Housing and Community Services Department South East Area Office

To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

Southern Campshires Flood Protection Scheme

The contractor moved on site on 23rd October 2014. The works are being carried out by the Office of Public Works (OPW) and various sub-contractors and supervised by various consultants for different aspects of these works. A number of ground condition problems have slowed this project down to date. The estimated cost of this whole project from Butt Bridge to Cardiff Lane is €3.5m and the current programme is to substantially complete the works by end of 2016.

Grand Canal Sub Group

The latest meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee was held on 31st August 2016. There has been no meeting of the Waterways Ireland Operation Liaison Group (OLG) since September 2014. Ms. Terre Duffy has been appointed by WI as Dublin Docklands Development Manager. A meeting was held on 26th August 2016 in the Docklands office to address concerns regarding the future of the Graving Docks. The next meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee will be held on 5th October 2016.

Canalaphonic Music and Arts Festival 2016

This year the Canalaphonic Music and Culture Festival took place on 23rd and 24th September 2016 in the Rathmines / Portobello / Camden Quarter of the South East Area. Main stage was at Leinster Cricket Club, Rathmines. A full programme of events held at the festival can be viewed at www.canalaphonic.com. An Event Management Plan (EMP) was prepared and pre-event meetings were held. This year the festival was very kindly sponsored and supported by: South East Area Office, Clancourt Group, McGarrell Reilly Group, Rohan Holdings Ltd., CPM, Dublin City Council Arts Office, Dublin City Council Events Section, Fáilte Ireland, IMRO and Waterways Ireland. A de-brief meeting with all stakeholders will be held in early October.

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

The finalised Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP) was approved at the January 2015 South East Area Committee. New lamp standards have been installed. New pedestrian crossing will be in place in 2016. REDscape, Landscape Architects, were appointed to design a plan for Herzog Park. The Draft Landscape Masterplan was open to informal public comment until Friday 8th April 2016. 27 submissions were received. Pre Part 8 went before the SEAC on11th July and Part 8 Planning Application was advertised on 21st September 2016. The final day for making submissions or observations is 17th November 2016.

Ranelagh Gardens Park

The Part 8 was approved at the City Council meeting on Monday 6th July 2015. The work is going out to tender and works are likely to begin in Autumn 2016.

Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP)

Consultation in relation to the Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP) commenced with an open morning in Ringsend Library on Thursday 28th January 2016. Following tender process Mitchell + Associates were appointed to deliver the LEIP. Meetings have taken place with Parks and Roads and Traffic to date. A public workshop was held in RICC 8th June 2016 to canvass the views of local residents, businesses, community groups and other stakeholders. Proposals are currently being refined by Mitchells based on comments received and a further meeting will be held shortly to agree the plan.

Terenure 2030

A meeting was held with South East Area Office and representatives from Terenure 2030 on 5/2/2016 to discuss possible public domain improvements. 6 no. new lamp standards have been delivered and should be installed during Sep/Oct 2016. Further greening projects are ongoing in 2016.

Charlemont

The construction of the 79 new apartments remains on target. The next Regeneration Board meeting is scheduled for the 26th of October. Dublin City Council is in regular contact with the residents regarding out of hours works and we encourage people to call to our office to discuss any concerns they may have. A monthly community safety meeting that is attended by the Gardaí, is held in the Project Office. A newsletter is issued to all residents and is available in the Project Office.

Crampton

All the former residents who wish to return have signed for their apartments and are scheduled to return in the next 2 weeks. New tenants are scheduled to sign for their places the 1st week in October.

Snagging works are ongoing and works to the courtyard are practically complete.