

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

Report of the Director of Services, Central and South East

Grand Canal

A meeting was held in January 2020 with Waterways Ireland representatives and Councillors to discuss ongoing management and maintenance of the canals in the city and to agree a new structure for quarterly interaction between Waterways Ireland and DCC. The latest meeting was held on 20th October 2022 via Microsoft Teams and the next meeting will be held in late January 2023.

Portobello Harbour Square

A meeting was held in early September 2021 with Roads Department, City Architects and hotel contractor and other internal departments to discuss arrangements for managing the build and the renovation of the square. Parks and Landscape Services will undertake a comprehensive local consultation around the re-design of Portobello Harbour Square in conjunction with the South East Area Office. The agreed design will then be submitted for approval under Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended). A meeting with Councillors was held on 8th February 2022 during which Parks Department set out plans for the proposed public consultation. Áit Urbanism + Landscape were appointed as consultant for the project and two initial public consultation workshops were held on 1st and 8th June 2022 at St. Kevin's Community Centre. Concept designs were prepared by consultants based on the outcome of these workshops and these were put on public display at St. Kevin's Community Centre between 3pm and 8pm on Thursday 21st July 2022. Online consultation was open until 19th August 2022 and a large number of submissions were received. Preliminary Appraisal form has been lodged with the Capital Project Support Office (CPSO).

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

Herzog Park, Rathgar – Final Phase

The final phase of the project includes the re-alignment of the front boundary of the park and the revised car park layout, as set out in the Part 8 permission. A preliminary site meeting was held with Road Construction engineers on 14th April 2022. Some surveys of the area have been carried out including a drone survey to assist in the design process. Once the design process has been completed it is proposed to begin work on the project in early 2023. When these works are carried out, further landscaping inside the park will be required as part of the works to complete the project.

Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP)

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

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

Library Square: (Mitchell & Associates) Meetings with internal stakeholders were held during September and October 2018. A meeting was held with local businesses to discuss parking / loading arrangements on 5th December 2018. A presentation was made to area councillors on 13th February 2019 and a preliminary draft design was brought to a public meeting for all stakeholders on Thursday 21st March 2019 in the Ringsend Irishtown Community Centre (RICC). Following a period of consultation up to 19th April 2019, submissions were received and were reviewed by the project team. A revised design was brought before the Public Realm Working Group on 22nd October 2019. A meeting of all internal stakeholders was held on 28th November 2019 and further required detail was identified by key departments. An invitation to tender for additional services to bring the project to Part 8 was issued to consultants and Mitchell & Associates were formally appointed on 17th November 2021. Preliminary meeting of design team took place on 15th December 2021 and detailed meetings with internal departments were held in January and February 2022. GPR Survey was carried out in January 2022.

A second round of meetings with internal departments was held during April / May 2022 and work on finalising the design was commenced. A Road Safety Audit will also be carried out. A meeting has been arranged with local businesses to finalise servicing arrangements for traders on Fitzwilliam Street. A public information meeting to present the final designs to the community will be arranged before commencing the Part 8 process and design boards will be put on display in Ringsend Library to keep the community informed. Councillors will be briefed before we commence the Part 8 process early in 2023.

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

Cabbage Garden & Cathedral Lane

Halloween Event in the Cabbage Garden was well attended and feedback has been good. Awaiting update from Parks regarding proposed gym equipment, community garden and play area which we would hope to progress in 2023.

City Quay

Two proposals were received from a landscape architect with a view to improving the public realm at City Quay. They have been discussed with a representative of the residents' group and there is a preference for one of the designs. Need to discuss with Traffic a proposed parking scheme for the area as this will be essential for us to progress.

Aungier Street Triangle

Work on greening the Aungier Street Triangle is imminent and is expected to be completed shortly.

Advertising hoarding in Rathmines

The Planning Enforcement Section report that they have carried out all relevant compliance investigations at this site relating to the digital advertising hoarding, including measuring the lighting levels from the sign. This was done by an independent expert on behalf of Dublin City Council. The lighting levels from / at the sign are considered to be substantially below the limits / parameters outlined in the condition attached to the planning permission. The planning condition relating to the fade transition of the advertisements displayed on the board is still under consideration and ongoing discussions are taking place with the operator on this matter.

Rosary Hall

After receiving extra funding of €240k which was approved at the April City Council meeting (as well as €125k already allocated), it was decided to retender the entire proposed works. Meetings took place with both main community groups and consultant architects during the summer 2021 to outline and agree the proposed works which included mechanical & electrical works, fire safety works, remedial works and lift replacement.

