proposal in particular. In 2019 Road Design & Construction Section, E & T Department, agreed to take on the completion of the project to Part 8 stage. Detailed meetings took place between Roads Design & Construction and internal departments with a view to agreeing an overall design before commencing Part 8 planning process. Parks Services Department has requested that a Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) survey be carried out prior to Part 8 to identify location of underground services and any impact on tree planting. Drainage Department welcomes the provision of additional greening providing a SuDS benefit and a proposed new surface water main is being considered in conjunction with Irish Water. Agreement of the final design for the road has been delayed as we wait for the NTA to finalise the route for the East Coast Trail (ECT) which will either traverse Cambridge Road or run along part of Cambridge Road from Canon Mooney Gardens to Thorncastle Street. We intend to go out to tender to appoint a consultant for additional services to bring this project to Part 8 stage, but require engineering resources to draft tender brief and supervise consultant. Councillors will be briefed before we recommence the formal Part 8 process.

### **Cabbage Garden & Cathedral Lane**

An onsite stakeholders' meeting took place in the Cabbage Garden on the 27<sup>th</sup> January. Present were the Lord Mayor, the Dean of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Superintendent Murphy from Kevin Street, Les Moore, Head of Parks, City Councillors, TD's together with other stakeholders and local residents.

A discussion then took place regarding priority items for the year ahead, namely the installation of gym/calisthenics equipment, the development of play opportunities for children, the creation of a community garden, improvement of the entrance from Cathedral Lane and removal of the old CCTV pylon etc. Funding is in place to make progress on these items this year and I am awaiting an update from Parks on these issues. Councillors will be kept fully informed.

### **Rosary Hall**

After receiving extra funding of €240k which was approved at the April City Council meeting (as well as €125,000 already allocated). It has been decided to retender the entire proposed works. Meetings took place with both main community groups and consultant architects during the summer to outline and agree the proposed works which include mechanical & electrical works, fire safety works, remedial works and lift replacement.

The Area Manager has engaged in meetings with both community groups regarding governance of the facility. As HCVCC have indicated they do not wish to be involved in operational matters the management agreement has been adjusted to reflect this and a redrafted Management plan for the running of the facility forwarded to both groups this month. A supervisory committee comprising of two members of the football club and two members of the HXVCC and the Area Manager will be established to optimise the use of the facility for the benefit of the community. Cllr. Freehill has suggested that the committee might consist of representation from Councillors. This matter was discussed by the members at a meeting with the Area Manager and the outcome was inconclusive as all Councillors were not in agreement. The members are agreeable to discussing the matter with the relevant community parties before making a decision. The draft tender documentation is completed and a pre-tender cost estimate has been prepared. The works were tendered in January with tenders due back in February. It is anticipated that works could commence in April depending on the assessment of tenders.

### **Age Friendly Initiative Harold's Cross**

The inaugural meeting of the Age Friendly Committee took place on January 28th 2020 and was well attended. A draft report was submitted by the Harold's Cross Village Community Council (HCVCC) in conjunction with Rob Chester, Area Community Officer and it was agreed to progress a number of these proposals funding permitting. In tandem, it is proposed to hold a workshop to further engage with the residents and ensure particularly any elderly resident who was not consulted has an opportunity to contribute to the process and be included.

It was agreed to defer the facilitation of a workshop to get the views of the wider community till 2022. A subgroup under the Housing SPC has been convened to look at the City-wide Age Friendly Strategy. Under this structure, submissions for funding may be advanced, including the Harold's Cross project.

It has been agreed by the Elected Members that further monies (€7,500) will be allocated to this age friendly initiative in the Discretionary funding for 2021.

8 IT age friendly tablets have been distributed to residents and have been very well received. Cliff Run Media have supplied over 1000 units to established age friendly projects across the country. The tablets come with one year's free WIFI and are dignity proofed to make access as easy as possible. Funding of € 2,000 from the Harold's Cross Age Friendly Project, €1,000 from the Central Age Friendly Fund, and a final €1,000 from our community budget was utilised to finance this initiative. A list of recipients was prepared in conjunction with HXVCC.

