

**Environmental Services Unit Report**

**Litter Warden Statistics**

There were a total of **17** Fines issued by the area based Litter Wardens in the Central Area for littering offences in the period 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017 – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017

**161 Streets were inspected**

**440 Dumped bags were removed**

**465 Dumped bags were investigated**

**59 Dumped or wrongly presented bags were labelled with warning stickers**

**Quarterly Comparison 2017**

Month	Streets Inspected	Bags removed	Bags Investigated	Bags Stickered	Fines Issued
December	132	376	384	102	10
January	153	456	476	45	18
February	161	440	465	59	17

**Quarterly Comparison 2016**

Month	Streets Inspected	Bags removed	Bags Investigated	Bags Stickered	Fines Issued
December	152	433	433	189	46
January	202	689	772	134	26
February	223	484	470	158	42

**Litter Hotline/CRM**

In the period 1<sup>st</sup> February – 28<sup>th</sup> February, 177 incidents were reported via Litter Hotline/CRM for central area.

## Incidents - Central Area Office

Group Name	Sr Type	Count of Incidents
Central Area Office	Community Cleanups	3 
	Illegal Dumping	149 
	Overflowing Skips	1 
	Remove Hazardous Waste	1 
	Report Dog Fouling DCC	2 
	Report Graffiti	13 
	Report Litter Offence	7 
	Sweep Your Street	1 
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>177</b>

### Graffiti Removal

**Graffiti has been removed from the following areas using our Corporate Contractor from 1<sup>st</sup> February – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

58 Fontenoy Street, D.7  
Saint Mary's Place, D.7  
Blessington Street, D.7  
Mountjoy Street, D.7

**Graffiti has been removed from the following areas using our Waste Management Services from 1<sup>st</sup> February – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

Buckingham Street Lower, D.1  
Buckingham Street Upper, D.1  
New Wapping Street, D.1  
N.C.R, D.1  
Hardwicke Lane, D.1  
Dunne Street, D.3  
Charleville Mall, D.3  
Ossory Road, D.3  
East Wall Road, D.3  
Strandville avenue, D.3  
Saint Patricks Avenue, D.3  
Ossory Road, D.3  
Johnny Cullens Hill, D.3  
Mary's Street, D.7  
Stable Lane, D.7  
Bow Street, D.7  
Benburb Street, D.7  
Blessington Street, D.7  
Mountjoy Street, D.7  
Dorset Street Upper, D.7  
East Arran Street, D.7  
Little Strand Street, D.7

Little Green Street, D.7  
Innisfallen Parade, D.7

**Graffiti has been removed from the following areas using Probation Services from 1<sup>st</sup> February – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

Amien Street, D.1  
Rutland Place, D.1  
North Strand Road, D.1  
Ballybough Road, D.3  
Crossguns Bridge, D.7  
Binns Bridge, D.9  
Royal Canal Bank, D.9

**Dublin Canvas Project**

Dublin City Council February 2017 commissioned Dublin Canvas to paint the corner of Russell Street and North Circular Road. The project takes previously unused public space and transforms it into canvases to help brighten up the City. Making Dublin a more beautiful place to live, work and visit.



For more information please visit [www.dublincanvas.com](http://www.dublincanvas.com)

## Welcome Signs

Dublin City Council in partnership with local residents associations, we have retrofitted logos onto existing Welcome signage for East Wall, Phibsborough and Stoneybatter, the logos are cast first then hand painted they are all made in Ireland.



Dublin City Council have also erected new welcome signs, the latest locations of Welcome signs include:

North Wall (outside O2)  
East Wall Road  
Johnny Cullen's hill  
Sheriff Street upper near Eastwall Road  
Junction of Leo Street and North Circular Road  
0GB2 Luas Bridge Phibsborough  
Ossory Road East Wall  
Cherry Mount Park North Circular Road

**John McPartlan**  
**Public Domain Enforcement Officer**

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

**March 2017**

**North Inner City Housing Update**

**1. Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager**

**Vacant site, Railway Street**

Circle Voluntary Housing Association have finalised a proposed design and made a presentation to Councillors on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November. DCC have since met residents from the Kiln and Forge to discuss the proposal and they have expressed support for the project. Circle VHA made a presentation to their residents in Peadar Kearney House on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December. While many residents were positive some objected strongly on the basis that they wanted the site retained for community use and in particular a football pitch. A meeting took place between representatives from Circle VHA, Housing Development and the Central Area office on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss progressing this project. Circle VHA are now in the process of appointing a design team to finalise the plans and once this has been completed further meetings will be held with local residents and Councillors.