The Area Manager also engaged in meetings with both community groups regarding governance of the facility and a management agreement was finalised in May 2022.

A supervisory committee comprising of two members of the football club and two members of the Harold's Cross Village Community Council (HXVCC) and the Area Manager will be established to optimise the use of the facility for the benefit of the Community.

Tender documentation was completed and advertised and tenders were received back on February 14th. These tenders have been assessed by consultants and it is apparent that construction inflation has led to a significant increase on the previously estimated cost.

A full Corporate Project Support Office (CPSO) appraisal form has been submitted in relation to the matter and it is hoped to include it in list of projects for capital funding consideration. The disposal of the lease was agreed at the area committee meeting in June and was brought to the July Council meeting and approved. As all the requisite monies have not been sourced yet the preferred contractor has been asked if he will extend the deadline and to outline the uplift sought. The Chair and the six members of Kimmage Rathmines ward have requested a meeting with the Chief Executive to progress the matter.

Work is also progressing on the finalising of the lease and a draft has been issued to the Harold's Cross Youth and Football Club.

Age Friendly Initiative Harold's Cross

The Age Friendly Committee for Harold's Cross has been operational since early 2020. A draft report was submitted by the Harold's Cross Village Community Council (HCVCC) in conjunction with Rob Chester, Area Community Officer and it was agreed to progress a number of these proposals, funding permitting. In tandem with this it is proposed to hold a workshop to further engage with the residents and ensure particularly any elderly resident who was not consulted has an opportunity to contribute to the process and be included. It was agreed to defer the facilitation of a Workshop to get the views of the wider community till autumn 2022.

A subgroup under the Housing SPC has been convened to look at the City Wide Age Friendly Strategy. Under this structure, submissions for funding may be advanced, including the Harold's Cross project.

It has been agreed by the elected members that further monies (€8k) will be allocated to this age friendly initiative in the discretionary funding for 2022.

IT Age Friendly tablets have been distributed to residents and have been very well received. Cliff Run Media have supplied over 1,000 units to established age friendly projects across the country; the tablet comes with one year's free WIFI and are dignity proofed to make access as easy as possible.

It is anticipated that when the works are completed on Rosary that it can play a pivotal role in age friendly activities going forward.

Eir have completed the work involved in getting an additional line into Harold's Cross Park to enable Virgin Media to set up the Wi-Fi hot spot for the area around the café.

A series of Sub group meeting have taken place in 2022 including February 11th, 28th, March 16th and April 8th to progress matters and it is hoped to schedule a programme of events to encourage people to participate in.

The first Ageing Well Café meeting took place on March 8th and was attended by about 40 residents with great support from HXVCC. There was a good cross section of our older persons.

A trip to Russborough House took place on April 11th.

An Ageing Well Café meeting took place on 17th May in McGowan's and a full Age Friendly Committee meeting took place on May 5th.

The sub group met on July 15th and a main meeting took place on the 20th September.

A trip was organised to the National Stud on Tuesday 27th September and was attended by a large group. The next meeting has been scheduled for the 6th December.

It is hoped to organise further events in December.

Rutland Grove / Eamonn Ceannt Park

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

Leslie Moore has indicated with response to a July motion that he will engage a consultant to review this issue regarding the Part 8 parking.

As an interim measure planters were installed at the entrance to Rutland Grove to enhance the environment and assist with ongoing illegal parking at the entrance. Regrettably a number of these have been vandalised and a solution is being sought in conjunction with the residents' association.

The presentation on the proposed works at the Parks Depot upgrade took place on May 13th. The Consultant outlined the plans to Councillors and community groups and welcomed input into finalising the design.

A further meeting took place on June 29th 2021 to update the councillors and community groups on modifications to the drawings after Parks Section met with the residents' group on June 17th 2021.

It has been agreed that laminated drawings outlining the proposed upgrade of the depot would be erected on the depot walls to facilitate a better understanding of the proposals, which has happened.

Work is completed on the footpaths across the open green space as agreed under the discretionary funding.

A detailed capital appraisal was prepared for tender stage and works on the depot upgrade are scheduled to start second quarter 2022. However due to construction inflation the cost has exceeded the assigned budget. A report regarding an update in relation to this has been requested for the July meeting and a decision is expected this month regarding the project.

New trees were planted in the estate at the end of January 2022 and a flyer was distributed to the residents outlining the importance of these trees.

