

To the Lord Mayor and  
Members of Dublin City Council

Report No. 141/2022  
Report of the Chief Executive



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## Monthly Management Report – May 2022

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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 May 2022 City Council meeting is submitted herewith.

### **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.

### **Environment & Transportation**

Please see attached report.

### **Housing & Community Services**

Please see Housing Supply Report on Agenda.

### **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.

### **Annual Service Delivery Plan**

Please see attached report in relation to Quarter 1, 2022 Performance Report.

**Owen P. Keegan**  
Chief Executive

**Dated: 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

## **Environment and Transportation Department**

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

Moby have a fleet of 140 electric bikes available for public hire. Bleeper continue with their successful operations with over 800 bikes now available for public hire. Both operators have provided free bikes for healthcare workers throughout 2020/2021 and this is continuing in 2022. The ongoing roll out of additional bike parking continues which will facilitate the expansion of stationless bike operations. Stands to accommodate an extra 554 bikes were installed during 2021. Bleeper's membership increased from 76,000 at the end of 2020 to currently stand at over 110,000. Q3 usage was over 119,000 individual journeys. Bleeperbike users cycled over 950,000km in 2021 saving the equivalent of 137 tonnes of carbon and were cycled for over 275,000 hours in 2021. Research is ongoing regarding integration/interoperability options with other mobility/transport services. A review of operations is currently being undertaken and it is anticipated that the maximum number of bike permits available to each operator will be increased to 1,500 each in Q3 2022 with additional bikes en route. Bleeper recently launched a trial 24/7 service to facilitate demand from late night and shift workers and have also launched a new more user friendly App which has been hugely successful.

### **E-Cargobikes for Business Pilot**

Dublin City Council and bike sharing operator Bleeper are progressing well on the e-cargobike for business pilot project. The project gives businesses access to e-cargobikes at a discounted rate, enabling them to replace trips which would otherwise have been taken by car or by van. The pedal-assist electric cargobikes are available to businesses at a discounted rate of €100 per month. The bikes have a cargo carrying capacity of 60kg, with a battery which can last for up to 160km and can be fully recharged in 6 hours. The project has been so successful that an extension of the project has been agreed. The timeframe has been increased to allow for a further 10 opportunities to be provided to qualifying businesses. To date 17 e-cargobikes have been delivered to successful participants, and 34 businesses have made applications.

### **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 earlier in 2020. The number of weekly transactions for week ending 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 has risen to 102,535. Since the beginning of the Covid-19 situation, the numbers using the Parking Tag had 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, the numbers using the Parking Tag have increased and by week ending 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022 that week's revenue was €279,545.79.

## **Car Clubs**

In addition to the existing Car Club companies GoCar and Yuko operating within the Dublin City Council administrative area, a third company Enterprise Rent A Car has been licensed to operate in Dublin City from September 2021. This brings to three the number of car club companies operating in Dublin City and the total number of live Car Club permits currently issued is 419. As of 2022, management of the Car Clubs has been transferred to the Micromobility Unit.

## **Electric Vehicles**

This is an area of active consideration for the Council and we remain 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 and to be more aware of the wider spectrum of mobility options now available and being planned for.

The commissioned EV charging strategy study will help inform the four Dublin local authorities of the type and number of chargers required across each council area as well as cost and resource requirements. 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.

Our consultants completed an industry stakeholder engagement piece late last year and the Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy is now practically complete and is going through internal processes prior to finalisation. The DMA working group are now moving forward with the next steps of the project, which will include a procurement plan required for the roll out of the strategy in balance with the Council's wider sustainable mobility policies. However this will be subject to resources & availability of funding from the Department of Transport.

The SEAI scheme is currently being repurposed to take account of rapidly changing technologies and the realities of the business case and electrical infrastructure costs of public charging provision and the Council has fed into the new SEAI scheme for the provisioning of EV charge points in Multi Unit Dwellings (to be launched shortly).

A pilot off-street small scale public charging mobility hub is at works phase and it is planned to include charging for private EVs, car share clubs and eBikes beside a transport node. Charging at speeds of 22kw AC and 75kw DC are planned and data from usage will help inform future plans.

## **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 2021 the Section dealt with 537 new public liability cases 51 new employers liability claims.

## **Road Maintenance Services**

Road Maintenance Services resolved approximately 1,850 customer enquiries and service requests during the period January to March 2022. Additionally, during the same period 1,679 defects and hazards on the road network were repaired and/or made safe by our direct labour crews. Furthermore, a total of 104 critical defects and hazards were repaired and/or made safe within 24 hours of being recorded. Road Maintenance Services has prepared its Annual Works Programme for 2022. The programme provides for the investment of €12 Million to upgrade 10km of road carriageways and 12.5km of footpaths. These works will be carried out from May through to November. Tender documents for the appointment of contractors are currently being prepared and tenders sought from contractors.

## **Bridges & Other Road Structures**

Bridge Maintenance will commence preparation of tender documents for Principal Inspections in 2023. Special Inspections are underway on Butt Bridge and Matt Talbot Bridge and special inspections are being planned on three other bridges. Scour risk assessments are required on 10 other bridges. Bridge refurbishments and vegetation control are being planned.

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

The Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Fund Committee announced the 26 approved grant applications in respect of the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2021. A list of the successful grant applicants is detailed below.

Approximately €500K was allocated to a diverse range of projects representing a broad range of sectors including sports and recreation, arts, education and training and community. The Committee are confident that the projects selected will not only benefit the local communities of Irishtown, Ringsend and Sandymount but also enhance their local area and in doing so will provide the maximum opportunity to advance community, educational, recreational and environmental initiatives within the catchment area.

The Committee received 45 grant applications requesting grant assistance totalling circa €1.6 million and as the total amount of grant funding available for allocation on this occasion was €500K the Committee had to decline many commendable applications submitted for consideration. Selecting grant recipients from an outstanding and varied group of applicants was an extremely challenging task and unfortunately the Committee did not have the funding available at this time to provide grant assistance to each worthy applicant.

<b>Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2021</b>		
<b>Approved Grant Applications</b>		
<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Grant Amount Approved</b>
4th Port Dodder Sea Scout Group	Boathouse Construction	€20,000.00
Brabazon Trust	Projection System Upgrade	€15,000.00
Cambridge FC	Project Upgrade	€9,000.00
Catholic Men and Women's Society	Toilet Renovation and Fire Door Installation	€30,236.00
Church of St. John the Evangelist	Organ Refurbishment and Tuning	€8,000.00
Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club	Floodlight Installation and Website Design	€67,000.00
Claremont Railway Lawn Tennis Club	Floodlight Installation	€17,000.00
Docklands FC	Substance Abuse Diversion Through Football	€10,000.00
Dublin Vikings Dragonboat Club	Safety Equipment Upgrade	€7,000.00
Lansdowne Lawn Tennis Club	Club Grounds Project	€25,000.00
Poolbeg Yacht and Boat Club	Ruffian 23 Community Sailboats Project	€11,000.00

Railway Union FC	Pitch Lighting Upgrade	€4,000.00
Railway Union Sports Club	Hockey Pitch Refurbishment	€40,000.00
Ringsend Community Services Forum	Equipment for Groups	€4,000.00
Ringsend Community Services Forum	Community Training	€11,000.00
Ringsend Girl Guides	Choices Programme Funding	€1,787.00
Sandymount Park Educate Together Secondary School	Development of Learner Opportunities	€15,000.00
Scoil Mhuire	Inclusivity and Activity	€40,000.00
Shellybanks Educate Together National School	Outdoor Learning Spaces and Technology Enhanced Learning	€20,000.00
St. Patrick's Boys National School	Digital Learning	€10,000.00
St. Patrick's Girls National School	STEM and IT Promotion	€23,000.00
St. Patrick's Rowing Club	New Pontoon Structure and Marina Development	€49,000.00
Stella Maris Rowing Club	Club Development and Growth	€10,500.00
The Breakthrough Project	The Breakthrough Project Year 2	€10,000.00
The Irish Nautical Trust	Maritime Education and Training Programme	€20,000.00
The Lir National Academy of Dramatic Art	Theatre for Teenagers	€17,000.00
	<b>Total Amount Approved</b>	<b>€494,523.00</b>

### **Waste Services Update**

#### **Street Grading**

**360** surveys were undertaken on 311 streets across the six waste management areas in March 2022. Grading was mainly carried out between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday. 68% of streets graded received a Grade A, 20% Grade B, 12% Grade C, 0% Grade D.

From 21<sup>st</sup> February a new policy is in place whereby should any streets be awarded a grade C or D, a CRM request will be issued to the relevant area supervisor to address the issue that resulted in the poor grade.

AREA	No of Streets Graded	No of Surveys	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D
CENTRAL	83	126	85	29	12	0
SOUTH EAST	44	44	36	6	2	0
SOUTH CENTRAL	55	58	27	16	15	0
NORTH CENTRAL	56	59	53	4	2	0
NORTH WEST	63	63	34	16	13	0
CITY CENTRE	10	10	8	2	0	0
TOTALS	311	360	243	73	44	0

### **Recycling Services**

Parks & Landscaping Services have now issued a request for tender for the proposed refurbishment of the Eamon Ceannt Park depot and adjoining Bring Centre. Proposed works are due to begin in May following appointment of the successful contractor. The works will take approximately six months and the Bring Centre will be closed for the duration. Bottle and textile banks will be temporarily placed on the path outside the bring centre for the duration of works.

Waste Management Services continue to work with Dublin based artist collective, Creative Connections and the relevant Area Offices to animate bottle banks in highly visible and/or problematic locations. Work has recently been completed at Walkinstown Green, Tonlegee Road and East Road. Work is also ongoing on repainting a number of bottle banks in storage when weather permits with a view to replacing unsightly bottle banks in public spaces over the coming months.

### **School Programmes**

The Picker Pals Programme is an anti-litter initiative for primary schools from VOICE Ireland. The programme is funded by Dublin City Council and the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications. There are 82 classes within the Dublin City Council area taking part in this academic year. For more information, please visit [www.pickerpalsworld.org](http://www.pickerpalsworld.org).

The Composting for Schools Programme is a collaborative pilot project for the Dublin area from the four Dublin local authorities and the Eastern-Midland Regional Waste Office. 39 schools from the DCC area are participating. Teachers and other school staff took part in a series of training workshops to learn about composting. An expert from Composting Ireland is now visiting participating schools to help establish a composting system at the school.

The Green-Schools Programme continues to be delivered to primary and secondary schools throughout Dublin City Council. Environmental Awareness staff have now visited each school seeking to renew their Green Flag Award for the 2020-2022 academic period. For further information, please contact [greenschools@dublincity.ie](mailto:greenschools@dublincity.ie)

### **Community Environment Action Fund**

The completion deadline for projects funded under the previous 2019/2020 grant scheme was the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2021. It is anticipated that a new scheme will be announced by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications in early 2022. For more information about the CEAF, please contact [ceaf@dublincity.ie](mailto:ceaf@dublincity.ie).

### **Global Circular Economy Hotspot 2023 event to be held in Dublin.**

We are delighted to announce that the Eastern & Midlands Regional Waste Management Planning Office (EMRWMP) in partnership with the Rediscovery Centre, Dublin City Council and Circuleire, was successful in winning a bid to host the Circular Economy Hotspot 2023 event in Dublin.

Now in its fifth year, the Circular Economy Hotspot has become a global flagship event on the circular economy calendar and has been previously hosted by the Netherlands, Scotland, Belgium, Luxembourg and Catalonia. In 2023, for the first time, Dublin will host the Hotspot alongside two other global regions: Lagos, Nigeria and Chile.

Hosting the European Circular Economy Hotspot in 2023 will bring international visibility to circular economic initiatives here in Ireland, and will create international opportunities for Dublin and the greater Dublin region. It will also provide a platform for Irish organizations keen to make the circular transition, creating a circular legacy for Irish citizens and businesses. Furthermore, through a programme of citizen engagement, Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin will aim to bring the circular economy to life, making it relevant to the day to day life of Dubliners.

The successful bid was led by the Rediscovery Centre and supported by 30 organizations from Government, Public-Sector, Industry, 3rd Level Education and Social Enterprise, including The Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, the Department of Rural and Community Development, the Department of Agriculture, the East-Midlands Regional Assembly and the Environmental Protection Agency.



### **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 Street and Henry Street 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. Phase 2 of the project launched in November 2021 more than doubling units of recycling on the go bins and widening locations to neighbouring streets. An increased public awareness campaign will take place throughout March and April. Project review and report will be available from Hubbub in Q2 2022.

### **Housing Waste Recycling Project**

The Housing Waste Project was suspended for the majority of 2021 due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions. The project restarted in late November and inspections of housing and older persons' complexes in Ballyfermot/Drimnagh were conducted by Waste Management Services in tandem with Housing Maintenance and the relevant South Central Area Housing personnel. Inspections in this area are now completed and the introduction of brown and green bins to older persons' complexes and housing complexes where feasible will begin in Q2 2022.

