



Monthly Management Report – June 2022

Section 136 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 places an obligation on the Chief Executive to prepare Monthly Management Reports for Council. The monthly report for the June 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.

Corporate Services, Transformation & 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.

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Chief Executive

Dated: 1st June 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. Over 438,000 journeys were made on Bleeper bikes in 2021. 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 trial Bleeper cycling hub in Crumlin village was launched on the 3rd June. 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 allow for remote lock opening. Both operators have become members of Mobility Partnership Ireland which was launched in May and represents several private sustainable transport companies.

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 over 20 e-cargobikes have been delivered to successful participants, and 34 businesses have made applications. As part of Bike Week 2022, a public webinar was held on May 16th to showcase the project to date.

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 14th 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 22nd May 2022 that week's revenue was €387,399.55. The usage of coin in parking meters for week ending 22nd May 2022 was €142,290.60 and card payments were €109,733.96 for week ending 22nd May 2022.

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. A presentation to the SPC is planned for the summer. 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 and 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 nearing completion 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 is planned and data from usage will help inform future plans.

Energy Management

DCC's energy consumption can be broadly split between Electricity (55%), Thermal/Gas (32%) and Transport (12%). DCC has two key targets for 2030:

- i) An improvement in energy efficiency of 50% from a 2006-2008 baseline, and
- ii) An absolute reduction in tCO₂e (tonnes of Carbon Dioxide equivalents) of 51% from a 2016-2018 average.

Modelling work is underway to translate these targets into quantifiable reductions required and to begin developing project pipelines to achieve same. Early indications are that a significant ramp up in terms of the number and scale of projects will be required to meet these tough targets.

In 2021, DCC consumed a total of 166 gigawatt hours (GWh) of primary energy; this level of consumption produced 31,200 tonnes of CO₂e emissions, with an associated energy cost of €12.4 million. Energy prices are rising rapidly. In addition to the carbon tax (currently at €41 per tonne and rising to €100 per tonne by 2030), volatility on the world markets has seen the price of oil rising from \$67 a barrel in May 2021 to \$115 a barrel as of 18 May 2022 (a 72% increase). Similarly, the price of natural gas increased by 176% (BTUs) over the same period. DCC, through its OGP sourced contracts has been somewhat sheltered from these global shifts in price, although retail price increases will result in a significant cost increase to DCC from H2 2022.

A forecasting tool has been developed which will help quantify anticipated levels of cost increase based on differing inflation rates and this should help with budgeting.

The Energy Review details how energy is consumed across the Council as well as setting out the councils targets for 2030. Whilst very good progress has been achieved to date, 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 councils 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. As above, 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.

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 multi-million 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 is currently being developed 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 programme continues to ramp up and organise to begin developing a project pipeline. The project was launched in late September 2021 and, in addition to Codema as lead partner, the consortium includes the four Dublin Local Authorities, alongside a range of legal, procurement and financial experts such as Resourceful Futures Ltd, Philip Lee Solicitors Ltd and Sustainable Development Capital LLC. The project will also be supported by a strategic Advisory Board made up of national government departments and authorities, financial institutes and advisors, experienced European energy agencies and European experts.

Decarbonising Zones

In response to the All of Government Climate Action Plan 2019 Action No.165 and the recent circular issued by DHLGH in February on Decarbonising Zones, the Council are in the process of identifying potential Decarbonising Zones (DZs) across the city area. 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. Further work is ongoing in respect of charger requirements for fleet across operational bases in preparation for a significant transition of fleet to EVs in 2023/24.

Sustainable Energy Communities

The SEAI's Sustainable Energy Communities scheme helps organised communities fund and prepare an Energy Master Plan to change the way communities think about energy and to help them achieve energy goals by working together. DCC, acting as lead authority, has procured a framework of specialist consultants, who will work with communities across seven Local Authorities to help them develop Energy Master Plans. Communities had been struggling with cash flow in respect of payment of consultant fees. DCC listened to these concerns and working with the SEAI have developed an MOU so that so DCC can pay the fees and reclaim from SEAI at a later date. There is close coordination with CoDEMA and best practice standards, controls and master plan templates are in place to help guide communities deliver on targets. A mentor works directly with the communities, facilitating and guiding as required.

Claims Liaison Section

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

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

controls in place, supporting a proactive risk management strategy. The unit also liaises with IPB's Special Investigations Unit regarding possible fraudulent claims against DCC. Investigation and determination of cases continues throughout the Covid Restrictions and in 2021 the Section dealt with 537 new public liability cases 51 new employers liability claims.

Road Maintenance Services

Road Maintenance Services resolved approximately 2,300 customer enquiries and service requests during the period January to April 2022. Additionally, during the same period 2,064 defects and hazards on the road network were repaired and/or made safe by our direct labour crews. Furthermore, a total of 132 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. As part of this programme, construction works have commenced on the repair of footpaths in the North West Area. Tenders have been received for four contracts for the resurfacing of roads set out in the Division's Works Programme. These works will commence on-site in the coming weeks.

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 are scheduled to hold their fourth meeting of the year in June 2022. It is anticipated that the members will discuss the current status of the 27 approved grant applicants in respect of the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2021 and determine when the 2022 Scheme will be launched.

Waste Services Update

Street Grading

211 surveys were undertaken on 192 streets across the six waste management areas in April 2022. Grading was mainly carried out between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday. 64% of streets graded received a Grade A, 21% Grade B, 15% Grade C, 0% Grade D.

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	73	87	52	16	18	
SOUTH EAST	27	28	20	6	2	
SOUTH CENTRAL	29	31	17	10	4	
NORTH CENTRAL	28	30	26	2	2	
NORTH WEST	35	35	19	10	6	
TOTALS	192	211	134	44	32	0

35 bottle banks surveys were carried out in April 2022. Overall 43% of bottle banks received a Grade A, 31% Grade B, 26% Grade C, 0% Grade D

AREA	No. of Bottle Banks Graded	No of Surveys	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D
SOUTH EAST	5	5	3	1	1	
SOUTH CENTRAL	12	13	6	4	3	
NORTH WEST	12	17	6	6	5	
TOTALS		35	15	11	9	0

Recycling Services

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. Two further bottle bank locations, Walkinstown Library and Tolka Valley Road are due to be animated in June. 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. Banks at Newmarket Square and Grattan Crescent were replaced with freshly painted banks in May. Further replacements will take place over the summer months.

School Programmes

Picker Pals is an anti-litter initiative for primary schools. The educational programme gives young people the tools and positive motivation to develop stewardship of their local environments. Picker Pals engages children through a colourful character-led world of activity books, environmental readers, songs and storytelling. The 2021/2022 programme was funded by Dublin City Council and the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications. A total of 106 classrooms within the Dublin City Council area participated in the programme in 2021/2022. Registration is now open for the next academic year at www.pickerpalsworld.org.

Composting for Schools is a collaborative pilot project for Dublin created by Composting Ireland, the four Dublin local authorities and Eastern-Midland Regional Waste Office. The newly developed programme delivers a complete compost solution by reviewing waste segregation, providing education on managing food/garden waste and providing the composting infrastructure. 39 schools from the DCC area are participating in this two year pilot project. Participating schools also have a dedicated composting for schools webpage where they can access a library of informative resources, ask questions, upload results and interact with other participating schools. Wormery bins were recently added to the programme to provide an interactive and engaging way to managing food waste on site. 24 wooden wormery bins were constructed and delivered to interested Dublin City schools. Dublin City Council are currently leading on the creation of video guides for both primary and secondary schools on how to establish a best practice waste management system in a school. While these guides were created to complement the composting programme, they will provide advice on managing all waste and will be freely available to all schools.

