

REPORT TO ARTS, CULTURE, LEISURE AND RECREATION SPC 25TH SEPTEMBER 2023 Item No. 5

Update Report on the City Library, Parnell Square

Stage 2a (sketch design) which commenced in April 2023 has now been completed. Approval has been given to proceed to Stage 2b (detailed design).

The full programme for design runs from February 2023 to approximately August 2024. This comprises preliminary design, detailed design and Invitation to tender. The design brief also includes tender analysis, construction supervision and handover to client.

It is hoped to have a main works Contractor on site by Q4 2024. The construction of Phase 1 is expected to be completed in 2027.

Engagement with project stakeholders including the city library service and the Hugh Lane Gallery is continuing.

The scope of design works for the Parnell Square Project Phase 1 includes detailed design of the City library, design review and necessary redesign of the proposed works at the Hugh Lane Gallery and proposed works to the Georgian houses numbers 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 28 and complete renovation design to house number 27 Parnell Square North.

Mairead Owens, City Librarian 25th September 2023