Assessments of existing bins and bin areas in older person's complexes in Central, North Central and North West Areas will begin in Q2 2022.

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

Dublin City Councils online bulky waste ordering system is now fully digital and customers can now request and pay for a service collection 24/7 as the entire process is fully automated through the Citizen Hub Platform. Customers can now complete the ordering process from beginning to end including making secure payment without the need to go through our customer services department.

There is no material change to the actual service itself, how it operates or cost. It has simply been improved and enhanced by allowing customers to access the service at any time of the day or night. <https://citizenhub.dublincity.ie> Customers can also access the form through our website [Bulky Household Waste Collection Services | Dublin City Council](#)

Our customer services centre will remain available between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday to assist customers who want information about the service or who wish to place an order.

### **Dublin City Neighbourhoods Awards 2022 /IPB Pride of Place Competition**

The City Neighbourhoods Awards 2022 will take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022 in Croke Park. Arrangements are in place for an area wide competition and groups have already shown their excitement by cleaning and planting their neighbourhoods. IPB Pride of Place have confirmed

that the 2021 awards will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> May in Killarney. Entries were Bloomin' Crumlin/Kimmage and Finglas Tidy Towns.

### **Team Dublin Clean-up**

The Team Dublin Clean will take place on 30<sup>th</sup> April to coincide with the National Spring Clean month. This is the day where 80 to 100 groups from all over Dublin come together to clean-up Dublin. Arrangements are in place to distribute equipment and supplies to the groups and Waste Management Services will collect and dispose of the bags after the clean-up.

Plans are also in place this year to include the Liffey Sweeper, which is managed by the Irish Nautical Trust, and local rowing clubs to come together to clean the river Liffey.

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

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

### **Protection 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:

- The Santry River Restoration and Greenway Project is a cross-agency, multi-disciplinary project to produce a Masterplan, based on an options assessment, for the River Santry catchment in order to achieve the objectives set out in the Water Framework Directive, Floods Directive, Birds & habitats Directive and the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network. DCC is preparing a brief on the Santry River 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. A restricted procedure to engage consultants is currently underway. Tender submissions were received by the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and have been assessed. A successful candidate has been identified and letters of intention and regret are currently being prepared. We anticipate having a design consultant appointed by April 2022. This project is in collaboration with Parks, Landscape Services & Biodiversity, as well as the Sustainable Transport and Projects Section of the Roads and Traffic Division. Fingal County Council and Inland Fisheries Ireland are very supportive of this scheme. Funding is mainly from the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund, and, in the case of the greenway, the National Transport Authority.
- The Protection of Water Bodies Office is progressing a pilot surface water management project using Green Infrastructure principles. We have appointed a Consultant to design (and bring to implementation stage) a number of nature based water retention measures using a sustainable urban design approach at nine different locations in the Dodder and Santry river catchments. These Sustainable Drainage

Systems (SuDS) are expected to have the dual effect of reducing the rate of surface water runoff into sewers/watercourses, thus reducing the risk of downstream and local flooding. Equally important is the expected outcome of improving the water quality through percolating the surface water runoff through this green infrastructure approach prior to entering the nearby watercourses. Conducive with our goals for Climate Action, this pilot project will greatly enhance biodiversity opportunities in the public realm. Our office continues to liaise with our colleagues in Environment and Transportation, in the Parks Department and in the City Architect's Office to facilitate the implementation of this approach in public realm projects.

- The Protection of Water Bodies Office has taken the role of Project Manager for the Culvert Improvement Works – Screen Upgrade Works. The Successful Contractor has been identified from the tender process and it is anticipated this contract and the delivery of the construction stage of the project will take effect in quarter 2 of 2022.
- The Protection of Water Bodies Office presented the current Public Consultation on the Draft River Basin Management Plan to the Climate Action, Environment & Energy SPC on December 1<sup>st</sup>. This Public Consultation process is open until the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2022 and is being managed by the Local Authority's Water Programme (LAWPRO) on behalf of the Minister. That presentation is now available to view from the DCC webcast online library and further details are available on [www.catchments.ie](http://www.catchments.ie) and pertinent documents may be viewed on the website of the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage.

### **Bathing Waters**

A Bathing Waters Task Force (BWTF) was established in 2019 and includes Dublin City Council, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, Fingal County Council, the DHPLG and Irish Water. The BWTF's remit is to identify potential sources of pollutants affecting bathing water quality in Dublin Bay and eliminate, or remediate, the source of the pollutants. The primary objective being to protect public health, including that of sea swimmers. An enhanced programme of water quality testing has identified a number of significant misconnections and areas for further investigation. Misconnection inspections were disrupted by Covid-19 restrictions however, the surveys are scheduled to re-commence fully in Q2 of 2022 following government and HSE advice. DCC continues to support and collaborate with taskforce stakeholders to ensure a coordinated approach to remove bathing water pressures is achieved.

The Protection of Water Bodies Office made a submission on behalf Dublin City Council to the ongoing public consultation on 'Bathing Water Quality – Review of EU Rules' (EU Bathing Water Directive 2006). That consultation process is open to all members of the public. A copy of the DCC submission was circulated to members of the Climate Action, Environment & Energy SPC.

The Water Pollution Control Section have been invited to present the 2021 Bathing Water Report at the next SPC meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022. The report was published in November 2021 to provide the public and elected members with a broad overview of bathing water performance and pressures in Dublin City.

## **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.

The Working Group agreed 3 new appendices to the new Development Plan which support policies in that plan. These cover:

- Surface Water Management Plans.
- SuDS guidance
- Green Blue Roofs policy.

Three new guidance documents have been introduced:

- SuDS Design and Evaluation Guide
- Green Blue Roofs Guide
- SuDS Retrofit Guide

## **Flood Defence**

- Consultants have been appointed by DCC to investigate the reduction of flood risk across the DCC and SDCC sections of the River Camac. Environmental and topographical surveys are now completed. A computer model has been built to investigate tidal, fluvial and pluvial flood risks associated with the river. Preliminary flood extent maps are being verified.
- This study as with all other flood alleviation projects is being integrated into a desire to "de-culvert" and widen 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. The new City Edge project gives opportunities to achieve some of this.

## **Climate Action Team**

The Climate Action Team submitted an Expression of Interest for the EU Mission 100 Climate Neutral and Smart Cities on January 31<sup>st</sup>. The EU Mission has confirmed that Dublin City meets the eligibility criteria and our submission is being considered for participation in the Mission. The outcome of the selection process is to be announced in late April/early May. There were 377 submissions from cities across Europe.

The Climate Action Team is currently exploring the potential of participating in EU funding calls led by academia. Consideration is being given to projects that will further climate action. The Climate Action Team with EMRWMPPO was involved in a bid for Dublin to be the 2023 Circular Hotspot. The application was led by the Rediscovery Centre and was successful.

The Climate Action Team's Creative Ireland funded project "Eat the Streets!" that was focused on food and climate change, was successfully completed. Next steps for the project are being considered in terms of a future annual event and potential for a food strategy. The Climate Action Team invited the public to complete the Edible Dublin: Food Strategy survey. The survey closed on February 14<sup>th</sup> with 362 responses. The next step is to analyse the responses and identify focus groups to explore ideas emerging from the survey responses.

DCC's application for the Creative Climate Action Fund was successful and we will be working with the Arts Office to implement this project which will engage residents of Crumlin.

DCC's application to participate in IURC was successful and we are partnered with Seoul, South Korea. This is an 18 to 24 month programme that will involve study exchanges with key stakeholders in the city of Seoul on the topics of climate change and COVID recovery. There have been three bilateral meetings with DCC staff and Seoul staff discussing active travel. Plans are underway for study visits to progress pilot actions that will be implemented in Dublin and Seoul.

The Climate Action Team is involved in a stakeholder group feeding into the development Local Authority Climate Action Plan Guidelines by the EPA and MAREI.

The Climate Action Team is developing a plan for engaging communities on local climate action that will involve the area offices. It is envisaged that there will be workshops where councillors will be invited to attend to ensure meaningful engagement and collaboration with residents.

### **Climate Action Regional Office**

CARO, the four Dublin Local Authorities and SMART Dublin are part of an EV Regional group. The group has an agreed strategy. The stakeholder engagement part of this strategy has been completed and discussions with the Dept. of Transport regarding funding and procurement support have taken place. The DoT have published a Draft Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy which the CAROs and LA sector will be consulted.

Green procurement training with Greenville Procurement Partners Ltd., as the contractor is in the development stage. CARO is working with the contractor tailoring the training to suit local authority needs. Local authority case studies will be included. This training is following on from the Climate Action Charter 2019 whereby local authorities have pledged to implement green public procurement strategy and procedures across all business areas. Training in this area for local authority staff will commence in April. A half-hour introductory session for staff is planned for mid-April. The invitations will come through the local authority training officers.

CARO is continuing the roll out of the Local Authority Climate Action Training programme for local authority staff. It is organised into six training pillars 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>

The 'Championing Leadership' Climate Action Training for senior management and elected representatives of DCC, FCC and SDCC and DLRCC have all taken place. The DLRCC session takes place on March 25<sup>th</sup>. The Dublin CARO Coordinator gave an opening presentation at the training sessions. There was a catch up opportunity to attend the 'Championing Leadership' pillar on 1<sup>st</sup> April for those who missed their earlier session which was well attended. The Actioning Policy pillar for training specialist groups e.g. planners in DCC will continue across 2022 and 2023.

CARO, in collaboration with Age Friendly Ireland is planning a series of Climate Action' workshops to take place during 2022. A hybrid model of in person and virtual workshops, beginning in May, is being planned. The procurement process is underway.

Línte na Farraige is one of the 15 successful Creative Ireland Climate Action fund projects, Dublin CARO collaborated with Local Authorities, artists and 3rd level institutes and other partners on this project. Two CARO staff are part of the project team. The potential sites have been selected in Fingal CC, Wexford CC, Galway CC and DLRCC. The sites, subject to approval by the local authorities and ministerial consent as they are national heritage and archaeological monuments, and subject to adequate funding. The illumination may be in place for up to six months. The proposed Línte installations will use illuminated LED horizontal lines to represent future sea-level and storm surges. An interactive website and community engagement activities will be part of the installation. Trialling the use of climate games in local schools to promote climate action and awareness is proposed as part of the Línte project. The project is progressing. A Línte *promotional* video is being developed and the installations are planned to be in place Q3 2022.

*Creative Climate Action Crumlin* is a series of climate projects to raise awareness, enhance the environment and change life styles. CARO's role in this project is setting out and verifying climate targets and synergies with the Climate Action Plan 2021 and CCAP. A project manager has been appointed through public procurement by the Dublin City Arts Office, who are responsible for the project overall. CARO attend the fortnightly working group meetings with DCC and other partners. The project budget has been agreed. The evaluation of behavioural change in the community will begin in 2022 with input of the Economic and Social Research Unit (ESRI). The project is ongoing.

The Dublin Gazette are running a Making Dublin Greener competition for primary schools over 8 weeks. The free gazette is available across the Dublin Metropolitan region. CARO have sponsored competition prizes for the spring Dublin Gazette 'Making Dublin Greener' competition for Dublin primary schools. <https://dublinalgazette.com/news/digital-gazette/dublin-gazette-digital-edition-march-10-2022-2/>

CARO are represented on a national technical advisory group to assist LAs in preparing new national guidance to prepare 'Climate Action Plans' as per the requirement in the Low Carbon and Climate Action (Amendment) Act 2021. DCC and Codema are also represented

on this advisory group. This Draft Guidance is currently with DECC for agreement and wider circulation to the LA sector.

Dublin CARO prepared a response on behalf of the four CAROs nationally as a key stakeholder on the revised National Adaptation Framework (NAF). A full public consultation on the NAF is planned for April 2022 and the CARO will encourage LA Climate Team to make appropriate submissions.

The third Working group report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) was also released in April further underlining the urgent need for climate action across all sectors to reduce our emissions and adapt to the impact climate change is causing now and will continue to cause in the future.

CARO is collaborating on a Green Roof project with UCD. The purpose of the project is to investigate how effective green roofs are in decreasing storm water runoff from developments and the extent of flooding. Progress on this project has been delayed by COVID. It is proposed that Baseline data will be collated on public and private sector roofs over a period of one year with data being used to calculate water attenuation from a flood prevention perspective.

Dublin CARO is supporting Smart Cities Climate Action Data Challenge competition to use open data to promote and support climate action. The challenge was launched 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022. The close for applications is 25<sup>th</sup> April.