The project has been very successful and there are plans to extend it beyond Dublin to the other local authorities in the EM Region in the coming months.

Green-Schools is Ireland's leading environmental management and award programme. The student-led programme promotes long-term, whole-school action. Green-Schools continues to be delivered to primary and secondary schools by Dublin City Council staff and An Taisce. Environmental Awareness staff have visited each school seeking to renew their Green Flag

Award. The 2020-2022 award ceremony was held virtually on 25 May 2022. Each new green flag awarded represents 2 years of student-led environmental awareness in each school. For further information, please contact greenschools@dublincity.ie

Circular Economy Training for Business - MODOS

The Eastern-Midlands Regional Waste Management Plan Office, in collaboration with the Local Enterprise Offices in Dublin City Council Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, successfully ran a MODOS Circular Economy Training Programme for microenterprises and Small to Medium Enterprises during March and April 2022. The initiative was funded by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Local Authority (Waste) Prevention Network or LAPN programme. Prior to 2022 the LAPN programme was confined to Environmental Sections of Local Authorities, but this year it was opened to all LA sections to reflect the spirit of the government's Whole of Government Circular Economy Strategy. In all, 40 participants took part in the MODOS Circular Economy Training Programme – 32 participants were SMEs operating in the Dublin City and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown areas and the remaining 8 participants were local authority staff (EAOs and LEO staff). The participants completed 4 modules of training and took part in one online networking event. Participants also availed of a one hour mentoring session following the conclusion of the programme. A report was submitted to the EPA as part of the funding requirements. A live MODOS networking and panel discussion event was held on June 2nd at Richmond Barracks for all past participants of the MODOS Circular Economy Training Programmes and for other interested organisations in a position to promote MODOS in the future.

Circle City Recycling Initiative

The Circle City recycling on the go initiative was launched on the 19th 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

Assessments of existing bins and bin areas in housing and older person's complexes in North Central Area - Kilbarrack and North West Area – Finglas took place in May 2022. A number of complexes in each area are ready for the introduction of brown bins (food waste), and where necessary green bins (recyclables). A report has been sent to Housing Maintenance for each complex and bins will be introduced in due course. Several complexes in each area require the construction of secure bin storage areas and the introduction of segregated bins will follow once these units have been constructed. Assessments will continue in Central Area, and the remainder of North Central and North West Areas over the summer months.

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 6th October 2022 in Croke Park. Arrangements are in place for an area wide competition. Applications are received in the Litter Management Office and closing date was Friday 27th May.

IPB Pride of Place – Finglas Tidy Towns received overall winner in their category – Urban Neighbourhood/Village under 3,000 and Bloomin' Crumlin/Kimmage received runner-up prize in their category Urban Neighbourhood/Village over 3,000 in Killarney on Monday 16th May 2022

Team Dublin Clean-up

The Team Dublin Clean-up took place on 30th April to coincide with the National Spring Clean month. Almost 70 groups from Dublin city came together to clean-up Dublin. Equipment was supplied to the groups by Waste Management Services who also collected and disposed of the bags after the clean-up.

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 Office (PWBO)

DCC is working to deliver 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 as well as the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network. DCC established a Single Party Framework Agreement under a Restricted Procedure, which is now complete. We are currently finalising pre-contract details with the successful tenderer and anticipate having a design consultant appointed in June. This project aims to set out the most effective plan to restore the river to a more natural state, encompassing a much-enhanced public amenity, promoting biodiversity, remediating sources of pollution and addressing potential flooding within the catchment. This project is being developed in collaboration with Fingal County Council, DCC Parks, Landscape Services & Biodiversity, as well as the Sustainable Transport and Projects Section of the Roads and Traffic Division. LAWPRO, the EPA and Inland Fisheries Ireland are 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. This project scope has been refined to prioritise and enhance five of the original nine locations identified adjacent to 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 Contractor has been appointed for the contract. Preliminary site access works are underway. This work will provide safer access for staff to maintain the surface water/flood mitigation infrastructure and improved effectiveness of older less effective screens, particularly during times of heavy rainfall. We anticipate this contract to be substantially complete by early Q3.

Bathing Waters

A Bathing Waters Task Force (BWTF) includes Dublin City Council (PWBO), 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 is to protect public health, including that of sea swimmers, and improve bathing water quality, consistent with the objectives of the EU Water Framework Directive. An enhanced programme of water quality testing has identified a number of significant pollution sources to focus our activity and areas for further investigation. DCC continues to support and collaborate with taskforce stakeholders to ensure a coordinated approach to remove bathing water pressures is achieved.

The Water Pollution Control section presented the 2021 Bathing Water Report to the Climate Action, Environment & Energy SPC meeting on 13th April last. A recording of the meeting is available to view on the DCC Webcast library and the report itself is available on the PWBO website; (<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/protection-water-bodies/water-pollution-control/water-pollution-control-reports>).

The official bathing season begins on June 1st and will run until 15th September. Monitoring of bathing water will intensify during this period, with at least 20 separate sampling events scheduled. Results are available at <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/protection-water-bodies/beaches-and-bathing-water-quality> and on the National Bathing Water website www.beaches.ie. Water Pollution Control launched the annual Public Participation campaign for the identification of new bathing waters on 9th May 2022. The consultation will run until 9th June 2022, where further information can be found at the

dedicated Dublin City Council public participation webpage

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/protection-water-bodies/public-participation-identification-new-bathing-waters>.

Smart Signage trial: A six-month trial of smart signage installations is to be initiated at each of our two designated bathing areas for the forthcoming bathing season, (Sandymount & Dollymount Strand). This project will monitor and assess the potential to deliver regulatory messaging to the public in a more efficient and cost effective manner. The smart signage infrastructure is to be powered through its own self-contained sustainable power generation technology. It will be a temporary installation and does not require connectivity to external utility services. The signage may be managed remotely and various public health or information notices will be trialled during the duration of the trial.

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

The new Guidance documents were presented to the Climate Action, Environment & Energy SPC on the 25th May.

Flood Defence Camac River

- 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 complete. A computer model has been built to investigate tidal, fluvial and pluvial flood risks associated with the river. Preliminary flood extent maps have been verified. Sensitivity testing and site investigation procurement is underway.
- 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. River corridors of 10m-25m are sought in the new development plan where possible on this very constrained river.

Climate Action Team

The Climate Action Team submitted an Expression of Interest for the EU Mission 100 Climate Neutral and Smart Cities on January 31st. Dublin City and Cork City were announced as the two successful Irish cities that are part of the 100 Climate Neutral and Smart Cities Mission on April 28th, 2022. The first phase of the Mission will involve developing a Climate City Contract (CCC) that is not legally binding. The CCC will require the development of an action plan for reaching climate neutrality and an investment plan. The CCC is essential to receiving the Mission Label.

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 14th 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 four 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. A study visit will take place in early September to Seoul and late November to Dublin.

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.

Planning is underway for Dublin Climate Action Week 2022 in partnership with FCC, DLR, SDCC, CARO and Codema. It is set to be the week of September 12th. An important event planned for the week is on September 15th – the launch of the Climate Campaigners App. The app will present residents of the city with lifestyle challenges that they may undertake to contribute to climate action. We are in the process of developing a programme of events for the day.

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.