As it is expected to take some time before any construction works take place we are currently looking at ways to better secure the site and examining whether it can be used in some other capacity while the design, planning and tender processes are progressing.

**St. Mary's Mansions**

Following a presentation to the residents and the Area Councillors which received a very positive response, a planning application was lodged on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016 for redevelopment of the complex. Final Grant Notice was issued on the 8<sup>th</sup> August and Cluid expect work to commence on site in April 2017. The redevelopment is due to be completed in December 2018.

Detenancing has continued but it was not possible to have the complex vacated by the end of the year as had been hoped. A delay has been encountered in completing sales and finishing works in some properties which Cluid are purchasing for detenancing purposes. While 6 tenants still remain in the complex most of these have accepted offers and will move over the next few weeks. DCC and Cluid continue to work with residents who have not yet been facilitated but some residents have now changed their housing requirements and are being somewhat excessive in their demands for rehousing. All tenants have been or will be made reasonable offers of temporary alternative accommodation but should they continue to be intransigent they may jeopardise the viability of the project. Cluid and DCC will meet with remaining residents and temporarily rehoused residents on 8<sup>th</sup> March to update them on the progress of the project. We will also meet with Councillors on the 9<sup>th</sup> March.

Entrances to the stairwells on K block have been secured as all residents on the upper floors have now moved out. There has been a marked decrease in anti-social behaviour in the complex since Christmas and Gardai have increased their presence in and around the complex

**Gloucester Place/Former IDA site**

Construction work commenced in late February 2016 and the project is progressing well. There has been some issues around traffic management but no problems have been reported recently.

An application has been now lodged by the same developer to build more student accommodation on the adjacent site (beside the school) which is currently being used as the contractors compound.

There has been an upsurge in dumping at the ESB substation and a meeting will shortly take place with the ESB to discuss this and other issues around substations in the area.

### **Castelforbes**

The 26 units at Castleforbes (Northbank), that DCC are acquiring, are not completed and are now in the hands of the receiver. Dublin City Council is currently engaging with the receiver regarding the acquisition of the Part V units in the development.

Tuath Housing have now agreed contracts to acquire 21 units in Castleforbes Square. Sales were due to close on these units in early October but there was a delay and it is now unlikely units will be occupied until early March. 11 of the units will initially be used to temporarily house residents from Gallery Quay to facilitate remedial works in relation to water ingress and insulation. The remaining 10 units (8x 2 bed, 2 x 1 bed) will be allocated to applicants from DCC's Housing, Transfer and Priority lists. Selection of applicants has taken place and Tuath Housing have completed their interview and selection process. All successful applicants have been contacted and will view the units shortly.

### **Apartment blocks Sheriff Street**

The stairwells and common areas in the apartment blocks at Mariners Port, Crinan Strand and Spencer Dock have fallen in to a poor condition over recent years. We have recently installed new, more secure postboxes and now intend to replace the main entrance doors and the floor covering and to paint the stairwells. These works have now commenced and should be completed by end of March.

### **Patrick Heeney Crescent**

Following ongoing problems with non residents parking all day in the complex we have now introduced permit parking. This has already improved the situation considerably, within the complex, but has resulted in more people parking cars, illegally, along the entrance road at Gloucester Place. The area office is constantly in contact with Parking Enforcement to ensure they monitor and manage this issue.

### **Allocations**

Keren Dowd, who was responsible for allocation of vacant units in the NEIC area, has recently moved to another department. We are actively seeking a replacement but until a new person is appointed the majority of Allocations will be done through the Allocations Section in Civic Offices. The exception to this will be in the case of units which are currently let under the Choice Based Letting Scheme. These units will continue to be allocated through the NEIC office.