It is anticipated that when the works are completed on Rosary that it can play a pivotal role in age friendly activities going forward. The committee decided to advance a further round of tablets for residents during 2021.

Eir has completed the work involved in getting an additional line into Harold's Cross Park to enable Virgin Media to set up the Wi-Fi Hot Spot for the area around the café. Smart Dublin has confirmed that the installation is complete and the Wi-Fi is now available.

It was decided at Age Friendly review meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January to set up a sub-group to move forward with some of the initiatives that can now be progressed during 2022. The sub group is due to meet on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Rutland Grove/ Eamonn Ceannt Park**

Meeting took place on 30th January 2020 with traffic engineers, Les Moore from Parks, Area Manager and staff and Cllr. Pat Dunne. It was agreed at the meeting that Traffic Section would look again at the feasibility of putting dedicated parking as per Part 8. Should it be possible to implement, the design would need to be progressed and costed.

Leslie Moore has indicated with response to a July motion that he will engage a consultant to review this issue regarding the Part 8 parking. As an interim measure, planters were installed at the entrance to Rutland Grove to enhance the environment and assist with ongoing Illegal

parking at the entrance. Regrettably a number of these have been vandalised and a solution is being sought in conjunction with the residents' association. A meeting took place between the Area Manager, the Parks Section and the secretary of the residents' association on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March to initiate discussions around the best utilisation of the co funded €20,000 for the improvement works and discussions are ongoing.

The presentation of the proposed works at the parks depot upgrade took place on May 13<sup>th</sup>. The consultant outlined the plans to Councillors and community groups and welcomed input into finalising the design.

A further meeting took place on June 29<sup>th</sup> to update the Councillors and community groups on modifications to the drawings after Parks Section met with the residents' group on June 17<sup>th</sup>. It has been agreed that laminated drawings outlining the proposed upgrade of the depot would be erected on the depot walls to facilitate a better understanding of the proposals which has happened.

Work is completed on the footpaths across the open green space as agreed under the Discretionary Funding.

A detailed capital appraisal has been prepared to proceed to tender stage and works on the depot upgrade are scheduled to start second quarter 2022.

The Area Community Officer worked closely with the residents' group in December regarding replanting in the planters.

New trees were planted in the estate at the end of January and a flyer was distributed to the residents outlining the importance of these trees. The next meeting of the Friends of Eamonn Ceannt meeting is scheduled for Feb 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Choice Based Lettings**

There is currently one two bed unit in Galtymore Road advertised under the Choice Based Letting Scheme. Further units in Lissadel Court and Clonmacnoise Grove will be advertised as soon as they are ready to let.

### **CCTV Benbulbin Road**

Following on from the provision of Discretionary Funding for the installation of CCTV at Benbulbin Road, we have continued to try to progress the matter. Adhering to advice from DCC's Data Protection Office, a letter was sent to the Garda Commissioner's Office on the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021. This letter requested written authorisation from the Garda Commissioner for Dublin City Council to install CCTV at the location, which is a public area and not within the bounds of a Dublin City Council complex. The current DCC code of practice for installation of CCTV in public places requires such authorisation from the Garda Commissioner. The Office of the Garda Commissioner replied on the 11<sup>th</sup> May and submitted a number of documents, including An Garda Síochána's Code of Practice for Community Based CCTV Systems. The documents submitted are at variance with DCC's code of practice for CCTV in public places and do not seem to take into account that DCC is installing the CCTV rather than a community based organisation. Discussions took place with local based senior Gardaí in order to try and reconcile the differing positions, but following further advice from our Data Protection Office further clarity was required from An Garda Síochána. We have now received further communication from An Garda Síochána outlining their position on this matter. Unfortunately, An Garda Síochána have stated that their internal policy/procedures will only allow authorisation of this scheme if it is designated a Community CCTV Scheme. As previously advised, designating this CCTV Project a Community Based CCTV Scheme would impose greater responsibility on the local community in relation to their role in consultation, installation, maintenance and management of the CCTV system. In addition, given the proposed location of the CCTV and the serious criminality which takes place there, there is a significant potential for health and safety issues to arise for community representatives involved in such a project. It would also have the potential to increase costs for the project.