Dublin CARO, the Local Authority Services National Training Group (LASNTG), Greenville Procurement Partners and a number of strategic partners have developed Green Procurement Training for local authorities. This training is a key action for delivery of the LA Climate Action Charter 2019 whereby local authorities have pledged to implement green public procurement strategy and procedures across all business areas. Strand 1 of this training is a 45-minute introduction to green public procurement webinar aimed at local authority staff across all departments and levels. Invitations to staff to complete this training will be via the section's training officer. The training will be offered for up to 1 year. Subsequent training is being developed for procurement officers and budget holders; this will commence in June 2022.

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, SDCC and DLRCC have all taken place. There was also a catch up training opportunity on 1st April. The Dublin CARO Coordinator gave an opening presentation at the training sessions. 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 are progressing plans for a series of Climate Action workshops during 2022. The training model is a hybrid of in person and virtual workshops. The procurement process is ongoing. Quotations were requested from three companies.

Línte na Farrage 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 are 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. The project launch is planned for mid-June

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.

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. CARO will no longer be involved with this project due to staff resources. Maryann Harris, CARO Senior Executive – Nature Based Solutions Lead, is leaving to take up a role in DHLGH.

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. 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. It is planned to announce the sites chosen for the project on World Green Roof Day 6th June.

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 30th March 2022. The closing date for applications was extended to 10th May. Applications are being shortlisted.

Further updates from the CARO team and events are posted regularly on www.caro.ie and for the Dublin CARO on twitter @DublinCARO. Dublin CARO leads in publishing the quarterly CARO newsletter. The sixth edition was 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.

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/>.

Schools Mobility Programme

A **School Zone** (SZ) 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 SZ. School Zone treatments have been installed at of these 67 Schools, leaving a further 52 awaiting treatment. Schools in 30 km/h roads were initially prioritized for treatment.

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 by phone 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 who has not applied under either the School Zone or SRTS schemes, cannot be prioritized for intervention prior to those who 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.

We are continuing to develop resources to schools to set up **Park and Stride** initiatives.

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 progress 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 complements 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 were held with pupils where they were 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.

Learnings from the Bicycle Heroes Workshops are being used to engage with schools with an installed School Zone (SZ). The aim of this is to empower the children to audit their SZ and consider if it is being used appropriately. Feedback from these workshops will inform future communications for Schools, Pupils and Parents.

Handshake Immersive Symposium

Dublin City Council is participating in the EU-funded CIVITAS Handshake project. 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 took part in an immersive symposium in Dublin from the 22nd - 25th of March.

Nine experts travelled to Dublin for the symposium with a 10th joining remotely. Ten sessions were delivered during the week plus a recreational city cycle for staff and delegates. Participant numbers were approximately 300 for the week and included DCC staff and Councillors and representatives from the NTA, HSE, Green-Schools, PPN, TUDublin, Businesses, Dublin Cycling Campaign etc. Sessions included the History of Cycle Policy in Amsterdam, Cycling and the Media, Cycling and Business and a dedicated session for Councillors on Engaging the City. Participation in the Symposium was high with many opportunities for interaction and networking.

Delegates attending the CIVITAS Handshake Immersive Symposium requested ongoing collaboration and receipt of updated information on School Zones design development and associated community engagement and behaviour change initiatives. A site visit to participate in a cycle bus was arranged at the request of delegates to gather information and contacts for a case study on School Zones.

Councillor Study Visit to Amsterdam

As a result of conversations which took place in the lead up and during the Handshake Symposium, a Study Tour in Amsterdam was organised. The Lord Mayor and a group of 9 Councillors and 4 Officials travelled to Amsterdam for 2 days at the end of May to learn more about the City's cycle policy and experience the infrastructure in person.

Bike Week 2022

Bike Week was launched by the Lord Mayor in Eamonn Ceannt Park, Crumlin. The Bike Hub Crumlin is a new service coming soon to Eamonn Ceannt Park that will provide accessible cycling to people with disabilities and older citizens, along with bike workshop training for young people, upcycling of second hand-bikes for DEIS schools and Direct Provision Centres, and cycling training for women and other groups. Activities for Bike Week took place from 14th – 22nd May and were carried out by the Environment & Transport Department, DCC's Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, as well as a number of schools and community groups through DCC's Community Grant Scheme to support groups to organise cycling promotional activities in their local area. Bike Week activities included cycle training, bike maintenance workshops, community cycles, cycle to school / work promotions, cycle safety sessions, webinars and more. DCC's flagship Bike Week event was a family-friendly bike festival which took place in

Fairview Park on Sunday 22nd May and included cycling obstacle course for children, bike demonstrations, bike maintenance, bike parade, trishaw tours, children's workshops including story-telling, yoga, pedal-powered activities.

Our flagship event Pedalpalooza, a family-friendly cycling for all festival, took place on Sunday 22nd May in Fairview Park. The event was very well attended with approximately 2,500 participants engaging throughout the 4-hour event.

In addition, Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, delivered a number of activities in schools and communities throughout the week and funded communities around the city to host their own bicycle focused events.

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.

Temporary Pending Permanent Schemes: A constraints analysis of the Dublin City Cycle Network is underway in order to identify sections of routes where temporary pending permanent cycle measures can be delivered within the next 18 to 24 months.

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

The Active Travel Office has met with the Council Groups to get Members views on the emerging Cycling and Walking Network to be delivered during the lifetime of the new development plan. Final details will be brought to the July area committees.

Water Bottle Filling stations

To support the move to reduce single use plastics DCC are developing a programme to install water bottle filling stations at key locations around the city. The first of these filling stations has been installed as part of the Clarendon Row Public Realm scheme and is now operational. Further filling stations will be rolled out around the city as part of future area improvement schemes.

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 2022, the main Forward Planning focus continues to be 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 in consultation with all of the relevant divisions across Environment & Transportation Department. Transportation Planning also has responsibility for the preparation of relevant maps and graphics.

The Draft Development Plan is now entering into the final 6 months of preparation, with the final Plan due to be approved at the end of November 2022, and effective from 24th December 2022.

Following the end of public consultation for the Draft Plan in February 2022, a Chief Executive (CE) Report was issued to the Elected Members for their consideration on the 29th April 2022. Over 500 motions from the Elected Members were received by the 27th May 2022 and Transportation Planning, together with the Planning Department, are currently reviewing these motions and preparing responses to same. This report will be completed by the end of June 2022 and presented to the Elected Members during a series of Special Council Meetings in July 2022.

Subject to any amendments arising from the motions adopted during these Special Council Meetings, a further period of public consultation (Material Amendments) will commence on July 27th to 1st September 2022. A further CE Report will be prepared in September following the public consultation, October will see a period for consideration of said report by the Elected Members and further Special Council Meetings will occur in late October/early November.

Following the making of the Development Plan in November, December will also see extensive work being required to be carried out by Transportation Planning Division (and the Planning Department) in the preparation of all documents and associated mapping to ensure that a fully complete Written Statement and Maps are available for publication before Christmas 2022.

Q1 2023 will see the Planning Department reviewing all the policies and objectives in the new Plan that require action. These will be assigned to the relevant division/department in DCC to

be designated as projects for commencement/completion within the lifetime of the Plan. It should be noted that there are a number of objectives that will fall within the remit of the Environment and Transportation Department. Transportation Planning Division will also be consulting with the Planning Department in any forthcoming Area Plans or studies that arise from the new Development Plan.