## **2) Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager**

### **Poplar Row, Taaffe Place, Annesley Avenue & Place – Pyrite Issues**

The Pyrite remediation works were carried out in three 10/12 week phases. All 3 phases have been completed with the exception of some snagging works and all of the tenants having returned to their homes. It was intended to inspect the work before the end of the defects period and any defects attributable to the works will be rectified. These inspections have been carried out and some defects still remain - a programme course of remedial work is required. A service along with an inspection of the gas boilers has been carried out.

### **Croke Villas**

There are 6 dwellings out of 79 currently occupied in Croke Villas.

Works are continuing on Block 3 to facilitate consolidating the remaining residents from blocks 1, 2 and 4 into the one block. One resident has already made this temporary move. It is anticipated these moves will be completed by end of Quarter1 2017.

The Project Estate Officer for Croke Villas continues to liaise with An Garda Siochana in relation to drug users congregating on some of the stairwells in this complex. The Part 8 report in relation to the demolition of all four blocks was approved at the October meeting of the City Council.

The Main Tender for the development of the units on 2-6 Ballybough Road has been assessed by Dublin City Council and approved by the Department for Housing Planning Community and Local Government. This contractor withdrew from the process. The second contractor from the successful list was appointed and has now commenced on site.

City Architects have appointed the design team for the overall project and preparation of a Part 8 for the cottages on Sackville Ave, housing units on the site of the Croke Villas flat blocks and the roadway has commenced.

### **Ballybough House**

The Housing Manager and Community Worker met with residents in November to discuss ongoing maintenance and anti-social issues. Significant works are now taking place to improve the complex.

The new lighting in block 1 has been installed,, the contractors are currently working on Block 3. The entire courtyard has been power washed. Repairs have been carried to stairwells in both blocks 1 and 3. New replacement bins have also been provided in the complex.

To address the ongoing problem of youth's congregating on the stairwells it is proposed to install security doors at the entrance to the stairwells. This work is expected to commence in early Marc. The Project Estate Officer is continually liaising with An Garda Siochana to identify the individuals causing problems in the complex and to take whatever action is required to resolve this problem.

Repair works to the playgrounds will be completed by end February and some landscaping works will be done in the Courtyard. Some painting works are currently been carried out in the complex.

We are currently examining the potential to knock 2 flats into 1 and create larger living spaces within the units. As we may require tenants to move temporarily within the complex none of the current vacant units will be let for the moment.

The upgraded CCTV has been installed and is up and running.

The Area Housing Manager, the Project Estate Officer and the Community Development Officer continue to meet with Residents and good progress has been made with residents working with the Area Office to bring about improvements at the complex.

### **Vacant Site at Poplar Row**

Oaklee lodged a planning application ref: 4124/15 on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 for a development of 29 units of accommodation (4 no. 2 beds and 25 no. 1 beds) at Poplar Row (formally Block 2). Planning permission with conditions was granted to Oaklee Housing on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016 however an appeal was lodged with on Bord Pleanala by the local Residents Association. A meeting with Area Councillors, Oaklee Housing Trust and representatives from the adjacent residents was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016 in relation to their concerns with an agreement to provide additional information as to the effect the proposed building will have on the light to adjoining homes. An agreement was also reached to ensure improved communications by forming a liaison group with DCC, Oaklee and Resident representatives when the development commences. Oaklee Housing Trust were advised on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2016 of a notice to grant planning by ABP for Poplar Row.

Work on the detailed design has commenced and site surveys are currently been carried out by Oaklee's Design team. Oaklee are finalising details before going to tender. A rodent infestation on site

is currently been treated. A meeting recently held with Oaklee to progress the matter and the disposal of the site to Oakee is on the March Area Committee Agenda for approval.

### **Tom Clarke House**

Work commenced on site on the 2/11/2015 converting bedsits into one bedroom apartments. The Contractor is D&S Higgins Construction Ltd. Work on the first phase is completed and the units are allocated, work on phase 2 has commenced with completion anticipated end of Quarter 1 2017.