As an expert partner in the GAA Green Clubs programme, Dublin CARO took part in the GAA Green Clubs event in the Connaught Centre for Excellence in Mayo on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. It was the first face to face event held for clubs due to COVID and attendees viewed a range of sustainability measures such as photo voltaic solar panels, electric vehicle chargers, tree planting, grey water recycling and waste management were on display.

Further updates and events are posted regularly on [www.caro.ie](http://www.caro.ie) and for the Dublin CARO on twitter @DublinCARO. Dublin CARO leads in publishing the quarterly CARO newsletter. The fifth edition will be published in late March. There are over 600 signed up to receive the newsletter. It covers a broad range of climate change issues and has an item focusing on one local authority per edition. You can sign up to the CARO newsletter at [www.caro.ie/#newsletter](http://www.caro.ie/#newsletter).

## **Energy Management**

By end 2020, DCC had improved its energy performance by 41.9%, compared to the baseline years 2006-2008, clearly surpassing its 2020 efficiency goal of 33%. In 2020, DCC consumed a total of 160 gigawatt hours (GWh) of primary energy; this is the equivalent of 28,143 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> with an associated energy cost of €11.2 million. This represents an absolute reduction of 75 GWh in primary energy when compared to the baseline, (17,315t CO<sub>2</sub>). The 2020 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 to the efforts of each significant energy user within the council 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, Executive Manager). 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. Targets for 2030 have now been clearly defined for Local Authorities and an evaluation of DCC's 'gap to target' is underway. This will allow for a planned response in terms of number and scale of projects, with a particular focus on thermal and transport, to achieve objectives. It will also highlight resource requirements. The DeliveREE project, a collaboration across the 4DLAs together with coordination by Codema, is looking to aggregate and scale projects of significance and to use performance contracting to help us achieve our 2030 targets. Another project nearing service phase is the upgrade of heating and lighting in the O'Brien Institute, the Fire Brigades training centre.

### **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 was launched in late September 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. 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 44 electric vehicles currently operating in the city. CARO are working on a national LA Fleet guidance document and Cathal Mc Coy (DCC Fleet) has agreed to sit on a working group set up by the CAROs for this project on behalf of Dublin LAs.

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

### **Ambient Air Monitoring Network**

The newest local air quality monitoring station was commissioned at Mountjoy Square during March and the data can be viewed online at <https://dublincityairandnoise.ie/> .

An update on the Air View Project in collaboration with Google will be presented to the Climate Action, Environment & Energy SPC in April.

The new air quality station at Donnybrook Fire Station is now operating and the data can be viewed online at <https://dublincityairandnoise.ie/> .

### **Rapid Deployment Active Travel Measures**

Following consultation with the Glasnevin Educate Together School and the Parents and Teachers Committee it is proposed to facilitate the setting up of a Park and Stride arrangement for the school to help alleviate congestion at the school gate. Once the Park and Stride scheme has been established it is proposed to extend the protected cycle lane along the Southside of Griffith Avenue Ext as far as Ballygall Road East. Cycle protection has been installed on Rathfarnham Road and South Circular Road.

Designs for the proposed 2 way cycle lane linking the Alfie Byrne Road and East Road were published on our consultation hub on the 24th of February. Tenders have been received and subject to their approval we would intend on awarding the contract in May with a view to starting construction in late May or early June 2022.

Designs are being developed to protect the cycle lanes on the Navan Road between Kempton Avenue and Ratoath Road.

### **Schools Mobility Programme**

A School Zone is an initiative designed to give priority to students at the school gate by freeing up footpaths and reducing vehicle drop-offs, pick-ups and idling. The aim is to reduce congestion and increase safety at the front of school (and provide space for social distancing during the pandemic), and prioritise active travel to and from school. Dublin City Council received 119 eligible applications for a School Zone. School Zone treatments have been installed at 67 of these Schools, leaving a further 52 awaiting treatment. Schools on 30 km/h roads were initially prioritized for treatment.

The breakdown of the School Zones completed per administrative area of Dublin City are 13 for the South East Area, 16 for the South Central Area, 14 for the Central Area, 9 for the North Central Area and 15 for the North West Area. The breakdown of School Zones awaiting treatment per administrative area of Dublin City are 14 for the South East Area, 2 for the South Central Area, 13 for the Central Area, 17 for the North Central Area and 5 for North West Area.

At the start of 2022, the 67 completed School Zones were invited to complete an online survey of their experience of the School Zone. To date we have received a 19.5% response rate. The main areas of investigation are:

- Perceived changes in regards to parking on the footpath, other illegal parking, congestion and speeding pre and post School Zone Installation.
- Perceived changes for safety at the school gate since the School Zone installation.
- Perceived changes in the number of children walking, cycling or scooting to school and additional supports required to promote this.
- Experience of engaging with local residents concerning the School Zone installation and feedback from this.
- Any awareness raising or messaging carried out by the school with their school community on the SZ and to identify any damage or repairs needed. The School Mobility Officer is contacting the outstanding schools to increase response rate to this survey.

The Roads & Traffic - Road Safety Education & Training/School Warden Service are auditing the condition of the completed School Zones from the design drawings as part of their current audit on the needs for current and future School Warden crossings.

Collaboration is continuing with School Warden Service, Parking Enforcement and Green-Schools Travel Officers, local area offices and community Gardaí on the development of information for schools in promoting the effective use of their SZ in terms of promoting legal, respectful and sensible parking and driving in an around schools. The School Zone brand will need to be associated strongly with the expectation on parents not to drive into the SZ area. Parents dropping off children directly at their school can be perceived as a timely, convenient and safe route to school despite the resultant traffic congestion and lack of physical space at the gates. Initial discussions with the community Gardaí and DCC parking enforcement

officers reveal that their ability to be present at all school times to be able to issue fines will not be a practical solution to continued problematic parking around schools. In the coming months the School Mobility Officer will work with the Green-Schools Travel Officers to promote alternative parking cycles buses and walking buses for current schools.

Following the results of the survey and audit of School Zones aligned to Warden services we will identify some pilot sites for a joint communication campaign with schools.

We are maintaining contact with all schools in regards to the status of their SZ and responding to all requests for updates

The Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Programme, which was launched by the Government in March 2021, aims to create safer walking and cycling routes within communities, alleviate congestion at the school gates and increase the number of students who walk or cycle to school by providing walking and cycling facilities. The SRTS programme expands its remit past the school gates and encompasses physical measures along the route to school. Precise details of the works to be undertaken in and around the individual schools will be determined after a detailed assessment has been carried out by the relevant local authority.

Twenty-seven schools in the Dublin City Council area were placed in Round 1 of the SRTS roll out. Thirteen of these have already received a School Zone. A further 23 schools were placed in subsequent rounds. Any SRTS application on a 50km/h road who also applied for a School Zone will be prioritised in the first instance.

We are supporting An Taisce Green-Schools to obtain all the required information from these Schools for the SRTS analysis, including parent surveys of where and how they make their School journey. To fast-track the implementation of both School Zones and SRTS infrastructure, we are preparing a Request to Tender document to engaging professional services for the design of these schemes.

Any school which has not applied under either the School Zone or SRTS schemes, cannot be prioritized for intervention prior to those which have. However, we are noting the requests and assisting customers to make an appropriate referral to either Traffic Advisory Group, School Warden Service, Parking Enforcement or alternative Sustainable Transport Projects that may be planned for the area.

A Tender to engage professional services for the design of additional measures to completed School Zones, awaiting School Zones and Safe Routes to School is now live.

Information on a **Park and Stride** - Alternative Parking for parents of Glasnevin Educate Together has been developed to support the extension of the protected Griffith Avenue cycle route. The school will be supported to use this after Easter.

### **Bicycle Heroes Project**

The Bicycle Heroes Project facilitates pupils to create local solutions to barriers to cycling and become cycling advocates. Children have a unique perspective on their surroundings yet often go unheard. That's why a coalition of organisations are enabling young people to tackle urban challenges head on with a project shared between Dublin, Lisbon and Rome, that gives city building tools to children. Throughout 2022 young people will compete to create solutions to local cycling barriers, before working with city authorities to implement the best ones. Bicycle Heroes: Youth Voices for Active Mobility and is supported by EIT Urban Mobility, an initiative from the European Institute of Innovation & Technology, a body of the European Union. The

programme has been piloted by coordinating organisation BYCS over the last five years in the Netherlands. BYCS is an Amsterdam-based global NGO supporting community-led urban change through cycling. Nearly ten thousand children have taken part in the initial awareness and problem-solving phase of the program, leading to the selection of approximately 150 Bicycle Heroes. The 2022 project builds on these successes.

Dublin City Council are rolling out the Bicycle Heroes Project in Dublin in partnership with Trinity College Dublin and European Partners. Local co-ordinator is Dublin Bicycle Mayor, Donna Cooney. The Project kicked off in March 2022 with a pilot workshop for transition year students in Trinity College. Students were tasked with designing active travel solutions for the route from Heuston Station to Trinity College Dublin. Following this, Dublin City Council invited three schools to participate in the Bicycle Heroes Project. The three schools were chosen due to their participation in the Trinity Access Programme and their commitment to sustainable travel to school – as highlighted by their application under either the School Zones and/or Safe Routes to School programmes. Bicycle Heroes will complement the SZ and SRTS programmes by providing additional engagement with the pupils and will look beyond the school gate to the route to school, and also the route to Trinity College in the City Centre. Over the month of May, and specifically during Bike Week, workshops will be held with pupils where they will be facilitated to reimagine their streets to create safer active routes to school and to Trinity College. Pupils will be given the opportunity to present their visions for better routes to engineers, planners and decision makers to influence infrastructure in their own communities. An exhibition of the proposals and designs will be celebrated at venues associated with Dublin City Council and Trinity College Dublin in Autumn 2022.

### **Handshake Immersive Symposium**

Dublin City Council is participating in an EU project called Handshake. The project involves thirteen cities collaborating on over 60 measures across 23 different types of solutions, which are designed to make cycling a more attractive everyday mode of transport. As part of this project, Dublin is being mentored by Amsterdam and the 2 cities are taking part in an immersive symposium in Dublin from the 23rd to the 25th of March. Once the agenda is finalised, invitations to relevant sessions will be issued directly to all Councillors.

### **The Active Travel (AcT) Programme**

The Active Travel Programme Office has been set up with effect from 14th February 2022 with Andy G. Walsh as the appointed Director for the Active Travel (AcT) Programme.

Several staff have been transferred from the Traffic Division to work on delivering the cycling and walking network. Additional staff are currently also being recruited to the new Office to ensure full resourcing.

One Senior Transportation Officer and two Senior Engineers have added to the Active Travel Team and a further number of engineers will shortly be appointed following recent interviews.

**The Clontarf to City Centre (C2CC) Cycle and Bus Priority Project** commenced works on the 28th of March with a ceremonial sod turning by Lord Mayor of Dublin Alison Gilliland.

**Interim Schemes:** A constraints analysis of the Dublin City Cycle Network is underway in order to identify sections of routes where interim cycle measures can be delivered within the next 18 to 24 months.

The design of interim measures along the following routes has commenced: Prospect Way, Harolds Cross to Ballymount, Kilmainham to Thomas St and Rathmines to Milltown.

Topographical and drone surveys of these route corridors have been completed and design teams are preparing preliminary design drawings. These will be discussed initially with the representatives of the Administrative Area Offices and Elected Representatives before proceeding to further consultation which is expected to be undertaken in Q2/Q3 2022.

The Dodder Greenway (Herbert Park to Donnybrook). The Contractor appointment for the main construction contract for the remaining leg within Herbert Park will be awarded in May 2022. This project will be delivered during Q1 2023. The Contractors will be mobilising for the main works by May 2022.

The tender for the works for the Royal Canal (Phase 3) has been published.

The amending Part VIII for the Royal Canal (Phase 4) will be put back on public display during May 2022.

Additional details and information will be available for next month's edition of this report.

This Active Travel Programme office (AcTPO) will issue its first comprehensive Quarterly report at the May Full Council Meeting.

### **Sustainable City Centre Strategy**

The Covid-19 Crisis and the changes that it has brought to the city and its likely knock on consequences on the city's transport needs and the overall mobility movements in the city require that the existing City Centre Transport Strategy document be updated. This will require DCC to both look at the pattern of mobility in the city pre Covid-19 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 worked closely 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 issued to the Elected Members in June. The Planning Department finalised the Draft Development Plan ahead of issuing it to the Chief Executive for review in August 2021.

The Draft Development Plan was subsequently circulated to the Elected Members in September after which over 350 motions were received and responded to by the Chief Executive. The motions were debated at length during three Special Council meetings in early November, after which amendments were made to the Draft Plan on foot of the agreed motions.