Additionally, the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner has recently issued a substantial fine against Limerick City and County Council in relation to the operation of CCTV in its area.

This decision is likely to have knock on effects for other local authorities and our Law Department is reviewing the decision to assess its implications for existing and planned CCTV schemes.

### **St. Clare's Park, Harold's Cross**

Dublin City Council will be acquiring 19 units in this new development, which are due for handover before the end of March. These Part V units comprise of 11 x 1 bed units and 8 x 2 bed units. The Kimmage/Rathmines Area Office is currently carrying out selection of applicants for these units.

### **Ravensdale Park, Kimmage**

Tuath AHB has acquired 12 units at the above development. These units are scheduled to be completed by the end of the first quarter. They consist of 7 x 1 bed apts., 3 x 2 bed apts. and 2 x 3 bed apts. Selections for these units will be carried out by Housing Allocations.

### **Allotments**

The renewal of annual licences for allotment spaces at Blarney Park, Herbert Park and Ringsend Park has commenced.

The 'Kingfisher Project Development Group' has now evolved with more than 40 community members with a wide range of interdisciplinary skills and talents who have volunteered to help implement the project. Members include all of the licenced allotments holders as well as local authority representation including from the LA Community Water Development Programme. The initiation tasks for the group may include e.g. the planting of pocket forests along the Poddle riparian ecosystem; construction and installation of nesting boxes, supporting the clean out of the site, and attending the Heritage Apple Tree Planting Event at the Allotment site.

An accredited Bee Keeping course run by Bee Keeping Ireland is proposed for an initial ten participants with priority being given to members of the Kingfisher Project. The Community Team will fund 50% of the course participants' fees.

### **Ancient Irish Fire Festivals**

In addition to their annual arts festival in September, Ranelagh Arts will be running a series of micro-festival events in 2002 with environmental and ecological themes based on the old Celtic turning points; namely Lá Fhéile Bríde, Bealtaine, Lúnasa and Óiche Shamhna. Their Spring Turning 'Imbolc', better known now as Lá Fhéile Bríde/St Brigid's Day, was celebrated online through poetry and song. With Covid restrictions lifting, it is hoped that future events can take place out in the community.

### **Community Events**

Most in-person Community Events have been postponed until a review of the Covid restrictions is undertaken in late February. The majority of Community Groups contacted will continue activities online until it safe to reconvene. Many groups that operate indoors intend to be fully operational by Easter.

### **Community Music Programme**

We will continue to support our Older Persons with some small-scale Community Music/Gigs over the coming months where possible under Covid restrictions. So far, events are scheduled for Merrick House (Terenure), Morehampton Lodge (Donnybrook) and Eastwell Ladies Home (Rathgar).

### **Crumlin Community Clean up Group**

The Community Team and the Area Office will continue to support this group throughout 2022. A number of projects are being proposed including the painting of a mural on an external end wall of Crumlin College as part of the green/clean-up initiative for Crumlin/Drimnagh and a tribute space for Christy Brown at Ferns Road close to his home with a sculpture with quote and a mosaic of one of Christy's paintings. The remaining Planters from 2021 will also be supplied as agreed with the group.

### **Creative Climate Action Crumlin**

The Community Team continue to support this exciting project. Stakeholder meetings continue to be held online, and starting in early 2022 Creative Climate Action Crumlin will take the form of a series of events, engagements, creations, and collaborations between a network of climate scientists, artists in residence and community groups. There will be an open call for project proposals seeking funding, and a set of criteria using ESRI guidelines will be drawn up. The tagline 'Crumlin Taking Action Together' has been adopted and a website is being created.

### **CYMS Bingo**

Support is being provided to this activity for older people which is run by Fairview Avenue & the Square Residents Association every Monday evening at 8.15pm at the CYMS Hall in Ringsend. Other "Balcony Bingo" events in flat complexes have been supported through the provision of prizes.

