



MANAGEMENT UPDATE

1. STRATEGY AND POLICY

LIBRARIES

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

A new national strategy to shape Ireland's public library service is being developed. Libraries Ireland are leading the process with the support of library authorities and staff around the country. A range of public, stakeholder and staff consultations are planned. More information is available here: <https://www.librariesireland.ie/public-libraries-strategy-consultation> or alternatively, visit your local library for more information.

Dublin City Libraries welcomes the completion of the '**Review of Prison Libraries in Ireland**', commissioned by the LGMA, which outlines the key principles and recommendations to support developments in prison library services. The review will be launched in the coming weeks.

SPORTS AND RECREATION

- **Dublin City Council Sports Plan** - A comprehensive review of DCC sports and recreation programming and infrastructure will be undertaken in 2022/23. This strategy will cover all aspects of Sports within Dublin City Council's remit. The strategy will run alongside the City Development Plan so will cover the period up to 2028. There will be two main strands to the strategy;
 - Sports Infrastructure & Amenity
 - Sports Programme, & Policy

The Sports and Recreation Section will make a presentation to the SPC in September on the goals and process of the Dublin City Sports Plan.

- **Funding Secured** - 7 Sports Capital Grants were secured to a total value of €377,844
- **DCSWP Strategic Review** Dublin City Council intend to engage a consultant to devise a strategy for sport in the city. This strategy will cover all aspects of Sports within Dublin

City Council's remit. The strategy will run alongside the City Development Plan so will cover the period up to 2028.

2. INFORMATION RELEVANT TO SPC

LIBRARIES

Dublin City Libraries will present a **Summer Programme for Children**, a fun packed series of events and activities including storytelling, music and drama performance, puppet shows, creative writing, climate change, STEM workshops and much more that will appeal to children of all ages. More information here: <https://www.dublincity.ie/events?type=223>

Summer Stars is the free national reading programme for children that takes place in public libraries and online each summer. This year's programme is running from 13th June - 31st August 2022. Designed to encourage young people to celebrate the fun and pleasure of reading and writing over the summer, children can pick up a reading card at their local branch, with lots of special story-time events and competitions throughout the branch network. More information here: <https://www.dublincity.ie/library/blog/summer-adventure-summer-stars-0>

Historians in Residence: On 30th July there will be a full day of talks at Richmond Barracks celebrating recent history publications by Dublin City Council. [Richmond Barracks | History on Your Doorstep: Celebrating DCC History Publications](#)

The Coolock library **Maker Space** will offer a programme of activities in July and August. More details here: [Maker Space Summer Programme | Dublin City Council](#)

Construction work on the new Public Library in **Finglas** is due to commence in August 2022

Appointment of a new **City Archivist:** has joined DCC after 5 years managing archives at The University of Edinburgh's Centre for Research Collections. Developing methodologies for assessing archival value, preserving original material (in all formats) and providing access to complex collections has been the focus of her work since qualifying in 2012. Some of the archives she has worked on include The Abbey Theatre, The National Gallery of Ireland, the records of Irish and Scots Law, information governance and web-based archives as part of IT infrastructure.

Both the City and Senior Archivist, - also new to DCC - have plans for the service. Based at Pearse Street Library, the team are passionate about recording the history of Dublin through both DCC's records *and* through archives created in the community.

SPORT AND RECREATION

- **DCSWP Governance Code** - The Sport Ireland Governance Code for Sport is a code of practice for good governance of sport organisations in Ireland. It covers all National Governing Bodies and Local Sports Partnerships throughout the country.
- **DCSWP Virtual Hub** - The Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership Virtual Hub is now live and can be accessed by clicking on the link below:
<https://www.dcswhub.ie/>

The Virtual Hub was imagined and designed to further support DCSWP's strategic goals and will be an invaluable resource for communities, clubs, groups and schools in Dublin city in tandem with the ongoing physical delivery of programmes and initiatives. The Hub also provides information on major new initiatives such as the DCC Active Cities Project.

