



Monthly Management Report – 9th January 2017

Report to the Lord Mayor, Members of the Corporate Policy Group and Group Leaders

Section 136 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 places an obligation on the Chief Executive to prepare Monthly Management Reports for Council. The monthly report for October 2016 is submitted herewith.

Finance

Please be advised that there are no additions or changes to the Monthly Local Fund Statement & EU/IMF Report listed on the October City Council Agenda.

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Chief Executive,

Dated : 9th January, 2017

**Environment and Transportation Department
Progress Report January 2017**

Progress Report on Road Design & Construction Projects

Projects at Construction Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Contractor	Start Date	Finish Date	Comments
1	Works on Emmet Road – Richmond Barracks (2016 commemoration)	DCC	KN Networks	March 2016	May 2016	Substantially complete. Possibility of additional contract to repave adjacent Patriot's Lane (non E & T funding)
2	Blackhorse Avenue (Phase 2)	DCC	Actavo	June 2016	Aug. 2017	Letter of Acceptance issued. Contractor started on site on 15 th June. Projects also initiates Framework Agreement for Works > € 0.5 million
3	O'Connell Street Upper taxi rank	NTA	KN Networks	June 2016	July 2016	Works requested by DCC Luas Liaison Office for Luas Cross City

Projects at Design Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
1	College Green	NTA	DCC	<p>Presentation was made to October SPC and to November City Council. Separate briefings were also provided for Councillors on 27th October and 7th November</p> <p>Public consultation workshop held on 16th November Further public consultation to be arranged</p> <p>Consultants have been appointed to carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment and to ensure that all necessary documentation is made available for lodgement with An Bord Pleanala</p> <p>Consultant design team have been engaged to prepare designs for Civic Plaza</p>
2	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 2 – Chatham Street, Harry Street and Balfe Street	DCC	DCC	Detailed design nearly complete. Tenders expected to be invited in early 2017.
3	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 3 – Clarendon Street/Clarendon Row	DCC	DCC	Part 8 Planning process to be initiated in early 2017
4	Forbes Street Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge	DCC (SEROP €2.9 million)	Consultant	Options Study complete. Following request from NTA project has been suspended for 15 to 18 months to allow for review of Dart Underground. Suspension Fee being negotiated.

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5	Thomas Street Environs Pedestrian Improvement Scheme	DCC (still awaiting confirmation from South Central Area)	DCC	South Central Area Office project. Preparation of tender drawings and contract documents for improvements to Crane Street, Sugar House Lane, Rainsford Street and School Street. Documents to be finalised by June 2016.
6	O'Connell Bridge Western Subway replacement cover slab	NTA	DCC/Consultant	Luas Cross City Project. Contract documents almost complete. New traffic ducts and water mains to be included if possible.
7	Butt Bridge and Matt Talbot Memorial Bridge Special Inspections	DCC	Consultant	Consultant AECOM appointed. Have commenced inspections.
8	East Link Bridge Pedestrian and Cyclist Facilities Feasibility Study	DCC (possible NTA funding)	Consultant	Consultant AECOM appointed. Have commenced Feasibility Study.
9	Dodder Bridge	NTA/DCC	Consultant	Request for Tender required to appoint consultant. Docklands Mobility and Access Study needs to be carried out first.
10	Crumlin Village Improvements outside Garda station	OPW/DCC	DCC	South Central Area Office Project. Preliminary design prepared.
11	Francis Street Environmental Improvement Scheme	DCC (South Central Area)	Consultant	Brief being prepared by Road Design & Construction Division for Consultant to manage the Part 8 Procedure on behalf of the South Central Area Office.

Progress Report on Traffic Division Projects

Projects at Construction Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Contractor	Start Date	Finish Date	Comments
1	S2S Cycle & Footway Interim Scheme	NTA/DCC/Irish Water	KN Network Services	Nov. 2014	Feb. 2017	Installation of watermain, drainage and flood defence wall construction underway.
2	Newcomen Bridge Cycle Project	DCC	Jons Civil Engineering	Mar. 2016	Feb. 2017	Works commenced on site in August 2016.
3	Chapelizod Bypass	NTA	-	Aug. 2016	Nov. 2016	Works commenced on site on 29 th August 2016. Completion date mid December.
4	Cycle Safety Improvement	NTA	Actavo	May. 2016	Sep. 2016	Scheduled for completion October 2016.
5	St. Stephen's Green Traffic Management	NTA	-	Aug. 2016	Nov. 2016	Tender for foundations to issue in Sep 2016.

Research Projects

	Project	Funding Agency	Start Date	Finish Date	Comments
1	FLOW	EU	Jun. 2015	Apr. 2018	Currently working on Work Package 2, congestion assessment and Work Package 3, Implementation Scenarios and Take Up. The pedestrian model for College Green is being developed. Consortium meeting in Gyndia September 26-28.

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2	BEGOOD	EU	Apr. 2016	May 2020	DCC is a partner and will contribute its knowledge in open data platforms and sharing protocols. Kick off meeting was held in June 2016. Workshop in Luxembourg September 14th - 15th. Project work shop Dublin 12th - 14th October 2016 and will include official project launch. DCC will present two challenges for challenge by procurement
3	VaVel	EU	Dec. 2015	Dec. 2019	WP1 completed May 2016. Currently preparing for VaVel meeting in Dublin in October 2016 6th - 7th and on CCTV analytics with IBM. DCC is partner lead for WP 7 Incident Detection
4	Dublinked Traffic Data	DCC	July 2016	Ongoing	Working with Dublinked on traffic data sets and how these can be accessed and maintained in to the future as sources for open data sharing

Projects at Design Stage

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
1	Dodder Greenway	NTA	RPS	In light of the considerable DCC resources required for the LCC project, numbers of DCC staff available to work on NTA projects and NTA funding priorities the project is to be paused.
2	Royal Canal Phase 2	NTA	ROD	Part 8 granted. Community Engagement completed in August 2016.
3	Royal Canal Phase 3	NTA	OCSC	Part 8 granted. Detailed design in progress.
4	Royal Canal Phase 4	NTA	-	Part 8 granted. In light of the considerable DCC resources required for the LCC project, numbers of DCC staff available to work on NTA projects and NTA funding priorities the project is to be paused.
5	Grand Canal Greenway	NTA	OCSC	In light of the considerable DCC resources required for the LCC project, numbers of DCC staff available to work on NTA projects and NTA funding priorities the project is to be paused.
6	Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Scheme	NTA	RPS	Part 8 submission delayed, now scheduled for October 2016.
7	Clonskeagh to City Centre Cycle Scheme	NTA	CSEA	In light of the considerable DCC resources required for the LCC project, numbers of DCC staff available to work on NTA projects and NTA funding priorities the project is to be paused.
8	Drury Street Cycle Parking	NTA	Halcrow Barry	Part 8 public display ended 23 rd September.
9	On-street cycle parking	NTA	Halcrow Barry/ Atkins	Identification of sites ongoing. Tender awarded to Actavo for construction of 85 stands at 10 locations. Contract awarded to Atkins in August for design of 200 additional spaces.

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10	City Centre Transport Study	NTA	NTA/DCC	Report presented to Transportation SPC on 25 th May 2016. Parliament Street Air modelling report to October SPC
11	College Green	NTA	DCC	Presentation was made to October SPC. Consultants being engaged to carry out an EIA Consultant design team being engaged to prepare designs for Civic Plaza Briefing for Councillors on 27 th October and report to City Council on 7 th November Public consultation workshop on 16 th November
12	The Point Roundabout	NTA	-	Part 8 granted. In light of the considerable DCC resources required for the LCC project, numbers of DCC staff available to work on NTA projects and NTA funding priorities the project is to be paused.
13	City Centre Pedestrian Crossing	NTA	-	Detailed design of 4 No. pedestrian crossings at Merrion Square North, Ormond Quay, Burgh Quay and St. Michael's Hill, out to tender..
14	City Centre junction upgrades	NTA		Final route selection report complete.
15	Liffey Cycle Route	NTA	AECOM	Final route selection under review to account for the final city centre transport study proposals. Transportation SPC briefed in November.
16	Heuston to Chapelizod Greenway	NTA	Arup	In light of the considerable DCC resources required for the LCC project, numbers of DCC staff available to work on NTA projects and NTA funding priorities the project is to be paused Project on hold.

Pay & Display Machine replacement programme



A further 100 new machines were rolled out in July bringing the total to 300 of the oldest meter stock being replaced

under the new leasing contract. A further 100 machines to be rolled out before year end ensuring that the Very High Demand Yellow zone is fully populated. The integration of real time parking data between the machine suppliers (UTS) and the Parking Tag

providers (Payzone) is ongoing with a view to developing enable a real time App to allow motorists view real time parking availability. Wave and pay technology and new multi-function meters to be trialled in December.

Parking Tag and alternative methods of paying for parking

Memberships increased from 134,000 in August and 137,000 in September, 140,000 in October to 141,470 in mid November. Parking Tag transactions averaged at 85,000 per week up from 82,000 per week over the previous month. Paying in shop registered an average of 1,000 per week and the new once off payment facility from either mobile phone or debit card averaged almost 2,800 per week up from an average of 2,500 the previous month. Competitive dialogue tender process to commence in Q4 and will include all four Dublin local authorities together with Meath and Kildare County Councils.

Car Clubs

Dublin's second car club operator, YUKO, has now set up on-street car club bases throughout the City. With the Council's support the launch of the first electric car club vehicles took place in October. There are currently 19 dedicated car club only bays in the City.

Electric Vehicle Only Parking

There are currently 23 dedicated EV only bays in operation on the city streets and a further 8 sites being examined for suitability.



Noise Mapping

The computation of the number of people and residential buildings exposed to various bands of sound levels have commenced and will be complete by mid December.

Sound Survey – pre introduction of proposed Speed Limit Bye Laws

Sound measurements lasting 3 days, at 40 sites across the city have been completed and the data is currently being quality controlled and analysed.

ISCAPE Project

The Horizon 2020 project called ISCAPE (Improving the **S**mart **C**ontrol of **A**ir **P**ollution in **E**urope), commenced on the 1st Of September, beginning with a first phase of six weeks. Dublin City Council is not involved with this first six week phase.

Air Quality Dispersion Modelling

Work has been ongoing with our contractors in relation carrying out air dispersion modelling for the Parliament St/College Green areas. A final report will be produced mid November in relation likely Nitrogen Dioxide levels in these areas as a consequence of the College Green Plaza proposal, should it proceed.

Traffic Service Requests

570 traffic service requests were received in September compared to 597 in July and ,472 in August. These requests include applications for the introduction of new residential parking schemes, pedestrian crossing, parking restrictions and many other traffic related issues.

Parking Enforcement Activity

A total of 5,203 enforcement actions were carried out in October up from 5,095 in September including 207 vehicle relocations. A total of 43 vehicles were impounded. Operation Open City runs from 4th-24th December with daily conference calls between all stakeholders. 24/7 Clearways will be introduced for the period at certain location to facilitate traffic flow.



School Warden Service

There are currently 212 School Wardens employed throughout Dublin City, with 38 reserve wardens. Interviews were held in October with a further 17 wardens being put on a panel subject to Garda clearance.

Roadworks Control

There were 356 applications for licences for positioning of skips, cranes/hoists and scaffolding/hoardings.

Progress Report on Environment Projects

Waste to Energy Project

Construction remains on schedule for completion in Q3 2017 with all construction related activities currently programmed on a 24/7 basis.

The main focus of the civil and process system designers, PM Group Limited and Hitachi Zosen Inova respectively are:

- the installation and fit out of the floors of the administration building,
- works associated with the installation of the buildings' exterior cladding,
- the installation of the ramp to the tipping hall
- installation of the process equipment,
- inspection and review of process equipment manufacturing

Environmental Impact

Environmental monitoring and mitigation measures continued to be implemented during the construction phase of the DWtE facility and the Construction Phase Environmental Report for quarter 2 (April–June) 2016 is available for download at the Dublin Waste to Energy Website.

To date the DWtE project environmental consultant has issued seven (7) quarterly environmental monitoring reports, which have examined the monitoring results associated with Noise, Dust Deposition and Suspended solids in Surface Water. All of the data has demonstrated that the facility construction is being undertaken in line with recognised national and international guidelines in order to avoid, or minimise, potential adverse impacts to the environment and local community.

Community Liaison

Local Office

The local information office for the Dublin Waste to Energy Facility continues to operate in the Ringsend Library, Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 4. The office operates on Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 10:00 and 12:00.

Community Gain Liaison Committee (CGLC)/Community Gain Fund

The Community Gain Liaison Committee met on two occasions since the last update and visited the Waste to Energy facility in Poolbeg, Ringsend. Decisions on all 56 grant applications have now been made. 32 applications were approved in principle to a total value of €4,808, 215.95. All applicants have been notified of the outcome. Where funding has been approved in principle the successful applicant organisations have been informed of the amount approved and advised of the specific conditions that must be met in order to access the grant in each case.

A list of successful grant applicants has been published on the CGLC website www.dublinwastetoenergy.ie/cglc

As of the 14th December 2016 there have been six requests for drawdown of monies from the CGF totalling €43,185.39. The balance remaining for drawdown from the Projects Grant Scheme 2016 is €4,765,030.56. The CLGC are currently in the process of organising an independent audit and preparing an annual report which will be published in January 2017. The CGLC are scheduled to meet on the 26th January 2017 to review progress on the drawdown of grants approved. They will also review the Projects Grant Scheme 2016 and discuss the Projects Grants Scheme for 2017.

Ballymun Boilerhouse Repurpose Project

The External Design Team led by ABK Architects worked extremely hard with the contractor Purcell Contracting to achieve Practical Completion on the 1st December 2016. The Rediscovery Centre (RDC) has moved most of its social enterprises into the repurposed boiler house and will commence fit out of the educational spaces and the café. An EU monitoring audit of the project was conducted in November on both DCC and the RDC and the auditors reported that they were happy with progress to date.

Pay by Weight & Bags to Bins

The DOECLG made regulations that from 1st July 2016, waste operators must only collect household kerbside waste in approved receptacles which are designed for reuse (bins) and must use a weighing system to weigh every collection of this waste collected separately in receptacles designed for reuse. The department also set out minimum charges per kilo for each waste stream. A National Awareness Campaign was launched on the 18th May 2016. On the 30th June 2016 the Minister made new regulations removing the requirement for the introduction of pay by weight on the 1st July 2016 but left unaltered the requirement for designation of areas as only suitable for bag use.