A further meeting of the Friends of Eamonn Ceannt took place on February 10th. Parks have confirmed small improvements in the park, including wheelchair accessible picnic tables and sensory planting in front of the playground. Big Belly bin was burned out but will be replaced by two standard bins.

Parks have confirmed that as part of an up-grade to the main Eamonn Ceannt Park entrance from Sundrive Road the 'Kissing gate' will be removed from Monday April 4th. The original gate is being repaired and when reinstated will be left half open, should the trial be deemed successful.

The Crumlin Kimmage Festival took place on July 10th in Eamonn Ceannt Park and it was deemed a great success by locals and all who attended.

A Friends of Eamonn Ceannt meeting took place on September 23rd including several updates in relation to Halloween.

A Crumlin Halloween Mini Festival took place in Eamonn Ceannt from 12pm to 4pm on Monday 31st October 2022 and received very good feedback from the community who attended.

Choice Based Lettings

A two bed unit in Rathmines Avenue is currently being advertised under this scheme.

CCTV Benbulbin Road

Following on from the provision of Discretionary Funding for the installation of CCTV at Benbulbin Road, we have continued to try to progress the matter. Adhering to advice from DCC's Data Protection Office, a letter was sent to the Garda Commissioner's Office on the 11th March 2021. This letter requested written authorisation from the Garda Commissioner for Dublin City Council to install CCTV at the location, which is a public area and not within the bounds of a Dublin City Council complex. The current DCC code of practice for installation of CCTV in public places requires such authorisation from the Garda Commissioner. The office of the Commissioner replied on the 11th May 2021 and submitted a number of documents, including An Garda Síochána's Code of Practice for Community Based CCTV Systems. The documents submitted are at variance with DCC's code of practice for CCTV in public places and do not seem to take into account that DCC is installing the CCTV rather than a community based organisation. Discussions took place with local based senior Gardaí in order to try and reconcile the differing positions but following further advice from our Data Protection Office further clarity was required from An Garda Síochána. Further communication from An Garda Síochána outlining their position on this matter stated that their internal policy / procedures will only allow authorisation of this scheme if it is designated a Community CCTV Scheme.

Designating this CCTV Project a Community Based CCTV Scheme would impose greater responsibility on the local community in relation to their role in consultation, installation, maintenance and management of the CCTV system. In addition, given the proposed location of the CCTV and the serious criminality which takes place there, there is a significant potential for health and safety issues to arise for community representatives involved in such a project. It would also have the potential to increase costs for the project.

We held further discussions with An Garda Síochána in April 2022 in relation to this CCTV scheme and while they have not changed their viewpoint they have raised issues in relation to all CCTV schemes which will require further clarification with our own Data Protection Office.

Additionally, the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner has recently issued a substantial fine against Limerick City and County Council in relation to the operation of CCTV in its area. This decision is likely to have knock on effects for other Local Authorities and our Law Department is reviewing the decision to assess its implications for existing and planned CCTV schemes.

The last update from DCC's Data Protection Office indicated that discussions are ongoing between the Local Government Management Agency and An Garda Síochána and no clarification on the issues outlined above is forthcoming as of yet.

St. Clare's Park, Harold's Cross

All units have now been allocated and occupied.

Halloween 2022

Halloween was relatively quiet this year. There were 10 bonfires in the area but substantial amounts of bonfire materials were removed in the run up to Halloween and on Halloween itself, resulting in significantly less damage being caused by these bonfires. Area staff worked closely local Gardaí, groups and individuals to gather information on storage sites and remove materials. The community events in Brickfield Park and Eamonn Ceannt Park were very successful and resulted in reducing potential anti-social behaviour.

Community Development Report – South East Area

Allotments

The allotments at Herbert Park have had remedial work carried out to the fencing, gate posts and other areas with much positive feedback received from plot holders.

The Kingfisher Project / Blarney Park Allotments had their AGM at the end of October. With over 80 members now on the Kingfisher Project, the oversight committee was expanded with additional roles for education, public relations and other officers to assist the project. Four local schools have visited the project and will be taking classrooms to visit the flora and fauna in the coming months. The Apiary will be overhauled with additional funding from the Community Team.

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremonies

The following Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremonies will be taking place this year:
Saturday, 26th November at 5pm in Harold's Cross Park.

Monday, 28th November at 7pm at Supervalu, Kimmage.

Wednesday, 30th November at 7pm at St. Agnes Parish Church grounds (subject to permission), Crumlin.

Thursday, 1st December at 7pm in Christ Church, Rathgar.

Friday, 2nd December at 5pm at Sandymount Green, Sandymount.