### **St. Agatha's Court**

Work commenced works on site since 25th April 2016 and completion is scheduled for end of Quarter 1 2017.

The Peter McVerry Trust are liaising with Housing Allocations/ Homeless Services in relation to allocating the completed units.

### **3) Sean Smith – Project Manager**

#### **Dominick Street Lower**

The Part 8 was approved at the City Council meeting in February consisting of 5-3 bed town houses, 68 apartments consisting of 5-3 bed, 50-2 bed and 12-1 bed units, a community facility and retail/commercial units with 48 car spaces at basement level on the eastern side of Dominick Street.

The scheme is currently being prepared for tender stage. When this is ready it will go to the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government for approval to go to procurement.

Ongoing meetings will take place with the Dominick Street Lower Redevelopment group and our design team. An update on the progress of the project was sent to the resident's in the first week of March.

#### **Luas Cross City Works**

The general approach is to progress the works in a chequer board fashion along Dominick Lower and Upper. The main concern for the Luas Cross City project is to continuously keep traffic flowing and pedestrians navigating safely through the works. During paving access is maintained to all premises.

#### **DOMINICK LOWER**

The teams are currently paving the setts between the tracks while the OCS pole bases get completed (OCS = overhead conductor system which is the contact wiring system to supply the tram with power) The tarmacking works near St Saviours Church is continuing and the heritage paving will be put back in front of the church.

#### **DOMINICK UPPER**

The teams are continuing to pave from the Bolton Street junction. During the month of March they will continue along the Dominic Upper housing blocks. The fences on the traffic lane will move to complete the last granite setts in between the tracks. The paving works will continue over the coming weeks in the general area of Bolton Flats and trees will be planted.

#### **MILESTONE TEST TRAM**

Please note that the first tram is expected for testing by mid-June 2017 and all the paving adjacent to the tracks must be completed. It is expected that the tram will be operational by early December 2017. The testing phase is quite long because of the health and safety aspect. There are 30 junctions on the new line that will be separately tested. Driver training will happen during autumn so they can familiarise themselves with the route prior to the new line going live and passenger boarding.

#### **ELECTRO-MECHANICAL WORKS**

Efeacec is the contractor in charge of power and systems on behalf of TII. Their main activities are as follows.



- **CABLE PULLING:** Efacec will have small crews on site who will pull the cables in between the different pits by use of a motorised cable winch.
- **TRAM DETECTION LOOPS:** Efacec will have small crews on site who will install loop cables in asphalt surfaces / cobble lock paving. A powered saw will be used to cut road surface. Crews will then install loop cables and seal with asphalt liquid for asphalt surfaces / grout for cobble lock paving.

They execute the works at night and the crews move along the tracks with a rolling work site. The noise impact is minimal.

Sisk Steconfer JV (SSJV) crews will endeavour to reduce the impact of the works to a minimum. However, if you need to get in touch with us during these works, you will be able to reach SSJV's site representative on 01/5397979.

### **Constitution Hill**

Ongoing meetings with Residents are taking place. Luas Cross City Staff and the Project Estate Officer are keeping Residents up-to-date on the proposed plans/works for Broadstone Gate. External painting of the ground floor units and steel doors are now completed.

### **Dorset Street & Saint Marys Terrace**

The Housing Department made a submission to the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government for funding to carry out a complete refurbishment of homes, to include larger kitchens and bathrooms, better BER rating (energy improvements) new roof, lifts, landscaping, greater accessibility and boundary treatments.

The Department, after reviewing the consultant's report, has advised that the cost of refurbishment was so close to the cost of demolition and new build that they requested that this option be further developed. So we propose to put a design team in place for new build and seek permission from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government for funding. This is expected to happen in the second quarter of this year.

In the meantime I am seeking permission from senior management in housing and then our local councillors to get an overall priority for the de-tenanting of the remaining tenants in St Mary's Place.