The Council has completed a visual survey of all streets on which bags are currently presented for collection and has made Orders in accordance with the criteria from the Department designating the areas in the city which will continue to be bag collection areas post July 1st 2016. The waste industry, NWCPO, DOECLG have been informed of same and DCC website updated with the full list of designated streets.

Establishment of a Special Committee of the City Council in respect of new Waste Management Legislation

The Committee has met regularly to discuss the new waste regulations which came into force on the 1st July and in particular has reviewed the lists being compiled by DCC on the proposed designation of streets as only suitable for bag collections after this date. The Committee has met with Greyhound management to discuss their dissatisfaction with the manner in which Greyhound is encouraging customers to change to bin collections in advance of the designation process being completed. The Committee has agreed to continue to meet to discuss litter related issues and has expressed a desire to engage with the waste industry to consider alternative waste receptacles to replace bags .

Climate Change Strategy

The Environment SPC established a working group to review the Climate Change Strategy for Dublin City 2008-2012 and to prepare a new strategy. The working group has consulted with the other Dublin Local Authorities and they are agreeable to the new Strategy being prepared on a regional basis. A Regional Steering Group has also been established and relevant personnel identified across appropriate departments in each local authority for input to the strategy document.

Codema, the local authority energy consultant, is project managing the process on behalf of the 4 authorities as part of its annual work plan. The draft Strategy has been completed and the document has gone out for public consultation on a non-statutory basis. The closing date for submissions to Codema is 5.00p.m. on Monday 17th October. The draft will then be updated and brought back to the relevant SPC in each local authority for approval and noting by each Council in December. Detailed Action Plans will be prepared in 2017 for each local authority which will include Adaptation and Mitigation measures as required by EU and national legislation.

Dublin District Heating System

The Technical Services Division is working to bring the Dublin District Heating System (DDHS) to the next stage of delivery, by advertising through the Request For Tender (RFT) procedures, for a suitably qualified and multi-disciplinary Service Provider to examine the strategies for managing, administering, developing and financing of the DDHS, based on an assessment of the costs, benefits and risk associated with each strategy, primarily focussing on the Docklands SDZ area. This service provider will make recommendations to senior Council management in relation to the preferred business model and strategy to implement the DDHS. It had been intended to advertise for stage 1 (Expressions of Interest) of the RFT process by the end of April; however following Internal workshops and consultation, extra work packages were put into the scope of the RFT, aiming to reduce the long-term timeline of the project. The ultimate goal is to have a contract awarded by the end of the 2016.

Progress report on Litter Management Plan 2016 -2018

31 objectives are set out to be delivered over the lifetime of the plan. An update on each of these objectives is provided in the table below. In addition to these objectives the plan mentions a number of other areas where Dublin City Council seeks to make improvements to the management and reduction of litter in the city. These include the management of graffiti, combating the issue of dog fouling, the use of technology and the promotion of recycling.

Additional initiatives undertaken to date in 2016 that are not covered within the objectives set out in the Litter Management Plan include:

- **Anti Graffiti Animated Video**
Produced in cooperation with the South East Area Dept to combat the practice of tagging. The video is aimed children in the primary school age group and is due to be launched in October 2016
- **Graffiti Removal Framework**
A new framework agreement has been put in place for the provision of graffiti removal services.
- **Trial of Segregated Bins**
An initial trial of on-street segregated bins began at the end of Sept. 2 units with 3 waste stream receptacles will be trialled at high use locations in the north and south city centre at South King Street and Wolfe Tone Park.
- **Smart Bin Technology**
2 trials of smart bin technology are taking place within the city. In the South East Area 52 smart bin units have replaced bins on 2 routes to assess their suitability and increased efficiencies.
A further trial is due to commence shortly in the North West Area with the replacement of 20 bins with an alternative smart bin design

- **Dog Fouling Enforcement Campaign**

An enforcement campaign is underway across the city targeting enforcement of section 22 of the Litter Pollution Act. Area Office staff and Litter Wardens are carrying out enforcement patrols in green areas in cooperation with Local Gardai.

IBAL

Working in cooperation with the Area Depts an analysis is carried out of all sites highlighted by the surveys that fail to meet a minimum standard of Grade B and efforts are made to improve these sites. This is an ongoing process in the North Inner City and is also underway in the Ballymun area following its recent inclusion in the areas surveyed.

The most recent results indicate that Dublin City continues to make progress in problematic areas of the North Inner City and that the City Centre has been returned to the Clean To European Norms standard.

An analysis of the results of the North Inner City Surveys shows that this approach has been effective to date.

NIC Sept 2014		NIC Sept 2016	
3	A	10	A
9	B	7	B
10	C	5	C
3	D	3	D

Litter Management Plan Objectives			
Overall objective is to ensure the provision of an effective and efficient street cleaning operation.	Measurement	Introduction Timeframe (2016-2018)	Status
Develop a cleaning strategy for suburban villages, including provision for weekend/out of hours service schedule.	Achieved/Not Achieved.	Q2, 2016	North and Southside crews now assigned and scheduled cleaning / power washing of areas has begun
Roll out of Cleaning Standards booklet to all Street Cleaning Staff.	No. of cleaning staff who received booklet.	Q2, 2016	
Intensive street washing programme from April to October each year.	Achieved/Not Achieved.	Q2 – Q3, 2016 - 2018	street washing programme in City Centre implemented on Night Shift
Update and maintain accurate street cleaning and road sweeping schedule on Dublin City Council website.	No. of unique webpage visits.	Q2 – Q3, 2016	
Introduce street sweeping request facility for City residents. Parking restrictions will be sought to be put in place in cooperation with residents to facilitate this.	No. of requests received per year and actioned.	Q2 – Q3, 2016	Successful trial held. Management of request system being developed

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Implement Halloween Plan to combat social and environmental consequences of Bonfires.	Plan in place. Tonnage of materials collected	Q3-Q4 2016 – 2018	Halloween Plan currently being finalised in cooperation with other Depts. Waste Management to provide on call service to Area Depts for removal of Bonfire Materials in advance of Halloween
Organise Christmas tree collection service.	Tonnage of material collected.	Q1, 2016 to 2018	162 tonnes removed Q1 2016
Expansion in the use of the GIS system to manage illegal dumping incidents.	No of reports for illegal dumping incidences.	Q1, 2016	CRM Mapping facility in place
Increase the number of handcarts to 10 in use in City Centre Streets (e.g. O'Connell St., Grafton St. and Henry St.)	No. in use by end 2016 versus 2015 figures.	2016 to 2018	Currently in use - 8
Develop Litter Bin Policy including requirements for siting of bins and criteria for bin removal.	Achieved/Not Achieved.	Q4, 2016	
Updated bin survey, including bins in parks to be completed.	Survey completed.	Q3, 2016	Updated Bin survey underway in conjunction with Implementation of unique Identifier system for bins
Installation of additional litter bins/dog fouling bins in or in close proximity to every enclosed Park within the City.	No. of bins installed.	Completed by Q2, 2016	Dog Fouling bins trialled in 5 areas. Tender being prepared for supply of 200 units for installation across city
Unique identifier placed on every litter bin in Dublin City Council area. To be updated on IT System, including removal or addition of new bin.	Achieved/Not Achieved.	2016-2018	Identifier tags designed and tested including QR code for customer reporting to CRM system. Installation due to commence Oct 2016

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Use advertising space on litter bins for anti-littering messages.	No. of bins displaying anti-littering messages.	Roll out Q3, 2016. Message changed every quarter	Signage developed on theme of illegal dumping to be rolled out to Central Area initially
Continue maintenance programme for Bottle Banks.	Achieved/Not Achieved.	Q1, 2016	Enhanced programme being put in place with closer coordination between Waste Management and service provider. Decorative wrapping of bottle banks to be trialled in 4 locations - Oct 2016
Implement Team Dublin Clean-up on Saturday 26th March.	No. of volunteers. Tonnage of litter collected.No. of clean-ups held in subsequent years.	26th March 2016 2017 & 2018	Team Dublin Clean Up held 26th March. 2,000 volunteers 15 tonnes of waste collected
Dublin City Council will facilitate community clean-ups with Residents Associations and community groups.	No. of clean-ups held.	Q2, 2016, 2017, 2018	Community Clean Up support is ongoing in conjunction with areas. Leaf Fall collection service being advertised and promoted for Autumn 2016. 250 clean ups supported to date in 2016
Dublin City Council will continue to assist in the organisation and support of the City Neighbourhood Awards.	No. of entries to City Neighbourhood Awards.	Q2, 2016, 2017, 2018	City Neighbourhood Awards to take place on the 29th September Number of entries in 2016 - 280
Continue to develop and roll out the Green Schools Programme to primary, post primary and third level institutions.	No. schools visited.No. Green Schools	2016-2018	80 school visits have taken place in 2016 to date 205 schools are taking part in the programme 155 primary / 50 post primary

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Development of policy on responsible dog ownership.	Achieved/Not Achieved.	Q4, 2016	
Introduce pre-programmed anti dog fouling audio messages at dog fouling blackspots and bring centres.	Dog foul survey before and after messages introduced.	Q3, 2016	<p>System has been in use at 3 recycling facility locations with successful outcomes at 2 locations. 1 ongoing trial</p> <p>1 dog fouling location trialled with limited success</p>
Run local cinema and radio advertising on litter, dog fouling and Christmas tree campaigns.	No of campaigns rolled out.	Q2, 2016	<p>Cinema campaign run on Themes of Food Waste and Dog Fouling in Q1</p> <p>Further campaigns planned for Q4</p>
Dublin City Council will review the Litter Wardens duties in order to meet the requirements of the new Litter Management Plan.	Review completed.	2016-2018	
Continued use of CCTV surveillance and associated signage.	No. of locations CCTV units used at.No. of fines secured.No. of prosecutions secured.	2016-2018	<p>CCTV in use in seven bring centres and two other pilot locations</p> <p>162 fines issued to end May 2016</p> <p>350 warning notices issued to end May 2016</p>
Expansion of door to door enforcement campaigns across the city.	No. of campaigns completed.	2016-2018	<p>Pilot project in North Inner City being developed to maximise compliance</p> <p>A number of initiatives undertaken to assess initial levels of compliance in the Area Depts.</p>

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In conjunction with WEEE Ireland, Dublin City Council will facilitate WEEE collection days at specific locations across the City.	No. of days organised. Tonnage of waste collected.	Q3, 2016, 2017, 2018	WEEE Ireland no longer carry out collection days as all electronic retailers must now accept WEEE items. RecycleIT carry out door to door collectios in the Dublin City area in cooperation with DCC
Formulate and implement Citywide enforcement policy including the establishment of a citywide enforcement team.	Policy Implemented. Team Established	Q4, 2016	Policy has been formulated including step by step approach to establishing compliance levels
Prepare submission on legislative requirements to support enforcement activities.	Submission Prepared	Q3, 2016	

Housing & Residential Services - Monthly Management Report

Policy issues:

1. Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014:

Main Parts –

Repossession Procedure for LA dwellings (Part 2) regulations commenced April 2015

- The Rents Section is currently engaging with the Law Department in preparing possession applications for court hearings where tenants who have been issued with Tenancy Warnings are in breach of a rent related obligation.
- As of the 1st December DCC has issued 261 Tenancy Warnings for arrears cases.
- IS Project Customer Online statement which will allow tenants to view rent account statements online is currently being developed, the anticipated delivery date February 2017.
- Rent Scheme has not commenced. New circular to follow.

2. National Strategy for People with a Disability 2011 - 2016

Under the terms of the National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability 2011-2016 DCC has established a Steering Committee including officials from Dublin City Council, Health Services Executive and representatives from a variety of organisations including St. Michaels House for Intellectual Disability, The Irish Wheelchair Association, The Deaf Association of Ireland, Hail Housing Association, Respond Housing Association, The Irish Council for Social Housing and Focus Ireland. An operations group has now been established to implement the plan.

The work is primarily operational and will include the transferring of people from congregated settings to regular housing, and the provision of disabled access housing in new build schemes, regeneration schemes, HAP, RAS schemes and through the adaptation of existing housing stock. In the Housing Needs Assessment currently being carried out by Dublin City Council's Housing Allocations Unit which is not yet completed, at least 540 people have been identified as having some form of disability.

Maintenance and Energy Improvements

VOIDS UNIT

	No of Voids at Start of 2016: 490		No of New Voids from Jan to Date: 449		No of Voids Turned Around YTD: 953	
	APTS	HOUSES	APTS	HOUSES	APTS	HOUSES
0 Bed	83		145		162	
1 Bed	136	7	107	4	310	10
2 Bed	150	42	89	29	185	110
3 Bed	39	30	29	42	21	134
4 Bed		3	1	3		21
TOTAL	408	82	371	78	*678	*275

- An average of 9 new void units per week
- An average of 18.5 turnarounds per week
- Current void percentage is 0.65%

EXTENSIONS AND ADAPTATIONS UNIT

Works programme to enhance access for DCC tenants with reduced mobility under our Scheme for Persons with Disabilities.

	APPLICATIONS Y.T.D.	APPROVALS Y.T.D.	PIPELINE Y.T.D.	COMPLETIONS Y.T.D.
RAMPS	57*	39**	14	25
STAIRLIFTS	38**	38	3	35
SHOWERS	264**	200**	49	138
OTHER	238	238	32	206
EXTENSIONS	58**	50**	31	10
TOTAL	655	565	129	414

** Includes applications carried over prior to 01/01/2016

MECHANICAL AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY UNIT

ITEM	COMPLETE YEAR TO DATE
BOILER SERVICES	11,679
HEATING MAINTENANCE CALL OUTS	7,411
BOILER REPLACEMENTS	203
FULL HEATING INSTALLATIONS	104
INSULATION RETROFITS	375
ATTIC INSULATION	517

Domestic Heating Section

A boiler replacement programme is set to begin in 2017. The initial work of preparing tender documents is underway. 1,000 boilers or complete heating systems are planned for 2017.

The capture of carbon / energy credits for both the replacement of boilers, and for the servicing of the domestic gas boiler stock will also be going to tender. This capture will be in conjunction with an energy partner and the award will be based on the most beneficial to Dublin City Council.