### **Digges Street Football Pitch**

This small football pitch at Digges Street is now open again for bookings from groups.

### **Going Wild in the Cabbage Patch**

A series of nature tours for local schools with resident RTÉ & Virgin Media botanist/wildlife expert, Eanna Ní Lamhna have been provisionally planned for the Cabbage Patch Park in early March as well as tours for local groups and another to mark Seachtain na Gaeilge. These however are all dependent on the commencement date of some proposed works in the park.

### **The Heritage Orchard Project:**

The project is led by Harold's Cross Village Community Council and celebrates the local history of orchards in Harold's Cross and more generally in the Kimmage - Rathmines Local Electoral Area [LEA] that adorned the area in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries.

Seven sites are now confirmed for the planting programme in 2022:

#### **Mount Argus Park**

Planting a group of 5 apple trees bring to a total of 10 apple trees in two separate locations in the park.

#### **Mount Argus Mill**

Planting 5 apple trees on either side of the River Poddle footbridge.

#### **Priory Road Green**

Planting 5 apple trees to complement the 5 trees planted in 2021 to create an avenue of apple trees.

#### **St Martin's Park**

Planting 5 apple trees in the north corner of the park.

#### **Blarney Park Allotments**

Planting 3 apple trees in espalier form at allotment entrance.

#### **Corrib Road Green**

Planting 5 apple trees on the green.

#### **Larkfield Grove**

Planting 6 apple trees in two separate green areas.

The local community in each of the 7 locations will organise a public community event to collectively plant and take ownership of the care and maintenance of these trees. The community tree planting events will take place during January and February on dates to be notified. Dublin City Council Parks section will prepare each site in advance of the community planting events.

The Project will provide physical and digital story-telling signage of the socio-economic history of fruit production in the Harold's Cross area. A heritage walking trail will be offered to the public starting in Harold's Cross Park and bringing the walker to the 7 locations above. Physical signage will be provided at all of these locations. The development of the bilingual text [English / Gaeilge] signage text and the roll out of physical and digital signage will be supported by Foras na Gaeilge.

### **International Women's Day**

International Women's Day will be marked by two performances of "Constance & her Friends" from Smashing Times Theatre Company, inspired by the writings of Constance Markievicz and original testimony including an adaptation from Doing My Bit for Ireland by Margaret Skinnider. These powerful pieces will feature the characters of Constance Markievicz, Helena Moloney, Margaret Skinnider and Hanna Sheehy Skeffington as they reflect on memories of the 1916 Rising, the Irish War of Independence, the Civil War and the suffrage movement.

8<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm - St. Andrew's Resource Centre

8<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm - Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre

### **Kimmage Vision Project**

The Community Team are supporting the collation of a draft outline document on a vision for the future development of Kimmage Village in conjunction with the Village Traders Group. The document is nearing completion and will be available at the end of February/early March.

### **Men's Sheds**

Terenure Men's Shed Group will be hosting a Computer Course for its members as the recent lockdowns highlighted that many of its members were not able to participate in online courses and activities due to skills/information deficits. The course is proposed to commence at the end of February if restrictions on activities are eased.

We will also be supporting where possible, the "new" Men's Sheds' groups in Irishtown and Donnybrook this year.

### **Pearse House Care for a Neighbour Initiative**

After two years of very challenging times, the local residents' group at Pearse House Flat Complex will be distributing "Care Cards", designed by young local residents, to all flats in the complex on St. Valentine's Day, with a simple message encouraging positivity and care for your neighbours.

### **Pearse Street Seniors' Valentine's Party featuring The Charming Soubrettes**

Support is being provided to this event at St. Andrews Resource Centre Main Hall on 10<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm, organised by St. Andrews Senior Care. Top of the bill will be vocal harmony trio, the Charming Soubrettes, performing Music from the Movies with the theme of love and with added vintage flair. Attendees will also be given some Valentine's Packs which will include a Potted Rose, Chocolates and other goodies.