### **Henrietta House**

Ongoing meetings with Residents, Project Estate Officer and the Heritage Officer in relation to 14 Henrietta Street, the Dublin Tenement Experience. Which is a new museum of Dublin's social and architectural history that is currently being created in No.14 Henrietta Street. The museum seeks to deepen the understanding of the history of urban life and housing in Ireland, through people and memory. It is a cultural and educational centre, and a repository of memories which celebrates the building as its primary artefact. Stairwells within complex were recently painted and have been completed.

### **Saint Michan's House**

The speed restriction ramps in Blocks C, D, E, F have been installed and are working well. Vehicle speeds within the Complex have been greatly reduced. The newly installed garden of remembrance and the Tree of Hope is a great success and a great addition to the Complex.

### **Blackhall Place/Marmion Court**

The extensive painting programme for the Blackhall/Marmion complex is ongoing.

### **Dominick Street Upper**

Heating Section are replacing all gas boilers within the complex.

### **Sheridan Place**

Heating Section are replacing gas boilers to ground floor units within the complex.

### **North King Street**

The design team is currently working detail design and on the tender production drawings. I expect a contractor to be on site in the fourth quarter of this year. When the programme is agreed I will report back to the Area Committee.

The Following Complexes have regular meetings between residents and Estate Management and there are no outstanding issues.

- Dominick Court
- Dominick House/Palmerston Place
- Eccles Court
- Friary Court
- Saint Peters Court
- Kevin Barry House
- Hardwicke Street
- North King Street
- Haymarket/Queen Street
- Dorset Street

### **4) Dick Whelan – Project Manager**

#### **St. Bricins Park:**

- Phase 1, Block 1, fully occupied
- Phase 2, Block 3, works ongoing, scheduled for completion mid 2017
- Phase 3 Block 2, soft strip imminent and while no definite date for commencement of full refurbishment works has been set, it is hoped to have all such works completed by December 2017

#### **O'Devaney Gardens**

- Design development on proposed 56 Social Housing units is proceeding
- Six flats remain occupied and efforts continue to provide suitable alternative accommodation for the residents concerned.
- The first meeting of the O'Devaney Gardens Consultative Forum has taken place and further meetings will be held at 6 to 8 week intervals

#### **Drumalee Estate:**

- The MUGA is now opening daily in accordance with times stipulated on the site notice and, to date, there has been no recurrence of the vandalism which originally caused its closure.

### **Karl Mitchell**

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To the Chairperson and Members of  
the Central Area Committee

### North East Inner City Ministerial Task Force

Following appointment by the Ministerial Task Force in July 2016 Mr. Kieran Mulvey's report on the long term economic and social regeneration of the North East Inner City was launched on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

The report entitled "[\*\*Dublin North East Inner City - Creating a Brighter Future An Outline Plan for the Social and Economic Regeneration of Dublin's North East Inner City\*\*](#)" identifies four priority areas and an action plan for each area.

- Tackling Crime and Drugs
- Maximising education/ training opportunities / creating Local Employment Opportunities
- Creating an integrated system of social services
- Improving physical landscape

The report also outlined suggested structures for implementation and delivery of the recommendations contained in the plan. In the main it is proposed that these will utilise existing community infrastructure both statutory and non-statutory and be overseen by a Programme Implementation Board. This Board will be led by an Independent Executive Chair and comprise key Government Departments and agencies who have responsibility for delivery of key services and accountability for the expenditure of funds related to identified priority areas. Dublin City Council will be included in the Board structure. Appointment of the Executive Chair by the Ministerial Task Force is awaited.

It is anticipated that an enhanced Dublin City Council NEIC Programme Office, headed up by the independent Executive Char, will operate from the Central Area Headquarters. The Programme Office will have a specific role in creating a new Community Consultative Forum to facilitate community participation and involvement in delivery of the plan.

Mr. Mulvey's report states that successive Governments must remain committed to the regeneration of the area for a minimum ten year period and that the Implementation Plan will need to be supported through a dedicated funding programme approved by Government. At the launch on 16/02/2017 the Taoiseach announced that funding of €5M is being ring-fenced to support the implementation of the Report, however, no formal notification of allocation of this funding has been received by Dublin City Council to date.

Pending appointment of the Executive Chair and clarification on further funding allocation the Project Office is working towards completing of the various projects approved under the 2016 funding allocations totalling €4.7M. A current status report is attached at Appendix 1.