HVAC Section

The HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) Unit is a specialised unit which manages all HVAC equipment in Dublin City Council's Corporate and Communal heating sites including Senior Citizen Complexes. There are currently 230 maintenance contracts across 131 sites. The HVAC Unit are currently in the process of reviewing maintenance contracts / proposals for 2017 and contracts will be awarded for the coming year.

Energy Efficiency Section

Phase I of the Energy Retrofit Programme (also referred to as the Fabric Upgrade Programme) is now fully complete. We are currently in the process of compiling tender documents for Phase Two of the programme, in conjunction with REIL. 2017 targets for Phase II will be set on indication of available budget.

In an extension to the Phase 1 programme, €500,000 additional funding was made available for attic insulation and ventilation. 517 Properties benefitted from these measures.

Energy Upgrade for Block 1 at Cromcastle Court was completed in October 2016. Phase 1 of the energy upgrade of the block was carried out in 2015 and consisted of installing air to water heat pumps with weather compensated controls with remote access. The windows were upgraded to high-performance double glazed upvc windows. Phase 2 of the energy upgrade consisted of installing 120mm of rockwool external wall insulation. The average BER rating improved from an E1 before works, to a B3 after Phase 1, to a very impressive B1 after Phase 2. In terms of percentage savings, this equates to a saving of 65.9% savings after Phase 1, and 77.5% savings after Phase 2.

The calculated running cost savings resulted in the running costs being reduced from €18,606 to €7,797 after Phase 1, and to €4,589 after Phase 2. Actual measured energy performance data will be analysed and reported on in due course, as data becomes available.

The 2016 Energy Improvement Programme is as follows:

LOCATION	ITEM	NUMBER OF UNITS	STAGE
LISSADELL ROAD AND RAFTERS LANE MASSONETTES	boilers/heat controls	27	complete
LISSADELL COURT	boilers/heat controls	12	complete
AUGHRIM COURT	attic/wall insulation, boiler/heat controls, ventilation	41	complete
ST GABRIEL'S COURT	boilers/heat controls	43	complete
THOMAS CLARKE HOUSE	attic/wall insulation, boiler/heat controls	10	complete
HAMPSTED COURT	boilers/heat controls	55	complete
BELCLARE LAWNS	external wall insulation	6	complete
PARKS DEPARTMENT	boilers/heat controls/external wall insulation	2	complete
INDIVIDUAL HOUSES	external wall insulation	1	complete
CROMCASTLE COURT	external wall insulation	16	complete
TOTALS		213	

MAINTENANCE REPAIRS UNIT

Approximately 50,000 maintenance repair requests are received annually which are allocated to our Direct Labour Force located throughout the city in 8 Area Maintenance Depots.

ITEM	NUMBER LOGGED Y.T.D.	NUMBER DEEMED INVALID	NUMBER IN PIPELINE	NUMBER COMPLETE Y.T.D.
	50,280	3,671	10,393	32,545

Housing Maintenance Out of Hours Service operates for emergency repair requests Monday-Friday 5-9 and Weekends 9-5. On average 150-160 emergency repairs are responded to per month.

CARETAKING AND MOBILE CREWS

Housing Maintenance Attendants look after the cleaning & waste collection service for nearly 200 Flat Complexes and Senior Citizen Complexes in the Dublin City Area. An estimated 200 tonnes of waste is collected each week.

The Housing Attendants are supported by two Mobile Crews. The mobile crews consist of five men plus a supervisor providing support for the South Side of the city and five men plus a supervisor on the North Side. The mobile crews have dedicated transport and equipment.

Their typical duties include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Pest control and fumigation,
- crime scene cleaning,

- general deep cleaning,
- removal of high volumes of house hold waste and rubbish,
- tree cutting and removal of shrubbery and vegetation,
- graffiti removal.

BEDSIT AMALGAMATION PROGRAMME

Quality of the built environment and sustainability are two central platforms in the provision of successful housing developments. There are approximately 114 Senior Citizen's Complexes and over 3,000 units throughout the City of Dublin. A number of these complexes consist of bedsits with a floor area of approximately 23-26 sqm. The Council's Housing and Community Services Department is successfully carrying out a programme of amalgamation and refurbishment of these bedsit units in order to provide a better quality building fabric to enhance comfort levels for the occupants and, improve spatial and building standards, and sustainability of the built environment. We would expect a total of 125 amalgamations to be complete by early spring 2017.

ENGINEERING/INSPECTIONS UNIT

Engineering site Visits:

In total 275 inspections or site visits have been carried out in the third quarter of 2016 assisting the depot staff on technical issues. The majority of these visits required some follow up work and/or consultation.

Roof Repairs

The multi party framework agreement for roof repairs is now established by Managers Order for a two year period to September 2018. The scope of this framework is the re-roofing of larger scale flat complexes, generally four to five storeys high, varying roof types such as gullwing roofs, flat roofs and parapet roofs.

Stairwell Repairs

The stairwell in Liberty House and Ballybough Court are substantially finished.

Miscellaneous Precinct Works

There are a number of miscellaneous precinct works ongoing to address various items that have become defective due to wear and tear over several years.

Roof Fall Arrest Systems

It is hoped to continue the programme to install fall arrest systems at other locations due 2017.

Lead water supply service connection replacement and/or relining

A higher proportion of DCC units was constructed before 1970 and is therefore at risk of having lead piping. There is an ongoing survey of the housing stock to determine the extent of any lead pipework or plumbing.

The objective is to identify such properties based on age, history of renovation and relevant material garnered by Irish Water during the national domestic metering programme.

Based on this survey a programme is under development to mitigate the risk by targeting action in areas where the risk of exceeding the chemical parameters of the EU Drinking Water Regulations is highest. An initial group of four hundred and forty DCC units have been identified by Irish Water as having lead water service connections.

A pilot scheme of relining lead water service connections was carried out at Kilkieran Road, Cabra in co-operation with DCC Water Services and Irish Water.

This scheme includes sampling and testing the water. There are three water samples tested for each property. The first sample represents the existing scenario prior to any work, the second sample is taken following the replacement of the section of lead service connection on the public side of the boundary box by Irish Water and the third sample is taken following the relining of the lead service connection on the customer side of the boundary box by DCC Housing Maintenance.

The test results for the third set of samples taken in the pilot scheme indicated that the lead was successfully reduced to less than the 10 µg/l parameter for lead set out in the EU drinking water regulations in all cases. It is hoped to roll out a tender for similar work on a larger scale (i.e.) 125 houses in the New Year subject to funding.

Other ongoing / recently completed work

- Structural repair works at 13 McCarthy Terrace, Rialto, D8 – Ongoing.
- Waterproofing works to gable wall adjacent to Glover Court D2 – Ongoing.
- Minor repairs to stairwells in George Reynolds House Flats, D4 – Ongoing.
- Repair Drains on Tolka Road - Ongoing
- Drainage maintenance to 3 Macken Villas – Ongoing.
- Repair Wall on Owensilla-Complete
- Maintenance of brick façade at Old Mill Court – Ongoing..
- Boundary wall repairs at Lorcan O’Toole senior citizen complex – Ongoing..
- Electrical work at 80 Slievenamon Road – Ongoing.
- Resurfacing trial works in Liberty House – Ongoing..
- Relay Water Services in New Street North – Complete.
- Rebuild Wall in Infirmary Road – Ongoing.
- New Manhole Covers in Blackhall Close - Ongoing.
- Drylining at 65, Basin Street Flats – Ongoing
- Repair gutters in Timberyard Apartments – Ongoing
- Drylining 30, Suir Road – Ongoing
- Repair Mains in McAuley Park Artane - Complete

Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)

HAP will be introduced to Dublin City Council’s area with effect from 1st March 2017. The roll out of HAP to the Dublin region requires close collaboration among the key parties in the delivery of the scheme, including the Dublin local authorities, the HAP Shared Service Centre , the Department of Social Protection and the Department of Housing, planning, Community and Local Government, to ensure successful delivery. It is proposed that DCC will have a HAP team in place in January 2017 to administer the scheme. Training will be provided by the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government, the Housing Agency and the HAP Shared Services Centre in Limerick to all appropriate staff. A National Communications Strategy is being developed and is due to be implemented alongside the roll-out of the scheme to the Dublin Region.

Rents	
Rent payments projection for 2016	€75.5m
Projected Arrears:	€22.3m (excluding write off)
RAS Payments projection for 2016-11-22	€3.5m
Projected Arrears:	€660,000

Housing Allocations 2016

Housing and Allocations aim to ensure an efficient selection of households and offers of accommodation so as to ensure that households are notified and ready to move into dwellings as soon as they become available. These arrangements should seek to avoid inadvertent delays in letting dwellings, and dwellings being left vacant for lengthy periods due to refusals of offers of accommodation. *The use of choice based lettings is being used in areas throughout the City for a limited number of properties.*

The number of allocations made by Dublin City Council to end of November 2016 is **1224** which includes 36 RAS lettings.

Housing Needs Assessment:

In accordance with section 21 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 (No. 22 of 2009), as adapted by the Environment, Heritage and Local Government Order 2011, Dublin City Council are carrying out a general revision of the Housing Waiting List. The purpose of this revision is to update our records and to remove the names of those applicants from the List who are no longer interested in, or who no longer qualify under the Allocation Scheme 2013 to be housed by the City Council. A total of **26,290** applicants were subjected to a fully completed assessment for the purposes of determining their qualification for social housing. This Assessment is almost complete and final figures will be released by the DHPC&LG shortly.

Tenants Handbook:

A draft version of the revised Tenants Handbook has been received from the printer and sent to various interested parties for comment. It is hoped to start distributing this Handbook in early 2017.

Traveller Accommodation Update - November 2016

ALLOCATIONS:

As of October 31st, there were 14 Traveller Priority lettings to Standard Housing (target is min 20 p.a.).

FIRE REVIEW:

Implementation of the Review is ongoing. On a number of sites there is not sufficient space between caravans (due to overcrowding) and there are ongoing inspections to check all electrical installations. Site-specific meetings have taken place or are scheduled (2 outstanding).

TAP PROGRAMME:

NO OF UNITS	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS	STATUS 22/11/16
OUTLINE PROPOSALS TO DHPCLG		
23	St. Dominic's Park - refurbishment of bays and electrical works.	DHPCLG 21/9/16 Further Information Requested. Initial engagement with Respond
STAGE 1 - APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE		
14	Electrical Upgrade - St. Joseph's Park	Pending appointment of a design team; other works - fire safety & accommodation - prioritised with agreement of LTACC

STAGE 1 - APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE (contd)		
15	Electrical Upgrade - St. Oliver's Park	Pending appointment of a design team; other works - fire safety & accommodation - prioritised with agreement of LTACC
1	[House No] Bridgeview, Cloverhill Road	Preparation of Detailed Drawings
1	[House No] Avila Park, Cappagh Road	Preparation of Detailed Drawings
24	Labre Park: Re-development (Phase 2 & 3)	CAS - Clúid will procure for design team Jan 2017
5	Grove Lane - Refurbishment of 5 derelict houses & redevelop the site	No families will move onto the site. Works cannot progress at present.
10	Tara Lawns - Redevelopment of the site - Clean-up of site and drainage works in progress.	Interim works - Refurbishment contract. Overall plan with Respond to develop.
STAGE 2 - DETAILED DESIGN		
30	St. Margaret's Park Dayhouse Upgrade	Quotes back in from Architects - due to appoint successful tenderer

Traveller Accommodation Update - December 2016

ALLOCATIONS:

As of 30th November, there were 14 Traveller Priority lettings to Standard Housing (target is min 20 p.a.).

TAP FUNDING:

It is anticipated that €674,889 has been drawn down from the €1,405,198 for DCC in by December 31st. Reasons for Non drawdown of Funds include:

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STAGE 2 - DETAILED DESIGN		
30	St. Margaret's Park Dayhouse Upgrade	Quotes back in from Architects - due to appoint successful tenderer
6	Pigeon House Road - Redevelopment of site	Appointment of Design Team to be confirmed; planning and other issues to be confirmed.
STAGE 3 - APPROVAL TO TENDER		
1	Overcrowding Extensions: [House No] Cara Park GHS	Pending Approval
1	Overcrowding Extensions: [House No] Cara Park GHS	Request withdrawn by tenant
1	Special Needs Adaptation: Belcamp Crescent	Tender Document Preparation
STAGE 4 - IMPLEMENTATION		
	COMPLETE	
3	Labre Park Rebuilds: 3 Houses Rebuilds in Kylemore Grove (Phase 1)	Complete
1	Removal of pyrite: [House No] Avila Gardens	Pending approval of revised costs.
2	House Rebuilds: Bridgeview	Complete
2	Special Needs Adaptation: [House No] Avila Park GHS	Complete
3	Special Needs Adaptation: [House No] Cara Park	Complete
1	Special Needs Adaptation: [House No] Labre	Complete
2	House Purchases	Complete
9	Refit of Sanitation Units; Labre	Complete
30	Electrical Upgrade & Metering: St. Margaret's	Complete
Sundry Works: Yard resurfacing x 8; Kitchen Replacement x 5; Insulation of all houses; drainage and greenspace works; void refurbishment x 4		

	NOT STARED - Pending Internal Survey etc	
1	Avila Park: Community Centre	Change of Submission at Mid-term Review to demolition and building of 2 houses.
15	St. Oliver's: Electrical Upgrade	Will be tied to Dayhouse Upgrades
14	St. Joseph's: Electrical Upgrade	Will be tied to Dayhouse Upgrades
1	St. Joseph's: Community Centre	Change of Submission at Mid-term Review to Demolition and Rebuild of Smaller ESB Metering Room
1	Northern Close: Rebuild of House	Issues to be resolved
14	St Oliver's: Dayhouse Upgrade	Complete after St. Margaret's
14	St Joseph's: Dayhouse Upgrade	Complete after St. Margaret's

Dublin Region Homeless Update

Breakdown of Emergency Accommodation Usage between November 21st and November 27th, 2016 in the Dublin Region

An anonymised and aggregated return of all individuals accessing homeless accommodation between **November 21st to November 27th, 2016**, inclusive, has been requested by the Department of the Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government by close of business on **Wednesday 7th December, 2016**. The following information has been requested:

