

To the Chairperson and Members of the  
South East Area Committee

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**Part 8 Notification for information purposes only  
New Library for Terenure**

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Terenure Library is on the Templeogue Road in a suburban area of Dublin which is largely residential.

The library is a small single storey complex of buildings of c.300 sq.mt and dates from the mid-1950s. The library was constructed in two phases and with a temporary toilet installed on the site in recent years. It is proving difficult to meet the library service needs and expectations of the local community, given the inadequacies of the existing building.

In 2018, a survey was conducted on the existing buildings by ASI Architects Ltd. They recommended that the existing buildings be demolished to make way for a new purpose built library building. The site is extremely tight so the new build is likely to be a two-storey development. The ambition is to have a new library of circa 1,000 sq.mt.

In June 2022 Cubetecture Design Limited was appointed to:

- Prepare a tender and manage the procurement of a suitably qualified QS firm to prepare an outline cost plan for proposed development in accordance with City Council procurement requirements.
- Prepare a tender and manage the procurement of other professional services that may be required in preparing the design of the new library, in accordance with City Council procurement requirements.
- Manage the Part 8 planning application process in accordance with the requirements set out in the City Council's '**Local Authority Works Part 8 Procedure**'.

The existing buildings would not be capable of supporting additional structures. Neither building is considered to be of notable architectural merit.

DCC Libraries seeks approval of the South East Area Committee of their intention to initiative a Part 8 application in early 2023.

The approval of a Part 8 is a reserved function of Dublin City Council.

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