### **Planter/Environmental/Friends of Green Spaces Projects**

Tidy Towns Groups and Community Environmental Projects have been informed that we will continue to support the provision of planters and other environmental enhancement proposals

in the South East Area for 2022. However, as we now have hundreds of planters around our villages, we have asked local groups to ensure that current planters are maintained and kept up to standard as agreed when installed.

New planters have recently been installed or requested for Raphoe Road, Crumlin Fire Station, RICCYs on Irishtown Road, Kevin Street, New Bride Street, Whelan House, O'Rahilly House, Iveagh Trust, Peter's Place, Dunville Avenue, Island Villas and Rathgar Village/Rathgar School. With support from the Community Team the Residents' Association for Rutland Grove has re-planted the planters that have been installed at the entrance to the estate to alleviate anti-social parking.

In total, our team have supported over 80 Environmental projects across the South East Area in 2021 and this will remain a focus for the year ahead.

### **Ringsend & Irishtown Sensory Room**

Support has been provided towards the new sensory room at *Ringsend* Irishtown Community Centre Youth Café (RICCY's Café) on Irishtown Road which is expected to be launched in February. This therapeutic space is fitted with equipment dedicated to sensory experiences and designed specifically to help individuals with autism to feel calm, supported, and focused. This facility will complement the new sensory garden which is under development at the rear of Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre.

### **Radio**

Love is on the Air! The re-launch of the RICC Radio Community News Podcast will coincide with St. Valentine's Day celebrations on 14<sup>th</sup> February with a show at 12pm featuring interviews with couples from the area, local community news, community desk updates, prizes and other surprises. It is planned to host two podcasts per week. Mick Hanley, previously with Dublin City FM, has joined the RICC Radio Team to assist in developing the Community Radio station as a key resource for the Community going forward.

### **Tidy Towns**

In the face of adversity, our Tidy Towns Groups have done outstanding work in their villages and communities throughout the pandemic, making their areas better places to live, work and to visit. Many are now putting plans in place for the year ahead and we will continue to support as much as possible. Four new projects from Ringsend & Irishtown Tidy Towns Group which we will be supporting are as follows:

- Mural Project in Stella Gardens
- New Planting Projects at both the Sean Moore and Waxie's Dargle monuments
- Small Memorial Garden at the Dr Ashford monument in Irishtown

Our early morning Dawn Chorus is already in the planning for May and this year it'll be organised in conjunction with Ballsbridge Tidy Towns & Environment.

### **Valentine's Day Intergenerational Project**

Distribution of over 600 potted roses to older and vulnerable people in the community by young people will take place during St. Valentine's Week in partnership with local centres and residents groups including the following:

Leo Fitzgerald residents, O'Rahilly House residents, Conway Court residents, St. Andrew's Court residents, Talk about Youth Project, St. Andrew's Resource Centre Senior Care, Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre and the Iveagh Trust.

Quantities of potted roses are also being provided to New Street Residents' Group, Greenore Ladies' Group, Ranelagh Community Response, Fairview Avenue & Square residents for

distribution locally. The idea behind this initiative is to remind older and vulnerable people that there is care in the local community and that neighbours are on hand to help.

A similar project with green or tri-colour roses for St. Patrick's Week is in the planning in partnership with different groups to those listed above.

**We wish all our fantastic community groups, volunteers, centres and community project leaders well for 2022. This will be another challenging year for the community sector and we look forward to supporting them as much as possible throughout the year.**

#### **Waste Management / Environmental Services**

Community Equipment Requests (Bags Gloves etc.) for Jan 2022: **27**

Public Domain Collections from Community (Litter/Leaves) for 2022 **55**

#### **Public Domain Deep Clean for January 2022**

Eblana Villas, Rostrevor Court, Greenore Court, Greenore Terrace, Hogan Avenue, Hogan Terrace, Island Villas and Carlingford Parade.

Bloomfield Avenue, Emor Street, Alexandra Terrace, Bloomfield Park, Crumlin Park and Innismore.