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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. Consultations have been held with local residents, businesses and vulnerable user groups. Feedback from this latest consultant will now be used to refine the design.
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	Invitation to Tender will be issued at the beginning of June 2022.
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 th 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 th October. Awaiting ABP response. New Environmental data on public display from 19 th May to 30 th June in DCC and SDCC.
13.	Camac Flood Alleviation Project 2	DCC/SDCC/OPW	AECOM	Environmental and topographical surveys substantially completed. Computer flood modelling of catchment ongoing. Website www.camacfas.ie 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 finalised. 50 boreholes being procured in DCC and SDCC.
14.	Dodder Phase 3 Clonskeagh Orwell Bridge	DCC/DLRCC/OP W	Byrne Looby	Environmental and topographical survey's completed. Computer flood modelling ongoing. Website www.floodinfo.ie/frs/en/dodder-3/home . Culvert surveys completed. Preliminary flood extent maps from computer model finalised. Initial flood options being considered.
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. Awaiting internal reports.
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.
22.	Grand Canal Storm Water Outfall Extension	DCC/ IW	JBB	This will see the current storm water overflow being channelled from the confined Grand Canal Dock and discharged into the River Liffey. This will improve water quality in the Grand Canal Dock and enhance the amenity & recreational value of the area. Planning application including EIAR to be submitted to ABP on 7 th June 2022.

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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	Programmed completion Q4 2022. New Contractor Appointed March 2022. Piling contractor on-site 19 th May 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. Consulting major stakeholders.
3	Silloogue Infrastructure Scheme	DCC	KN Circet	Nov 2020	Dec 2022	Works are progressing on the realignment of Silloogue Avenue The diversion of utilities is now complete. Roadworks are continuing at the eastern end of the site. The laying of kerbs and construction of footways is ongoing. Works are continuing on the new surface and foul drainage and public lighting networks within Silloogue 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.
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.
7.	Fitzwilliam Quay	DCC	Cunningham Civil & Marine	Nov 2021	Feb 2022	Reduction of seepage through sea wall and painting completed.
8.	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4A - Clarendon Row	DCC	Cairn Construction	Jan 2022	July 2022	The main construction works are complete apart from the carriageway resurfacing, which will be carried out in June under a temporary road closure. The Dublin Bike stand is now operational along with the new water bottle filling station. Two new birch trees have been planted on the eastern footpath.
9	River Road Wall	DCC	John Cradock Ltd	Nov 2021	Feb 2022	Construction of the second section, 290 metres long, of these wall and embankment repairs is underway. The last section of these works 285 metres long will commence after that.

Planning & Property Development

1. 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
<p>Development Plan 2022-2028</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Plan consultation process complete. CE Report issued on the 29 of April. • Workshops for Elected Members to brief them on the CE Report and to give advice on motions completed. 	<p>Elected Members consider the CE Report on Submissions and Motions received on the Draft Plan.</p> <p>CE Report on Motions to be circulated to Councillors.</p> <p>Special Council Meetings scheduled for early July.</p>
<p>Ballymun LAP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M50 Lands: Bid made for HSE new hospital, submitted 31st May 21. • Metro – liaison with NTA on-going. • Sillogue Avenue road realignment on-site. • Site 1: Shopping centre. • May 2022-funfair held on front part of Site 1 subject to licensing • Plaza: Part 8 approved, Sept 21 • Site 10: PPP bundle No. 3: for senior citizens. Design underway. 	<p>Awaiting decision on HSE bid.</p> <p>Meetings with NTA ongoing re Metro.</p> <p>Feasibility of upgrades to Balbutcher Lane North underway; liaising with Bus Connects.</p> <p>Development Strategy for Site 1 went to March NWAC for noting and April Council meeting.</p> <p>Site 10: Pre-Part 8 expected Q1 2022.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sites 12 & 14: Affordable Housing Serviced Site Funding: design underway • Site 21: O’Cualann, planning granted March 2020, Ref. 3623/19. Closing documents issued. • Site 22/23: O’Cualann site: near completion. • Site 25: Site transferred to O’Cualann. Site divided into 2: planning lodged for new senior citizen housing, 26.10.21, invalidated, to resubmit. • Site at Carton: offered to O’Cualann. On-hold till road realignment resolved. • Site 19: offered to O’Cualann. • Sites 5 & 18: proposed for PPP bundle No. 4. • M50 Lands 	<p>Sites 12 & 14: Part 8 expected Q 1 2022.</p> <p>Site 21: Due on site March 2022.</p> <p>Site 22: Substantially complete.</p> <p>Site 25: Phase 1: Planning application on senior citizens to be re-submitted 2022. Phase 2: Land boundary issues to be resolved. Pre-planning meeting 24.01.22.</p> <p>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 & 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 & 8: Issue of 2-storey housing on site to be resolved.</p> <p>12 May - Draft Fingal Development Plan submission – rezoning request</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Tech to Metro Economic Corridor. • Carton open space to residential.
<p>Park West – Cherry Orchard LAP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site 1: Serviced site fund. Design on-going. 	<p>Site 1: Part 8 expected March 2022.</p>

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<p>Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part 8 Approved for 'Main Street' Belmayne in March 2019. • DCC engaged in proposal for PCC, Garda Station and new library. • URDF application for funding submitted, 29th May 2020. Application unsuccessful. 	<p>LIHAF and NTA funded 'Main Street' Belmayne is currently on site.</p> <p>Revision to Belmayne Masterplan published.</p>
<p>Finglas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finglas Strategy 2021 – complete. Many of proposed re-zonings did not make it to the Draft Development plan stage. • Luas: Finglas LUAS TII EIA scoping request. • Jamestown: Variation No.33 incl. SDRA for Jamestown, adopted 14th June 2021. 	<p>DCC corporate response being prepared.</p> <p>Jamestown: 4 March meeting with landowners in Ballymun Civic Centre. 11 March - Project Brief issued to landowners. Meeting with Project Manager to be organised.</p> <p>Work with landowners and State Bodies Masterplan to be drafted.</p> <p>Update meeting with Finglas Employers Group to be organised.</p>

<p>North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SDZ Height review amendments; High Court Judgement made on 7th January has quashed ABPs decision. • Application for apart hotel at Castleforbes Road lodged. 	<p>Decision that ABP now reconsider the heights amendment application, starting the process as of March 2021.</p>
<p>Poolbeg West SDZ</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning permission granted for 638 residential units (Phase 1). • 370 unit application (Phase 2). Further information requested 	
<p>Public Realm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Anne's St/ Duke St/ Lemon St .- Consultations with Stakeholders PPN and Disabled Persons Organisations held with view to initiating Part 8 pre summer. • Clarendon Row completed ahead of schedule, includes relocated bike station and Water fountain • Wolfe Tone Square and Bridgefoot St complete and opened May 2022 Median at Bridgefoot Street also planted as well as greening at Four Courts and NEIC which are also natural Sustainable Drainage measures. • Francis St. progressing due to complete Q3 Eastern side is nearly complete with tree planting complete . • Construction tender to issue for Liffey Street new framework means longer cooling off period. 	<p>Initiate Part 8</p> <p>Project Complete</p> <p>Projects Complete</p> <p>Assign Construction Tender</p>
<p>Redevelopment of the Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market</p>	<p>Conservation survey and specification to be complete May 30th for inclusion in Tender. The Members Advisory Group met May 27th. Timeline for procurement of conservation works to be advised post May 30th</p>	<p>Advisory Group will meet bi monthly going forward</p>
<p>O' Connell Street Special Scheme of Planning Control</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre Consultation draft noted by City Council at April Meeting • Draft Scheme prepared. • 27 May briefing for elected members prior to start of public consultation. 	<p>Public consultation 8 weeks (30 May to 25 July 2022).</p> <p>All owners/occupiers to be written to.</p>