The Draft Development Plan will now be put on formal public display for 10 weeks on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 until mid-February 2022. Further stages of consultation, amendments to Plan and preparation of CE Reports will be carried out in Q2 and Q3 2022, with the Transportation Planning Division continuing their role in assisting the Planning Department in the Plan making process.

The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment is being updated as part of the New Development Plan.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
1	College Green Dame St Project	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 proposal for the College Green area. A Strategic Assessment is currently being undertaken to develop the rationale for the project, and to identify the key objectives. The revised proposal is intended to include the section of Dame Street up to the junction with South Great Georges Street.
2.	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 5 – Duke Street / South Anne Street 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. The non-statutory public consultation closed on 20 <sup>th</sup> February, found 91% of respondents would like the current temporary traffic arrangements to remain in place. The full report has been published on the Consultation Hub. Further consultation will be held with businesses and other stakeholders prior to completing the preliminary design and starting the Part 8 process.
3.	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.
4.	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. A Consultant Landscape Architect has been procured for this project.
5.	Dodder Bridge	DCC/LIHAAF/N TA	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 are being progressed by DCC but NTA will also lodge for CPOs.
6.	Blood Stoney Bridge	DCC	RPS/COWI	It was decided at a recent steering group meeting that DCC will not pursue a further planning application at the Blood Stoney Location. Options are now being reviewed with regards options for progressing a bridge at the original Forbes St location
7.	Point Pedestrian & Cycling Bridge and Tom Clarke Bridge Widening works.	DCC/NTA	Roughan & O'Donovan Consulting Engineers Ltd & others	Concept design options are being finalised.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
8.	Temple Bar Square Refurbishment	DCC	DCC	The Main Works (e.g. repaving, public lighting, green infrastructure etc) will commence in 2022 with completion in 2023.
9.	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.
10.	Liffey Street Public Realm Improvements	DCC	DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers	Detailed design complete and tender documents being reviewed for issue Q1 2022. The proposed public lighting is being reviewed at present.
11.	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.
12.	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 Pleanála, 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.
13.	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. Preliminary flood extent maps from computer model being investigated.
14.	Dodder Phase 3 Clonskeagh Orwell Bridge	DCC/DLRCC/ OPW	Byrne Looby	Environmental and topographical survey's completed. 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. Preliminary flood extent maps from computer model being investigated.
15.	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.
16.	Culvert Improvement Works – Screen Upgrade Works	DCC	Tobin Consulting Engineers (TCE)	Detailed design at 17 culvert screen sites located throughout the city completed. This project has recently transferred the PWB Office to manage to the Construction stage, expected in Q2 2022. Preferred Contractor identified.



## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
17.	Wad River Flood Alleviation Scheme	DCC	Nicholas O'Dwyer	Consultant appointed. Landowners and major stakeholders being contacted. New Ecological, site investigation and topographical surveys completed at Howth Road and Clontarf Promenade. Preliminary design ongoing. . Wayleave agreements being progressed. Preparing environmental submission to An Bord Pleanála.
18.	Traffic Works – Package 7 – Lot 2.	NTA / DCC	Atkins	Consultant appointed. Finalising Designs.
19.	Traffic Works – Package 8.	NTA	DBFL / Atkins	Consultants appointed. At Preliminary Design Stage.
20.	Point Junction Upgrade	DCC/NTA	Arup	Design work has recommenced on this project with a review of the previous Part 8 design underway.
21.	Green Infrastructure Pilot Project	DCC	McCloy's	Consultants are appointed to prepare a detailed design for 9 pilot sites adjacent to the Dodder and Santry Rivers. The purpose is to introduce effective surface water management infrastructure to support biodiversity and meeting our EU Water Framework Directive objectives. Design work has commenced on this project.

## Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

### Projects at Construction Stage

#	Scheme Name	Client	Contractor	Start Date	End Date	Comment
1	Dodder Flood alleviation works, Phase 2.	ARUP DCC	OPW	Aug 2007	Dec 2021	Construction ongoing at Beech Hill road. Programmed completion Q4 2022. New Contractor Appointed March 2022.
2	South Campshires flood alleviation works	AECOM	OPW, Rock Roadstone and KN Network Services	Oct 2014	Nov 2019	Scheme is operational and all outstanding minor elements completed in 2019. Contractor for sealed manholes investigating options for sealing 13m gap in flood defences on Sir John Rogerson's Quay.

3	Sillogue Infrastructure Scheme	DCC	KN Circet	Nov 2020	Dec 2022	Works are progressing on the realignment of Sillogue Avenue. The diversion of utilities is now complete. The laying of kerbs and construction of footways is ongoing. The Road closure at the Sillogue Rd end of the scheme is now finished and the new road has been opened to traffic at this location. Works have commenced on the new surface and foul drainage network within Sillogue Gardens, which will be followed by upgrades of the footpaths and carriageways.
4	Francis Street Improvement Scheme	DCC	KN Circet	Oct 2020	Dec 2021	Construction on site has commenced. Works are progressing. The contractor has increased resources on site.
5.	Traffic Works Package 7 – Lot 1.	DCC	Citius	Oct 2021	Dec 2021	At Construction Stage
6.	Belmayne Main Street & Belmayne Avenue	DCC	Coffey Construction Ltd.	Oct 2021	Dec 2022	Coffey's have commenced works in Phase 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7, which has included; site clearance, planning of existing carriageway, and earthworks. ESB 38KV ducting works are 85% complete.
7.	Fitzwilliam Quay	DCC	Cunningham Civil & Marine	Nov 2021	Feb 2022	Reduction of seepage through sea wall. Construction and sealing substantially completed. Painting of sheet piles underway for next 6 weeks.
8.	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4A - Clarendon Row	DCC	Cairn Construction	Jan 2022	July 2022	Works are progressing well. The new watermain and fibre ducts have been installed. New footpaths are 20% complete on the east side and 60% complete on the west side. The Dublin Bike stand has been reinstated and commissioning works are underway. A new drinking water fountain has been installed and will be operational before Easter.
9	River Road Wall	DCC	John Cradock Ltd	Nov 2021	Feb 2022	Construction of a new retaining wall using concrete crib and reconstruction of the parapet wall with a reinforced concrete coping was prepared. The design also includes for new surface water gullies on River Road and ducting and foundation sleeves for future public lighting.

## Planning & Property Development

### New Policy/Strategic

The new draft City Development Plan 2022-28, provides for approximately 40,000 new homes over the next 6 years, with associated social and physical infrastructure. Submissions on the Draft Plan will be considered by the elected members in July, with the Plan scheduled to be made this November.

Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
<b>Development Plan 2022-2028</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Plan consultation process complete and work on the CE Report being finalised, due to issue on the 29 of April.</li> <li>• Workshops are scheduled for Elected Members to brief them on the CE Report and to give advice on motions.</li> <li>• Special Council Meetings Scheduled for early July</li> </ul>	<p>Elected Members consider the CE Report on Submissions received on the Draft Plan Workshop to take place in early May Motions to be prepared and submitted by the 27<sup>th</sup> of May</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>• Sillogue Avenue road realignment on-site.</li>   <li>• Site 1: Shopping centre.</li>   <li>• Plaza: Part 8 approved, Sept 21</li> <li>• Site 10: PPP bundle No. 3: for senior citizens. 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. Closing documents issued.</li> <li>• Site 22/23: O’Cualann site: near completion.</li> <li>• Site 25: Site transferred to O’Cualann. Site divided into 2: planning lodged for new senior citizen housing, 26.10.21, invalidated, to resubmit.</li> </ul>	<p>Awaiting decision on HSE bid. Meetings with NTA ongoing re Metro. Feasibility of upgrades to Balbutcher Lane North underway; liaising with Bus Connects. Development Strategy for Site 1 went to March NWAC for noting and April Council meeting. Opportunity for a funfair to use front part of Site 1 subject to licensing. Potential for market on rear portion of site. Site 10: Pre-Part 8 expected Q1 2022.</p> <p>Sites 12 &amp; 14: Part 8 expected Q 1 2022. Site 21: Due on site March 2022.</p> <p>Site 22: Substantially complete. Site 25: Phase 1: Planning application on senior citizens to be re-submitted 2022. Phase 2: Land boundary</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site at Carton: offered to O’Cualann. On-hold till road realignment resolved.</li> <li>• Site 19: offered to O’Cualann.</li> <li>• Sites 5 &amp; 18: proposed for PPP bundle No. 4.</li> </ul>	<p>issues to be resolved. Pre-planning meeting 24.01.22. Site at Carton: on hold pending road design.</p> <p>Site 19: red line boundary under review. Design being progressed with O’Cualann architects.</p> <p>Site 5, 15, 16, 17 &amp; 18: with Dept. for consideration under PPP 4.</p> <p>Site 8: to be offered to the AHB protocol for general housing.</p> <p>Site 13: DCC senior citizens housing: design team to be appointed.</p> <p>Site 6 &amp; 8: Issue of 2-storey housing on site to be resolved.</p>
<b>Park West – Cherry Orchard LAP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site 1: Serviced site fund. Design on-going.</li> <li>• Site 4 &amp; 5: LDA to bring site to Planning Stage</li> <li>• Site 6, 7 &amp; 8: Greenseed sites: Site 6, SHD pre-planning held with ABP, 17/02/21; reasonable basis for SHD decision issued 01/03/21.</li> <li>• Cherry Orchard Park: redesign scheduled for delivery 2021-2022</li> <li>• Equine centre to extend boundary: works to be carried out by DCC.</li> <li>• Site 3B: talks underway with CDET B re St. Oliver’s Training Centre.</li> <li>• School planning</li> </ul>	<p>Site 1: Part 8 expected March 2022.</p> <p>Site 4 &amp; 5: LDA have appointed a design team to commence work in a 3 phase approach</p> <p>Site 6: SHD for Phase 1 lodged Dec 2021.</p> <p>Cherry Orchard Park: Design to be completed 2022.</p> <p>Site 2: delivery mechanism to be agreed.</p> <p>Preplanning with Cherry Orchard crèche regarding expansion into DCC lands-site 2. Liaison meeting DES to be organised.</p>
<b>Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>LIHAF and NTA funded ‘Main Street’ Belmayne is currently on site.</p> <p>Revision to Belmayne Masterplan published.</p>
<b>Finglas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finglas Strategy 2021 – complete. Many of proposed re-zonings did not make it to the Draft Development plan stage.</li> <li>• Luas: Talks on Finglas LUAS on-going with TII</li> <li>• Jamestown: Variation No.33 incl. SDR for Jamestown, adopted 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021.</li> </ul>	<p>Luas: public consultation on preferred route; submissions due 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021. Meetings with TII on-going.</p> <p>Jamestown: 4 March meeting with landowners in Ballymun Civic Centre. 11 March - Project Brief issued to</p>

		landowners. Meeting with Project Manager to be organised. Work with landowners and State Bodies Masterplan to be drafted. Update meeting with Finglas Employers Group to be organised.
<b>North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SDZ Height review amendments; High Court Judgement made on 7<sup>th</sup> January has quashed ABPs decision.</li> </ul>	Decision that ABP now reconsider the heights amendment application, starting the process as of March 2021.
<b>Poolbeg West SDZ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Further Information Request issued in relation to planning application for 638 residential units.</li> <li>370 unit application (Phase 2).</li> <li>Current application for retention of tree removal and provision of compensation habitat</li> </ul>	<p>Permission granted.</p> <p>Decision due 26 April 2022. Additional Information requested.</p>
<b>Public Realm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>South Anne's St.- Presentation to stakeholders and Councillors being arranged in advance of initiating Part 8</li> <li>Wolfe Tone Square, Ballyfermot Park and Bridgefoot St all at advanced stage and will reopen after planting season this quarter.</li> <li>Francis St progressing due to complete Q3 Eastern side is nearly complete with tree planting complete .</li> <li>Construction tender to issue for Liffey Street new framework means longer cooling off period.</li> </ul>	
<b>Redevelopment of the Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conservation survey and specification work is being carried out to inform DCC position. The Members Advisory Group will meet prior to issue.</li> </ul>	Issue tender after Advisory Group Meeting
<b>O' Connell Street Special Scheme of Planning Control</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work commencing on review of 2016 scheme</li> <li>Pre Consultation draft noted by City Council at April Meeting</li> </ul>	Survey complete. SEA/AA screening completed. Book of Reference to be completed by Law Department by end May Next stage public consultation 8 weeks.
<b>Urban Regeneration and Development Fund</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Call 1 – Awarded</li> </ul>	Strategic Framework being finalised. June presentation and sign off to Council.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Edge (Naas Road / Ballymount / Park West Masterplan) – Joint DCC / SDCC project.</li> <li>• Call 1 – Category B Kilmainham / Inchicore Development Strategy.</li> <li>• Call 2 – Bid 4 bids submitted 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020, in collaboration with Departments across DCC</li> </ul>	<p>Complete.</p> <p>North Inner City and South Inner City bids successful. €173 million awarded to 23 projects. Preliminary business cases being prepared for DHLGH.</p>
<b>Draft NTA Strategy for GDA</b>	Public consultation period ended.	Observations from DCC submitted to NTA.
<b>DART + WEST (Maynooth Line)</b>	Irish Rail consultations continue.	Meeting with Conservation to discuss the design of parapet works complete.
<b>DART + SOUTH WEST (Kildare Line)</b>	Irish Rail EIAR Photomontage viewpoints issued for comment.	Complete.
<b>DART + Coastal NORTH (Belfast Line)</b>	Non-statutory consultation on Emerging Preferred Option. Public consultation 24 February to 8 April 2022.	9 March briefed by Irish Rail on Public Consultation No 2. 8 April DCC corporate response issued.
<b>DART + Coastal SOUTH</b>	Irish Rail data requested in December 2021.	Project meetings to follow.
<b>Metrolink</b>	Current pre-Railway Order engagement with TII. Preliminary Design drawings being reviewed.	Review of preliminary design complete. Issued as part of DCC corporate response.
<b>BusConnects</b>	CBC 1 Clongriffin to City Centre lodged for planning consent with An Bord Pleanála.	8 weeks public consultation 28 March to 2 June. DCC corporate submission being prepared.
<b>Finglas LUAS</b>	Ongoing meetings with TII re Preferred Option. Comments issued on preferred route 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2022.	Monthly preliminary/planning meetings on going. Lodgement of Railway Order Q2 2023.
<b>Gulistan Depot</b>	Non statutory masterplan for development of former depot site in Rathmines has gone on public display. Chief Executives Report on submission presented to December South Central Area Committee. 14 March South East Area Committee briefed/updated.	Feedback from public consultation being incorporated into finalised Masterplan.