Saturday, 3rd December 4pm in the Car Park in Terenure Village.

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremonies at Donnybrook, Rathmines and Ranelagh will not be going ahead. The plaza at Donnybrook is currently being used to assist nearby construction work whereas our Event Management Services Company has failed the Ranelagh and Rathmines sites on the basis of their Risk Assessment and Crowd Control Safety protocol.

A huge amount of pre-development work was required to deliver these projects as we are working with a new Event Management Company (Diffusion Events), and we had to completely overhaul all aspects of these major events to current safety and crowd control standards.

There were be a host of other community events taking place for Christmas across the area and full details will be in our December Report and Christmas Event Calendar.

Crumlin Senior Citizens

We will be assisting the group to have some Reiki and wellness classes over the autumn / winter months. They meet every Thursday from 2 – 4pm in St. Bernadette's Parish Centre on Clogher Road and are delighted to meet potential new members.

Environmental Projects/Spring Bulb Initiative

We will shortly be donating spring bulbs to environmental groups as well as individuals who are active in the area. This will ensure plenty of colour and vibrancy in our villages, complexes and along our streets in the new year.

Four planters were installed at the end of Maple Drive / The Cloisters in Harold's Cross. The funding for planters is now exhausted until spring 2023.

Congratulations to all the groups and individuals in the South East Area who recently received awards through the City Neighbourhoods Competition. A special mention goes to Ross Road Greening Group and Charlemont Court Senior Citizens. The Kingfisher Project won the best overall Garden Space / Allotment Area in the city.

Evergreen Club, Terenure

The club and facility are fully open each day and have a huge range of activities many of which are heavily subscribed. DCC supports six healthy activities (Chair Aerobics, Men on the Move, Dance for Life etc.). The Parent and Toddler Group has now restarted every Thursday from 9.30 – 11.30am and we are assisting in developing a new Friday Film Club for Older Persons. This will include a light refreshment with a popular movie and will provide a safe, warm space for those wishing to drop in for a social chat.

Halloween

Our extensive Halloween programme which included the Dockers & Demons Festival and large scale events at Brickfield Park, the Cabbage Patch and Eamon Ceannt Park took place at the end of October. The aim of these events is to encourage young people to enjoy Halloween safely and to alleviate pressure on the community and policing bodies over that period. All events were hugely supported in line with the large numbers we now get at our community events.

Intercultural Schools Event

The Community Team is supporting an Intercultural Schools Event on Wednesday the 16th of November from 12.30 to 3.00pm in the Swan Leisure Centre in Rathmines. The event is being led by the Garda Community Liaison Team and will have various musical and other performances for young people from the Rathmines Area.

Milltown

"Welcome to Milltown" signage has now been installed at either end of Milltown Road at the request of Milltown Residents' Association. This signage is similar to that seen in other local villages.

The Ramleh Patch Project is a brand new project initiated by local residents with plans to develop the Green Space at Ramleh Park in conjunction with Dublin City Council.

Neurodiversity Irishtown, Ringsend & Pearse Street

Neurodiversity IRP is a parents group that acts as a lobby group for children on the autism spectrum. They also organise regular swimming and football sessions as well as larger seasonal events marking the likes of Easter, Halloween and Christmas. We continue to provide support and forthcoming November activities for the group include an Arts & Crafts and Sensory Play Day and an Away Day Trip. A special performance by the Hinge & Hyde Travelling Circus Show at the Big Top has also been arranged for the group as part of the Dockers & Demons Festival 2022.

Older Persons' Activities

Our monthly programme of activities for older people, organised in partnership with local groups and centres, offers the following for November:

Wednesday, 2nd November from 2.30 - 4.30pm – **Donnybrook Halloween Tea Dance** for Donnybrook Active Retirement Association at Donnybrook Parish Centre, Church of the Sacred Heart featuring live music from Angel with special guest, trumpeter Frankie McDonald who performed with the Joe Dolan Band for 40 years.

Wednesday, 2nd November – **Men's Shed Trip to Athlone** for a trip on Viking Mikes boat on Lough Ree, followed by lunch at a trip to the local Folk Museum.

Wednesday, 2nd November from 2.30 - 4.30pm – **Ringsend Halloween Tea Dance** for Ringsend Active Retirement Association / Get A Life Over 55s Groups at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre featuring live music from Past Times.

Friday, 4th November from 2.30 - 4.30pm – **Ringsend Movie Day** for Ringsend Active Retirement Association / Get A Life Over 55s Groups at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre.