<p>Urban Regeneration and Development Fund</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call 1 – Awarded • City Edge (Naas Road / Ballymount / Park West Masterplan) – Joint DCC / SDCC project. • Call 1 – Category B Kilmainham / Inchicore Development Strategy. • Call 2 – Bid 4 bids submitted 29th May 2020, in collaboration with Departments across DCC 	<p>Strategic Framework completed, update to June Council Meeting for noting.</p> <p>Complete.</p> <p>North Inner City and South Inner City bids successful.</p> <p>€173 million awarded to 23 projects. Preliminary business cases being prepared for DHLGH</p>
<p>Draft NTA Strategy for GDA</p>	<p>Public consultation period ended.</p>	<p>Observations from DCC submitted to NTA.</p>
<p>DART + WEST (Maynooth Line)</p>	<p>Irish Rail consultations continue.</p>	<p>Meeting with Conservation to discuss the design of parapet works complete.</p>
<p>DART + SOUTH WEST (Kildare Line)</p>	<p>Irish Rail EIAR Photomontage viewpoints issued for comment.</p>	<p>Complete.</p>
<p>DART + Coastal NORTH (Belfast Line)</p>	<p>Non-statutory consultation on Emerging Preferred Option held 24 February to 8 April 2022. 8 April DCC corporate response issued</p>	<p>Await further from Irish Rail re preferred option.</p>
<p>DART + Coastal SOUTH</p>	<p>Irish Rail data requested in December 2021.</p>	<p>3 June Irish Rail project briefing.</p>
<p>Metrolink</p>	<p>Current pre-Railway Order engagement with TII. Preliminary Design drawings being reviewed.</p>	<p>Review of preliminary design complete. Issued as part of DCC corporate response.</p>

BusConnects	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.
Finglas LUAS	Ongoing meetings with TII re Preferred Option. Comments issued on preferred route 31 st January 2022.	Monthly preliminary/planning meetings on going. Lodgement of Railway Order Q2 2023.
Gulistan Depot	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. Revised masterplan circulated to Housing. Initial meeting and feedback held with Clúid.

2. Departmental Priority

Major Current Issues	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Active Land Management		
Derelict Sites Register	<p>Compulsory Acquisitions Notices of intention to acquire the following derelict sites compulsorily were served on owners.</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 68B St. Brendan's Park, Coolock, D5. 6 Terrace Place (rear of 23 Rutland St), D1 7 & 8 Terrace Place(rear of 24/25 Rutland St), D1</p>	<p>11 Annamoe Tce. D7 6 Terrace Place, D1 7 & 8 Terrace Place, D1 The sites vested in the Council on 1st April 2022</p> <p>68B St. Brendan's Park, Coolock, D5. The site vested in the Council on 5th May, 2022.</p> <p>1,2,5,6,7,10 & 11 Mulberry Cottages, Chapelizod, D20 The sites vest in the Council on 2nd June, 2022</p>
Vacant Sites Register	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notices of Proposed Entry have issued in relation to 206 sites. Notices of Entry have issued in relation to 134 sites. 162 submissions have been received to date. 	<p>On 5th April 4 sites were entered on to DCC's VSR. Of the 4 sites, 3 entries are now on appeal with ABP. The site references</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 44 sites currently on the Vacant Sites Register as of (19/05/2022). 15 of which are in City Council ownership. <table border="1" data-bbox="595 320 1150 510"> <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">Total Demanded: €2,935,650</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1" data-bbox="595 544 1150 701"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">2019 Demands</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Paid</td> <td>€527,100</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cancelled</td> <td>€1,335,600</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Outstanding</td> <td>€4,275,600</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Total Demanded: €6,138,300</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1" data-bbox="595 734 1150 891"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">2020 Demands</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Paid</td> <td>€366,450</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cancelled</td> <td>€1,365,350</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Outstanding</td> <td>€9,096,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Total Demanded: €10,828,300</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1" data-bbox="595 925 1150 1081"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">2021 Demands</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Paid</td> <td>€16,450</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cancelled</td> <td>€0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Outstanding</td> <td>€4,455,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Total Demanded: €4,471,950</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	2018 Demands		Paid	€649,350	Cancelled	€1,460,550	Refunded	-€66,450	Outstanding	€892,200	Total Demanded: €2,935,650		2019 Demands		Paid	€527,100	Cancelled	€1,335,600	Outstanding	€4,275,600	Total Demanded: €6,138,300		2020 Demands		Paid	€366,450	Cancelled	€1,365,350	Outstanding	€9,096,500	Total Demanded: €10,828,300		2021 Demands		Paid	€16,450	Cancelled	€0	Outstanding	€4,455,500	Total Demanded: €4,471,950		<p>are VS-0621, VS-0800 and VS-0864.</p> <p>VS-0654 – was removed from VSR since last report issued as the site is no longer vacant.</p> <p>On 14th April 25 Notices of Revised Market Valuation issued to site owners, 2 Revised Market Valuations are now on appeal to the Valuation Tribunal. The site references are VS-0131 and VS-0457.</p> <p>VS-0654 – 2020 levy for €980,000 cancelled as site deemed not vacant in 2020 and continues to be in use.</p>
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<p>Compulsory Purchase Orders</p>	<p>Abbey Street Lower - Marlborough Street - Eden Quay - Old Abbey Street Area Compulsory Purchase Order, 2021</p> <p>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>City Valuers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. Markievicz Pool re-location meeting held with CRES. • 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 																																											

	<p>options to take place with CE and ACE, the end of April.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Werburgh Street CPO, Project Steering Group formed with OPW, red take line at Dean's House to be finalised asap.• DCC development site at Chapelizod Village offered to the Department of Education for purchase, still under consideration by Dept.• Kilcarbery Grange development lands – Written record of agreement reached in respect of monies due to DCC from SDCC now confirmed with SDCC. First payment of €3m received from SDCC.• Building search for Stanley Street/Civil Defence Depot. Unit identified in North City Business Park. Negotiations continuing.• Negotiations commenced with Civic Trust to acquire upper floors of no 18 Upr. Ormond Quay. CT. have rejected DCC's offer.• Final offer put to TII re Bannow Road Housing Site.• OPW approached re acquisition of disused toilet block at St. Stephen's Green West/top of Grafton Street.• Engagement with Dept. re Land Value Charging proposed legislation.• Instructions/maps etc, received for Clongriffin to City Centre Bus Connects route – DCC properties affected.• Significant amount of new instructions being actioned from DRHE.• Engagement with Receiver for Richmond Road Artist's Studios building.• Internal discussions and assessments re assignment of Northside SC public swimming pool.• Internal meetings re NCOD and value recoupment % from AHB's and disposal of site of Kylemore Park South Depot.• Engagement with LDA re disposal of site at Belmayne.	
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3. Departmental Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage										
<p>Record Protected Structures</p> <p>Built Heritage investment Scheme (BHIS) 2021</p> <p>Historic Structures Fund (HSF) 2021</p>	<p>The Draft Development Plan proposed amendments to RPS, comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 101 proposed additions, • 55 proposed clarifications • 3 proposed deletions <p>27 submissions were received in relation to proposed amendments to the Record of Protected Structures.</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 Committee. The committee noted the proposed addition of 6 structures to proceed for initiation.</p> <p>DCC Conservation section received an allocation of €492,800 from the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage under this year's BHIS Scheme. A total of 56 BHIS applications were received by the closing date of 14th January, Following an assessment process, 56 projects recommended by the Conservation Section were approved by Department for funding – 3 of which are under the minor repairs grant scheme.</p> <p>An additional 11 applications were received after the deadline await assessment.</p> <p>On 7th April 2022 the Conservation Section received notification from the Department of the allocation of a total of €350,000 for 5 HSF projects listed in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="512 1496 1214 1659"> <tbody> <tr> <td>20 Dominick Street, Dublin 7</td> <td>€100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>37 Thomas Court, Dublin 8</td> <td>€100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>134 Thomas Street, Dublin 8</td> <td>€50,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>34 Main Street, Chapelizod, Dublin 20</td> <td>€50,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>29 Ormond Quay Lower, Dublin 1</td> <td>€50,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>55 Amiens Street, Dublin 1 - €50,000 has been carried over from the 2021 scheme with the approval of the Department.</p>	20 Dominick Street, Dublin 7	€100,000	37 Thomas Court, Dublin 8	€100,000	134 Thomas Street, Dublin 8	€50,000	34 Main Street, Chapelizod, Dublin 20	€50,000	29 Ormond Quay Lower, Dublin 1	€50,000	<p>Draft Chief Executive's report on submissions is currently with the elected members of Dublin City Council for consideration of the recommendations contained within.</p> <p>The applicants have been notified by letter of their provisional grant offer of funding. Inspections will be carried out on all 56 successful projects. The next BHIS return to the Department is due on 30th June 2022</p> <p>Projects to be allocated to inspectors and inspections to be carried out during June 2022.</p>
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Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