- 1.) Gender
- 2.) Age group (as per CSO)
- 3.) Accommodation type
- 4.) County
- 5.) Family Breakdown

Table 1: Gender: November 21st to November 27th, 2016

Gender	Total November 2016
Male	1,612
Female	1,412
Total	3,024

Table 2: Age Groups: November 21st to November 27th, 2016

Age Group	Total November 2016
18-24	511
25-44	1,888
45-64	586
65+	39
Total	3,024

Table 3: Accommodation Type: November 21st to November 27th, 2016

Accommodation Type	Total November 2016
Private Emergency Accommodation (Including hotels) (PEA)	1,661
Supported Temporary Accommodation (STA)	1,301
Temporary Emergency Accommodation (low support)(TEA)	76
Subtotal	3,038
- Minus people accessing multiple accommodation types during the week	14
Total Unique Individuals	3,024

Table 4: County: November 21st to November 27th, 2016

County	Total November 2016
Dublin	3,024
Total	3,024

Table 5 (a): Families with dependent children in ALL Emergency Accommodation (incl. Hotels) – November 21st to November 27th, 2016

Family Breakdown	No. of families with dependent children	No. of Individual Adults	No. of Dependents
Individuals with dependent children	678	678	1291
Couples with dependent children	345	690	819
Total	1,023	1,368	2,110

Table 5 (b): Families with dependent children in Commercial Hotels Only: November 21st to November 27th, 2016 (One week**)**

Family Breakdown	No. of families with dependent children	No. of Individual Adults	No. of Dependents
Individuals with dependent children	514	514	975
Couples with dependent children	266	532	633
Total	780	1,046	1,608

Chart: Families in ALL EA – Trend: October 2015 to November 2016

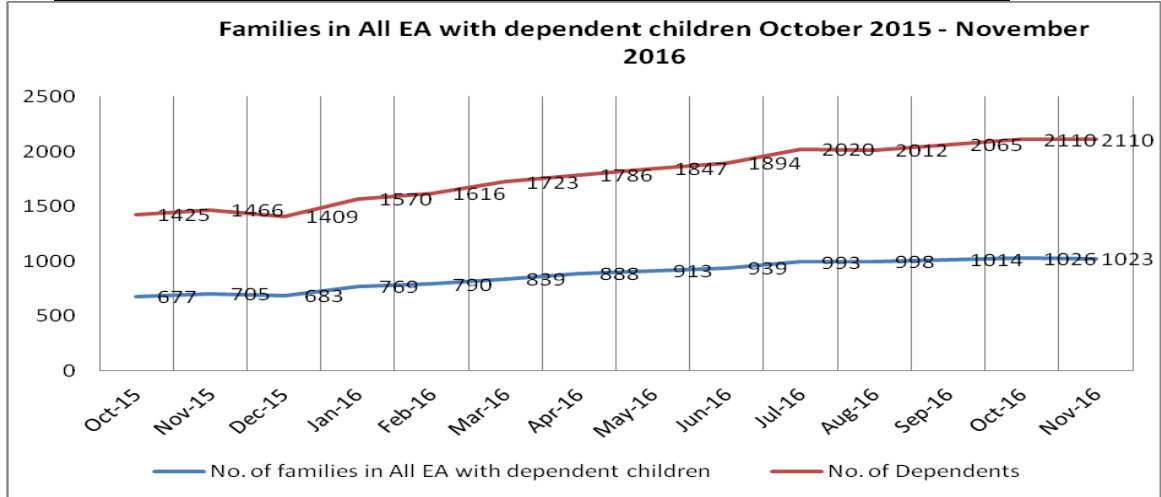


Chart: Families in ALL EA – Total Adults and Total Dependents: September 2015 to October 2016

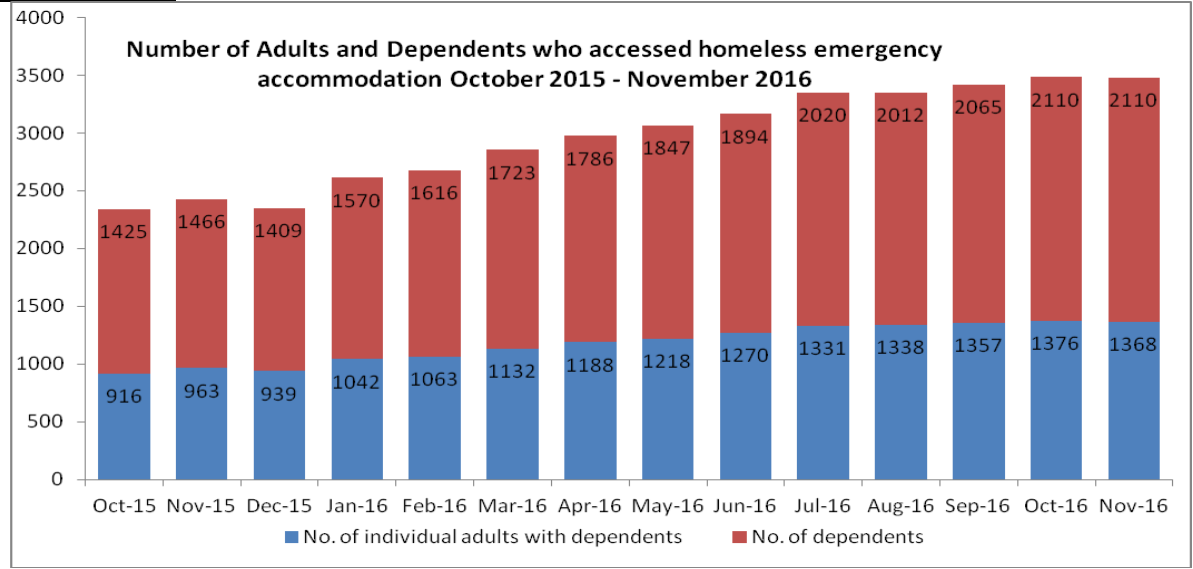
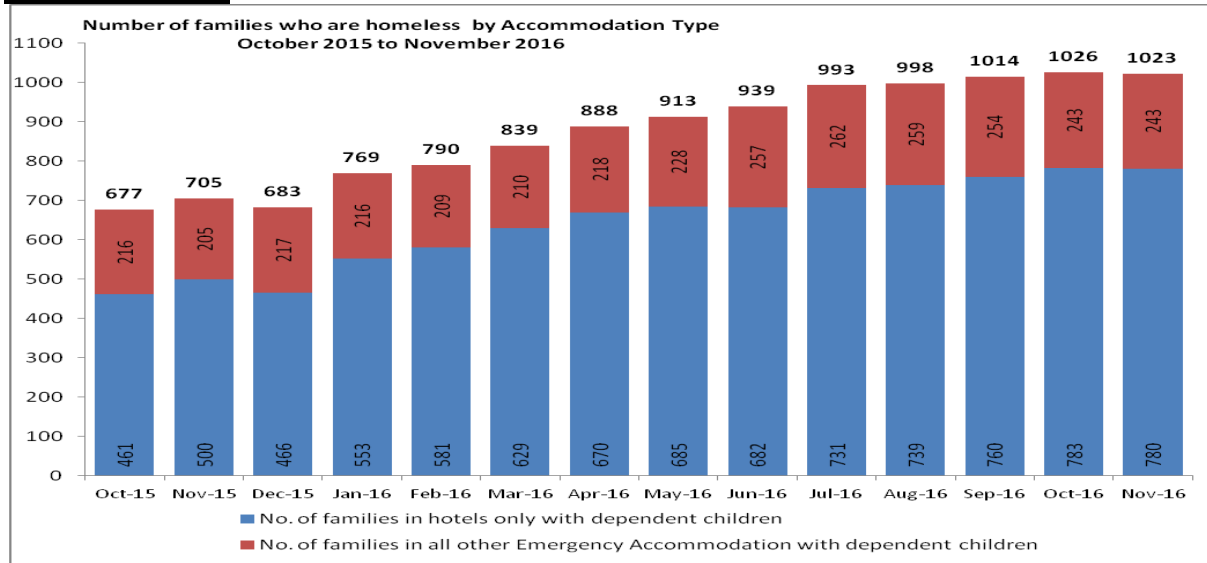


Chart: Families in ALL EA – Trend by Accommodation Type: October 2015 to November 2016





INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

San Jose, March 2017

Preparations are being made for the Dublin Civic Delegation to San Jose in March 2017. The Lord Mayor and Chair of the Economic SPC have met with the Executive of the International Relations Office, Social Inclusion, Arts, Community, Parks and Economic Development Departments to discuss themes and approaches to the visit in order to gain maximum benefit and learning.

Nice, February 2017

The Lord Mayor and the Head of International Relations met the French Ambassador to discuss a cultural and economic visit to Nice in February 2017.

SOCIAL INCLUSION

Comhairle na nÓg

The Dublin City Comhairle na nÓg AGM took place in Croke Park on 18th November with 166 young people participating. The National Showcase took place a week later on 24th November also in Croke Park with 15 Dublin City participants. The theme for discussion for Dublin City Comhairle members for 2017 is Homelessness.

Welcoming Cities

The EU funded Welcoming Cities project involving 6 EU cities (Dublin, Amsterdam, Brussels, Copenhagen, Gothenburg and Hamburg) held its final meeting in Gothenburg on 7th and 8th December. Gráinne Kelly from the Social Inclusion Unit attended. The purpose of the project was to create a welcoming environment in the cities and support the EU migrants in the integration process by removing barriers to mobility, enhancing the full participation of EU Mobile citizens in political and civil life, promoting intercultural dialogue and implementing a monitoring and evaluation process.

City Hall Migrant Information Fair

As part of the City Council's undertaking to facilitate and promote access to information, the Social Inclusion Unit organised a migrant information fair in City Hall on the 28th November, in conjunction with the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) which is the leading inter-governmental organization in the field of migration.

The Migrant Information Fair was attended by 20 statutory and voluntary service providers working in the field of migrant rights and information.

The Fair was the first of a planned series of events designed to promote migrant access to information, which it is hoped will be run in 2017 in partnership with Dublin City Library Services division.

Dublin City Volunteer Centre

A member of the Social Inclusion Unit attended the Strategic Planning event organised by the Dublin City Volunteer Centre on 7th December.

EVENTS UNIT

Smithfield Christmas tree lighting ceremony - 24th November



The Smithfield Christmas event attracted larger numbers than in previous years. It included market stalls and music acts and attracted a lot of very positive attention for the area. The Events Section also worked with the Dublin Film Festival, who gave children and adults an opportunity to sit in a director's chair on the stage and talk about their favourite Christmas film, while being filmed and shown on the big screen. Up to 4,000 people attended the event and enjoyed the festive atmosphere on the plaza. The businesses in the Smithfield area have welcomed events on the Square as they promote the area and bring an increase in footfall.

Lord Mayors Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, O'Connell Street – 27th November



The O'Connell Street event was more challenging this year as a result of ongoing Luas Cross City works, but with the co-operation of all of the statutory agencies, the event worked well in its new location and was enjoyed by all who attended. The event featured Irish music acts and pantomime cast, along with Al Porter and Dustin the turkey carrying out MC duties. The event attracted approximately 9,000 spectators over the course of the event.

Moving Crib and Christmas Wonderland, Mansion House 6th – 24th December



The forecourt of the Mansion House was turned into a Winter Wonderland on the 6th December, with the live crib getting more visitors than ever this year. Visitors were shown around the attraction by helpful elves, which also featured many other festive elements. Weekends were particularly popular, with thousands of visitors availing of the free family experience. Adults and children alike enjoyed taking photos in the magical Wonderland setting and posting letters to Santa while visiting the crib.

NYF Dublin 29th – 31st December



is year's New Year's Festival saw revellers ringing in the New Year at the 3Countdown Concert at St. Stephens Green South and enjoying the incredible "Sky Dance at the Custom House", a spectacular aerial outdoor performance by Fidget Feet. Luminosity 3D animations were also enjoyed at the Custom House over the three days. New Year's Day also saw further celebrations with a free family concert at St. Stephen's Green. Other free events, as part of an additional Arts Programme, included the NYF Dublin music trail, walking trails, pop up street performances and amazing cultural events throughout the city.

Filming Update

A number of large scale films will be shot in Dublin during 2017. The first of these will start early January and is called "The man who invented Christmas", which is based around the life of Charles Dickens. The Film Liaison Officer is working closely with the Irish Film Board to promote Dublin City as a great film location.

Dublin City Riverfest, Tall Ships Regatta 2018, The Voyage 3 Cities Initiative

Dublin City Riverfest

Following on from the success of the Tall Ships Races event in 2012, Dublin Port Company introduced an annual Dublin Port Riverfest to animate the river, encourage visitors to the Port and Docklands area and to strengthen links between the port and the city. Dublin City Council have joined Dublin Port Company as an organising partner of the event, that will be re branded Dublin City Riverfest from 2017 onwards.



The Voyage – 3 Cities Initiative

A number of cities on the Irish Sea host Tall Ships events and river festivals annually. Most notably among them are Belfast, Dublin and Liverpool. The 3 Cities share common goals of promoting and growing their maritime and river festivals, highlighting and celebrating their maritime heritage, attracting visitors to their Port and Docklands area of their cities and supporting sail training initiatives for young sail trainees. The 3 Cities have collaborated on a joint brand and engagement partnership to encourage the attendance of more tall ships at the festivals, more trainees and funding for trainees, sponsorship and joint marketing and promotion.



Note: As a social benefit legacy from the 2012 Tall Ships Races event, Sail Training Ireland have been hugely successful in advancing a sail training programme for sail trainees from across Ireland, securing trainee opportunities for them on a number of tall ship voyages including those who can accommodate trainees of varying physical abilities.

Tall Ships Regatta 2018



Following on from the success of the Tall Ships Races in 2012, the growing support for the Dublin City Riverfest, the development of greater links between the port and the city and the 3 Cities Initiative, Dublin City Council and Dublin Port Company have agreed to jointly host a Tall Ships Regatta in 2018. The event while not as big as a Tall Ships Race event will be a significant event in the city with the potential to attract a large audience including international visitors. The Regatta will visit 3 ports – Liverpool, Dublin and Bordeaux and will take place in Dublin on the June Bank holiday weekend in 2018. The Regatta will be hosted by the Dublin City Riverfest, taking place the same weekend. Preparatory work for the event will commence in 2017.