**Departmental Priority**

Major Current Issues	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage														
<p><b>Active Land Management</b></p> <p><b>Derelict Sites Register</b></p>         <p><b>Vacant Sites Register</b></p>	<p><b>21, 27 &amp; 29 and rear of 21-29 Richmond Ave, D3.</b> The site vested in the Council on 22/05/21. Housing Department to prepare a feasibility study for future use of site.</p> <p><b>Compulsory Acquisitions</b></p> <p>Notices of intention to acquire the following derelict sites compulsorily were served on owners on 9/12/2021. The period for making objections to the proposed acquisitions ends 21/01/2022.</p> <p>11 Annamoe Terrace, Cabra, D7 1 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 2 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 5 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 6 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 7 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 10 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 11 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D 20 6 Terrace Place (rear of 23 Rutland St), D1 7 &amp; 8 Terrace Place(rear of 24/25 Rutland St), D1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notices of Proposed Entry have issued in relation to <b>206 sites.</b></li> <li>• Notices of Entry have issued in relation to <b>134 sites.</b></li> <li>• <b>162</b> submissions have been received to date.</li> <li>• <b>45</b> sites currently on the Vacant Sites Register as of (21/04/2022). <b>16</b> of which are in City Council ownership.</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="595 1671 1150 1863"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">2018 Demands</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Paid</td> <td>€649,350</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cancelled</td> <td>€1,460,550</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Refunded</td> <td>-€66,450</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Outstanding</td> <td>€892,200</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>Total Demanded: €2,935,650</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1" data-bbox="595 1986 1150 2016"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">2019 Demands</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> </tbody> </table>	2018 Demands		Paid	€649,350	Cancelled	€1,460,550	Refunded	-€66,450	Outstanding	€892,200	<b>Total Demanded: €2,935,650</b>		2019 Demands		<p>68B St. Brendan's Park, Coolock, D5.</p> <p>An Bord Pleanála has granted consent without modification to the compulsory acquisition of the site on 17/01/2022. The owner had eight weeks within which to apply for a Judicial Review of the Board's decision. There was no application made and the site will vest in the Council on 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2022. No objections received to the acquisition of the following derelict sites ; 11 Annamoe Tce. D7 6 Terrace Place, D1 7 &amp; 8 Terrace Place, D1 They vested in the Council on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022</p> <p>On 5<sup>th</sup> April 4 sites were added to DCC's Vacant Sites Register, VS-0429, VS-0621, VS-0800 and VS-0864</p> <p>VS-0623 – was removed from VSR since last report issued as the site is no longer vacant.</p> <p>On 6<sup>th</sup> April Vacant Site Levy Due and Owing letters issued to site</p>
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<p><b>Compulsory Purchase Orders</b></p>	<p>Abbey Street Lower - Marlborough Street - Eden Quay - Old Abbey Street Area Compulsory Purchase Order, 2021 CPO made on 17/06/21 and submitted to ABP for approval.</p> <p>Proposed CPOs at Werburgh Street and Exchange Street proceeding</p> <p>Ryder's Row/Parnell Street/ Capel Street CPO 2019</p>	<p>Three objections were received by ABP within the prescribed period. Awaiting decision of ABP</p> <p>Arrangements being made to take possession of the site</p>																												
<p><b>City Valuers</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed CPOs at Ryders Row, Werburgh Street, Exchange Street and for new Abbey Theatre project at Eden Quay proceeding. Ryders Row. ABP decision on Abbey Theatre CPO now. Initial work on DCC property aspects of the Metrolink project. Markiewicz Pool re-location meeting held with CRES.</li> <li>• Disposal of 3 retail units at Dominick Street Large ground floor unit on Market for disposal on commercial terms. Area Office and the Active Travel Office have expressed interest in taking parts of the large commercial unit. Review of all offers and options to take place with CE and ACE, at the end of April.</li> <li>• Werburgh Street CPO, Project Steering Group formed with OPW, red take line at Dean's House to be finalised.</li> <li>• DCC development site at Chapelizod Village offered to the Department of Education for purchase, still under consideration by Dept.</li> <li>• Kilcarbery Grange development lands – Record of agreement reached in respect of</li> </ul>																													



	<p>monies due to DCC from SDCC forwarded to SDCC. First payment of €3m received from SDCC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building search for Stanley Street/Civil Defence Depot. Unit identified in North City Business Park. Negotiations continuing.</li> <li>• Negotiations commenced with Civic Trust to acquire upper floors of no 18 Upr. Ormond Quay. CT slow to respond.</li> <li>• Discussions continuing with TII re Bannow Road Housing Site (part of) TII have no approved Scheme and no funds it appears.</li> <li>• OPW approached re acquisition of disused toilet block at St. Stephen's Green West/top of Grafton Street.</li> <li>• Engagement with Dept. re Land Value Charging proposed legislation.</li> <li>• Completion of Land Market report for the 4 Dublin local authorities via SDCC CE.</li> <li>• Instructions/maps etc, received for Clongriffin to City Centre Bus Connects route – DCC properties affected.</li> <li>• Significant amount of new instructions being actioned from DRHE.</li> </ul>	
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### 1. Departmental Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
<p><b>Record Protected Structures</b></p>	<p>On the 25<sup>th</sup> November, under Section 12(3) of the Planning and Development Act , 2000(as amended), Dublin City Council proposed to amend the Record of Protected Structures in the Draft Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028.</p> <p>The amendments comprised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 101 proposed additions,</li> <li>• 55 proposed clarifications</li> <li>• 3 proposed deletions</li> </ul> <p>Following legal searches and research over 1,000 letters and information leaflets were sent to owners and occupiers informing them of the proposed amendments, explaining the process and outlining how to make an observation. 27 submissions were received in relation to proposed amendments to the Record of Protected Structures</p> <p>A further 83 submissions were received in relation to Chapter 11 - Built Heritage and Archaeology of the Draft Development Plan</p> <p>Reports in relation to motions on the proposed addition of structures on Moore Street and Henry Place, Dublin 1 were presented to the April meeting of the Central Area</p>	<p>Draft Chief Executive's report on submissions will be ready for sign off by end April</p> <p>6 week public display period and submissions during May and June</p>

<p><b>Built Heritage investment Scheme (BHIS) 2021</b></p>	<p>Committee. The committee noted the proposed addition of 6 structures to proceed for initiation.</p> <p><b>DCC Conservation section received an allocation of €492,800</b> from the Department of Housing, Local Government &amp; Heritage <b>under this year’s BHIS Scheme. A total of 56 BHIS applications were received by the closing date of 14<sup>th</sup> January, Following an assessment process</b>, 56 projects were recommended by the Conservation Section to the Department for funding – 3 of which are under the minor repairs grant scheme.</p> <p>56 letters of offer of BHIS funding were sent to the successful applicants on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022</p> <p>An additional 11 applications were received after the deadline and have been placed on a waiting list.</p>	<p>The Minister approved grant funding for all 56 projects. The applicants have been notified by letter of their provisional grant offer of funding.</p> <p>Inspections will be carried out on all 56 successful projects.</p>										
<p><b>Historic Structures Fund (HSF) 2021</b></p>	<p>On 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022 the Conservation Section received notification from the Department of the allocation of a total of <b>€350,000</b> for 5 HSF projects listed in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="507 925 1214 1088"> <tr> <td>20 Dominick Street, Dublin 7</td> <td><b>€100,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>37 Thomas Court, Dublin 8</td> <td><b>€100,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>134 Thomas Street, Dublin 8</td> <td><b>€50,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>34 Main Street, Chapelizod, Dublin 20</td> <td><b>€50,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>29 Ormond Quay Lower, Dublin 1</td> <td><b>€50,000</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>55 Amiens Street, Dublin 1 - <b>€50,000</b> has been carried over from the 2021 scheme with the approval of the Department.</p>	20 Dominick Street, Dublin 7	<b>€100,000</b>	37 Thomas Court, Dublin 8	<b>€100,000</b>	134 Thomas Street, Dublin 8	<b>€50,000</b>	34 Main Street, Chapelizod, Dublin 20	<b>€50,000</b>	29 Ormond Quay Lower, Dublin 1	<b>€50,000</b>	<p>The next BHIS return to the Department is due on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022</p> <p>Projects to be allocated to inspectors and inspections to be carried out in May 2022.</p>
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## Finance

### Planning Application Fees

2022	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals	% Change 2021
<b>Total income from fees</b>	575,453					<b>UP 31%</b>
<b>Total refunds issued</b>	86,559					<b>UP 91%</b>
<b>Net fee income</b>	488,895					<b>UP 21%</b>

**Development Contributions**

<b>2022</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>	<b>% Change Q1 2021</b>
<b><i>No. of New invoices issued</i></b>	221				34%
<b>Total value of invoices issued</b>	€16,396,442.84				40%
<b>No. of payments made</b>	277				30%
<b>Total payments received</b>	€10,108,462.06				131%

***Collection of outstanding Development Contributions (utilising enforcement tools)***

<b>2022</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>	<b>% Change Q1 2021</b>
<b><i>No. of Inspections</i></b>	17				1700%
<b><i>No. of Section 152 Warning letters issued</i></b>	Nil				No Change
<b>No of Section 154 Enforcement Notices issued</b>	-				-
<b>No. of Section 157 referrals to District Court</b>	-				-

### Parking Enforcement

2022	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change 2021
No. of New complaints opened	323				
No. of S152 Warning Letters issued	351				
No. of S154 Enforcement Notices issued	59				
No. of S157 Referrals to District Court	15				
No. of files closed/resolved	381				

Total number active planning enforcement files at 31/03/2022	Total	% change 2021
% change	3276	

### Building Control

2022	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	% Change 2021 - 2022
No. of multiple dwellings commenced	1276					+167%
No. of single dwellings commenced	7					-124%
Total dwellings commenced	1283					+160%

### Disability Access Certs

2022	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	% Change 2021 - 2022
Valid Applications	87					+10%
Certs issued within 2 months	69					+7%
Info requested	7					-160%

### Derelict Sites Section

#### Statutory Notices Served

2022	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change 2021
Number of sites inspected	82				-720
Section 10 (warning letters)	14				367
Section 8 (2) Notices (Intention to enter on Register)	0				-100
Section 8 (7) Notices (Entry on Register)	2				0
Sites removed from Derelict Sites Register	1				0

Number of Sites on Derelict Sites Register at 31/03/2022	77
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### Property Management

#### Revenue & Receipts

Revenue Raised				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2021	2,542,675	1,577,051	2,621,105	1,008,380
2022	2,425,308			

Income Received				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2021	2,556,383	1,331,481	1,523,300	4,231,254
2022	2,280,743			

Reports on Planning Enforcement, Building Control, Derelict Sites, Property Management and Finance are updated on a quarterly basis.

## Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

### New Policy/Strategy

Dublin City Libraries **new online system, Spydus** is now up and running with many features to help us provide a better service to members. The system was delivered by DCL for the entire country. More information [here](#).