Date	Initiative/Programme Name	Lead organisation
12th Aug	International Youth Day	United Nations
9th - 15th Aug	Sport Ireland - HEROutdoors week	A week long initiative to encourage, support & promote female participation in outdoor sports/activity. More information to follow.
Sep - Nov 22	MarathonKids – 8 week primary schools citywide initiative	MarathonKids/ Local Authorities/Local Schools
1st-30th Sep	National Heart Month	
1st-31st Sep	See Change - Green Ribbon Month	
26th Sep	National Community Walking Day	Get Ireland Walking
23-30 Sep	European Week of Sport /SPORTSFEST 2022 (DCSWP annual Flagship event. Now in its 4 th year. Sportsfest is a citywide week-long celebration of sport & physical activity across the city. More information to follow on EWOS themes. DCSWP Planning Committee to meet in July.	EU / Sport Ireland / DCSWP.
27 Sep - 1 Oct	Positive Ageing Week	Age Action Ireland
26th Sep (during EWOS)	National Walking Day	Get Ireland Walking

HUGH LANE GALLERY

Hugh Lane Gallery is open and welcoming visitors to our range of vibrant exhibitions while adhering fully to Covid guidelines.

Forthcoming Exhibitions:

Bones in the Attic

11 August – 30 October 2022

Opening this summer, the Hugh Lane Gallery presents *Bones in the Attic* an inter-generational exhibition with eleven Irish artists, each exploring the recurring and ongoing societal issues affecting women. Works of key artists in Hugh Lane Gallery's collection, Rita Duffy, Dorothy Cross, Kathy Prendergast, Alice Maher, and with our most recent acquisition from Jesse Jones, who continue to be at the forefront of women's rights in Ireland. Exhibited

alongside these are works by invited artists Myrid Carten, Eleanor McCaughey, Amanda Doran, Sarah Jayne Booth, Ruby Wallis and collective Na Cailleacha

Current Exhibitions

Current Exhibitions are listed on: <http://www.hughlane.ie>

Education

<http://www.hughlane.ie/lectures/forthcoming-lectures>

<https://twitter.com/TheHughLane>

<https://www.instagram.com/thehughlane/>

<https://www.facebook.com/thehughlane/>

EVENTS

Dublin City Council's Events Section are currently planning a new musical event for the city centre which will focus on the development of young people through music, and which will provide a platform for up and coming musicians from various musical backgrounds. This will be a free family friendly event in nature, which will attract people to the City Centre and will appeal to people of all ages. The event is planned to take place in Q3/Q4 2022.

Dublin City Council's Winter Lights Festival will return once again this year. The Festival will expand into new areas on both Dublin's North and Southside including the Docklands and Bridgefoot Street Park. The Festival will have greater focus on young people with the addition of illustrators and educational storytelling relating to the history of the City Centre.

Dublin City Council's Events Section recently advertised a tender for the Provision of Outdoor, daytime, free family friendly movie screenings on Meeting House Square. A preferred bidder has been selected and the event will proceed on 28th August, 4th, 11th & 18th of September on Meeting House Square.

The Events section have recently advertised a tender in relation to the provision of Musical or Dance events in the Public Domain including Parks. This Tender will span 2022 – 2025 inclusive. Tenders are currently being assessed with award of contract expected in the coming weeks.

ARTS OFFICE

Building for Arts Use.

The former Filmbase building at Curved Street had an open day on the 10th of June, as a result of this 35 groups/individuals have expressed an interest in utilising the space.

The Arts Office is awaiting fire inspection of 7, 8, and 9 Merchants Quay when this is completed it will all be the subject of Open Calls for Artists use in autumn 2022.

The allocation of the artist's work spaces have taken place with 13 units in Artane Place formerly Butterly Park being allocated.

Arts Grants review is ongoing and will have an interim report in autumn.

In the North Central Area research is completed analysis on this is ongoing the Report will be submitted to the North Central Area Committee in the autumn.

Public Art Strand 2 commissioning has requested further detail from two applicants from the Round 2 process, this is still ongoing.

25th July 2022