Tuesday, 15th November at 2.30pm – **Beezie (Play)** for Donnybrook Active Retirement Association at Donnybrook Parish Centre, Church of the Sacred Heart. Written and performed by Sheila Flitton (who stars in the new Martin McDonagh movie, The Banshees of Inisherin), "Beezie" is a charming piece of theatre telling the true story of a woman from Sligo who decided to live her life alone on an Island with just animals for company as well as the odd visitor who ventured to row over to her, including W B Yeats.

Sean Moore Community Awards

The Sean Moore Community Awards are due to take place on 22nd November at a ceremony with the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Cllr Caroline Conroy, at Clanna Gael Fontenoy's Clubhouse in Ringsend. These awards are for "exceptional community service" and are open to any person

or organisation who have made an exceptional contribution to the Communities of Dublin 2, 4 or 6 areas. Nominees should be submitted by Wednesday, 2nd November to:

The Chairperson,
Panel of Judges, Sean Moore Community Awards,
C/O News Four,
13A Fitzwilliam Street,
Ringsend,
Dublin 4

Social Inclusion Week

Social Inclusion Week starts on the 7th of November. This year we are giving support to a series of events and projects around the Connections Arts Centre based in Christ Church in Rathgar. This new project will have a showcase event launched by Anne Rabbitte Minister of State for Disability, Integration and Youth on Wednesday the 9th of November from 10am – 12pm.

Addressing daily problems like digital literacy and life skills faced by disability community members, this event will showcase the impact of our programmes such as our Creative TY Connections Programme where young adults with disabilities and TY students come together to develop their IT, interpersonal, social, and life skills in a supported, safe space. Also showcasing our Connecting Artists Programme, which has been designed for visual artists with intellectual disabilities who wish to develop their creative practice, elevate their art, and prepare themselves for exhibiting and selling their work.

This event is an opportunity to meet your peers, CAC (Connections Arts Centre) programme participants and coordinators, and to discuss all programmes available and the impact they have on all those involved.

Tom Clarke Bridge Community Grant Scheme

Fifty five applications for funding were received from groups in the Ringsend / Irishtown / Docklands / Pearse Street / Sandymount areas under this scheme.

Various / Miscellaneous Ongoing

Supports for ongoing initiatives include New-born Knitting, Digges Street Football Pitch Whitefriar Strings Project, BRU and CLAY Crumlin.

South East Area Community Events – November 2022

1 - 4 November - **Schools Out! Workshops** at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre.

Wednesday, 2nd November from 10 - 2pm – **Pop up Halloween Library** at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre in partnership with Dublin City Libraries.

Wednesday, 2nd November – **Men's Shed Trip** to Athlone with a trip on Lough Ree and visit to the local Folk Museum.

Wednesday, 2nd November from 10.30 - 11am – **Storytime** for 3 - 6 year olds at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre in partnership with Dublin City Libraries.

Wednesday, 2nd November from 12 - 2pm – **Neurodiversity Irishtown, Ringsend & Pearse Street Arts & Crafts and Sensory Play Day** at Cambridge Boys F.C. Clubhouse, Pine Road.

Wednesday, 2nd November from 2.30 - 4.30pm – **Donnybrook Halloween Tea Dance** for Donnybrook Active Retirement Association at Donnybrook Parish Centre, Church of the Sacred Heart featuring live music from Angel & trumpeter, Frankie McDonald.

Wednesday, 2nd November from 2.30 - 4.30pm – **Ringsend Halloween Tea Dance** for Ringsend Active Retirement Association / Get A Life Over 55s Groups at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre featuring live music from Past Times.

Thursday, 3rd November – **Neurodiversity Irishtown, Ringsend & Pearse Street Day Trip**.

Friday, 4th November from 2.30 - 4.30pm – **Ringsend Movie Day** for Ringsend Active Retirement Association / Get A Life Over 55s Groups at Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre.

Monday, 7th to the 11th November – **Social Inclusion Week**, series of activities around the Connections Art Centre in Christ Church Rathgar (see report above).

Tuesday, 15th November from 9 - 2.30pm – **Dublin City Comhairle na nÓg** at the Mansion House.

Tuesday, 15th November at 2.30pm – **Beezie (Play)** for Donnybrook Active Retirement Association at Donnybrook Parish Centre, Church of the Sacred Heart.

Wednesday, 16th November at 12.30pm – **Intercultural Schools Event** in the Swan Leisure Centre Rathmines.

Tuesday, 22nd November from 7 - 9pm – **Charlemont Community Resource Centre Musical Evening** at the TK2 Centre, Charlemont Street featuring live music from Angel.