DCL will introduce the **My Open Library** initiative at Pembroke Library during May, greatly increasing public access to the library, with unstaffed hours available from 8:00am till 10:00am and 8:00pm till 10:00pm Monday to Saturday, and from 8am till 10pm on Sundays. Regular staffed service will continue during advertised hours at Pembroke Library.

**Local Economic and Community Plan 2022-2027 (LECP)** Advisory Group has been formed and hosted their inaugural meeting. The LECP will be developed via a six stage process and regular updates will be provided.

**A comprehensive review of DCC sports and recreation infrastructure** has commenced, this will inform strategic sports infrastructural planning into the future this is ongoing. In parallel with the infrastructural strategy a new Dublin City Sports Plan will be developed and aligned with the City Development Plan and incorporating a review of the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership. The strategies when complete will be presented to the appropriate SPC's later in 2022.

### Departmental Priority

The '**My Little Library Book Bag**' initiative is part of the National First 5 Strategy and is available free for every child starting school in 2022. Bags can be collected at any library and will include three books to help with starting school, a story card on going to the library and a postcard the child can send to their new teacher. When they join the library, they will get a library card and wallet to use.

**UNESCO City of Literature** The Dublin Literary Award winner announcement will take place at the ILFD on Thursday 19 May at 1.00pm and will be followed by the Winner Interview at the festival on Saturday 21 May at 6.00pm. The UNESCO office is supporting two other keynote events at the festival: *Abuja creatives at the ILFD 2022* and the Finale event: *A celebration of the lives and work of Eavan Boland and Thomas Kinsella*.

**Start Your Own Business Series** The Central Library in conjunction with Dublin City LEO is running a series of free business hybrid sessions designed to empower potential entrepreneurs. Delivered by Optimum, the talks will look at the characteristics of an entrepreneur and the tools that are required to successfully start a business in any industry.

**Bealtaine** is Ireland's national festival that celebrates the arts and creativity as we age. DCL will host a series of interactive talks and workshops encouraging people to get creative and try something new, including Crafts, Creative Writing, Gardening, Literature, or Music.

The **Phizzfest** Community & Arts Festival will take place in Phibsboro from 13th to 15th May. Phibsboro Library will run two special events: **Sanctuary** (Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2PM) A conversation with writer Gavin Kostick whose Jewish grandparents arrived in Phibsboro from Lublin, Poland; **the Walkeleles**, a high energy ukulele band will perform in the library garden and then embark on their world tour of Phibsboro, ending with a finale gig in McGeoughs. Starts Saturday 15 May at 4pm, Library garden.

**History and Heritage** Cabra Library will host a lunchtime series, the **Irish Revolutionary book club** facilitated by Dr James Curry, Dublin City Council Historian in Residence. (10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> May at 1pm)

**Raheny Library** has re-opened following temporary closure for extensive refurbishment. A 50<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration is being planned for the Summer and the local community will be invited to attend.

**Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan 2024** Launched on 01/04/22 by Dept of Enterprise, Trade & Employment. Many of the actions in this plan will be led or supported by DCC individually or in collaboration with other stakeholders. <https://enterprise.gov.ie/en/Publications/Publication-files/Dublin-Regional-Enterprise-Plan-to-2024.pdf>

**Night Time Economy Strategy** Preparatory work has been completed on the development of A Night Time Economy Strategy. The EDE SPC Summit Series 2022 will focus on the Night Time Economy.

**Trading Online Vouchers (TOV) in 2022:** The scheme has approved 73 applications and the current value of TOV approvals in 2022 is €155,000.

**Feasibility, Priming and Expansion Grants approvals in 2022:** To date 15 grants approved to the value of €338,000 supporting the creation of 28 jobs in 2022.

**Training:** 1712 participants attended 43 training courses from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. Target of 3,000 participants to year end.

**Mentoring:** 298 hours of mentoring were completed from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. Target of 1,000 hours to year end.

**Start Your Own Business:** 145 participants attended 5 courses & 1 boot camp from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan - 31<sup>st</sup> March Target of 227 participants & 13 courses to year end.

**Active Cities** – The recruitment of an Active Cities Officer (Local Lead for Dublin) is currently under way, it is anticipated that interviews will conclude during May 2022. The new Sports Ambassador programme will be formally launched by end of May 2022.

**Relief Staff competition** closed on Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup> – interviews will be arranged during April 2022

## Departmental Projects

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Hugh Lane Gallery	Visitors Numbers in March were 11,923, which is 82% of pre-Covid visitor numbers.	Maintain a rich visitor experience
Social Media	Impressions for the month of March <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facebook: 74,104</li> <li>• Instagram: 143,703</li> <li>• Twitter: 408,000</li> </ul>	Continue to build our social media presence
Refurbishment of 1930s wing	Refurbishment Project is now part of Parnell Square Cultural Quarter Planning.	Construction date TBC
Collection displays/Exhibitions	Patrick Graham Transfiguration Eva Gonzales "What Dublin Needs" In collaboration with National Gallery, London	Closing 9th July 1 <sup>st</sup> June -18 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Programme of art education	Portrait of a Nation: Art, Politics and the Anglo-Irish Treaty conference organised jointly by the education depts of HLG and National Museum of Ireland. See the programme of speakers <a href="#">here</a> and live streamed recordings <a href="#">here</a> <u>New pilot cultural mediation project with Mother Tongues. See <a href="#">here</a></u> <u>New socially engaged collaborative arts practice commission with Create.</u> <a href="http://www.hughlane.ie/lectures/forthcoming-lectures">http://www.hughlane.ie/lectures/forthcoming-lectures</a>	Ongoing development of innovative art education programming
Gallery Development 1 Nth Fredrick Lane	Property acquired by DCC for HLG Conservation	Feasibility Study to be initiated Q2 2022
20 & 21 Parnell Square	Feasibility study to be carried out which will form part of the development plan for HLG	Feasibility Study to be initiated Q3 2022
Collection care	Monitoring of gallery environmental conditions and security continues 24/7. Recruitment of Art Technicians	Recruitment for art technicians April 2022
New website	Content Development for new HLG website underway	Testing phase Q2 2022
Branding	New HLG Brand implementation	Implementation in Q2 2022
City Library, Parnell Sq	URDF funding secured	Review of scope and cost
Finglas Library	Tender Assessment	Award of Contract
Your Dublin Your Voice	The Q1 Survey 2022 was conducted in February in conjunction with the DCC Irish Development Officer, over 1200 responses were received and the report is now on the DCC website.	Work on the Q2 YDYM survey is well progressed focusing on the use of E-scooters in the city centre.
Dublin Economic Monitor (DEM)	Q4 Dublin PMI was published on 20 <sup>th</sup> January and the Q4 Spending Pulse on the 28 <sup>th</sup> January. The Q1 2022 DEM was	Theme/article and annual event planning for Q2 DEM is underway.



	published on 3 <sup>rd</sup> March and was covered in the media by RTE and 98FM.	Provisional launch/event date 17 <sup>th</sup> June.
MODOS	Two MODOS Sustainable Business Training Programmes focused on the Circular Economy for SME's delivered in collaboration with DLRD Co Co & with EPA funding. Further details <a href="http://www.modos.ie">www.modos.ie</a>	19 participants – Course 1 commenced 02/03/22. 17 participants – Course 2 commenced 09/03/22.
Dublin Place Brand	Place Brand Strategy Development with OCO Global	Perceptions research and city benchmarking has been completed. Next phases include: reviewing creative assets; creating a stakeholder steering group and development of new comms plan.
	International Marketing Campaign for Postgrad European Students in partnership with Education in Ireland and Dublin HEIs	The international digital marketing campaign targeted at post graduate students in France, Italy, Germany, and Spain runs from 18 <sup>th</sup> April – 16 <sup>th</sup> May. Students can enter to win a full postgrad scholarship at a Dublin HEI of their choosing plus a €10,000 stipend.
	DCU Student Innovation Project in partnership with Fáilte Ireland	DCU Innovation students are developing new and innovative ideas to encourage people to visit Dublin. Students will present their ideas at the end of April.
	Event support: Dublin Tech Summit (15 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June) Dublin LGBTQ+ Pride (25 <sup>th</sup> June)	Continuing support of city events through social media coverage and content.
Aughrim St. Sports Centre – Improvements	Part 8 Lodged	Part 8 to Area Committee 18 <sup>th</sup> April
Ballyfermot Leisure Centre Gym/Façade Improvements	Tender documents being prepared	Issue Construction Tender Package for Design Team in Q2
Irishtown Sports Stadium Improvement Works	Part 8 application complete	Fire Safety works to commence in July 2022 and construction works in August 2022.
Donore Community Centre	Tender documents being finalised for design team	Design Team Tender to issue April 2022
Northside Swimming Pool	Surveys complete	Awaiting receipt of report expected in April/May 2022

Sean Mc Dermott Pool	Design team appointed	Works to be agreed on completion of the surveying reports.
St. Catherine's Sports Centre	Project costs being finalised	Cost review complete. Construction tender package being prepared.
DCSWP Programmes	Delivery of multi-sport programmes aimed at core target groups across our communities.	Ongoing.
Club Support –Small Grant Schemes 2022	Exchequer funding secured to cover costs associated with reopening of local clubs.	95 applications currently being assessed by DCSWP.
DCSWP Calendar of Events	Developed to align delivery of DCSWP programmes/events with major national and international initiatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May – Bealtaine Older Adult Festival 14<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May – National Bike Week</li> <li>➤ 20<sup>th</sup> May – Walk to School Safely Week</li> <li>➤ 31<sup>st</sup> May – June 6<sup>th</sup> – European Mile</li> </ul>
Training 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Disability and Autism Awareness (SIIO)</li> <li>➤ Safeguarding 1, 2 &amp; 3</li> <li>➤ PHECC Training</li> <li>➤ Sports Leadership Programmes</li> </ul>	Ongoing
DCSWP Virtual Hub/Social Media supports	Supportive/blended approach for ongoing delivery of DCSWP programmes/ provide resources for increased participation and reach in long-term.	Launch of Hub imminent. DCSWP social media supports continue.

### **DATES/EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY**

See details of all library online and in-person events [here](#) Or for regular updates on library events, activities and developments subscribe to the Library newsletter [Here](#)

<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>
Wolfe Tone Park, Dublin 1 – park refurbishment.	Wolfe Tone Park, Wolfe Tone Street/Jervis Street	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 @ 12 noon
Official Opening – Ballyfermot Peoples Park & Sculpture Dublin – unveiling of Sculpture	Ballyfermot Peoples Park, Drumfinn Avenue (adjacent to Ballyfermot Civic Centre)	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2022 @ 2pm

## **Human Resources**

### **Human Resources Department – April 2022**

The total number of employees at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 was 5637 (headcount). The full time equivalent (FTE) number (i.e. taking account of work sharing arrangements) was 5322

In the Human Resources Department working arrangements continue to be a blend of office and home working with all staff attending the office a minimum of 3 days per week from 14<sup>th</sup> March. These changes are in line with recent Government advice and continue to be monitored.

The Human Resources Department continued implementation of the programme of recruitment and promotion during the month of April. Interviews for the following posts were held/concluded during April 2022 – Apprentice Stonecutter. The recruitment process for the next Fire Fighter class is continuing.

The following posts were advertised in April 2022 – Housing Advisor, Assistant Valuer, Laboratory Technician Grade 2 (Chemistry and Microbiology), Senior Resident Engineer (Temporary) Parnell Square Quarter, Corporate Data and Analytics Manager, General Operatives with C and CE licences, Inspectors (for Water Services, Stillorgan and Mainlaying), Resident Engineer's (Senior, Engineer and Assistant), Active Cities Officer.

PAS have ongoing recruitment campaigns for Senior Engineers, Senior Executive Engineers and Senior Executive Planners.

The following sanction requests have issued to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage – 1 Senior Engineer, 3 Senior Executive Engineers, 1 Administrative Officer DFB, 1 Senior Executive Intelligent Transportation Officer, 1 Senior Architect, 1 Assistant Building Surveyor.

## **Smart City/Smart Dublin Cllr Report Update**

For more information about Smart City / Smart Dublin projects see [website](#) and [Trello Board](#).

### **Dublin joins the Living- in- EU initiative**

On April 14<sup>th</sup>, Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland signed the [Living in the EU declaration](#), recognising Dublin's commitment to support and encourage digital transformation in cities and communities in the EU. Digital solutions may include approaches to smart urban mobility, energy efficiency, sustainable housing, digital public services, and citizen engagement.

By working together with citizens, the initiative aims to bring the economic and social benefits of this transformation to all local communities and implement an inclusive digital

Europe, with powerful digital services, technologies, infrastructures and skills. Find more information about the living-in-EU initiative here: <https://living-in.eu/>

### Dublin selected to participate in the Digital Rights Governance Framework

In February 2022, Smart Dublin responded to an open call for the Digital Rights Governance initiative. Dublin was one of four cities selected to participate. The initiative aims to support local governments in addressing ethical and digital rights' aspects of their local digital strategies, policies, projects and services by providing context specific and tailored assistance and advice.