New Policy/Strategy

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

Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan 2024 Many of the actions in this plan will be led or supported by DCC individually or in collaboration with other stakeholders. 2 of the 20 actions are progressing well – Enterprise Hub Provision & Brand Vision for Dublin
<https://enterprise.gov.ie/en/Publications/Publication-files/Dublin-Regional-Enterprise-Plan-to-2024.pdf>

Representatives from DCL addressed the Joint Committee on the Irish Language, Gaeltacht and the Irish-speaking Community of the Oireachtas in May on the subject of 'Encouraging publishing and reading of the Irish Language'.

DCL will introduce the **My Open Library** initiative at Pembroke Library during June, increasing public access to the library from 8am till 10pm 7 days a week. Regular staffed service will continue during advertised hours at Pembroke Library.

Federation of Irish Sports Awards - DCSWP applied for the FIS Sport Industry Award under Best Local Sports Partnership of the year and was delighted to receive an award from the Dublin Fire Brigade Sports & Social Club at the Mansion House in recognition of services during the Covid-19 pandemic. The award paid tribute to the incredible work that took place in order to ensure everyone in the community stayed safe, healthy and active over the past two years.

Dublin City Play Strategy Following a citywide schools competition 'Create a Title for the Dublin City Play Strategy', the winning title was created by Pupil from Francis St School Aged 10 years. The now titled "Everywhere, any day, you can play" Dublin City Play Strategy 2022 – 2027 is currently at design and print stage and publication was due by end of May 2022.

Departmental Priority

Night Time Economy Strategy Preparatory work has been completed. The Summit Series 2022 will focus on the Night Time Economy.

Trading Online Vouchers (TOV) in 2022: has approved 90 applications and the current value of TOV approvals in 2022 is €189,000.

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: 2059 participants attended 84 training courses from 1st Jan – 30th April 2022. Target of 3,000 participants to year end.

Mentoring: 397 hours of mentoring were completed from 1^s Jan – 30th April 2022. Target of 1,000 hours to year end.

Start Your Own Business: 145 participants attended 5 courses & 1 boot camp from 1st Jan – 30th April. Target of 227 participants & 13 courses to year end.

C-Pens are now available for lending from five branch libraries. The C-Pen is a reader pen which scans and then reads text aloud. People with dyslexia, or other reading difficulties, those learning languages or those with vision problems may find these pens to be benefit.

Summer Stars, the free national reading programme for children, will take place in Dublin City Libraries this summer from 13th June - 31st August.

UNESCO City of Literature reception for Delegates of The 28th Int. James Joyce Symposium – James Joyce Ulysses , 1922 – 2022, with address from Lord Mayor of Dublin, Alison Gilliland. 15 June, 6pm @ City Hall: Peacock Theatre: Ulysses, celebrating 100 years since its publication read by Barry McGovern supported by Dublin City Arts and Libraries. 13-16 June

History on your doorstep: The fourth volume of 'History on your Doorstep', a publication by the Historians-in-Residence was recently launched by Lord Mayor of Dublin Alison Gilliland. Copies can be picked up, free of charge, from our branches and digital copies can be access on BorrowBox.

Bridgefoot Street Park Opening Dublin City Council transformed a derelict site into a new sustainable community amenity, which is accessible to people of all ages and abilities, utilising recycled materials thereby reducing the amount of construction material going to landfill. Features of the park include grassed and planted mounds; a performance area, play spaces, allotments, a community garden, a sculpture created by the participants of the Probationary Service Bridge Project and bird boxes provided by participants of the Liberties Training Centre.

Wolfe Tone Park Re-opening. Features of the park include: a new 475sqm lawn; refurbished and new bench seating; 21 trees and a mixture of herbaceous perennials, bulbs, ornamental grasses and hedging shrubs which creates both a relaxing amenity for people to enjoy and a biodiversity-rich environment for pollinators and wildlife in the city.

Community Monuments Fund Update Two DCC projects were allocated funding under the Fund (CMF), St Canice’s Graveyard, Finglas (€85,000) and St James’s Church & Graveyard (€10,762.50). In the absence of CMF 2022 funding, Parks, Biodiversity & Landscape Services has allocated funding to continue the recommended conservation works at the Church of St. Nicholas Within.

Discovery Centre Update The design team is currently finalising planning documentation, including the required environmental reports, with a view to the submission of a planning application to An Bord Pleanala in Q3 2022.

Playground Development Funding Update DCEDIY funding of €16,541 was secured for playground development that will be allocated to Eamonn Ceannt, to provide additional inclusive play opportunities including the newly developed ‘We-Go’ Wheel chair accessible swing - the overall cost of this play unit is approximately €44,000.

Departmental Projects

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Digital Start Voucher	New scheme providing supports to obtain digital strategy, technical and/or advisory services https://www.localenterprise.ie/DublinCity/Financial-Supports/Digital-Start/	Implementation – process planning

