

**To the Chairperson and Members of
The Central Area Committee**

NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT

Intercultural Coordinator

Following Joy Eniola's departure in July the NEIC and DCC have had numerous meetings with the Department of Integration in relation to expanding the Intercultural capacity. Joy had noted the volume of work would require more than one person to be effective. An agreement to share fund a team of three people to work as the Intercultural team has been agreed. These posts will be advertised by Dublin City Council in the coming weeks.

Community Arts Coordinator

Irma Grothuis finished up with the NEIC in December 2023. Irma left the Community Arts programme in a very strong position with some wonderful pieces of work that will continue in her absence. The NEIC/DCC and SUB Group 4 are exploring the best way to proceed with the Community Arts Coordinator post to ensure that it is sustainable into the future. A meeting is planned with the NEIC, DCC and the Community Arts Steering Group, a group that has also put a huge amount of support and work in to the programming of the NEIC Community Arts to ensure the Community are to heart of everything that is delivered through this programme.

NEIC Sports and Wellbeing Report February 2024

Ozanam House / Laurence O Toole Handball Programme

Ozanam House is a resource center in the NEIC that caters for all the community from ages 2 to 90+. They have many programs in the center and one of them is an after school program on each day. With the collaboration of GAA Handball, DCC and NEIC we have put together a 3 hour handball active on a Tuesday, with 3 coach.

St. Laurence O Toole Recreation Center is providing an after school program. With the collaboration of GAA Handball, DCC and NEIC we have put together a 3 hour handball sessions on a Wednesday and Thursday, with 3 coaches facilitating the sessions.



NEIC Weightlifting Club

Following the success of the Introduction to Weightlifting Program. There has been a keen interest in developing this program further. A new class in O Connell school gym has been introduced with a view developing the North East Inner City Weightlifting Club. The Gym is now open from 5pm to 7:30 on a Monday with a Weightlifting class at 6pm to 7pm.



Cyber Safety

The NEIC is working with Cyber Safe Kids to provide Cyber Safety in the local schools. Three schools initially have been identified to start the roll out of this program. Cyber Safe Kids provide tutoring to pupils, teachers, and parents on ways to lead a happier healthier life online. We are delighted to support this project



Yoga

Yoga is being delivered in 5 different locations in the NEIC through the Change for Life program. The classes are being provided by graduates of the NEIC Yoga Teacher Training course. We are also providing yoga into two schools currently in Rutland School, and St Mary's.

Rugby

The NEIC are working with Leinster Rugby to fund a Rugby development officer in the form of Jack Nealon. Jack is very busy working with all the schools in the NEIC and trying to develop a love of the game in the area. Jack has started up an after school rugby club in Sheriff Street on Thursday for those who want to take their game to the next level!



Cooking

Cooking has been identified through City Connects as something that a lot of students are interested in..The NEIC has teamed up with Eilis in Learn Local to deliver excellent cooking classes.



Basketball

The NEIC Trojans are in the middle of their season. All four teams are getting on very well. The Basketball Development coach Shane and his team of Hugh and Grace are doing excellent work in the schools and there is huge numbers signing up to play with great feedback coming from principals.



New Sponsor For After Care Recovery Group Cycling Club

The After Care Recovery Cycling Club is going from strength to strength. 360 Cycles Cycling shop has supported the club with big discounts. They are now a part of the collaboration of the ACRG, NEIC, DCC and now 360 Cycles sponsors of the After Care Recovery Group Cycling Club.



NEIC BMX Programme

The NEIC and Cycling Ireland bringing young adults and kids to the BMX track in Lucan. Swan Youth Service is the first of many service to take up this opportunity, and will take two different group up to the BMX track.



NEIC/HOPE

Couch to 5K

HOPE has established in the NEIC a keen interest in running, DCC and the NEIC continue to support them to continue and to advance their work.



FREE Couch to 5k
Beginners 8 Week
(includes free membership to
Athletics Ireland)

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays
January 23rd- March 14th, 2024
Time: 1-2pm

Register now: Text 0858708865 or
management@hopehandson.com
Location: HOPE Killarney Street

 [**hope_recovery_runners**](https://www.instagram.com/hope_recovery_runners)

O Connell School Snooker

The NEIC/DCC was happy to support O Connell School in the recovering of their snooker. They have talented snooker players in the school how have a great passion for the sport but with the damage of the table they could not continue to play.



New Handball Wall In NEIC

As we are now establishing Handball as a North East Inner City sport and all the schools, resource centers and community centers are getting to play the sport as well as the adults in the community. We are delighted to announce the newly built One Wall Handball Wall. This will galvanize the sport in the area and allow us to run Handball programmes. (after schools, Adult and youth prevention)



Aqua Aerobics

With the collaboration of DCC, NEIC and Swim Ireland and the ask of the community we have put together an Aqua class in Sean MacDermott Street Pool for the next 8 weeks.



**CHANGE FOR LIFE
AQUA AEROBICS**

Sean MacDermott Street Pool
Friday's @ 1pm for 8 weeks
Start date: 19 January
For more info contact:
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€5
per session



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D1 Academy

The D1 academy is a collaboration with The FAI, NEIC and DCC for kids in the NEIC, to play social football without the pressures of being in a team. Kids will develop in sports at different stages. The D1 Academy is there to support the kid's development and build their confidence in playing sport, make friends and learn new skills. The Academy has been a great success with 80+ kids registered and 40+ kids, girls and boys attending on a weekly bases.



NEIC Walking Football

Every Friday from 12-1pm on the St Laurence O'Toole's Recreation Centre pitch, next to Sheriff YC, we have a game of walking football and a cup of tea after the game. This program has grown from 6 participants to an average of 16 playing every week.



Run with Ruth Barry

The NEIC have established a weekly run in the NEIC for all to take part, from the very beginning of your running journey to people running marathons. We were delighted to welcome a local athlete Ruth Barry on board to coach and encourage people in their running journey.

RUN WITH RUTH

Join ***Coach Ruth*** & local runners in a friendly, challenging lunchtime run!
ALL LEVELS WELCOME

 Wednesdays, 12:30pm
 Meeting Point: Dublin City Council Area Office,
51-53 Seán McDermott Street





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NEIC Community Handball

The National Handball Centre Monday at 7 – 8pm for recreational handball



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