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

NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT

ALLOCATION OF 2019 FUNDING

On recommendation of the Budget Sub-Group a further round of projects was approved by the Programme Implementation Board at its meeting held on 24th April 2019. This brings the total 2019 funding allocation to date to €5,251,754 (of €6.5M). The full list of approved projects / programmes is set out on Appendix A.

The latest round of funded proposals, totaling €323,140 are as follows:

- **Acts of Compassion Ministries €6,000** – 12 no. Ethnic Policing Forum gatherings and 60 one-to-one interventions in the local community.
- **NCI Early Learning Initiative €50,000** – Educational Guidance Programme : to provide career guidance support programme for second level students to promote educational engagement in the NEIC.
- **Childcare CPD Bursary €25,000** – Continuation of fund to support existing childcare workers in community childcare projects who have minimum level 6 qualifications to progress to level 7 (Higher Diploma) or level 8 (Honours Degree) in early childhood education.
- **Youth Work Showcase 2019 (led by Belvedere Youth Club) €4,140** – showcasing the transformative nature of collaborative youth work with disadvantaged young people in the area.
- **NCI Brighter Futures Restorative Practice Initiative €43,000** – Continuation (Yr. 3 July 2019-June 2020) of existing NEIC Restorative Practices Training Initiative that connects with early years services, primary and secondary schools, afterschool and youth services, along with statutory and non-statutory community organisations.
- **Integrated Youth Outreach - Swan Youth Service €75,000** - to provide an enhanced integrated detached youth work service for the NEIC area.
- **Sean MacDermott St. Swimming Pool €120,000** – Continuation of partnership with Swim Irl. to staff public opening hours, Sat. p.m., Sunday and Monday for a further period of 1 year (wef mid-May).

An allocation of €705,000 remains set aside for further projects emanating from Sub Group 3 on the pending detailed proposals to be brought forward at a later date for consideration by the Budget Sub Group and by the PIB

NEIC COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME 2019

Following approval of €100,000 funding the 2019 NEIC Community Grants Scheme (Round 1) is was open for applications until 30th April 2019. For the 2019 Scheme it has been agreed to focus on two priority themes i.e.

Theme 1 *Environmental awareness and improvement*

Theme 2 *Active Living, Recreation and Wellbeing*

A total of 44 applications were received by the closing date. The assessment of these applications will be undertaken in the coming weeks with a view to bringing a report and recommendations to the NEIC Programme Implementation Board meeting to be held on 29th May. Successful applicants will be notified after that date. The report will also be brought to the next meeting of the Central Area Committee.

NEIC COMMUNITY EVENTS



Following on from successful community events held to date this year with NEIC support e.g. Chinese New Year, Five Lamps Arts Festival, Try-A-Tri Triathlon; the 2019 Programme of community events will continue throughout the Summer months. The next large scale event will be Super Soul Sunday to be held in association with the Gospel Rising Music Festival in Mountjoy Square Park on Sunday 19th May 2019. The three-day festival is in its 10th year but this is the first time that it will be held in Dublin, focusing on venues in the north inner city. Info. at www.gospelrising.com

Planning is also underway for other summer events, Crinniú na Nóg; Bloomsday in the Monto, Monto Festival, Festival of Nations. Following completion of an evaluation by Dublin City Community Co-op planning for The Big Scream Halloween Festival has also commenced. In seeking to increase representation and participation of local residents both in organising and delivering the festival the Festival Committee put out an open call for a Volunteer Co-ordinator who will have a specific role in mobilising, recruiting and managing local volunteers.

Drugs Related Intimidation (DRI)

Arising from the recommendations of the Drugs Related Intimidation conference 'Lives Without Fear – What Works', which took place on the 18th June 2018, the Programme Implementation Board approved the appointment of a dedicated resource to focus on a clear action plan to tackle drugs related intimidation in the North East Inner City. The project was the subject a tender process publicly advertised with a closing date of 15th March 2019. No submissions were received, however there were some expressions of interest seeking an extension of time for submissions and this was agreed. The revised closing date was 18th April 2019. One submission was received and this is currently being assessed.