RECREATION CENTRES

Common Ground Project (Sheriff Street)

The Christmas card exchange is ongoing. The children from both Dublin and Orlando handmade the Christmas cards and the Dublin cards have now been posted to Orlando. The children have been matched up by age and the cards personalised to each child. This has proven to be a popular programme with the children and the largest cost being the postage of €11.



Blackhall, Hardwicke Street, Georges Pocket, Dominic Street Recreation centres

Seniors Christmas dinners

- Blackhall Centre: Wednesday 14th Dec. Dinner to be served at 7pm. Organised by the Recreation Service
- Hardwicke Street: Monday 19th Dec. Dinner to be served at 5.30pm. Organised by the Recreation Service
- Georges Pocket: Tuesday 20th Dec. Dinner to be served at 6pm. Organised by the Recreation Service
- Dominic Street: Friday 9th Dec. Dinner being served after 7pm. Organised by local residents and supported by the Recreation Service to open the building and have staff on site and also provide a financial contribution.

Carry out boxes are provided for seniors who cannot make it to the centre. Christmas dinners are brought to their homes.

Children's Christmas parties:

- Georges Pocket Recreation Centre. Monday 19th December 6pm. Approximately 25 kids attending. Organised by the Recreation Service
- Blackhall Place Recreation Centre. Tuesday 20th December 6pm. Approximately 60 kids attending. Organised by the Recreation Service
- Hardwicke Street Recreation Centre. Tuesday 20th December 6pm. Approximately 70 kids attending. Organised by the Recreation Service
- Dominic Street to be confirmed.

St. Laurence O`Toole's Community Centre

Johnny Giles visited St Laurence O`Toole's Recreation Centre with a local School boys Academy team to promote a new healthy nutrition programme for both boys and girls school football leagues.

The official launch will take place in January/ February 2017.



The centre and staff hosted and partnered in the provision of the local children's Christmas dinner and as part of our intergenerational Common Ground activities, invited the Senior citizens gardening group to attend.

Kilmore Recreation Centre

Senior Citizens Bowling Club, (St Lukes) Christmas dinner was held on Friday 16th December.

As part of the ongoing energy management programme, the building will be having the insulation improved through wall pumped insulation and the ceiling also insulated. This commenced the week of 19th December.

Darndale Recreation Centre

Recreation staff and local volunteers had their annual Christmas 'Feed the Homeless' event at the Central Bank in Dame Street on Wednesday the 14th December. A number of items were collected and made available to those in need. They included a variety of hot food, sandwiches, tea and coffee. There had also been a collection over the last month or so, allowing the provision of footwear, clothes, hats and personal hygiene items for male and female adults. There were a small number of ground mats, sleeping bags and hats. Children and baby clothes were also given out. No photos were taken to respect the dignity of those who called by.

The Garda Band welcomes Santa to the Centre on Thursday 15th December.

Cherry Orchard Recreation Centre

Santa will visit the Community Christmas party being held on Sunday 18th December.

East Wall Recreation Centre

In the week of the 12th of December, the centre staff will hold the Senior Citizens Christmas party in partnership with the East Wall Recreation committee.

In the same week, the staff will host a children's Christmas event.

Bluebell

Santa came to Bluebell to visit The Diamond Twirlers and a number of other festive activities have taken place.

DUBLIN CITY GALLERY THE HUGH LANE

Following the gallery's centenary theme - of *the Artist as Witness in Society* - the exhibitions programme for 2017 will examine the artist's contribution to historical and social issues under the broad theme of *Migrations*. Migration has become the pertinent topic of discussion in the globalised modern world and in 2017 we will examine both historical immigration and emigration and the impact of migration as a principle of nature.

In developing and interrogating our Migrations theme, we will engage with diverse audiences through our inclusive in-house programme of exhibitions, talks, lectures and workshops; and our community and schools outreach programmes.

Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan for the gallery is being finalised and will be presented to the Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community Strategic Policy Committee in early 2017. Extensive consultation took place with stakeholders in order to determine the vision, mission and objectives of the gallery for the next five years.

Visitor Numbers:

The number of visitors to the gallery continues to rise year on year. Visitor numbers in 2016 exceeded 180,000, compared to 156,373 in 2015, which represents a 15% increase in footfall. Through innovative programming of exhibitions and inclusive outreach projects, we aim to continue to build on our visitor numbers throughout 2017.

Capital Programme

Tenders for the award of Design Consultancy Services in relation to the renovation and environmental systems upgrade works to the gallery will be evaluated shortly and it is anticipated that the successful consultant will commence work on a design brief in the first quarter of 2017. Works remain on-target for commencement in Q1 2018, with completion expected late 2018/January 2019. Full closure of the 1930's wing will be required for the duration of 2018, with some more short term closure of other areas of the gallery being likely over the period of works.

Off-site storage

Dublin City Council is the owner of 2052 fine artworks plus the Frances Bacon Archive of approximately 7,500 items. The collection is re-hung annually, and works not on display are stored under controlled environmental conditions in the gallery archive spaces.

However, these spaces are limited and as we expand and develop our collection for the enjoyment of future generations, addressing the lack of suitable storage space has become a priority. Suitable space has now been secured in premises which are currently being leased by the OPW, where part of the National Museum collection is currently stored. A lease agreement is being finalised and we will commence the transfer of selected works in early 2016.

Café

A preferred bidder has been selected to operate the gallery café. That party has been notified, and upon expiration of the standstill period, contract negotiations will commence.

Artistic Migrations: Frank O'Meara and Irish Artists Abroad (new display)

As part of our theme for 2017 *Artist as Witness: Migrations* a new display of twenty paintings drawn from the Gallery's collection has been curated and is now on view.

The display will also include a self portrait by Frank O'Meara, recently acquired by the gallery. The painting is in our conservation studio for technical examination and research on its history. Work on the painting will give us the opportunity to learn more about the painting technique of the artist and his creative process. The technical examination will inform the conservation treatment plan for the painting.



Francis Bacon: Art Books (new display)

This selection of art related books is drawn from the many art historical publications that belonged to Francis Bacon. In addition, multitudinous paint smudged loose leaves torn from books and exhibition catalogues were found among the items in his studio. On view here are exhibition catalogues on Picasso, Matisse, Cézanne, Giacometti, Richard Hamilton and Marcel Duchamp among others. The catalogues of paintings by Irish artist Louis le Brocquy are indicative of a mutual artistic regard.

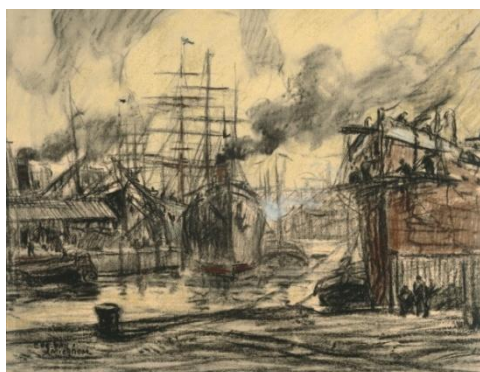
Sir Hugh Lane: 'That Great Pictured Song' is an illustrated book of essays exploring Hugh Lane's life and achievements. Currently at the design stage, it is due for publication in January 2017.

CREATE and Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane: Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane and Create, the national development agency for collaborative arts, as part of the Collaborative Arts Partnership Programme funded by Creative Europe are issuing an open call in December 2016 for a Socially Engaged Commission at Dublin City Gallery / The Hugh Lane (CAPP). The deadline is 27th January 2017 and the Commission budget is 50,000 euro.

Returning Loans

Preparations are underway for the return in January 2017 of loans from the collection to the exhibition *Francis Bacon Invisible Rooms* in Stuttgart, Germany and to the *Creating History* exhibition at the National Gallery of Ireland.

Upcoming exhibitions



Eugeen Van Mieghem: Port Life 9th February – 11th June 2017

Eugeen Van Mieghem: Port Life provides the first opportunity for Irish audiences to see the work of this

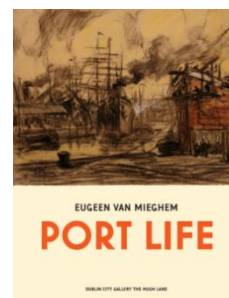
great Belgian artist. *Port Life* is a visual account of the pulsating life of Antwerp Port at the beginning of the 20th century.

Eugeen van Mieghem, Steamers and Three Masted-Ships in the Dock, c.1912

Eugeen Van Mieghem: Port Life is being delivered in collaboration with Dublin Port Company, who is funding this exhibition. 71 artworks will be displayed as part of this exhibition, with works borrowed from 4 lenders – Museum Pnatin-Moretus/Prentenkabinet, Antwerp – UNESCO World Heritage, Eugeen Van Mieghem Museum, Antwerp, The Province of Antwerp and Private Collections.

The exhibition will be accompanied by a 96 page hardback catalogue, with essays by Julian Campbell, Erwin Joos, Jef Vrelust and Lenore Van Der Veer.

A community education programme is being developed to respond to the themes in the exhibition.



Ann Madden: Labyrinth, 14th June to 3rd September

This exhibition includes 10 new works and supporting material, and will be accompanied by a catalogue, with text by Brian O Doherty

THE OCEAN AFTER NATURE - 6th September 2017 till 7th January 2018

This exhibition is curated by Alaina Claire Feldman, the Director of Exhibitions at Independent Curators International (ICI) - invoking personal themes of identity and migration, alongside more universal concerns related to tourism, trade, and the exploitation of natural resources.

The exhibition will feature work by 22 international artists and two local artists, Elaine Byrne and Philip Napier. Work in a wide variety of media will featured, including photography, video, sculpture, music, and design.

Accompanying the exhibition is a publication edited by Alaina Claire Feldman and designed by Geoff Kaplan / General Working Group.

Eithne Jordan: Cultural Spaces (Working title), 18th October to 13th January 2018

Dublin Gallery Weekend in the gallery

Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane participated in Dublin Gallery Weekend again this year. Events at the gallery included a tour of Parnell Square gallery spaces, a talk with Head of Exhibitions Michael Dempsey and artist Michael Kane, and drop-in family activities *Silent Sound Walks* with sound artist Slavek Kwi and *A Thought Experiment* with visual artist Rhona Byrne. The Hugh Lane also contributed to a one day international symposium in collaboration with the Irish Museum of Modern Art and Create. This one day event took place at IMMA on Saturday 26th November and reflected on the organisations' 2016 commemoration programmes, and the role artists and creativity play in society. Included in the day's presentations were Hugh Lane exhibitions by Jesse Jones and Sven Augustijnen.

Dublin Gallery Weekend is a visual arts festival which took place in Dublin from Friday 25th to Sunday 27th November 2016. Over the weekend, 36 art galleries across the city threw open their doors and invited visitors old and new to experience the exciting and inspiring art on offer in Dublin art galleries.

Gallery events in January 2017:

Coffee conversations (on Wednesdays at 11am, fee of €5 includes coffee)

- 11th January 2017: Emma O'Toole discusses *Deposition* by Evie Hone
- 18th January 2017: Michelle Doyle discusses *Landscape* by Mary Swanzy
- 25th January 2017 Jessica O'Donnell introduces the gallery's new acquisition *Self – Portrait*, by Frank O'Meara

Public Lectures

12th January 2017 @ 5.30pm – Roisin Kennedy lectures on The Art of Michael Kane

29th January 2017 @ 2pm – Frank O'Meara: A Portrait with Mary Stratton-Ryan

Family Programmes

Saturday 14th January 2017 from 11am to 12noon - Early Years Workshop for ages 1 to 3 (Fee €5) with Frances Coughlan

Saturday 28th January 2017 from 2pm – 3pm - Children's Workshop for ages 3-6 (fee €5) with Olive Knox

Adult Courses

Life Drawing, Saturdays 21st January 2017 – 11th March 2017, 10.30am – 12.30pm

For those with drawing experience. Course fee €160

Drawing and Mixed Media, Saturdays 21st January 2017 to 11th March 2017, 1pm to 3pm

Beginners introduction to a variety of drawing and art making processes. Course fee €160

To book a space on a fee paying course/workshop call 01-222 2550. For full programme details on the gallery exhibitions, education programme and events, please visit:

www.hughlane.ie

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DUBLIN CITY PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVE

PROPOSED NEW CITY LIBRARY, PARNELL SQUARE

Transfer of property

The transfer of Coláiste Mhuire to the ownership of the City Council has been completed.

KEVIN STREET LIBRARY – REFURBISHMENT

Following completion of the tender process a contractor has been appointed. Discussions on the programme of works and schedule are underway, following which a revised timetable will be available. Our current expectation is that we will reopen the library in September 2017.

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN – PUBLIC MEETING IN TERENCE

In preparation for the drafting of a new library development plan in 2017, the first of a series of area-based public meetings was held in Terence Library on the 29th November. The aim was to engage with the local community and public representatives about library services and how those services can be improved.

LIBRARIES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (LMS)

Dublin City Council is the project manager for the implementation of a new Library Management System, Sierra, in all public libraries in Ireland. Seventeen library services, including Dublin City, are now live on Sierra.

Phase 3 of the project is now underway with the remaining thirteen library services due to join the system by the beginning of March 2017.

Summary of Activity

Table 1: Sierra Activity: – 01/01/16 – 01/12/16

Transactions total	8,939,790
Loans	5,959,033
Returns	5,372,157
Renewals	2,980,757
Reserves placed and satisfied	571,340
Registrations	96,993

COMMEMORATIONS

Dublin City Council won a Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government award under the new category Commemorations and Centenaries 2016 for its *Dublin Remembers 1916/2016 Is Cuimhin Linn* programme.

In December Dublin City Council unveiled two new plaques, at the Four Courts and at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, in the 1916 Rising garrisons series of plaques.

HERITAGE

20th Annual Gilbert Lecture

The 20th annual Sir John T. Gilbert Commemorative Lecture will be held at Dublin City Library & Archive on 25th January 2017. It will be given by Dr Bernadette Cunningham (Royal Irish Academy) on 'Gentlemen's Daughters in Dublin Cloisters: the social world or nuns in early 18th-century Dublin', and will be chaired by the Deputy Lord Mayor, Cllr Rebecca Moynihan.