Your Dublin Your Voice	The Q2 Survey 2022 was conducted in April in conjunction with DCC Mobility, c.940 responses were received. Analysis has begun	Dissemination & prizes for the Q2 survey. Questions have been sent to Grade 7/SEO as a guide for their drafting of the Q3 LECP survey with draft required by mid-June.
Dublin Economic Monitor (DEM)	Q1 Dublin PMI was published on 13 th April and the Q1 Spending Pulse on the 4 th May	Production on the Q2 DEM and planning for the accompanying annual event is underway. Event date 17 th June
MODOS	Two MODOS courses held – 37 participants registered. Further details www.modos.ie	Wrap up Networking Event to be held 02/06/22 in Richmond Barracks
Dublin Place Brand	Place Brand Strategy Development with OCO Global – expected completion June 2022	Stakeholder workshops to present strategy development, gain insights & develop shared vision for City.
	'The Dublin Postgraduate Scholarship Competition' - International Marketing Campaign for Postgrad European Students in partnership with Education in Ireland and Dublin HEIs	Digital marketing campaign targeted in France, Italy, Germany and Spain. Targets exceeded: 8,500 Dublin.ie visits & 800+ applications to date
	DCU Student Innovation Project in partnership with Fáilte Ireland	Student project to develop new ideas to encourage people to visit Dublin. Reviewing submitted projects.
	Event support: Dublin Tech Summit (15 th -16 th June) Dublin LGBTQ+ Pride (25 th June)	Additional support of Dublin Tech Summit including outdoor advertising, Palace Street wrap, speaker panel and stand space in partnership with LEO, EDO and Smart Dublin.
City Library, Parnell Sq.	URDF funding secured	Review of scope and cost
Finglas Library	Tender Assessment is complete.	Letter of intent to issue shortly
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 10 th July 1 st June -18 th Sept
Programme of art education	Artist Amanda Coogan with participants from the Theatre of the Deaf are exploring themes inspired by James Joyce's Ulysses	12-18 June

	<p>Our Portrait of a Nation: Art, Politics and the Anglo-Irish Treaty was a great success and saw over 1,200 views on Facebook and over 900 on YouTube</p> <p>Our 'Art and the Outdoors' art competition sees a call out to primary schools in DCC area. So far in 2022, we have programmed 25 artist led workshops with children in the CDET Foundations Project.</p> <p>On Fridays, families whose first language isn't English are participating in our cultural mediation project with Mother Tongues in art workshops led by artist Nasrin Goldin.</p>	<p>Can now be viewed here and here</p> <p>These will be exhibited at the Hugh Lane from August-September.</p> <p>Ongoing development of innovative art education programming See here http://www.hughlane.ie/lectures/forthcoming-lectures</p>
Gallery Develop 1 Nth Fredrick Lane	Property acquired by DCC for HLG Conservation	Feasibility Study to be initiated Q2 22
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 22
New website	Content Development for new HLG website	Testing phase Q2 2022
Branding	New HLG Brand implementation	Implementation in Q2 2022
VHI –Women's Mini Marathon	Participants supported through community walking and training programmes in the lead up to the VHI Women's Mini Marathon	Ongoing. Mini Marathon to take place on 5 th June.
DCSWP Calendar of Events	Developed to align delivery of DCSWP programmes/events with major national and international initiatives.	15 th – 21 st June – Men's Health Awareness Week 21 st June – International Day of Yoga
DCSWP Virtual Hub	The Hub will provide an invaluable resource in terms of promoting DCC's/DCSWP's sport and recreation services and in providing a blended approach to delivery of programmes.	Scheduled to go live on 30 th May.
Aughrim Street Sports Centre - Improvements	Part 8 Lodged	Part 8 decision due 16 th June 2022
Ballyfermot Leisure Centre Gym/Façade Improvements	Tender documents being prepared	Issue Design Team Tender Package for Design Team in Q2
Irishtown Sports Stadium Improvement Works	Part 8 application complete. Planning permission granted at May City Council meeting.	Construction tender documents to issue q2
Donore Community Centre	Tender documents being finalised for design team	Design Team documents to issue
Northside Swimming Pool	Surveys complete	Report to be reviewed internally and scope of works agreed.
Sean Mc Dermott Pool	Design team appointed	Scope and tender documents to be developed
St. Catherine's Sports Centre	Tender package complete	Construction tender package being prepared Issue tender documents

Phibsborough Market – Royal Canal Bank	Opened May 13 th . The market will welcome expressions of interest from any local businesses that wishes to join the market.	
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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](#)

Event	Location	Date & Time
Smithfield Fleadh	Smithfield Square	June 18 & 19 th https://dublin.ie/whats-on/listings/smithfield-fleadh/
Local & Live	Axis Plaza, Ballymun	June 18 th
Dare to be Darndale Cabaret	Darndale Park	June 19 th https://creativeplacesdarndale.ie/events/the-dare-to-be-darndale-cabaret/
It's Good we are Dreaming	New Theatre	May 30 th – June 11 th https://thenewtheatre.com/event/2022/04/25/it-is-good-we-are-dreaming/
The Dig (theatre for children)	Ballymun, Walkinstown, Raheny and Coolock Libraries	June 8 th – 11 th https://cruinniu.creativeireland.gov.ie/event/the-dig/
Festival in Van	Dublin 7 schools and Collins Barracks	June 11 th and 12 th
Songs from Here – Ardú Ensemble	Liberty Hall Theatre	June 17 th
Official Opening – Ballyfermot Peoples Park & Sculpture Dublin – unveiling of Sculpture	Ballyfermot Peoples Park, Drumfinn Avenue	Friday 24 th June 2022 @ 1.30pm
New weekly Saturday market & family activities.	Ballyfermot Peoples Park, Drumfinn Avenue	Saturday 25 th June 2022 – 11-4
Rose Festival 2022	St Anne's Park	15 th -18 th July 2022

Statistics Q 1 2022

Hugh Lane Gallery	
No of visitors	27,358
Facebook	555,475
Instagram	1,189,645
Twitter	2,946,000
Parks & Landscape Services	
No. of emails received (Parks Email, Park Pitches, Red Stables & Park Events)	6,436 Includes 1,267 relating to Parks Events
No. of emails received from City Councillors	122
No. of Service Requests on CRM	360
No. of phone calls received	660
No. of Council Questions & Motions	277
Sports	
No. Attendees in Sport in the Community Programmes	33,348

No. of Individual Programmes	831
Libraries	
No. items issued (+ e-resources)	168,182 eResources 204,256 Total: 372,438
Reserves satisfied	27,415
Visits to libraries	271,781
Online visits (DCL websites)	154,062
Social Media, photo and video views	233,746
Programmed Events* – held	48
Attendance at programmed events	1,508
Regular branch events held	40
Attendance at Regular Branch events	681
FB Children’s video content posted	23
Internet sessions & Wi-Fi	9,673 Wi-Fi 26,772
Printing & reprography (pages)	53,944

Corporate Services, Transformation & Human Resources Department

Transformation Unit

The Unit is continuing to work on a range of transformation projects and initiatives including:

- Co-ordination of the FutureWork Programme, the organisational transformation programme which is currently focused on the development and introduction of blended working in the organisation
- Service redesign of the Traffic Advisory Group and traffic service request process, together with colleagues in Roads and Traffic
- Establishment of a Corporate Data & Analytics Unit to harness the potential of our data to improve service delivery and performance

Digital Services

The digital services team is now established with the objective of delivering citizen and user centric digital solutions for Citizens, Business and DCC staff. Achievements to date:

- Dublin City Alerts – Citizens can register to receive free email and text notifications relating to issues that impact their area. Live services currently are planning applications, bathing water quality, water outages and river height alerts. Road closure alerts will go live in June. There are currently 1,918 subscribers from 2,200 locations as subscribers can register their home and work locations.
- Online appointment bookings – Customers will be able to book a virtual or in person appointment online for some services in June.
- Virtual Consultations – A facility is available to have a virtual consultation room for relevant public consultations.
- CitiDesk – a new DCC intranet site is live. It is mobile enabled and facilitates access on the go for staff. It is a communication tool for the entire workforce and enables digitisation of paper based internal processes.