#### **Graffiti Removal**

374 sq.m. submitted to date for January.

City Centre to be addressed in advance of St. Patrick's Festival.

#### **Abandoned Bicycles**

Tagging of abandoned bikes recommenced late Jan 2022.

#### **Joint Policing Committee (JPC)**

Next South East Area JPC will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

## SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE DUBLIN CITY SPORT & WELLBEING PARTNERSHIP REPORT FEBRUARY 2022



Following the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions in late January physical delivery of all Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership programmes and events is now possible. However DCSWP will continue to observe Sport Ireland advice and ensure a cautious and safe return to support participants. With restrictions only recently lifted please note that at the time of writing this report planning of programmes was still in progress. A full report on citywide and co-funded activities will be provided in the March area report.

### Lord Mayor's 5 Alive 2022

The Lord Mayor's 5 Alive challenge will continue over the next period. The Purple Cross Run on 20<sup>th</sup> March in the Phoenix Park and the DCC/BHAA 4 mile run on 2<sup>nd</sup> April in St. Anne's Park, Raheny will complete the challenge for 2022.

Over the next few weeks, DCSWP will be linking on with the following major events. Programmes and initiatives in the South East Area will run in tandem with national and international events across communities and will be promoted across all social media platforms.

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| <b>February 19<sup>th</sup></b> | Operation Transformation 5k Walk /Run Phoenix Park |
| <b>March</b>                    | International Women's Day                          |
| <b>March</b>                    | Women in Sport Week -                              |
| <b>March</b>                    | DCSWP GAGA DAY                                     |
| <b>April</b>                    | National Active Schools Week                       |

### The launch of DSWP's Virtual Hub

The official launch of the DCSWP Virtual Hub is imminent. The Hub was initially created to support virtual deliver of the 2021 Change for Life programme and over the past 12 months has undergone development in partnership with Titan Experience. While the Hub will be an invaluable resource in terms of enhancing service delivery, it will not replace face to face programmes in communities. Its purpose will be to promote the work we do, provide up to date information and give platforms to programmes while linking to all DCSWP social media platforms.

- Twitter: [@dccsportsrec](https://twitter.com/dccsportsrec)
- Facebook: [DublinCitySportandWellbeing](https://www.facebook.com/DublinCitySportandWellbeing)
- Instagram: [@dublincitysportandwellbeing](https://www.instagram.com/dublincitysportandwellbeing)
- Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership Virtual Hub: [dcwsphub.ie](https://dcwsphub.ie) (official launch TBC in early January).
- Email: [sports@dublincity.ie](mailto:sports@dublincity.ie)

## South East Area Programme Highlights – February/March 2022

### ➤ Change For Life/ Underactive Communities

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                 | <b>Change for Life/Underactive Adults</b>                      |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                      | Opportunity to access fitness classes and nutrition workshops. |
| <b>Partners</b>  | Irishtown Stadium  |
| <b>Age group:</b>  | +18yrs   |
| <b>Gender:</b>   | Mixed  |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                 | TBC (Studio classes 7/8pm x2wk)                                |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session:</b> | 12   |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> March  |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                     | 5 <sup>th</sup> April  |

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                 | <b>Change For Life/Underactive Adults</b>      |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                      | Dance & Fitness classes for underactive adults |
| <b>Partners (if any):</b>                                      | Home School Liaison Officer                    |
| <b>Age group:</b>  | Adults   |
| <b>Gender:</b>   | Mixed  |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                 | Tuesday 8:30am Harold's Cross National School  |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session:</b> | 20   |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                   | 15 <sup>th</sup> February                      |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                     | 5 <sup>th</sup> April                          |

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                 | <b>Change For Life/Underactive Adults</b>   |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                      | Pilates classes for underactive adults      |
| <b>Age group:</b>  | Adults                                      |
| <b>Gender:</b>   | Mixed                                       |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                 | Tuesday 17:45 The Evergreen Centre Terenure |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session:</b> | 20  |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                   | 8 <sup>th</sup> February                    |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                     | 5 <sup>th</sup> April                       |