Swift 350th Anniversary

Preparations are underway for the 350th anniversary of Jonathan Swift's birth. An exhibition will be launched at Dublin City Library & Archive on Saturday 7th January 2017 focussing on Swift's involvement with the City, using many original books and documents associated with Swift.

DUBLIN UNESCO CITY OF LITERATURE

Children across Dublin will take part in the Citywide Reading initiative from January to March 2017. *Knights of the Borrowed Dark* by Dave Rudden is the chosen book for the 6th annual reading campaign which encourages children to read for pleasure.

PROGAMMES

Home Energy Toolkits

In response to the popularity of the Home Energy Toolkits, the toolkits will be available in all branch libraries from February. The increased availability is supported by CODEMA and the Sustainable Energy Authority Ireland.

COMMEMORATIVE NAMING

The Commemorative Naming Committee was established by Dublin City Council in 2013 to make recommendations regarding the naming of key infrastructure and the selection of individuals or events which will be commemorated through the erection of civic monuments or plaques. Proposals for the naming of infrastructure and dedication of memorials and plaques must be formally submitted through an agreed process.

To date the Commemorative Naming Committee has overseen the process, including a lengthy public consultation process, to name the Rosie Hackett Bridge in May 2014. The East Link Bridge was officially named “The Tom Clarke Bridge” in May 2015. There is currently a request to name the Drumcondra Bridge over the River Tolka “The Frank Flood Bridge” which is going through the official process.

The Commemorative Naming Committee along with the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee are currently considering a proposal from the Liam Mellows Memorial Committee to commission a life size statue of Liam Mellows in Mellows Park. This request is also going through the official process.

The Commemorative Naming Committee adopted an official Dublin City Council Commemorative Plaques scheme in 2013. The text on the plaques is in Irish and English.

There are frequent requests for commemorative plaques to be erected under the scheme, particularly during the 1916 commemorations.



Table 1: plaques erected to date.

Name	Location	Unveiled
Patrick O’Connell Footballer and Manager Lived Here	87 Fitzroy Avenue, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.	05/06/2015
Shelbourne F.C. Association Football Club Founded Here	Slattery’s Pub, Grand Canal St.,	04/09/2015
Leo Whelan Artist and Portrait Painter Lived Here	65 Eccles St., Dublin 7.	22/10/2015
Professor Edward Dowden Poet & Literary Critic Lived Here	50 Wellington Road, Dublin 4.	29/11/2015
Edward Walsh Member of the Hibernian Rifles Mortally Wounded Here	Royal Exchange Hotel, Parliament St., Dublin 2.	13/02/2016
Gerald Keogh Irish Volunteer Killed Near Here	117 – 119 Grafton St., Dublin 2.	25/04/2016
Richard O’Carroll Workers Rights, Human Dignity, Irish Freedom	O’Carroll Villas Flat Complex,	27/04/2016
O’Connell CBS To Commemorate Past Pupils Who Took Part in the Easter Rising	School Grounds, Nth Richmond St.,	27/04.2016
Joseph Plunkett Poet & 1916 Proclamation Signatory Lived Here	26 Upr. Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2.	04/05/2016

Name	Location	Unveiled
Ireland's First Radio Broadcast Was transmitted from here 25/4/1916	Grand Central Bar, 10/11 O'Connell St., Dublin 1	21/07/2016
James D'Ombraín First Inspector General Irish Coast Guard Lived Here	36 Lower Leeson St., Dublin 2.	23/09/2016
Samuel Little Hardy Physician and Obstetrician Lived Here	9 Merrion Square, Dublin 2.	28/09/2016
Ballybough Bridge In memory of the men and women who took part in the Easter Rising	Meaghers Public House Ballybough, Dublin 3.	12/11/2016
Annesley Bridge In memory of the men and women who took part in the Easter Rising	Annesley House Pub Fairview, Dublin 3.	12/11/2016
Welsh Chapel	77A Talbot St., Dublin 1.	On hold

Table 2: 1916 Garrison Plaques

Name	Location	Unveiled
Mendicity Institution Garrison Is Cuimhin Linn Éiri Amach na Cásca 1916	Ushers Island, Dublin	24/04/2016
Marrowbone Lane Garrison Is Cuimhin Linn Éiri Amach na Cásca 1916	Eir Ireland Building, Marrowbone Lane, Dublin 8.	24/04/2016
Jacobs Factory Garrison Is Cuimhin Linn Éiri Amach na Cásca 1916	DIT Kevin St., Dublin	29/04/2016
Four Courts Garrison Is Cuimhin Linn Éiri Amach na Cásca 1916	Capuchin Mission Office Church St., Dublin 7.	07/12/2016
Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland Is Cuimhin Linn Éiri Amach na Cásca 1916	123 St. Stephens Green, Dublin 2.	12/12/2016

PARKS AND LANDSCAPES SERVICES



Dublin City Parks Strategy

A consultation draft of the Dublin City Parks Strategy is currently available for consultation at dublincity.ie. Comments will be accepted until the end of January 2017. The strategy reviews and assesses the resources and services provided by Dublin City Council, Parks and Landscape Services and formulates policy and intended actions for them into the future.

Following public consultation a revised draft of the Strategy will be brought to the Special Policy Committee (the draft was previously presented and discussed at the March 2016 SPC) and subsequently put for adoption to the City Council.

Play Development



Dublin City Play Plan 2012 - 2017

A review of the above plan and work on drafting the next Dublin City Play Plan will commence in 2017.

1916 Commemorative Play Garden.

Following an assessment of 5 locations in the city centre, St. Audoen's Park has been selected as the preferred site for the creation of the 1916 Commemorative Play Garden. Elements of Action, Landscape Architects have been appointed for the preliminary inception, feasibility and design stage of the project and Róisín de Buitléar, artist, has been appointed to work in collaboration with the landscape architects. At a Project Steering Group meeting held on the 6th December last, the Steering Group met with the design team and work will progress and be completed on this project in 2017. The project is a joint initiative between the Department of Children and Youth Affairs and Dublin City Council.

Dublin Bay Biosphere Biodiversity Conservation and Research Strategy 2016 – 2020



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BIOSPHERE

Following public consultation the finalised Strategy document is now available at www.dublinbaybiosphere.ie. A working Group established to assist in developing the Strategy will meet annually to review the implementation of the Strategy. Numerous actions are already underway at various sites including North Bull Island, Dalkey Island and Ireland's Eye. In addition a UCD led research project Acclimatize, in which Dublin Bay Biosphere Partnership is participating was recently awarded EU Interreg funding.

Festive Decoration in City Parks

In addition to the traditional Christmas Trees and lighting in the city, some of our city centre parks were dressed in festive lighting, ribbons and bows for the Festive Season. Chancery Park and Blessington Street looked especially festive and charming.



Parks Capital Programme Sports Fields.

The following locations are included in the Parks Works Programme for sports field drainage and improvement:

- Darndale Park
- Johnstown Park
- Fairview Park
- Oscar Traynor Road
- Ringsend Park
- Belcamp Park
- McAuley Park
- Donaghmede Park
- California Hills

Work has been completed on some of the above with the remaining drainage work due for completion in Q1 and Q2 2017.

New Park Infrastructure

Location	Description	Status
Croppies Acre	New Public Park	Opened 14 th June 2016
Herbert Park	New tearoom; Bowling Clubhouse; Tennis courts	Opened 20 th May 2016.
Weaver Park	New Public Park	In progress
Peace Garden, Christchurch	Park re-design,	Part 8 process Qtr 4 2016
Liffey Vale, Liffey Valley Park	Phase 1 of new Park on north bank of river from Chapelizod to Memorial Gardens.	Plan in preparation.
St. Audeons Park/Church	Up-grade of Park and grounds of church	Going to tender Q1, 2017
Bushy Park	New Tearooms	Design team appointed. Part 8 Q1 2017
Bull Island	Phase 1 of car parking traffic improvements on Causeway. Interpretive Centre feasibility study. Design for recreation facility at North Bull Wall	Part 8 public display process completed Q4 2016 Presentation at North Central Area Committee and SPC Q4 2016 Design commenced for Part 8 in Q4 2016
'Chocolate' Park, Docklands	New Public Park	Part 8 public display and submission period complete.

PARK RECREATION/SPORTS FACILITIES

Location	Description	Status
Willie Pearse Park	Changing Rooms/Boxing Club pavilion; playground	Official Opening February, 2016
Bushy Park	Upgrade of Tennis/Padel facilities	Official opening Q2, 2016
Le Fanu Park	Skatepark/playground	Part 8 process Q4, 2016
Poppintree Park	New Changing Rooms Pavilion	Tenders received
Glendale, Kilbarrack	New All-weather pitch	Construction commenced
Springdale, Edenmore.	New Changing Rooms Pavilion	Construction commenced
Tolka Valley, Finglas.	New Changing Rooms Pavilion	Construction commenced

Location	Description	Status
Trinity Leisure Centre, Belmayne	New All-weather pitch	Construction commenced
St Annes Park	New All-weather pitch	Construction commenced
Rockfield Park,	Re-surfacing of tennis courts/training area	Construction to commence
Various Locations	Outdoor Gyms	Installation in Lansdowne Valley Park, Bunting Road & Albert College Park completed
Various Locations	Sports fields drainage	Q 3 and 4, 2016 and Q1 2017
Brickfield Park Drimnagh	New All-weather (artificial) pitch	Construction commenced

IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSERVATION PLANS FOR HISTORIC PARKS

Location	Description	Status
Herbert Park	Upgrade of bowling clubhouse, new seomra tae and depot building for public use completed. Implementation of Conservation Plan	Officially opened July 2016
St Anne's Park	Conservation works on follies; Ongoing re-development of Red Stables Re-development of Sealawn Lodge; Design of new toilets at playground	Consultants engaged re upgrade of follies. Tenders received and under review Q4, 2016 Refurbishment and repair of courtyard surface commenced Part 8 for new toilets to commence in Q4, 2016
Merrion Square Park	Implementation of Conservation plan Tearooms	In progress. Design team appointed. Part 8 2017
Mountjoy Square Park	Implementation of Conservation plan	Conservation of railings (phase 1); Part 8 in Q4, 2016 for restoration of historic layout
St Patrick's Park	Prepare Conservation Plan	Final draft received
Grosvenor Square	Conservation Study on pavilion	Initial draft received and under review
ETB lands, Terenure	Conservation study on pavilion	Final report received

PLAYGROUND RENEWAL

Location	Description	Status
Willie Pearse Park	New Playground	Officially opened 11 th February, 2016
Cherry Orchard	Replace surface of playground	Works to commence Q1, 2017
Herbert Park	Enhance playground at Pembroke Cottages.	Works to commence Q1, 2017
Mount Bernard Park	Additional Play Equipment	Works to commence Q1, 2017
Darndale	Additional Play Equipment	Works to commence Q1, 2017

Location	Description	Status
Ring St, Inchicore	Up-grade	Works to commence Q1, 2017
Bluebell	Additional Play Equipment	Works to commence Q1, 2017
Ranelagh Gardens	New Playground	Works to commence Q1, 2017

ARTS OFFICE

Review: Interim Findings

In keeping with other Sections in the Department the Arts Office has undergone a full internal review with external oversight. This review focused on Governance, Purpose and the relevance of the Arts Office work in a local National and International Context. A new Vision Document was discussed by all staff and the duties of Arts Officers will be recalibrated in 2017 based on this collaborative approach.

The Lab Gallery Review concluded in April and among its recommendations is the appointment of a Curatorial Panel and a Visual Arts Strategy for the Cit. Curatorial Panel meetings have been arranged for 2017. A new purpose for the Arts Office has been agreed by staff to be approved by City Council.

PURPOSE OF THE ARTS OFFICE

Dublin City Council recognises the unique and transformative role of the arts in the life of its residents, businesses and visitors. The arts are a critical component of Dublin City Council's cultural strategy and a key pillar of Dublin's cultural identity and international reputation.

The City Arts Office is a developmental unit within Dublin City Council. It supports quality, access, participation, learning and innovation in the arts through collaboration and strategic partnership at local, regional and international levels.

ARTS IN LOCAL AREAS

46 Community Groups and 16 Artists are working together as part of The National Neighbourhood, a partnership between the National Cultural Institutions and City Neighbourhoods.

Arts Grants this year will by approval of Dublin City Council seek to adopt a partnership approach to Neighbourhood Grants on a trial basis. €10K per Area €50K in total will be available. Five partnership grants are before the Council at this meeting for approval and a sixth in the Central Area will be developed in 2017.

ARTS GRANTS

Upwards of 200 Applications received in three categories Revenue, Project, Neighbourhood and Voluntary. These Grants were assessed by Externs and Arts Officers and a subcommittee of Councillors approved the recommendations that are before Dublin City Council for approval tonight.

Additional support for Arts projects in the North East Inner City will be available in 2017. The Lab Rehearsal Studios: Over 12,000 people will have used the Studios in Foley Street in 2016. The Lab Gallery also hosted major commemorative exhibitions. Dance house licensed by Dublin City Council on Foley Street also hosted a comprehensive Dance Programme of classes, workshops and performances. The allocation of 15 Bachelors Walk to The Architecture Foundation has resulted in a very busy year for that building in 2016 with a strong programme of talks and events including the administration and promotion of Open House.

The Arts Office has hosted multiple residencies by Artists at Albert Cottages and St Patricks Park in 2016. Aiken Promotions have been appointed by tender to head up the MusicTown festival in April 2017. Boxroom Productions have been appointed by tender to provide general management services for the Dublin Chinese New Year Festival and The International Literature Festival Dublin.