UN-Habitat will work on this initiative in partnership with the Cities Coalition for Digital Rights, the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and Eurocities to identify priority areas within the digital rights topics and will receive expert support to develop and implement work streams in these areas. This will be done in the form of challenge-driven innovation approach where assessments, workshops and capacity-building will be carried out in collaboration with the local staff.

Dublin is a member of the [Cities Coalition for Digital Rights](#). More information on the open call here: [Brussels, Dublin, Sofia and Tirana selected to pilot a digital rights governance framework | Cities for Digital Rights](#)

### Mobility as a Service (MaaS) Report

In April, the Department of Transport (DoT) published its [National Sustainable Mobility Policy](#) (SMP) with an action plan to improve and expand sustainable mobility options across the country by providing safe, green, accessible and efficient alternatives to car journeys.

Actions #81 and #82 identify key next steps for progressing Mobility-as-a-Service (MaaS). Aligned with the National Sustainable Mobility Policy, Smart Dublin has published a roadmap for MaaS. This roadmap provides recommendations which can support the implementation of MaaS in Ireland. You can view Smart Dublin's roadmap [here](#). More information on our website: <https://smartdublin.ie/rethinking-mobility-in-ireland-the-case-for-maas/>

### Climate Action Open Data Challenge 2022

The Climate Action Open Data Challenge 2022 is organised by Smart Dublin, the Climate Action Offices across the four Dublin Local Authorities, the Dublin Climate Action Regional Office (CARO), Codema, and Derilinx. Funding is provided by these organisations and from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform's [Open Data Engagement Fund](#).

The Climate Action Challenge seeks innovative ideas and applications that use open data to drive and support climate action. Participants have an opportunity to showcase their ideas and to help support and build awareness around climate action. The closing date for applications is May 5<sup>th</sup> 2022. Find out more about the challenge and how to apply here: <https://smartdublin.ie/dublin-region-climate-action-open-data-challenge-2022/>

### Engineers Ireland Webinar Event

On April 27<sup>th</sup> 2022, Kieran Mahon, Smart DCU Projects Facilitator and Veronica Mariti Sesoko, Assistant Engineer from Dublin City Council's Smart City Unit presented at the Engineer's Ireland webinar as part of the 'Emerging Trends in Digital Engineering 2022' series. The presentation focused on Digital Twin development and highlighted current projects happening on campus in the Smart DCU district and also Dublin City Council's progress with 3D modelling and Digital Twin projects.

### Smart D8: Civic Dollar Survey

Smart D8's Civic Dollar pilot aimed at encouraging wellbeing and incentivising outdoor activity in local Dublin 8 parks will be concluding at the end of April. A survey has been published to help the Smart D8 team collect feedback from the public in relation to the pilot. The results will be included as part of a final evaluation report and capture any recommendations that will be shared as part of the feedback. You can complete the survey [here](#). A full list of participating partners can be found here: [https://bit.ly/civic\\_dollars](https://bit.ly/civic_dollars)

**Law Department**  
**Freedom of Information**

Ref No	Request Details	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/9019/2022	Requests records regarding mould complaints	Client	3/1/2022	3/21/2022
FOI/9020/2022	Records regarding illegal dumping	Press	3/1/2022	
FOI/9023/2022	Seeks records regarding correspondence on topic of air pollution	Press	3/2/2022	
FOI/9024/2022	Records from DFB	TD/Senator	3/3/2022	4/1/2022
FOI/9025/2022	seeks records re: Parking Services.	Client	3/3/2022	3/28/2022
FOI/9026/2022	seeks records re: decision of Traffic Advisory Group	Client	3/7/2022	
FOI/9027/2022	Call centre details	Client	3/8/2022	
FOI/9028/2022	Records regarding display of Ukrainian flags throughout city	Press	3/8/2022	3/31/2022
FOI/9029/2022	Requests records from Planning	Client	3/8/2022	4/4/2022
FOI/9031/2022	seeks records re: Pedestrian falls/injuries and cyclist accidents	Client	3/9/2022	3/30/2022
FOI/9032/2022	Records regarding noise complaints	Press	3/9/2022	3/30/2022
FOI/9033/2022	seeks records re: Dalymount Park	Press	3/9/2022	
FOI/9034/2022	seeks records re: WERLA sanctions	Client	3/9/2022	
FOI/9035/2022	seeks records re: leased class A open space	Client	3/10/2022	
FOI/9036/2022	Records on street cleaning	Client	3/10/2022	3/29/2022
FOI/9037/2022	seeks records re: charity Inner City Helping Homeless	Press	3/10/2022	
FOI/9039/2022	Records re hosting of council meetings at Mansion House	Press	3/11/2022	
FOI/9041/2022	Seeks records re St Patricks Festival	Press	3/11/2022	
FOI/9042/2022	Requests records re contact list	Press	3/11/2022	
FOI/9046/2022	Seeks records re LCDC and Community Enhancement Programme	Client	3/15/2022	
FOI/9048/2022	Seeks records re Dublin Port	Press	3/15/2022	
FOI/9049/2022	Requests records re development plan	Client	3/16/2022	
FOI/9050/2022	seeks records re: lamp posts at Corporation St/James Joyce St.	Press	3/16/2022	
FOI/9051/2022	Records regarding refurbishment of Barrow Street	Press	3/16/2022	
FOI/9052/2022	seeks records re: speed surveys	Client	3/16/2022	
FOI/9053/2022	Records regarding social housing list	Client	3/21/2022	
FOI/9058/2022	Request records re protected structures	Other	3/23/2022	
FOI/9059/2022	Records regarding Metrolink	Press	3/24/2022	
FOI/9060/2022	seeks records re: domestic violence/abuse	Press	3/24/2022	
FOI/9065/2022	Request records from Rates office	Solicitor	3/25/2022	

FOI/9066/2022	Seeks records re complaints about buskers	Press	3/28/2022
FOI/9067/2022	Seeks records re property purchases	Press	3/28/2022
FOI/9068/2022	seeks records re: lord mayor of Dublin's carriage	Press	3/28/2022
FOI/9069/2022	Request HAP details	Client	3/28/2022
FOI/9071/2022	Records regarding travel expenses	Press	3/29/2022
FOI/9072/2022	Records of correspondence between Chief Executive and named politician	Press	3/29/2022
FOI/9073/2022	Records of correspondence between Chief Executive and named politician	Press	3/29/2022
FOI/9074/2022	Seeks records of correspondence between DCC officials and DublinTown Officials.	Press	3/29/2022
FOI/9075/2022	Seeks traffic management plans for named stadia	Press	3/30/2022
FOI/9076/2022	Records regarding Emmet Road	Client	3/31/2022

The above table represents a snapshot of the position with non-personal FOI requests only, received in March 2022

The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2022 is outlined below.

Total requests opened in the period 01/01/2022 -31/03/2022	169
Total requests closed in the period 01/01/2022 - 31/03/2022	147

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## Annual Service Delivery Plan 2022 – Quarter 1 Performance Report

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The Annual Service Delivery Plan includes a commitment to report on progress and performance in the Chief Executive's Management Report every quarter. The tables, and accompanying notes below, detail the progress made in Quarter 2022 against performance measures and targets set out in the Plan. Performance measurements which are to be reported on annually are excluded from this report and will be included at the appropriate time.

### SDP01 Customer Services

**Customer Services is the central point of contact for citizens and businesses to access services and information on the City Council's full range of services. The service is provided by telephone, email, web-chat and face-to-face.**

Performance Standard	Q1 Total/ Average
Number of calls dealt with	47,015
% of calls dealt with at first point of contact	49.56%
No. of new services available online*	3
No. of registered users of Citizen Hub*	4,900

Note\*: The Citizen Hub is a new digital platform for citizens to make service requests

### SDP02 Maintenance / Improvement of Local Authority Housing Units

The Council is committed to the provision of a high quality management, maintenance and repair system for its rented housing stock of approximately 25,000. The Council has a strategic plan to upgrade existing housing that is over 60 years old, to modern standards.

Performance Standard	Q1 Total / Average
Total number of repair requests received*	17,051
% repair requests resolved within timeframe (Emergency – 24 hours)*	28%
% repair requests resolved within timeframe (Urgent – 5 working days)*	24%
% repair requests resolved within timeframe (Routine – 8 weeks)*	55%
Expenditure on maintenance of LA stock**	-
Expenditure per dwelling on the maintenance of LA housing**	-
% of available housing that is void	1.87%
Average time taken from the date of vacant possession to date of occupancy	20.87 weeks
Average cost per unit of getting the dwellings re-tenanted (Voids)	€30,237
Average cost per unit of getting the dwellings re-tenanted (Acquisitions)	€41,453
Number of units refurbished	178
Number of housing adaptations Annual Target: 250 housing adaptations	69
Number of housing extensions Annual Target: 12 housing extensions	1



<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total / Average</b>
Number of planned maintenance visits Annual Target: 818 planned maintenance visits	173
Number of Phase 2 units complete with a BER improvement Annual Target: 100	20
Number Domestic Gas Boilers serviced	2691
Number Domestic Gas Boilers repaired	2721
Number Domestic Gas Boilers replaced*	101
Number new personal alarm systems distributed***	-

\* Data for Q4 2022 - quarterly reporting lag

\*\* New Performance Standard 2022; will be subject to quarterly reporting lag

\*\*\* Programme commences Q2 2022

### **SDP03 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer**

Dwellings are allocated in accordance with the Allocations Scheme adopted by the City Council in May 2018. A reassessment of Housing Need is undertaken annually.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number on Housing List*	13,122
Number on Housing Transfer List*	16,552
Number housed in the period	447

Note\*: As at end of Quarter

### **SDP04 Enforcement of standards in the private rented sector**

Dublin City Council is responsible for bringing about improvements to the quality of accommodation in the private rented sector under the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019. This is done through a programme of inspections and enforcement. The inspections are carried out by Environmental Health Officers on a reactive and proactive basis.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of rented dwellings inspected	1,038
Number of dwellings non-compliant after first inspection	766
Number of dwellings that achieved compliance in the period	710

### **SDP05 Housing Rent & Tenant Purchase Administration – Rent Management**

Dublin City Council manages approximately 24,952 tenancies, with a rental income of c. €93m projected for 2022. Average Council rent in July 2021 was €70.86 per week. The weekly rent charge is determined in accordance with the 2019 Dublin City Council Differential Rent Scheme. Tenants have a range of options to pay rent including direct debit, household budget, and cash payment in Post Offices and online or telephone payment via credit card.

Tenants have a variety of rent payment options, including payment by direct debit, household budget, payment of cash at any post office or in the Council's own cash office in the Civic

Offices, online or telephone payment via credit card. The Council engages with Tenants in arrears and their representatives and will agree fair and realistic repayment plans and advise tenants of debt relief solutions. While our aim is to help tenants to maintain their tenancy, sanctions are imposed for non-payment of rent up to and including repossession of the dwelling.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
% of Rent Charge collected	73.40%
% variance in rent arrears	.27%
Number of tenants in arrears engaged with MABS	46
Number of tenancy warnings issued	46
Number of legal actions commenced	32

### **SDP06 Housing Grants**

The Home Grants Unit delivers three grant schemes to provide assistance to people making adaptations to their privately owned homes to meet their medical needs or to older people carrying out essential repairs. On submission of a full application, an applicant will have an initial inspection from a Dublin City Council Technical Inspector within four weeks of receipt of the application. In circumstances where an urgent hospital release or other critical cases require immediate attention, the Home Grants Unit will try to carry out an inspection immediately after contact is made and the application will be fast-tracked.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
<b>Housing Adaption Grant:</b> No. of applications received	218
<b>Housing Adaption Grant:</b> % of initial inspections carried out within 4 weeks of receipt of application	83%
<b>Housing Adaption Grant:</b> No. approved and completed -( total of approved and paid grants)	428
<b>Mobility Aids Scheme:</b> No. of applications received	23
<b>Mobility Aids Scheme:</b> % of initial inspections carried out within 4 weeks of receipt of application	86%
<b>Mobility Aids Scheme:</b> No. approved and completed ( total of approved and paid grants)	43
<b>Housing Aid for Older People:</b> No. of applications received	121
<b>Housing Aid for Older People:</b> % of initial inspections carried out within 4 weeks of receipt of application	84%
<b>Housing Aid for Older People:</b> No. approved and completed ( total of approved and paid grants)	146

## SDP07 Housing Assistance Payment

### Description of Service

Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) is a form of social housing support provided by all local authorities. Under HAP, Dublin City Council can provide housing assistance to households who qualify for social housing support, including many long-term Rent Supplement recipients. HAP allows all social housing supports to be accessed through the local authority and allows recipients to take up full-time employment and maintain their housing support. The process of transferring rent supplement recipients to HAP commenced on a phased basis in September 2018.