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**Appendix 1- North East Inner City Initiative Projects March 2017 Report to Central Area Committee**

**DTTAS / Sport Irl. - Dormant Account Allocation €1.04M**

**Current Status**

Senior Sports Development Officer post	€ 60,000	In place since Sept. 2016
Sheriff YC pitch re-surfacing	€ 97,420	Completed
Larkin Community College pitch re-surfacing	€ 97,929	Works scheduled to be completed 23rd March, 2017
New pitch at Sheriff Recreation Centre	€ 180,000	Substantially completed, Full completion expected April 2017
Professional Services on above 3 pitch projects (Sports LABS)	€ 23,985	Completed
Small Sports Grants	€ 113,000	Allocated to 26 groups / clubs
Sports Equipment for Youth Groups	€ 50,000	Provided to 14 clubs / groups
Acquisition and refurbishment of former Pigeon Club – Ballybough Boxing Club	€ 232,000	Works substantially completed
Capital Grant to O'Connell Boys GAA Club	€ 50,000	In progress
FAI Sport Coaching Programme - FUTSAL	€ 120,000	25 participants on 9 month course obtaining number of QQI Modules 18 Supervised TY Students delivering coaching sessions with 4 local primary schools
GAA Coaching Programme - Dublin County Board	€ 18,100	
	<b>€ 1,042,434</b>	

**DHPCLG Allocation - Social Inclusion €250,000  
(DCC match funding €250,000)**

NEIC "BallyMacSheriff" Halloween Festival	€ 145,000	Successfully delivered
Reader in Residence Project - Charleville Mall Library	€ 75,000	9 month programme underway - 11 local schools participating
CoderDojo Digital Skills - Charleville Mall Library	€ 35,000	1 year programme underway
Home from Home Learning Spaces (ELI and NCI)	€ 40,000	Funding awarded to National College of Ireland Early Learning Initiative
An Cosán - SHaRE Reading Programme	€ 25,000	Funding awarded to An Cosán (Community Education Organisation)
Trinity Access Programme	€ 60,000	Funding awarded to Trinity Access Programme
Arts Grants Top-Up (Neighbourhood and Voluntary Category)	€ 50,000	In progress under the guidance of Dublin City Arts Office

Mens Shed Project - North East Central Community Garden	€	27,380	In planning phase including community consultation
Dublin Inner City Community Co-Operative - 4 projects	€	42,620	Funding awarded to Dublin Inner City Community Co-Op
	€		
1. North Wall CDP Creche Play area		30,000	
	€		
2. LYCS Junior Leadership Programme		7,120	
3. ICON - Research on hidden disadvantage in NEIC private rented sector	€	1,500	
4. Daughters of Charity - Kitchen Equipment, Hardwicke Stl. Comm. Ctr.	€	3,000	
	€	<b>500,000</b>	
<b>DHPCLG Allocation - Social Regeneration €250,000 (DCC match funding €250,000)</b>			
Painting of Sheriff St. Upper Lifting Bridge	€	250,000	Technical Surveying and specification work underway to be followed by tender process.
Roads Re-surfacing (parts of James Joyce St. and Railway St.)	€	152,000	Completed
Portland Place Park (Phase 1)	€	63,000	Completed
General Public Domain improvements	€	45,000	In progress
	€	<b>510,000</b>	
<b>DHPCLG Allocation November 2016 - €2.655M</b>			
Ballybough House, Courtney Place and environs. Physical improvement works	€	400,000	Substantially completed
Other improvement works in vicinity of Ballybough House	€	350,000	Proposals being costed
			In progress incl. Cumberland St., Beaver St., Sean MacDermott St. re-surfacing underway
Public Domain Improvements including roads re-surfacing	€	745,000	
Vacant sites Hoardings	€	20,000	In progress - Russell St. / NCR Corner art project completed
Public Lighting Upgrade to LED	€	195,000	Underway
Painting of public lighting lampposts	€	55,000	Completed
Dorset St. Fire Station (In Community Use) - structural works	€	250,000	In planning phase
Lourdes Daycare Centre	€	30,000	Funding awarded to Lourdes Daycare Centre for Conservatory
The LAB (City Arts Office) internal improvement works	€	75,000	Substantially completed
Sean Mac Dermott St. Swimming Pool (Internal refurbishment Works)	€	100,000	To be completed w/e 17/03; additional works carried out from DCC resources