### ➤ Youth Fit – Youth At Risk (10-21 years)



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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                 | Mid-Term Activities  |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                      | Adventure Activities for youth services                              |
| <b>Partners:</b>   | Riccy's local Youth Services Ringsend and Irishtown and St. Andrew's |
| <b>Age group:</b>  | 13-18yrs   |
| <b>Gender:</b>   | Mixed  |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                 | TBC  |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session:</b> | 10   |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                   | Feb 21 <sup>st</sup>   |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                     | Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>   |

### Get All Girls Active (GAGA) – Women in Sport

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                  | GAGA   |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                       | Get all Girls Active – creating access to physical activity opportunities for girls and women. |
| <b>Partners :</b>   | Trinity Sports   |
| <b>Age group:</b>   | +10yrs   |
| <b>Gender:</b>  | Female   |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                  | 8 <sup>th</sup> March  |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session :</b> | 60   |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                    | 8 <sup>th</sup> March  |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                      | 8 <sup>th</sup> March  |

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|---|---|
| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                | Girls' Rugby                            |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                     | Tag rugby                               |
| <b>Partners:</b>  | CBS Westland Row                        |
| <b>Age group:</b>   | 13-18yrs                                |
| <b>Gender:</b>  | Female                                  |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                | Thursday 3-4pm PARC Astro Pearse Street |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session</b> | 16                                      |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                  | Present                                 |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                    | End of school year.                     |

### School's Cross Country- Primary Schools (Citywide Initiative)

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                     | Dublin City Cross Country Series (Event #1-Cabra)  |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>          | Primary school cross country events. Race series includes 5 events encompassing parks across the city. |
| <b>Partners:</b>                                   | Primary schools, DCC Parks & Landscape Services  |
| <b>Age group:</b>                                  | 8-12 yrs.  |
| <b>Gender:</b>                                     | Mixed  |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                     | 11am March 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Cabra Parkside (John Paul Park)   |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants:</b> | 600-700  |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                       | March  |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                         | May – final race event in the series proposed for May 9 <sup>th</sup> .                                |

### School Programmes – Athletics

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>            | Athletics                                  |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b> | Track and Field and Cross-country training |
| <b>Partners</b>                           | None                                       |
| <b>Age group:</b>                         | Local Primary School and Secondary Schools |
| <b>Gender:</b>                            | Mixed                                      |

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| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                       | Tuesdays Ringsend track 2.30pm-4pm |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants (NB: per session):</b> | 20                                 |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>   | January 11 <sup>th</sup>           |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>   | Ongoing                            |

#### **Older Adults – Age 55+ Online Initiative**

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| <b>Name of core programme:</b>                                 | <b>Chair Fit Online</b>                   |
| <b>Description of programme activity:</b>                      | Chair Fit class for Older Adults Citywide |
| <b>Age group:</b>  | Older Adults (age 55+ years)              |
| <b>Gender:</b>   | Mixed                                     |
| <b>Date/time and location:</b>                                 | Wednesday 11am Friday 11am Online         |
| <b>Estimated Number of Programme Participants per session:</b> | 100                                       |
| <b>Programme Start Date:</b>                                   | 19 <sup>th</sup> January                  |
| <b>Programme End Date:</b>                                     | 1 <sup>st</sup> April                     |

#### **New Year DCSWP South East Area Co-Funded Programmes**

A full report on co-funded activities athletics (cross-country) boxing (Startbox school's programme), cricket (schoolyard coaching, provincial training) rowing (Get Going Get Rowing) and rugby (school's rugby programmes) remain in the planning stages with details on initiatives TBC due to the recent lifting of restrictions. Full details will be provided in the March area report.

#### **Upcoming Training for 2022:**

- Online Safeguarding Training to support compliance in local clubs and organisations Safeguarding 2 & 3 delivered on an on-demand basis.
- Disability & Inclusion and Autism in Sport training programmes delivered in partnership with CARA.
- First Aid/PHECC (pre-hospital emergency care training for adults in the community).

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