Digital Strategy

A draft digital strategy has been prepared and a consultation process has begun. The vision is to deliver excellent public services, using best-in-class technologies to connect citizens, staff and stakeholders. There are four pillars:

- Delivering digital by default citizen centered services
- Enabling data drive decision making
- Enabling and empowering our people
- Digitally enabling the city and our communities

Citizen Hub

12 services are now live in our new Citizen Hub portal for members of the public to report issues and request services and there are 7,107 registered users . Work is also progressing on the development of the Councillor portal, and engagement with the Elected Members is ongoing.

The current live services are:

- Abandoned bicycles
- Bulky Household waste
- Customer Compliments, Comments and Complaints
- Housing Allocations
- Parks - Biodiversity
- Parks - Cycling in Parks
- Parks - Dogs In Park
- Parks - General Request
- Parks - Grass Maintenance
- Parks - Litter Complaint
- Parks - Tree Maintenance
- Parks - Weed Control

The next services to go live are:

- Waste:
- Graffiti
- Community clean up
- Illegal dumping
- Short term lettings

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

Digital Rights Governance Framework Update:

Dublin was successfully chosen as one of four cities to receive support as part of the Digital Rights Governance initiative. 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.

On the 25th of May, Eileen Quinlivan, Assistant Chief Executive responsible for the Corporate Services and Transformation Department within Dublin City Council took part in the launch of the initiative, reaffirming the Council's commitment to improving the use of technology and data in service delivery while maintaining and upholding the digital rights of citizens.

More information on the launch here: <https://citiesfordigitalrights.org/milestone-digital-rights-cities>

Dublin Cycle Buddy - Bike Week Challenge:

As part of Bike Week (May 14th-22nd 2022), Smart Cities launched the Dublin Cycle Buddy (DCB) Bike Week Challenge. Aiming to encourage cycling around the city, participants were encouraged to log over 10 km during Bike Week to be automatically entered into a draw for to win one of four gift vouchers. Winners will be notified in the next two weeks.

Dublin Cycling Buddy (DCB) launched in May 2021 as an app for Dublin's growing cycling community <https://smartdublin.ie/lord-mayor-officially-launches-dublin-cycling-buddy-app/>
The Dublin Cycling Buddy app is a community app that was developed to help Dublin City Council identify city cycling routes for development and upgrade, through the use of cyclists' shared data. The app can be downloaded through the webpage: <https://dublin.cyclers.city>

EU H2020 SENATOR Project: Dublin Stakeholder Engagement Workshop:

On 11 May 2022, the Smart City team organized a workshop to engage multiple stakeholders across the logistics sector in Dublin for SENATOR, an EU funded H2020 project. The main objective of the workshop was to understand better ways to collaborate on logistics and to pilot smarter approaches to deliveries in Dublin.

The workshop took place in the Mansion House and was closed by The Lord Mayor of Dublin, Allison Gilliland. The workshop was attended by more than 40 participants including representatives from multiple logistic companies (An Post, DPD, Cyclone, Dachser, Fastway), National Transport Authority (NTA), Department of Transport and Dublin City Council.

See more on the workshop here: [Dublin City Council and logistics companies operating in the city meet at the SENATOR workshop - Senator \(senatorproject.eu\)](https://www.senatorproject.eu/dublin-city-council-and-logistics-companies-operating-in-the-city-meet-at-the-senator-workshop-senator)

More information on SENATOR can be found here: <https://www.senatorproject.eu/>

Hale and Hearty EU Open Data project:

Hale and Hearty is an EU-funded project led by the Department of Expenditure and Reform's Open Data Unit and comprising a number of project partners including the Department of Health and Fingal County Council with Smart Dublin providing support and facilitating engagement with the four Dublin local authorities. <https://haleandhearty.ie/>

Launched earlier this year, the [knowledge base](#) has a dashboard with graphs and visualisations, and an interactive map which shows locations of health and wellbeing related amenities and activities such as walking trails, outdoor gyms and GP doctors. It also houses a catalogue of some 500 health and wellbeing related open datasets.

For more details see the Hale and Hearty website: <https://haleandhearty.ie/>

Human Resources Department

The total number of employees at 31st March 2022 was 5,637 (headcount). The full time equivalent (FTE) number (i.e. taking account of work sharing arrangements) was 5,322.

Recruitment Programme 2022

Interviews held/concluded during May 2022:

Beach lifeguard	Fitter Mechanic Dublin Fire Brigade
Clerical Officers	Relief Pool Lifeguard
Corporate BIM Manager	Smart Cities Communications and Lead
Executive Architect	Student Intern CARO office
Executive ITS Officer	Trainee Solicitor
Executive Planner	

The recruitment process for the next Fire Fighter class is continuing.

Campaigns advertised May 2022:

Accountant	Project Manager – Housing Delivery Programme
Art Technician Hugh Lane Gallery	Senior Accountant
Assistant Building Surveyor	Senior Librarian
Divisional Librarian	Third Officer Dublin Fire Brigade
Executive Engineer (Electrical)	

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

Law Department
Freedom of Information

Ref No	Request Details	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/9077/2022	Records regarding number of street cleaners in DCC	Press	01/04/2022	20/04/2022
FOI/9080/2022	seeks records re: Dublin Civil Defence.	Client	04/04/2022	
FOI/9083/2022	Records regarding councillor expenses	Press	05/04/2022	26/04/2022
FOI/9084/2022	Request submissions and representations for pedestrianisation of Capel St	Press	05/04/2022	
FOI/9086/2022	Records regarding retrofitting at Ballybough House	Press	06/04/2022	
FOI/9087/2022	seeks records re: retrofitting of units at Ballybough House.	Press	06/04/2022	
FOI/9089/2022	seeks records re: Planning Enforcement file	Client	07/04/2022	29/04/2022
FOI/9095/2022	Records of minutes between DCC and Waterways Ireland	Press	11/04/2022	
FOI/9097/2022	Records regarding tenders from 2011 - 2021	Press	12/04/2022	
FOI/9101/2022	Records on overcrowding in private rented accommodation	Client	12/04/2022	
FOI/9102/2022	Seeks records regarding training containing reference to unconscious bias.	Client	12/04/2022	26/04/2022
FOI/9105/2022	Seeks records regarding Softbank	Client	13/04/2022	19/04/2022
FOI/9106/2022	seeks records re: wells or groundwater abstractions,	Client	25/04/2022	28/04/2022
FOI/9107/2022	seeks records re: Questions submitted at the meeting of North Central Area Committee	Client	14/04/2022	21/04/2022
FOI/9108/2022	Seeks records re Capel Street traffic proposal	Solicitor	14/04/2022	
FOI/9109/2022	Request records re social leasing	Business	19/04/2022	26/04/2022

FOI/9110/2022	Records regarding grass cutting	Client	19/04/2022	
FOI/9112/2022	Request records regarding proposed telecommunications tower in St. Annes Park	Client	20/04/2022	
FOI/9115/2022	seeks records re: St Patrick's Day travel costs	Press	21/04/2022	
FOI/9116/2022	Request regarding maintenance requests in Ballymun area	Other	21/04/2022	
FOI/9118/2022	Seeks records of correspondence between Chief Executive and named individuals in Dept. Housing and Dept. of An Taoiseach	Press	21/04/2022	
FOI/9123/2022	Request DFB records	Solicitor	26/04/2022	
FOI/9125/2022	seeks records re: correspondence between the Lord Mayor's office and the National Maternity Hospital.	Press	27/04/2022	

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

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

Total requests opened in the period 01/01/2022 - 30/04/2022	218
Total requests closed in the period 01/01/2022 – 30/04/2022	200