Performance Standard	Q1 Total
Number of HAP tenancies created	180
% of remaining rent supplement recipients transferred to HAP	2.66%

## SDP08 Operation of Fire Service

Dublin Fire Brigade provides an integrated Fire, Rescue and Emergency Ambulance Service for Dublin City and County. The service operates from 12 full time and 2 retained stations, employing over 1,000 staff. All full time fire-fighters are fully trained paramedics with retained personnel trained to First Response Level.

Performance Standard	Q1 Average
% of cases in respect of fire in which first attendance is at the scene within 10 mins	74.01%
% of cases in respect of fire in which attendance is at the scene after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes	23.69%
% of cases in respect of fire in which first attendance is at the scene after 20 minutes	2.31%
% of cases in respect of all other emergencies in which first attendance is at the scene within 10 mins	71.06%
% of cases in respect of all other emergencies in which attendance is at the scene after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes	25.92%
% of cases in respect of all other emergencies in which first attendance is at the scene after 20 minutes	3.02%

## SDP09 Fire Prevention

The Fire Prevention Section provides Building Control and Fire Certification and carries out a range of On-Site Inspections on Commercial and Multi-Occupancy Premises. The Section also promotes fire safety through education and advice.

Performance Standard	Q4 2021 Total*
% of applications for fire safety certificates received that were decided within two months of their receipt	36%
% of applications for fire safety certificates received that were decided with an extended period agreed with the application	31%

Note\*: Quarterly reporting lag to allow for 2-month reporting period

## SDP10 Road Maintenance and Improvement

Road Maintenance Services Division is responsible for the maintenance of the 1,240 km of public roads and streets throughout Dublin City, together with the associated footways, bridges and other structures. The total area of carriageway is 8.1 million square meters and the total area of footways is 3.5 million square meters. This maintenance work is carried out by direct labour units and also by private contractors.

**Planned Work Programme Q1 Update:** Annual Works Programme prepared and presented to Councillors. Tender document preparation and tendering underway. Works to commence on site in May. 0% of works programme completed on-site (in-line with programme schedule).

Performance Standard	Q1 Total
Total number of service requests recorded	3,424
Total number of service requests resolved	1,857
Total number of defects recorded	1,199
Total number of defects repaired and/or made safe	1,679
Percentage of Priority 1 service requests (all critical defects)	90%

## SDP11 Public Lighting

The Public Lighting Section operates a citywide service, currently maintaining approximately 47,000 streetlights. This involves general upkeep of and maintenance of lighting infrastructure, night patrol inspection for faults and repairs to faults detected through patrols and responding to service requests from the public.

Performance Standard	Q1 Total
Total number of faults reported	2831
% faults initiated by members of the public responded to within 5 working days	90.6%
% other repairs carried out within 10 working days	90%

## SDP12 Traffic Management & Road Safety

The objective of the Environment and Transportation Department is to deliver the safe, effective and efficient movement of people and goods in Dublin and to ensure that the needs of vulnerable road users are specifically addressed.

Performance Standard	Q1 Total
No. of TAG requests received in the period	284
% of TAG requests decided on within 4 months of request*	49%
% of vehicles declamped within 1 hr of payment (target 85%)	99.7%
% of vehicles declamped within 2 hrs of payment (target 100%)	99.9%
% of first stage appeals finished within 21 days	100%
% of first stage appeals refunded because time has elapsed	0
No. of cyclists and pedestrians at count points during period	42,782,653

### **SDP13 Surface Water & Flood Incident Management**

The Surface Water & Flood Incident Management (SW&FIM) Division road drainage maintenance crews carry out road gully cleaning of an estimated 55,000 gullies within Dublin City Council's administrative area. It typically takes 18 months to complete one full cleaning cycle however areas of the city that are prone to flooding are cleaned more frequently.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Total number of gully cleaning service requests received	385
% gullies inspected within timeframe (4/5 working days)	100%

### **SDP14 Drainage Maintenance**

Dublin City Council has responsibility for the repair and maintenance of the surface water network, flood protection, river maintenance, including the cleaning and inspection of river racks and pollution control of bathing waters.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
No. of water bodies whose status remains static	20
No. of water bodies whose status improves	0
No. of water bodies whose status disimproves	0
No. of Local Authority licences issued under the Water Pollution Act (It's No. of licences issued on adopted ASDP)	0
No. of licenses issued (as recommendation to Irish Water) as part SLA with Irish Water	6

### **SDP15 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operation**

Operation of the glass bottle bank network, community bring centres (five of which accept green waste), as well as the two recycling centres located at Ringsend and North Strand.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
No. of Bring Banks	80
No. of Bottle Banks	491
No. of Textile Recycling Units	128
No. of On-Street Recycling Bins	50
Tonnage of textiles collected	131.87
Tonnage of dry mix collected	570.58
Tonnage of glass collected	2595.63
Green Schools participation	263

### **SDP16 Litter Management – Community Clean- Ups**

Dublin City Council provides equipment for planned community clean-ups in response to requests from local community representatives. Area Offices and Waste Management also arranges for the collection and disposal of rubbish collected.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Total no. of community clean ups facilitated by the City Council in the period	720
% bag collections carried out within 3 days of request	88%
Number of social media engagements	19,386

### **SDP17 Street Cleaning**

The Street Cleaning Service is administered by the Waste Management Department. It includes the servicing and maintenance of 3,200 litter bins and the collection of 17,000 tonnes of street cleaning and litter bin waste annually. Waste Management crews and a team of Litter Wardens provide services to remove, investigate and carry out enforcement in relation to illegal dumping in accordance with relevant bye-laws and legislation. The inspection and removal of abandoned vehicles is a reactive service based on customer service requests to inspect suspected abandoned vehicles.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total / Average</b>
Total number of requests for litter bin maintenance received in the period	1,368
% resolved within timeframe (24 hours of receipt)	80%
Number of tonnes of illegally dumped household waste removed by the City Council in the period	955.2
Cost of removal for the period including labour, fleet and disposal	€253,316.62
Total number of reports of illegal dumping received in the period	2,677
% reports resolved within timeframe (24 hrs)	60%
Number of enforcement actions taken	111
Number of streets at Grade A	516
Number of streets at Grade B	107
Number of streets at Grade C	84
Number of streets at Grade D	0
Total number of requests for street cleaning received in the period	1005
% inspected within timeframe (24 hours)	72%
Total number of abandoned vehicle reports received	305
% reports determined not to be abandoned vehicles following inspection	81%

### **SDP18 Air & Noise Pollution**

Dublin City Council monitors and controls Air, Noise and Water Pollution in accordance with EU Regulations.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Total number of pollution cases that were the subject of a complaint	134
Total number of pollution cases closed	56
Total number of pollution cases on hand	78

## **SDP19 Leisure Facilities Operations**

Dublin City Council Sports and Leisure Services provides a wide range of sporting, leisure and community services for individuals and groups to use to stay active and connect in a safe, positive and accessible manner.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of visitors to leisure facilities (14 sports, recreation and community centres)	51,861

## **SDP20 Operation of Library & Archival Service**

Dublin City Libraries provides a wide range of services across a network of 21 branches and online, including lending and reference services, study and research spaces and learning support content, free Internet access via PCs and Wi-Fi, a programme of events and festivals for people of all ages, including reading, literary, archival, history and commemoration services and events, delivered in branch and remotely over the web.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of library visits per head of population	271,781
Number of items issued to library borrowers	372,438
Number of registered members of the library	50,557
Number of programmed events /initiatives	48
Number of participants	1508
Number of social media engagements	103,212
Number of home deliveries	124

## **SDP21 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations – Parks and Landscape Service**

The Parks Service manages a diverse range of parks and the amenities within the parks for passive recreation, play and outdoor sports. The conservation of the built and cultural heritage of City Parks are key functions as are the management of park visitor facilities such as tearooms and toilets. Each Parks District has gardeners/horticulturists employed to care for the public gardens and civic decoration of the City.

As part of the play development programme there are 67 well equipped playgrounds providing play opportunities in almost every neighbourhood in the City. The tree care programme involves care of the City's 100,000 trees in parks and on streets through a planned work programme based on good arboriculture practice and in response to customer service requests. The landscape maintenance programme for residential open spaces involves weekly litter picking along with the maintenance of amenity and pollinator friendly wildflower grasslands. The management of the North Bull Island Nature Reserve and nature conservation through the implementation of the city Biodiversity Action Plan are important services which support corporate objectives.

A project design programme for new parks, urban spaces and the improvement of park amenities is an essential service for the maintenance of the quality standards of park

infrastructure and the provision of the social, environmental and well-being benefits for citizens and visitors to the City.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Total number of grass cutting/maintenance requests received	27
% resolved/resolution planned within timeframe (7 - 10 days)	Data unavailable
Total number of tree pruning/maintenance requests received*	224
% tree pruning requests investigated within timeframe (5 days)	Data unavailable
Number and type of events in City Parks	47

### **SDP22 Community Sport & Recreational Development – Sports and Recreation**

Dublin City Council's Sport and Recreation Section supports, manages and delivers a wide range of sport and recreational programmes and services in the City annually through its facilities and the Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership. Sports Officers deliver sport and recreational programmes at local and citywide levels for people of all ages and backgrounds.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of programmes and initiatives delivered	831
Number of participants	33,348

### **SDP23 Arts Office**

The City Arts Office is a production and developmental unit of Dublin City Council that recognises the transformative role that the Arts play in the lives of residents and visitors to Dublin. It works through partnership with the Public, Artists and Arts organisations.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
No. of programmed events	40
No. of participants at events	4,500
No. of Artists in Residence	6
No. of new workspaces opened and / or maintained	0

### **SDP24 Economic Development & Promotion**

The Economic Development and the Local Enterprise Office (LEO) Dublin City staff work together to cultivate a strong enterprise eco system in Dublin that supports start-ups and scaling businesses. A series of work is advanced under local, regional, national and European strategies that supports the promotion of economic development, enterprise, the creation of jobs and the increase of economic activity across the City Region and strengthens Dublin's competitiveness and promotion as a globally connected city region.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of LEO Dublin City grants awarded	35
Value of LEO Dublin City grants awarded	€176,432
Number of participants participating in LEO Dublin City training, mentoring and networking events	1,727



## SDP25 Street Performers and Operation of Markets & Casual Trading

The Licensing Unit are responsible for the issuing of street performer permits and casual trading licenses and for monitoring and enforcement of the Street Performers Bye Laws 2016.

Performance Standard	Q1 Total
No. of street performer licences issued	94
No. of casual trading permits issued	344
No. of inspections	1,214
No. of enforcement actions taken	318

## SDP26 Development Management

The Development Management Process refers to the planning application process. Development Management operates within the framework of the Dublin City Development Plan and is guided by other plans, such as the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy, SDZs and Local Area Plans as well as Section 28 Guidelines. Development Management seeks to harness the creative energies of the development community, civic bodies, architects and the public, to ensure that new developments, as well as regeneration and conservation projects, contribute to the unique physical character, economic health and social and cultural vitality of Dublin City.

Performance Standard	Q1 Total
Number of LA planning decisions which were the subject of an appeal to An Bórd Pleanála that were determined by the Board	78
% of the determinations by ABP which confirmed the decision made by the LA	85%
Number of DCC applications (planning permissions, Sn5s, SHECs)	1126
Number DCC PACs	47
Number SHD applications	7
Number SHD PACs	0
Number of LRD PACs (Stage 1)	7
Number of LRD meetings (Stage 2)	3
Number of LRD applications (Stage 3)	0
% of planning applications submitted online	30%

## SDP27 Enforcement

Planning Enforcement section ensures that developments are carried out in compliance with the planning permission granted and takes appropriate enforcement action in cases where a development has been or is without permission or in breach of the permission granted.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of enforcement complaints received	323
% complaints acknowledged within 10 working days	100%
% first inspections carried out within 6 weeks of receipt of complaint	100%
Number of Warning Letters issued	351
Number of Enforcement Notices served	59
Number of Legal Proceedings initiated	15

### **SDP28 Building Control**

The Building Control Division works to enforce building regulations through inspections of new buildings under construction as well as buildings undergoing extension or alteration. The Division also considers applications for Disability Access Certificates to ensure the built environment is continually improving in terms of access for all building users.

<b>Performance Standard</b>	<b>Q1 Total</b>
Number of site inspections carried out	280
% of Disability Access Certificate Applications determined within statutory timeframe	100%
Number of Enforcement Notices / other formal enforcements	0