Sheriff St. Recreation Centre Equipment upgrade	€ 80,000	In progress
Ballybough Community Youth & Fitness Centre (Xmas Lights)	€ 12,600	Completed
Mountjoy Sq. Railings restoration and improvements	€ 300,000	Substantially completed
Sofia Housing Association (Internal Alterations & External Works)	€ 55,000	On hold, pending receipt of information from Sophia, possible Planning implications.
	<b>€ 2,667,600</b>	
<b>DAHRR&amp;GA Allocation €35,000 + DCC €20,000</b>		
Firestation Artists Studios	€ 55,000	On hold, alternative to Buckley Hall Unit being considered by Firestation Artists Studios
<b>Total Funds Comitted</b>	<b>€4.7M</b>	

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6th March, 2017

To the Chairperson and Members of  
The Central Area Committee.

### Central Area Age Friendly Report

- ***Summary of presentation to the Central Area Age Friendly Alliance and agreed actions – February 2017***

*'Dublin City Intercultural Language service' – Presentation by Dr. Peter Sheekey*

This service has 60 – 70 students from over 25 countries with 30 active volunteers and provides language and literacy tuition and is socially inclusive. Volunteers are now required for an Inner City Intercultural Storytelling project about to commence.

DCC Community Development staff will encourage participation from local groups

Dublin Volunteer Centre will be requested to promote service amongst its volunteers

DCETB and Dublin Town can help promote this service through email listings and website marketing respectively.

An Gardai will examine possibility of linking in to service through community policing / trainees

Dublin Fire Brigade will look at ways of interacting such as organising a tour of the local Fire Station

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**6<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**To the Chairperson and Members of  
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***GGDA Report – March Area Committee***

Australian artist, Christina Henri's 'Wear A Bonnet – A living Art Installation' took place on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 in Grangegorman as a remembrance to the thousands of women who were transported from Ireland to Tasmania through the Richmond Penitentiary, now known as the Clocktower Building in Grangegorman.

The event took the form of a large crowd photograph. All of the participants were loaned a bonnet for the event which were typical of those worn by female servants at time of transportation. The bonnets have been made over the past number of years by prisoners and staff of the Irish Prison System and each one represents an individual woman who was transported from Ireland in the 1800s.

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## DUBLIN CITY SPORT & WELLBEING PARTNERSHIP Report

14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017

### Football

- **Walking Football** for older adults takes place every Tuesday from 11am – 12pm in Cabra Parkside Community Sports Complex and also every Tuesday from 2.30pm – 3.30pm in Ballybough Sports & Community Centre.
- **Drop-in football** is ongoing each Tuesday in Aughrim Street Sportshall from 3.30pm – 5pm for boys & girls aged between 9 and 12 years. This is followed by a **School Completion & Youth Justice Coaching Programme** from 5pm – 6pm.
- An **Easter Soccer Camp** for local kids will take place in Aughrim Street Sportshall from April 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> (10am – 1pm daily).
- **Girls Football: School Sessions** take place weekly in Stanhope Street Girls Secondary School with Transition Year & LCA students. The local Football Development Officer also delivers sessions to 2<sup>nd</sup> class & 4<sup>th</sup> class students in St. Laurence O'Toole GNS, Sheriff Street, every Wednesday morning.
- Session with **St. Michael's House** every Thursday from 11am to 12pm in Ballybough Sports & Community Centre.
- **Noel O Reilly League:** numerous games every Wednesday across various facilities including Aughrim Street Sportshall, Ballybough Sports & Community Centre, East Wall Recreation Centre, St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre Sheriff St (in association with Youth Justice & School Completion Programmes). Participants also undertake personal development workshops.