The Dublin Chinese New Year Festival continues to expand in 2017 with support from The Embassy of the People’s Republic of China and sponsorship from Kildare Village, Brown Thomas, and the Dublin Chinese Business Association among others. A comprehensive programme includes a Spring Fair at CHQ and visiting Chinese artists at the National Concert Hall with stand up comedy, a major business conference and much more.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Local Enterprise Office Summary of Key LEO Metrics January – November 2016

	Target	January – November 2016
Total Number of Grants Approved	73 <i>(Updated as Additional Funding Received)</i>	67
Total Number of Jobs Created	101 <i>(Updated as additional funding received)</i>	112
Total Value of Grants Approved	€717,000	€1,003,102
Total Value of Repayable Amount	€231,750	€340,938
Micro Finance Ireland Loans		
- Number of MFI Loan Submissions	30	17
- Number of Enquires	-	123
- Number of Loans Approved	-	9 (+ 3 pending)
- Value of Loans Approved		€52,000
- Value of MFI Mentoring – Pre-Screening Assessments		€11,018
- Number of MFI Mentoring – Successful Candidates		2
- Value of MFI Mentoring – Successful Candidates		€464
Trading Online Vouchers		
- No of Trading Online Vouchers	88	88
- Value of Trading Online Vouchers Approved	€200,000 (Voucher only)	€191,776
- Total Value of Vouchers payment made in 2016		€128,852
Export Assistance		
- No. of Export Assistance	20	16
- Value of Export Assistance	€40,000	€28,830

TRAINING		
Total No. of Courses Run	37	45
Total No. of Participants	1,659	1,373
MENTORING		
Total Number of Mentoring – x 1 hr per session	300	359
Total Number of Mentoring – x 6 hrs Session	200	146
Total Number of Group Mentoring Sessions	50	47
Total Number of Group Mentoring Participants	-	527

Dublin City Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) – 2016 -2021

A national launch of the LECP's of each local authority was held as part of the Ploughing Championships in September. Economic Development staff have commenced a consultation process designed to identify a series of economic actions for the 2017 Action Plan that will be delivered solely or jointly by named stakeholders. The format of the consultation allows for group discussion and individual consultations with senior managers of organisations identified as part of the economic community in the city. 3 workshops were held in late October, with a different speaker setting the context for each focussing on a single goal. Facilitated discussion at each workshop led to a series of new actions being identified. 23 individual meetings have been held to date with senior managers from key organisations. Members of the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC have been requested to forward actions for inclusion in the Action Plan. Feedback from the consultation process will be written up and captured in a series of actions for the 2017 plan.

An update on progress achieved on the 90 Economic Actions identified in the 2016 Action Plan will be presented to the November meeting of the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC. The 2017 Action Plan will be worked on in December bringing together the economic and community actions into one document. Following agreement reached with the Chairs of each of the SPC's it was agreed that each ACE will nominate an Executive Manager to liaise with Bernie Doherty and Mary Mac Sweeney to update the Community and Economic aspects of the LECP.

The Eastern and Midlands Regional Assembly held a workshop with representatives of the Economic and Community areas of the four Dublin Local Authorities in October. At this meeting the local authorities gave feedback on the process of developing the LECP's and they were informed that the Department has not yet put in place measurement mechanisms or guidelines to capture details of what has been delivered under the LECP's in 2016.

Dublin Economic Monitor

The seventh edition of the Dublin Economic Monitor was launched in Swords by Fingal County Council in October 2016. This office is actively promoting the monitor and has developed a distribution list for hard copies of the monitor.

Uprise Festival for Start Ups

The Uprise Festival which was held for the first time in Dublin in October 2016 with the support of Dublin City Council. The promoter has held similar festivals in Amsterdam on three occasions brought this unique festival to Dublin with a focus on staff, networking and investment for innovative start up businesses.

Following the success of the Dublin Festival the promoter is considering holding a similar event in Dublin in 2017. The Office of the Dublin Start Up Commissioner and the IDA also supported the Festival.

Show & Tell Creative Festival – 18th November 2016

This office is supporting the Show and Tell events in its second year. Show & Tell will be held in Smock Alley attracting a wide range of creative businesses and providing them with an opportunity to showcase and sell their produce and to network and learn. This office will be providing mentors to provide talks on financing, social media and marketing and will also be offering a speed mentoring service.

CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Plato Dublin Christmas Market – College Green Friday 9th and Saturday 10th December

Plato Dublin is holding its annual Christmas Market in front of Bank of Ireland, College Green supported by LEO Dublin City. The stall holders are selected by Dublin Plato and represent small craft businesses providing them with an opportunity to promote and sell their products. A brass band and choir will provide music at midday on Friday 9th and Saturday 10th December 2016.

Dublin Christmas Flea Market – Point Depot

A three day Christmas Market will be held in the Point Depot on Friday 9th, Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th of December 2016. Over 100 stall holders will be selected from Irish Craft-Makers, Designers and artists not found on the high street. The event will also see a number of food stalls providing food and drink for the 15,000 plus visitors anticipated. Economic staff are working with events staff to support this event along with the Dublin.ie team. The event which is free of charge to attend will showcase some of the best locally handmade, artist-designed, up-cycled or second hand good in the city.

Christmas Flea website: <http://dublinchristmasflea.ie/2015>

Featured Stalls: <http://dublinchristmasflea.ie/category/2015-stalls/>

Social Enterprise Awards – ICE

This office is working with Inner City Enterprise (ICE) and will showcase innovative social enterprises at an awards event to be held in December. We are awaiting confirmation that the Minister Simon Coveney will attend the event. The funding for the awards is provided by Dublin City Council.

Grangegorman Development – Business and Enterprise Sub-Committee

Mary Mac Sweeney is a member of the Business and Enterprise Sub-Committee who hosted a Breakfast Briefing for local businesses on the 12th October. The event was attended by the Lord Mayor Brendan Carr. Ger Casey CEO gave an overview of the development and future plans that was well received by the business owners who turned out in large numbers for this seminal event, feedback was gathered on what future events would be attractive to local businesses.

St James Hospital Enterprise Sub Committee

Greg Swift is a member of the St James Hospital Enterprise Sub Committee. Work is progressing to develop the innovation potential of the new National Children's hospital development.

Dublin.ie

The Dublin.ie website launched in March 2016 has won a Web Award for the best government/local government website. The site acts as a city branding website and promotes living, working, learning and events in Dublin. The Dublin.ie branding will be included along with the Dublin City Council branding for events supported by Economic Development. Following a tendering process McCannBlue were awarded the Chief Writer contact for the site, which publishes three new articles each week. The Dublin.ie team are actively building collaborations with organisations to raise awareness of the site and build alliances and ensure the best material on Dublin is captured on the site.

Action Plan for Jobs – Dublin Regional Action Plan

This office provided updates on a series of actions that Dublin City Council was responsible for delivering under the Dublin Regional Action Plan for jobs. A number of meetings were held with the four Dublin local authorities with the person appointed to co-ordinate the capturing of information on the actions with each of the stakeholder organisations. The Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation attended the first meeting of the evaluation committee established to oversee the implementation of the plan. Greg Swift is a member of the implementation committee.

By 2020 the Dublin Regional Action Plan for Jobs aims to:

- ♣ Have 66,000 more people in employment and reach an unemployment rate of 6 percent ;
- ♣ increase the number of start-ups in the region by a minimum of 25 percent;
- ♣ increase the survival rate of start-ups in the first five years by a minimum of 25 percent;
- ♣ deliver a minimum of 430 FDI investments for Dublin over the period 2015-2019;
- ♣ improve the capacity of Irish owned agency supported enterprises to grow to scale by a minimum of 30 per cent across a number of turnover thresholds;
- ♣ increase RD&I performance within enterprises, with an increase: of 20 percent in RD&I expenditure in foreign owned entities (by 2019); of 20 percent in numbers of Irish owned enterprises engaging in RD&I activities; and more collaborative activity involving enterprises and state funded research institutes, delivering at least one third more collaborations and seeding intensified clustering activities;
- ♣ double enterprise investment in training and up-skilling for employees;
- ♣ deliver a 7 percent increase year on year in visitor numbers to reach 6.2 million; and
- ♣ achieve a doubling of spend by visitors to reach a total of €2.5 billion5 .

<https://www.djei.ie/en/Publications/Publication-files/Action-Plan-for-Jobs-Dublin-2016-2018.pdf>

Ireland's Best Young Entrepreneur Awards 2016

Key Dates:

- December 5th – Dublin City Finals – Oak Room Mansion House – 7.00 p.m.
- January 25th 2017 - Regional Finals
- March 5th 2017 - National Finals

Shortlist Candidates:

Best Idea	Company Name	Sector
Ben Teeling	RAD (Rapid Allergen Detector)	Medical Technology
Jennifer Hourihane	Oathello	Legal Technology Platform
Brian Henderson	Molecular Diagnostics at the :Point of Care	Medical Technology
Ivan Rynn	Grow Dome	Social Enterprise
Fiachra Fallon Verbruggen	Drop Off	Logistical Platform

Best Established Business	Company Name	Description
Ray Mongey	GLUE VFX	TV / Film
Paul McDonald	Sonitus Systems	Sound Technology
Catherine Buggy	Boutique Bake	Food Sector
Gareth Sheridan	Nutriband	Medical Technology
David King	Cruatech	Environmental Technology

Best StartUp	Company Name	Description
Niall Moloney	PowCow	Food Sector
Samuel Dennigan	Strong Roots	Frozen Food Sector
Niamh Herrity	Pink Kong Studios	Animation
Mark Bannon	VT Networks	Internet of Things (IoT) network.
Lukas Decker	Coindrum	Vending Technology

Design4Growth

The Design4Growth project has now progressed to Stage 4. An evaluation has been carried out on the Design4Growth project which connected businesses with a panel of Design Strategist who worked with them on applying design thinking to business challenges. The evaluation report was presented by the Design and Crafts Council of Ireland to the Minister in October. The 6 businesses who completed Stage 3 of the project are in the process of commissioning the work identified in their design briefs and applying for the Design Voucher valued at €2,500.

LEAN Business Programme Dublin

A tendering process is currently underway to select a provider to provide this training in quarter 1 2017. The programme will consist of three half days of workshops training to provide an introduction to LEAN concepts, and mentoring support in undertaking a short in-company LEAN assignment. This Training will be delivered over three half days (8:00am – 13:00pm), with one week between the training days and will cover the following topics.

The training workshop must cover:

- Introduction, overview and benefits of LEAN principles.
- Outline of content for each workshop.
- LEAN tools and techniques and how they relate to your business.
- Proposed methodology for transferring knowledge of LEAN concepts to participants.
- Road map for LEAN in your business.
- Understanding the nature and scope of LEAN projects.
- Project selection and scoping for your business.
- Identification of an in-company LEAN assignment for each participant.

The in-company LEAN assignment must cover:

- Potential cost savings and benefits to participants.
- These savings and benefits must be identified and finalised during the workshops.
- The programme provider will work with participants to achieve cost savings and benefits outline.
- Following the conclusion of each participant's LEAN assignment the programme provider must submit a report of actual savings and benefits incurred by the participant.

Export Programme

A programme aimed at building craft and design companies as a precursor to market entry to assist in establishing if the target market is suitable. The businesses that will benefit from this programme are jewellers, fashion designers and craft businesses who produce a low volume of high quality good with export potential. An event will be held on the 6th December in Smock Alley.

Food Academy

A programme for those looking to develop and grow small-scale food & drink production businesses.

Programme Objectives

- Develop an in-depth knowledge of the tools which can be used to assess market background
- Understand core technical issues facing your food or drink business
- Learn how to grow sales for your product range through better branding and packaging design
- Gain the tools and knowledge necessary to launch and build a successful food business in Ireland.

Programme Format: Mentoring is a significant aspect of the programme with one mentoring visit taking place after each module, in conjunction with the content delivered during the previous training day.

Who can participate? The Food Academy is aimed at those in the early stages of developing their Dublin-based food or drink business. Selection criteria will apply. The Kick Start your Food Business programme is also available and may be more suitable to applicants depending on the stage of development of their food business.

How much does it cost? The Food Academy costs €200 and is inclusive of all course materials, training and mentoring provided.

Dublin Book Festival

The Business Clinic – Building and Growing Your Food Business - In association with the Local Enterprise Office – Dublin

On Friday 11th November a panel of experts held a morning of advice on how to establish and grow your food business. Where to start from, and how to devise the perfect pitch to attract investment: things to do (and avoid) when setting up your enterprise, and how to continue to grow and move with trends. In today's techno-centric world, it's essential to build your brand online – get ready for some top tips on social media and blogging to help market your business. This morning session will include **Domini Kemp**, co-founder of itsa food company, food writer and author of her latest cookbook *The Ketogenic Kitchen* (Gill Books); **Rosanna Davison**, model, nutritional therapist, author of the bestselling *Eat Yourself Beautiful* (Gill Books) and social media and online guru; **Garrett Fitzgerald**, the entrepreneurial owner behind Dublin Capel Street's most beloved café and author of **The Brother Hubbard Cookbook** (Gill Books).

This trio of top foodies will help guide your food business towards success and share tips of the trade on how to stand out in the crowd. The discussion will be led by tv's *Dragon's Den* **Catherine Moonan**, author of *The Pitch Coach: Your Guide to Presenting, Interviewing and Public Speaking* (Liberties Press).

Showcase 2017

An Enterprise Zone supported by the Local Enterprise Offices will see five Dublin businesses promoting their produce at Showcase 2017 in the RDS in January. Dublin City Local

Enterprise Office is supporting the following five businesses through subsidised stands at Showcase, each business is currently completing the craft and design business programme. www.adellehickey.com.

“I am currently selling high end hand bound linen note books, prints and writing sets in ten retail outlets in Dublin with repeat orders. Having my collection of products present at *Showcase* is an essential opportunity to gain access to national and international buyers. This is a crucial step and time in my business to show new products and increase both sales and production to move the business forward”.
www.heybulldogdesign.com

“Having a stand at *Showcase* will be invaluable to us at the moment – whilst we’ve had great success selling our range of concrete homeware products at markets in Dublin, selling through retail is our next step in growth. The crossover of selling our new concrete range in shops as well as on stands at the markets will be a great tool for building trust and credibility in our already established brand”.

www.gildedhound.ie

“Gilded Hound is looking to grow sales of premium copper wall clocks at a rapid rate. We currently have good sales through our website and in Article Powerscourt Townhouse however we are looking to increase wholesales so that we are available throughout Ireland and the UK. Through press and social media we have good brand awareness with Irish retailers, however we need to show them the products in person for them to really see the quality of what we sell. *Showcase* is the ultimate venue for Irish designers to show their products to the best retailers in Ireland and abroad. It is therefore our ambition to be shown there”.



www.loinnirjewellery@gmail.com

“*Showcase* would offer me a considerable platform to expand my brand to a wider national market, having succeeded this year in getting my pieces stocked in two established stores in Dublin. It would provide an opportunity to promote my award winning jewellery pieces to important individuals in the fashion and jewellery industries, as well as gain crucial media attention for my product, with the intention to strengthen the brand name and attracting further distributors in Dublin as well as across Ireland and abroad.”

www.book-ears.com

“A place in *Showcase* 2017 will really assist me in developing my business. I have a book-mark produce that is ready to go. I am already in Dealz and Easons and I want to expand sales globally. *Showcase* 2017 will assist me with this.”