Tuesday, 22nd November at 8pm – **Sean Moore Community Awards** at Clanna Gael Fontenoy's Clubhouse, Ringsend.

Please note that events can be subject to change

Waste Management / Environmental Services

Halloween bonfire material removal completed. No tonnage available as yet. Overall a very successful year for removal of material.

Bags and equipment delivered to date in October – 129.

Collections filled bags in South East - 91 collections referred.

Leaflet Deliveries:

- Bag Collection Days for Ringsend
- "Do not feed the birds" for Crumlin
- Halloween Leaflets: Crumlin

Painting of 54 poles in Temple Bar & Duke Street, Anne Street (4) with anti-sticker paint completed. Will monitor until December 2022.

Public Domain Deep Clean for October

- Kilfenora Road / Clonfert Road / Poddle Park
- Northbrook Lane / Road / Cambridge Terrace

- Erne Street Upper / Erne Street Lower / Hanover Street East
- Cathedral Lane / View / Cathedral View Walk / Court / New Street Gardens
- Benbulbin Road / Keeper Road
- Waterloo Lane / Waterloo Place / Haddington Place / Saint Mary's Lane

Graffiti Removal October

455 Sq Metres

City Recovery

Burgh Quay (Tara Street to O'Connell Bridge) completed.
 Audit of graffiti on Camden Street / Wexford Street completed.
 Clarendon Street / Johnsons Court shutters.

Abandoned Bicycles

344 year to date.

Weed Control 2022

Manual weed control exercise citywide.

Penrose Street	South Dock Place
	Laneways at Penrose Street /
Howard Street	Doris Street
	Margaret Place (off Bath
Dock Street	Avenue)
Hope Street	Fairview Avenue
Ormeau Street	Saint Patrick's Villas
Hope Street	Bridge Street (Ringsend)
Gordon Street	Saint Brendan's Cottages
Joy Street	Ropewalk Place
Somerset Street	Parkview Place
	The Square (Ringsend)
	Saint Brendan's Villas

Completed cut-backs of overgrowth:

- The Drain (Ringsend Park)
- Washerwoman's Lane, Rathgar
- Mark's Lane (off Pearse Street)
- Orwell Road (hill beside Kiosk)
- Dodder Walk

DUBLIN CITY SPORT & WELLBEING PARTNERSHIP REPORT

DCSWP STRIDE strategic vision

New strategy to align with the City Development Plan & National Sports Policy

Final Draft to feature 2 separate but inter-related documents:

- Sports Infrastructure Strategy
- Sports Provision & Programming Strategy (including review of DCSWP)

Purpose

- A common vision for improving sport and recreation provision and participation across Dublin City
- The actions that must be taken to achieve this vision
- The role Dublin City Council and other organisations will play

Factors to be considered

- A diverse & growing population
- Changing landscapes, lifestyles and societal behaviours
- Economic benefits & financial sustainability
- Environmental sustainability
- Health benefits of physical activity - particularly for specific populations
- Accessibility to sport and physical activity for all
- Expanding success measurement & indicators

Timeframe

- Tender for Consultant to be published on e-tenders by end of September
- Strategy team to be in place by Q1 2023
- Strategy completion date November 2023
- Expected budget of €125k plus vat

Active Cities

As previously reported the Active Cities logo and brand identity has been developed and is now being represented in all DCC/DCSWP communication. The recruitment process for a dedicated Active Cities Officer has concluded and Carmel O'Callaghan has been appointed as the local lead for Dublin City. Carmel will work in collaboration with the National Active Cities Lead Officer and her newly appointed equivalents in DLR, SDCC & Fingal to deliver on key objectives. The work of the Active Cities Officers will be guided and directed by Mary Corry, the National Lead for Active Cities. Active Cities is about all stakeholders, who directly and indirectly impact on physical activity, collectively driving change through collaboration, partnership, and planning. Aside from external stakeholders, there will also be an internal focus that will see a concerted effort to foster stronger relationships and more collaborative thinking between Departments and Sections in Dublin City Council whose remit touches upon sport and/or recreational physical activity. This may be in terms of facilities, infrastructure or programme provision.

The key themes and objectives of Active Cities very much align with those expected to emerge from the development of an overarching Sports Plan for Dublin City. The Plan is provisionally set to cover a five year period from 2023 - 2028 and is currently at tender stage as it will be consultant led. The concept is based on the World Health Organisation's Global Action Plan on Physical Activity (GAPPA) Framework, which focuses on increasing physical activity amongst those who are least active in society. Active Cities prioritises physical activity and sport for all and is underpinned by four key pillars - Active Systems, Active Environments, Active Societies, and Active People. €3.4million has been invested in the campaign which was officially launched on 6th November 2022 by Sport Ireland.