### Boxing

- The Community Boxing Development Officer will continue the roll out of the **'StartBox Silver'** Programme in the following schools over the coming weeks:

*St. Declan's Cabra, Central Model NS Gardiner Street, Marino College, Christ the King BNS Cabra, Scoil Catriona Glasnevin, O'Connell's BNS North Circular Road, St. Laurence O'Toole's BNS Sheriff St & D7 Educate Together Grangegorman.*

The Silver Programme consists of higher intensity sessions & limited contact. He will also be engaging with St. Michaels House Special Needs Group.

- The 2017 **Lord Mayor's 5 Alive Challenge** continues with the Metro St. Brigid's KBI St. Patrick's 5K in Dublin's beautiful Georgian Quarter on St. Patrick's Festival weekend. The series will then climax with the Dublin City Council BHA Race on April 8<sup>th</sup> in St. Anne's Park. The five race series has proven as popular as ever with the maximum 450 entrants signing up within an hour of registration opening.
- **What: Yoga**  
**Who: HSE Mental Health Referrals**  
**Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre**  
**Dates: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March & 6<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Time: 12-1pm**
- **What: Chair Aerobics**  
**Who: CRC-People with Physical and Intellectual Disabilities**  
**Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre**  
**Date: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March & 6<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Time: 11-12pm**
- **What: Mixed Circuit Fitness**  
**Who: HSE Mental Health Referrals**  
**Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre**  
**Date: 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> March & 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Time: 12-1pm**
- **What: Mixed Circuit Fitness**  
**Who: Crinian Project**  
**Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre**  
**Date: 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> March & 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Time: 1.30pm – 2.30pm**
- **What: Walking Club**  
**Who: Older Adults**  
**Where: Clonliffe Community Centre**  
**Dates: 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> March & 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Time: 11am**
- **What: Pulmonary Rehabilitation Class**  
**Who: Referred Participants**  
**Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre**  
**Date: 16<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March & 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Time: 2-4pm**
- **What: Gaelic Gaels**  
**Who: Girls 9-13 years**  
**Where: Sheriff Street Community Centre**  
**Date: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March & 6<sup>th</sup> April**

- Time: 4–5pm
- What: **Boccia**  
Who: **St. Michael's House**  
Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre  
Date: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March & 6<sup>th</sup> April  
Time: 11-12pm
- What: **Older Adult Fitness**  
Who: **DIT Grangegorman**  
Where: Ballybough Sports & Community Centre  
Date: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March & 6<sup>th</sup> April  
Time: 12-1pm
- **Sport Na nÓg** continues in Dominick St Recreation Centre on Wednesdays from 3.15pm – 4.30pm. This after-school multi sport drop-in is scheduled to continue until April 19<sup>th</sup>, with a possible extension for a further 4 – 6 weeks. This initiative is run in partnership the 'Just Ask' Youth Project.

A similar programme also runs on Thursday's in Hardwicke Street Recreation Centre, also from 3.15pm – 4.30pm.

- **Boxercise** takes place every Monday from 11am - 12pm & 3pm – 4pm in Larkin College with young people referred by the College Liaison Officer.
- **Yoga:** The local DCSWP Sports Officer is linking with Headway Ireland to provide yoga sessions each Wednesday & Thursday from 4pm – 5pm for people with acquired brain injuries. This takes place in the Headway facility on Manor Street.

### Cricket

- The Cricket Development Officer will be delivering **schoolyard sessions** in the following schools during the next number of weeks:
  - *O'Connell Boy's School, North Richmond Street*
  - *St. Laurence O'Toole's Girls National School, Sheriff St.*
  - *St. Laurence O'Toole's CBS, Sheriff St.*
  - *St. Joseph's CBS, Fairview*

In a few weeks time it is hoped to hold an inter-schools cricket blitz between the four schools.

- An **Easter Camp** for any girls (aged 10-17) involved with Dublin City cricket clubs will take place on April 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> from 10am- 3.30pm daily in St. Columba's College, Whitechurch, D16.

- **Provincial cricket sessions** continue on Friday nights from 5pm – 9.30pm. These are held in the North County Cricket Club where a number of players from the Central Area are involved. Players are between 10-18 years of age.

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