Minister Bruton T.D. at *Showcase* 2016, RDS, Enterprise Hub (25th Jan 2016) with LEO Dublin City clients and Greg Swift, Head of Enterprise Dublin City.

Local Enterprise Week – Sunday 5th to Friday 10th March 2017

A programme of events is being compiled by staff in the Local Enterprise Office, who will work with the three other Dublin LEO’s, in establishing a Dublin Enterprise Week Programme for the Dublin region. The week will kick off on Sunday 5th March with the national IBYE final, followed by a programme packed with events from early morning to late evening and culminating with a Saturday Start Your Own Business Bootcamp on 11th March. Over 300 people attended the week of events in 2016. 2017 will focus on finance, networking, mentoring, enterprise space, social media and getting your business started.

Development Management

A detailed weekly Planning list is circulated to all Councillors outlining applications lodged and decisions made on a weekly basis. This list includes a breakdown of domestic and non-domestic applications, exemption certificates, appeals notified and decisions from An Bórd Pleanála and also applications for Outdoor Event Licences.

Forward Planning & Projects

Plan	Progress in previous quarter	Completion date for next stage
Development Plan 2016-2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan adopted by City Council on 23rd September and came into effect on 21st October 	Work has begun on implementation of new Development Plan.
Local Area Plans / Local Environmental Improvement Plan	<p>Phibsborough draft LEIP presented to June Area Committees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One council member has been nominated to Implementation Group and second is due to be nom at December Central Area Meeting. 	Implementation Group to be commence next in Jan 2017.
	<p>Ballymun LAP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retail survey carried out by consultants. Chief Executives Report on Issues Paper presented to March Area Committee Meeting and April Council Meeting. Sports and recreation workshop held 18th May. Tenure report presented to Area Committee 8th November. 	<p>LAP local focus group consultations ongoing.</p> <p>Draft LAP under preparation. Presentation to Area Councillors on pre-Draft in January 2017 – date to be confirmed.</p>
Record Protected Structures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of buildings added under review. Review of NIAH recommendations also taking place. List of errors and clarifications being addressed (written statement to match GIS mapping when finalised; Draft Dev Plan : RPS Update) Work underway on preparing the necessary addition reports for Central Bank, Stella Cinema and Fumbally Exchange. 	<p>Work ongoing.</p> <p>Reports to be completed.</p>

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Buildings at Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigations ongoing on the "Register"; with significant progress in a number of cases. 	Ongoing
Built Heritage Investment Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCC awarded €298k in grant funding to administer the BHIS for 2016. 45 Projects availed of grant funding ranging from €3k to €13k. All projects have been completed and paperwork is being finalised to commence drawdown from the Department Awaiting confirmation of BHIS Grant funding for 2017. 	<p>Recent budget news announced funding will be available for the BHIS for 2017.</p> <p>Amount of funding to be confirmed from the Department.</p>
Residential Land Availability Study.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stage two completed: data uploaded to myplan.ie website. 	Prepare RLA update for DCC when DELG initiates process.
Dublin Housing Taskforce (Construction 2020)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third report published June 2016; Considered by the Planning & International Relations SPC at the July meeting. Joint Housing Co-ordination Strategy draft report has been prepared for comment. Schedule of Active sites prepared for each LA Key Developers in process of being contacted. Quarter 3 2016 Housing Strategies for the 4 Local Authorities finalised. 	<p>Work ongoing. 3rd Quarter data completed. Quarter 4 Report due end of Jan 2017.</p> <p>Housing Strategy draft circulated, consultants to complete work.</p>
Housing Land Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreement reached by DCC and Minister on O'Devaney Gardens. Joint SPC held with Housing, Planning & International Relations on 9th December.; agreed to proceed with Oscar Traynor, O'Devaney and St. Michael's to procurement stage. Report prepared for January City Council Meeting: Oscar Traynor agreed with amendments. 	Report on O'Devaney Gardens, St. Michael's Estate, Oscar Traynor Road to be submitted to Full Council in January 2017.
Active Land Management/Vacant lands Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notice of intention to acquire 10 derelict sites published on 8th December 2016 all of which are suitable for residential use. Work on Vacant Sites Register progressing well and on programme to be established and on DCC website from the 1st January 2017. DCC submitted 5 applications for infrastructural funding under LIHAF (Local Infrastructural Housing Activation Fund by closing date 14th October 2016). Further information was submitted as requested on the 2nd December. 	<p>Acquisitions will complete in Q1 unless objections to ABP. Properties not required by Housing Dept to be placed on the market.</p> <p>971 sites have been visited, 385 of these would be considered eligible to be placed on the register, 272 were considered not eligible or not vacant, 174 were under the size requirement (0.05ha). A further 132 reports to be completed.</p> <p>Decision from Department on grant applications due in early 2017.</p>

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North Lotts & Grand Canal Dock SDZs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Lotts & Grand Canal Dock SDZ Planning Scheme published October 2014. • Planning permission granted for Blocks 2, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15 and 17. • Construction commenced on new north – south street linking North Wall Quay and Sheriff Street - located west of the 3 Arena. • Planning applications submitted for 180,000 m² commercial and 572 residential units to date. • Public Realm Plan drawn up and public consultation completed. <p>Project received overall national Planning Award for 2016 by IPI.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport study, including E-Link Bridge, being developed. • Ongoing pre-app consultations on a number of city blocks.
Poolbeg West SDZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government designated Poolbeg West an SDZ on May 16th. • Pre draft consultation report presented to monthly SE Area Committee meetings. • Consultation with stakeholders & Community ongoing. • Workshop with elected members 30th November and pre draft circulated to South East Area members in December. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation with stakeholders and communities to continue. Draft scheme being finalised. Formal public consultation to begin by end of January 2017.
Town House Reuse Project (addendum to South Georgian Core Study)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First stage Report Complete: Consultants currently engaged in testing Design solutions • Templates being drawn up to support Living City Initiative. 	Draft document completed, subject to extensive review and consultation. Awaiting final draft from consultants.
Dubline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art works and design works completed • Phase 2 – sign off proofs for new maps • Branding of existing wayfinding completed May 2015. • Installation of new information panels completed along Dublin Route. 	Replacement of existing maps with bilingual maps to be completed by Spring 2017.
Dublin Wayfinding Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase 3 completed, radial/orbital routes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to six monthly review/monitoring • Tenders awarded. • “Cooling off” over. New orders placed November 2016.
Coca Cola Zero dublinbikes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for 4 no. Metropoles – have completed public display period. South East Area Committee updated at September 12th meeting. • Membership price increase from €20 to €25 agreed at November SPC. • Grangegorman expansion agreed with project partners. • Update of Strategic Plan inc. Advertising Funding Options. 	<p>Construction of Metropoles early 2017.</p> <p>Price increase from January 2017. Expansion to be completed late 2017. To be completed March 2017.</p>

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Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design of the Car Park and Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) is progressing and it is anticipated will go to tender in early 2017. In the short term the car park will become pay and display to allow for extended opening hours and facilitate city retail core at a busy time. Design Detail for Redevelopment of Markets building being progressed by City Architects and outside experts. 	<p>To tender early 2017</p> <p>Procurement process will continue in tandem with design elements being undertaken by DCC.</p>
Public Realm Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed Project list under the City Centre Masterplan at feasibility regarding financial and human resourcing. Work has commenced on a number of Luas Associated projects which will go through Part 8 shortly. The Group continued to review projects and input into corporate submissions on major infrastructure projects, policy issues and City proposals as well as provide support for public realm projects. 	<p>Survey and analysis information made available on open data and to other vested projects.</p>
North East Inner City Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Taoiseach's task force may impact on some of the area covered in the NEIC Plan. A number of streets between O'Connell Street and Marlborough Street are identified for public realm improvements under the City Centre Public Realm Master Plan, Cathal Brugha Street, Cathedral Street, North Earl Street and Sackville Place. A number of key sites have been cleared and development has commenced. 	<p>Actions ongoing throughout the year.</p>
National Taking in Charge Initiative (NTICI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCC application for main street, Clongriffin was successful for maximum amount of €80,000. 	<p>Interdepartmental work underway to progress TIC.</p>
Living City Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aim of the Living City initiative is to bring life back into the heart of the relevant cities by offering tax relief for qualifying expenditure incurred on the refurbishment or conversion of certain buildings where conditions are met. <p>To date, take-up of the scheme has been lower than anticipated.</p> <p>Awaiting full details of proposed revisions to incentive scheme when Finance Act is passed early in January next year.</p>	<p>Ongoing for the next five years.</p> <p>Active Land Management Unit to investigate ways of increasing uptake of the scheme.</p> <p>Once the legislation passes, updated FAQs will be available on the Revenue & DCC websites.</p>

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Section 49 – Luas Cross City	Draft Section 49 Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme prepared for Luas Cross City. December Council meeting agreed to proceed to public consultation. Preparations made for public display.	Public display will commence 9 th January 2017 for 6 weeks. Members report on submissions will then be prepared.

Reports on Planning Enforcement, Building Control, Derelict Sites, Property Management and Finance are updated on a quarterly basis.

Human Resources Department

Workforce Numbers

The total number of employees at 30th November 2016 was 5,685 (headcount). The full time equivalent (FTE) number (i.e. taking account of worksharing arrangements) was 5,356.95.

The total workforce number of 5,685 represents a reduction of 22.1 per cent since December 2008. The greatest reduction in resources has taken place in management grades where numbers have reduced by 34 per cent and in the professional technical grades (eg. engineer, planner, architect grades) where numbers have reduced by 24 per cent. Numbers in operational grades have reduced by 224.3 per cent and in firefighter operational grades by 8.3 per cent.

Throughout recent years, and on a continuing basis, managers and staff have undertaken restructuring, reassignment and prioritisation of work to continue service delivery to citizens and customers despite reduced workforce numbers. Managers and staff are continuing to review how services are delivered to optimise customer service, within constrained resources.

Freedom Of Information Update January 2017

Ref No	Request Details	Name(s)	Requester Type	Date Opened	Date Closed
FOI/4998/2016	Seeks information regarding Grafton Street tree lighting event	Jo Murphy	Client	30/11/2016	
FOI/4995/2016	seeks records on illegal parking	Irish Daily Mail	Press	28/11/2016	
FOI/4994/2016	seeks records re Dublin Bike Scheme	Irish Daily Mail	Press	28/11/2016	
FOI/4993/2016	seeks records on vacant tenancies, anti social behaviour, actions of local authority,	Irish Examiner	Press	28/11/2016	
FOI/4991/2016	Seeks records regarding specific enforcement file.	Stephen Forsythe	Client	25/11/2016	
FOI/4989/2016	Seeks records relating to potholes for years 2014, 2015 & 2016.	Newstalk	Press	25/11/2016	
FOI/4986/2016	Seeks records of litter fines issued by the City Council between 01/11/2015 and present.	Newstalk	Press	24/11/2016	16/12/2016
FOI/4985/2016	Seeks records regarding insurance contracts entered into by the Council since January 1 2012.	The Times	Press	23/11/2016	
FOI/4980/2016	Seeks records regarding Christmas parties in DCC.	Dublin Inquirer	Press	18/11/2016	08/12/2016
FOI/4978/2016	Seeks records regarding competition for Health & Safety Officer - Senior Executive Engineer interviews	Michael Hennigan	Staff	18/11/2016	15/12/2016
FOI/4976/2016	Seeks records on dangerous dogs seized from years 2010 - 2016.	Andrew Leahy	Client	18/11/2016	
FOI/4975/2016	Seeks record of costs of food and beverages for staff/councillors at council meetings.	Daily Mail	Press	18/11/2016	09/12/2016
FOI/4974/2016	Seeks records of complaints following Beyonce concerts in Croke Park.	The Journal	Press	18/11/2016	
FOI/4973/2016	Seeks records regarding works carried out on footpath at Goldenbridge Walk	Able Solicitors	Solicitor	18/11/2016	07/12/2016
FOI/4971/2016	Seeks all letters/emails from residents in social housing requesting to be moved.	Irish Daily Star	Press	17/11/2016	14/12/2016
FOI/4969/2016	Seeks all records relating to named Planning Enforcement File	Rochford Brady	Solicitor	17/11/2016	02/12/2016
FOI/4968/2016	Seeks access to internal report prepared by HR relating to data leak	Dublin Inquirer	Press	17/11/2016	09/12/2016

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FOI/4967/2016	Seeks list of all hotels, B&B's and guesthouses used for emergency accommodation and amounts paid to each.	Right to Know Ltd	Other	17/11/2016	14/12/2016
FOI/4965/2016	seeks cost of Halloween clean ups	Colm Phelan	Client	11/11/2016	08/12/2016
FOI/4963/2016	seeks planning enforcement record	P J Horgan	Client	11/11/2016	02/12/2016
FOI/4962/2016	seeks records re Christmas lighting	Abdul Aziz	Client	09/11/2016	06/12/2016
FOI/4960/2016	seeks records re public footpath between City Quay and Creighton Street	Claire Kelly	Client	08/11/2016	
FOI/4956/2016	Seeks records regarding planning enforcement file	Gary Delaney	Client	03/11/2016	25/11/2016
FOI/4955/2016	Seeks records regarding clamping in Dublin City.	Emily Farrell	Client	02/11/2016	15/12/2016
FOI/4954/2016	Seeks records regarding complaints from homeless persons in emergency accommodation and amounts of money paid to providers of emergency accommodation,.	The Journal	Press	02/11/2016	30/11/2016
FOI/4953/2016	Seeks records regarding planning enforcement file.	John Walshe	Client	02/11/2016	30/11/2016
	The above table represents a snapshot of the position with non-personal FOI requests only, received in November 2016				
	The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2016 is outlined below.				
	Carried forward from 2015	28			
	Total opened at November 2016	493			
		521			
	Total closed at November 2016	469			
	Live cases	52			