Facebook: <https://fb.watch/gEJtgW8InW/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/p/CkqHoPZq5ji/?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

Governance in Sport 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. The Code is structured by 5 guiding principles, each of which has 3 sub-principles. Within these lie a total of 75 recommended practices that act as a checklist to ensure organisations have a comprehensive and robust system of governance in place. It covers areas such as strategy development, procedures & policies, financial operations, performance indicators, reporting, ethics, transparency, communications, health & safety and effective Board functionality.

DCSWP continues on the journey towards adopting the Code and DCSWP hopes to be in a position to publically declare compliance in the next 6-12 months.

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.dcswpclub.ie/>

DCSWP programmes and events aim to provide opportunities for everyone, regardless of age, gender, ability or background to partake in sport and physical activity. 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.

Kellie Harrington & Ellen Keane continue as official Sports Ambassadors for DCC.

Online / Social Media Supports:

- Twitter: [@dccsportsrec](#)
- Facebook: [DublinCitySportandWellbeing](#)
- Instagram: [@dublincitysportandwellbeing](#)
- Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership Virtual Hub: www.dcswpclub.ie (see above)
- DCC Corporate Website: Dublin City Council: www.dublincity.ie/residential/sports-and-leisure/dublin-city-sport-wellbeing-partnership

1. Information relevant to SPC

Linking in with National and International events

DCSWP endeavours to link in with major national and international sport, health and physical activity events in order to maximise promotion of the service and expand participant reach. Programmes and initiatives will run in tandem with national and international events across communities and will be promoted across all social media platforms.

Date	Initiative/Programme Name	
19th November	Men's International Health Day	
3rd December	International Day of Persons With Disabilities	
5th December	International Volunteer Day	
18th December	International Migrants Day	

Sport for Young People Club Small Grant Scheme

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- Purchase of equipment
- Administrative costs
- Training and coaching courses

New DCSWP Co-funded Officer appointments

Swimming Ireland Co-funded Officer

Gearoid Fallon has recently been appointed as the new Co-funded Get Dublin City Swimming Officer (a partnership between DCC / DCSWP and Swim Ireland) Gearoid will be working across the Dublin City Council areas.

The primary reason for this appointment is to coordinate the implementation and delivery of an integrated swimming programme with a view to linking in with and developing interest amongst people from non-traditional swimming backgrounds.

Swim Ireland currently implements programmes designed to increase participation in schools, communities and hard to reach cohorts - thereby providing sustainable and long-reaching pathways to swimming for everyone in our communities. While DCSWP Officers have always facilitated swimming programmes in communities, the appointment of Gearoid means there will be a more strategic focus on highlighting the benefits of swimming and delivering specific programmes. Management in DCSWP will also be working closely with Gearoid to establish a work programme and potential for new initiatives which can link in with Dublin City Council swimming facilities.

Athletics in the Community Co-Funded Officer

Following the resignation of Gerard O'Donnell, Conor Wilson, Athletics Ireland, will take up service as DCSWP's Co-funded Athletics Officer and will focus on communities, schools, groups and clubs in the South side of the city. Colette Quinn will continue to focus on target groups in North side communities.

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➤ **Social media platforms**

➤ **Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership Virtual Hub:** www.dcwsphub.ie

➤ **Email:** sports@dublincity.ie

➤ **Twitter:** [@dccsportsrec](https://twitter.com/dccsportsrec)

➤ **Facebook:** [DublinCitySportandWellbeing](https://www.facebook.com/DublinCitySportandWellbeing)

Instagram: [@dublincitysportandwellbeing](https://www.instagram.com/dublincitysportandwellbeing)

South East Area Core Programme Update:

The following programmes will take place throughout November in the South East Area. These are highlight programmes representing target groups. Full details can be provided by contacting DCSWP Officers or the Palace Street Officer on the contact details provided below.