Measuring the Impact of the North East Inner City Initiative

Following the appointment of *Just Economics Research Ltd.* Phase 1 of measuring the impact of the NEIC Initiative is underway. This phase will involve conducting workshops to develop cost-effective evaluation methodologies that are practical to implement and accessible to stakeholders. The first workshop took place on Tuesday 2nd April and this was followed up with a series of more in-depth interviews with key people involved in each of the Sub-Groups. Just Economics will present their report by mid Q2 and this report will form the basis for the research phase which will be tendered separately in 2019. It is anticipated that the evaluation project will be completed in Q4 2019.

If any further information is required on NEIC projects please contact the Programme Office directly.

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APPENDIX 1
NEIC Initiative – 2019 Funding Proposals Approved to date

Department of Rural & Community Development Community Enhancement Programme (formerly RAPID) Allocation (€4.9M of €6.5M)	
Sub-Group 1 Tackling Crime and Drugs	
Anna Liffey Drug Project ACMT Project (to end 2019)	155,000
Garda Surveillance Vehicles and Equipment	50,000
Drugs Related Intimidation RFT	100,000
Liberty Park and environs – Additional policing	370,000
Acts of Compassion Ministeries	6,000
Sub-Total	€681,000
Sub-Group 2 Education Training & Employment	
Career LEAP	36,480
JUST (Jesuit University Support Training)	7,770
Social Enterprise RFT	25,000
Reader In Residence (Charleville Mall Library – co fund with DCC)	37,500
Digital Skills Project (Charleville Mall Library – co fund with DCC)	17,500
BITCI Summer Work Placement Programme	9,363
Fighting Words (co-funding)	5,000
NCI Early Learning Initiative	50,000
Childcare CPD Bursary	25,000
Sub-Total	€213,613
Sub-Group 3 - Creating an Integrated System of Social Services	
Youth Training Bursary (Inner City Renewal Group)	10,000
Non-violent Resistance Training	4,500
Afterschools Research (YPAR)	15,840
Youth Leadership Training (YPAR)	6,600
Mens Health & Wellbeing Programme (Larkin Unemployed Centre)	44,760
Increase YPAR Capacity by 2.5 days a week	51,000
St. Louise's Day Nursery	6,636
Jigsaw (National Centre for Youth Mental Health)	50,000
The Oasis Centre	54,665
• Youth Work Showcase 2019	4,140
NCI Brighter Futures Restorative Practice Initiative	43,000
Integrated Youth Outreach - Swan Youth Service	75,000
Sub-Total	€366,141
Sub-Group 4 – Improving the Physical Landscape *	
Community Events	300,000
Sport & Wellbeing Programmes	170,000
Arts Projects (incl. Street Art)	100,000
The Green Ribbon	150,000
Public Domain Improvements	150,000
Greening Strategy Implementation Phase 1	350,000
Sean MacDermott St. Swimming Pool (Swim Irl. staff costs)	120,000
Sub-Total	€1,340,000

Sub-Group 5 Addiction Treatment and Rehabilitation Services	
Homeless Case Management Team	390,000
Drug & Alcohol Response Team	346,000
Residential Stabilisation Programme	430,000
NEIC Co-ordinator (for Sub-Group 5 Projects)	70,000
Monitoring and Evaluation	55,000
Sub-Total	€1,291,000
NEIC Programme Office – Overarching all Sub-Groups	
Programme Office direct operational and administration costs	100,000
Programme Management (incl. Community engagement, PR & Comms.)	60,000
Programme Evaluation	100,000
Social Employment Fund	1,000,000
Community Grants Scheme 2019	100,000
Sub-Total	€1,360,000
OVERALL TOTAL ALLOCATED TO DATE IN 2019	€5,251,754

* Note: Sports & Wellbeing; Arts and Community Events projects fall within the remit of Sub-Group 4 and will be managed by Dublin City Council