

CONSERVATION GRANT SCHEMES

CONSERVATION SECTION
DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

Introduction

- Built Heritage Investment Scheme and Historic Structures Fund are administered annually by Local Authorities on behalf of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Combined funding of €9million Euro nationally in 2024 representing a significant investment in the preservation of Ireland's built heritage.
- Each year Conservation Section oversees grants within the Dublin City Council administrative area.

Grant Schemes

- Managed by Architectural Conservation Officers.
- Supported by Conservation administration team.
- Allows the completion of a large number of projects within tight annual timeframes.
- Projects are inspected prior to commencement, during and at the end of the project
- Recoupment of both schemes is undertaken in October and November each year and involves significant input from our administrative and finance colleagues.

Built Heritage Investment Scheme

- Main stream of funding, supports owners of historic structures to safeguard and maintain their properties and also supports skilled heritage craftspeople.
- In 2024, DCC received grant aid of €492,800 and has forwarded 68 projects for approval by the Department.
- 2023:
 - €492,800.00 in grant aid provided
 - 51 conservation projects completed
 - €1,719,939.43 total expenditure
 - €1,227,139.43 of private funds
 - 2616 employment days

Historic Structures Fund

- Second avenue of funding is Historic Structures Fund.
- Primary focus is the conservation and enhancement of historic structures and buildings for communities and public.
- Not generally applicable to private house.
- Highly competitive scheme with DCC competing nationally.
- Applications allowed under a number of different streams
 - Stream 1
 - Stream 1 (Historic Shopfronts)
 - Stream 2
 - Vernacular Structures

Historic Structures Fund

- In 2024 DCC received 41 HSF applications by closing date.
- Following assessment of these applications, 5 were submitted for approval by the Department.
- 3 successful applications
- 2 applications carried over from 2023

The list of successful grant projects for 2024 is available on the Dublin City Council website - <https://bit.ly/ConservationGrants24>

26 Montpelier Hill, Dublin 7



Chimneystacks & Roof
Repair 2020

Window
Reinstatement 2022
& 2023



Window
Reinstatement 2021

Price's Medical Hall, Clare Street, Dublin 2



Repair of Victorian shopfront –
BHIS 2020 & HSF funding 2021



Repointing of brickwork – HSF
funding 2023

17 Fade Street, Dublin 2



Repointing of brickwork – BHIS funding 2023



St Kevin's Church, Harrington Street, Dublin 8



Restoration of Hiberno
Neo-Gothic stencil
decoration – BHIS
funding 2023

ACA Projects – DeCoursey Square, Dublin 9



No.30 – Reinstatement of
Historic Windows - 2020



No.8 – Repair of Historic Door
- 2021