Name of core programme:	Youth Fit (providing viable opportunities for young people to get involved in sport and physical activity thereby reducing an
Description of programme activity:	Christmas Activity sessions in the lead up to the holiday period
Partners:	Local Youth Services and local Rugby Development Officers
Age group:	10-17 years
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Charles Centre, Sandymount every Wednesday from 2.30pmTBC

Forever Fit – Older Adults age 55+ years

Name of core programme:	Forever Fit – St. Andrew’s Centre
Description of programme activity:	Older Adults multi-sport programme
Partners:	St. Andrew’s and Pearse St. Recreation Centre
Age group:	Age 60+ Years
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Charles Centre, Sandymount every Wednesday from 2.30pm

Name of core programme:	Forever Fit – Lorcan O’Toole
Description of programme activity:	Multi-Sport exercise classes – Lorcan O’Toole Adult Group, Crumlin
Partners:	Lorcan O’Toole centre Crumlin/Kimmage
Age group:	Age 55+ years
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Lorcan O’Toole centre every Wednesday from 3pm.

Name of Programme:	Chair Fit
Description of programme activity:	Chair Fit classes aimed improving mobility and balance for Older Adults
Age group:	Age 55 + years
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Every Monday from 11am in Harold’s Cross Parish Centre.

Name of core programme:	Forever Fit Fitsteps Dance Programme
Description of programme activity:	Older Adult Dance & Fitness programme
Age group:	Age 55+ Years (Mixed)
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Harold’s Cross NS every Tuesday from 8.30am

Thrive – Adults with mental health difficulties

Name of programme:	Thrive Mindfulness Programme
Description of programme activity:	Local SEA Rehab Care Group taking part in a mindfulness and exercise
Partners:	Rehab Care Centre, Pearse Street
Age group:	18 +years
Gender:	Mixed
Date/time and location:	See above 10-11am

Health Improvement in the Community

Name of programme:	D6 Holistic Health
Description of programme activity :	Holistic Mental Health & Exercise programme for people experiencing mental health difficulties (referral only)
Partners:	HSE Occupational Therapists
Age group:	Adults
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Swan Leisure Centre every Wednesday.

Name of programme:	Men On The Move
Description of programme activity :	Older Adult programme aimed at male participants.
Partners:	HSE
Age group:	Male Adults age 18+ years
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	St. Joseph's Parish, Terenure every Tuesday from 8pm

Schools / Sport Inclusion & Integration

Name of programme:	Inclusion & Integration After-School Programme
Description of programme activity:	After-school programmes. This programme is targeted at children with special needs and aims to improve motor skills in both a fun and active environment.
Age group:	Primary Schools
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Harold's Cross NS every Thursday from 1pm.

Name of programme:	Inclusion & Integration Zumba Programme
Description of programme activity:	Zumba classes targeted at adults with intellectual disabilities delivered in partnership with St. Michael's House
Age group:	18+ years
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Harold's Cross NS every Thursday from 1pm.

Women in Sport

Name of programme:	Women's Try Tennis Programme
Description of programme activity	Introductory Tennis programme
Partners:	Bushy Park Tennis & Padel Club
Age group:	Women age 18+ years
Gender:	Female
Date/time and location:	TBC

Name of programme:	Women's Pickleball programme
Description of programme activity	Racket/paddle sport
Partners:	Marian College, Sandymount
Age group:	Women age 18+ years
Gender:	Female
Date/time and location:	Wednesday 5-6pm

Change for Life - Underactive Communities

Name of programme:	Change For Life
Description of programme activity:	Pilates programme targeted at underactive adults. Aiming to improve strength and flexibility
Age group:	Adults
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	Evergreen Centre, Terenure every Thursday from 7.30pm

GAGA (Get All Girls Active)

Name of programme:	GAGA
Description of programme activity:	Teen Girls Rugby
Age group:	Females 13-17 years (secondary school)
Partners:	DCSWP SEA Rugby Development Officer
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	CBS Westland Row Wednesday 3-4pm

Name of programme:	GAGA
Description of programme activity:	Athletics Programme
Age group:	Females 10-13 years (primary school)
Partners:	DCSWP South City Athletics Development Officer
Gender:	All
Date/time and location:	St. Patrick's Girls School Thursdays from 12 noon

DCSWP South East Area Co-Funded Programmes:

Athletics, Boxing, Cricket, Football and Rowing Officers continue to engage with schools clubs, community groups and programmes in the SEA related to the Youth At Risk core DCSWP programme e.g. Football Late Night Leagues, Cricket Schoolyard programmes, Indoor Get Going Get Rowing, Rugby school engagement and inter-school blitzes at primary and secondary level (mixed) and delivery of the IABA Startbox Bronze, Silver and Gold school programmes.

A full report will follow on co-funded activities in December or any queries on programmes can be sent directly to dee.oboyle@dublincity.ie

Ongoing Training for 2022:

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

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