

# **Monthly Management Report – January 2021**

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 the January 2021 City Council meeting is submitted herewith.

#### **Environment & Transportation**

Please see attached report.

#### **Planning & Property Development**

Please see attached report.

### **Culture, Recreation & Economic Services**

Please see attached report.

#### **Human Resources**

Please see attached report.

## **Law Department**

Freedom of Information

Please see attached Report in relation to Freedom of Information statistics.

### **Finance**

Please be advised that there are no additions or changes to the Monthly Local Fund Statement listed on the City Council Agenda.

## **Housing & Community Services**

Please see Housing Supply Report on Agenda.

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Chief Executive Dated: 21st December 2020

#### **Environment and Transportation**

#### **Control of Stationless On-Street Bicycle Hire Bye-Laws**

Moby bikes are now available for public hire in Dublin City. Both MOBY and Bleeperbikes have made bicycles available to healthcare workers free of charge. MOBY's allocation of their all electric fleet has been fully subscribed by healthcare workers and MOBY have also facilitated the sharing of private electric bikes with healthcare workers. Bleeperbikes have offered a free 3 month subscription to all healthcare workers and uptake to date has been quite strong. The Council has agreed to waive the permit fees of both operators for as long as this initiative lasts.

### Parking Tag and alternative methods of paying for parking

Due to the Covid 19 Virus Isolation, the number of transactions per week in April had reduced to 10,500 from a high of 126,155 at the beginning of March. This rose to 22,097 weekly transactions for week ending 17<sup>th</sup> May. The current Covid 19 situation means that the numbers using the parking Tag has dropped very significantly in line with the reduction of parking meter usage. The weekly revenue on average of €400,000 had reduced to €25,000 for Pay and Display parking in March and April. However, by week ending 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020, this is €282,356.71 (up from the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2020 figure of €201,412.82). There has been a rise in the number of live accounts from 251,552 for week ending 15<sup>th</sup> November to 253,636 by week ending 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

The Council have awarded a new contract for provision of the Parking Tag services for all Dublin Local authorities, Meath County Council and Kildare County Council. The company awarded the contract is Payzone and the new contract has been signed and in place since 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

# Car Clubs

There are currently two Car Club companies (GoCar and Yuko) operating within the Dublin City Council administrative area. Both companies had requested and were approved for additional permits in order to expand their services. The total number of live Car Club permits currently issued is 376.

## Permit Parking, Pay & Display

As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic and the current Government restrictions which were announced on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020 all new applications for Residential Parking Permit schemes (i.e. new schemes and extensions to hours of schemes) have been placed on hold until further notice. This is partly due to the workload arising from the implementation of the new COVID 19 on street measures being implemented throughout the city.

### **Electric Vehicles**

Dublin City Council is aware of the transition to electric vehicles as set out in the Climate Action Plan as we prepare to respond to the needs of the citizens of the City by providing a sustainable urban mobility strategy. The Council is also aware that technology is changing rapidly and that a range of different solutions will be required to successfully address current and future mobility demand, not only in the City, but also across the wider Dublin Metropolitan Area. This requires careful consideration and planning to ensure that the Council can play their part to facilitate the provision of a comprehensive, reliable and interoperable electric vehicle-charging infrastructure. This is so that members of the public and business community can be confident in making decisions to purchase electric vehicles and to use electric vehicles for personal, leisure and business use, for use on both short and long journeys. In order to inform the four local authorities of the type and number of chargers required, the four Dublin Local Authorities, together with SMART Dublin and CARO, have commissioned a strategic study. This will allow us examine how the four Councils can best

facilitate the provision of electric vehicle-charging infrastructure across the Dublin region and the scale of investment required. The study is due for completion in Q4 2020, at which stage a presentation can be made to the elected representative of Dublin City Council.

### **Road Maintenance Services**

Road Maintenance Services' resolved over 6,400 customer enquiries and service requests during the period January to November 2020. Additionally, during the same period over 4,900 defects and hazards on the road network were repaired and/or made safe. Furthermore, a total of 402 critical defects and hazards were repaired and/or made safe within 24-hours of being recorded.

Road Maintenance Services delivered a €12.5-Million Annual Works Programme in 2020. This investment has resulted in upgrade of 12km of footpath and 16km of carriageway, including 4km of shared bus and cycles lanes and/or dedicated cycle lanes. These schemes have benefitted all road users including pedestrians and cyclists.

### **Bridges & Other Road Structures**

Bridge Maintenance have completed all of the 2019 Principal Inspection on bridges and the follow up urgent works and other routine maintenance works. Remedial works were carried out to boundary and retaining walls. Special Inspections are underway on Butt & Matt Talbot Bridges and special inspections are being planned on three other bridges. Scour inspections are being planned on all Bridges on the Liffey, Dodder and Tolka Rivers.

#### **Licensing Unit**

## **Casual Trading**

There are approximately 260 Casual Trading designated pitches in DCC. Approximately 23% of designated traders have renewed their licences to date. No event trading has taken place since 7th March this year. A meeting of the Expert Group on Moore Street took place on the 26th November. The draft report was discussed in detail and it is hoped it will be finalised shortly. The Temple Bar Market is getting busier with trading now taking place in Meeting House Square, Curved Street, Cows Lane and Barnardo's Square every Saturday. Temple Bar Company and the Licensing Unit continue to work together to ensure the traders and customers have a safe and enjoyable market experience whilst ensuring compliance with all government guidelines. Operations will continue/cease subject to public health guidelines. Due to Covid 19 restrictions Christmas Trading commenced on 7th December with a reduced number of stalls with 15 on Henry Street and 10 on O'Connell Street on a rota basis.

#### **Street Performance**

204 Street Performance permits were issued in 2020. 15 visitor permits were also issued for this period. Due to Covid 19 restrictions these permits are currently suspended until further notice.

#### **Licensing of Advertising Boards**

The system of licensing for Advertising Boards commenced from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019. Since then the Ad Board Unit: has issued 596 official warning notices, seized 158 Ad Boards from 139 businesses and issued 4 Ad Board licences. A total of 2,423 premises have been inspected for compliance.

## **Street furniture Unit**

The CE has established the Public Spaces Working Group to assess applications for temporary Covid 19 street furniture permits (free for 6 months) to assist cafes/restaurants etc. in reopening. In addition all existing street furniture licence holders are being offered a free 6 month extension on existing licences. Over 320 applications have been received to

date. The Council will facilitate applications where there is adequate space in the public realm to ensure pedestrian and traffic safety, social distancing, fire safety requirements, and ensure access for mobility/sight impaired and emergency services. Following on from the pedestrian trials a number of businesses have now been provided with 7 day street furniture permits on Dame Court, Drury Street, Exchequer Street South William Street and South Anne Street. In addition another 60 businesses have been approved for temporary street furniture permits free of charge for a 6 month period.

Restaurants, cafés and pubs that serve food can apply to utilise the public footpath, designated car parking spaces and other areas of the public domain under the control of City Council provided they comply with standard conditions. Operations will continue/cease subject to public health guidelines.

### **Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Fund**

All 67 beneficiaries in respect of the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2016 and 2017 have now completed their grant-aided projects and a total of circa €9m has been drawn down.

With regard to the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2019, 38 projects were approved in principle and circa €1.1m of the €1.7m approved has been drawn down to date. 20 organisations/groups have yet to complete their project and drawdown their grant funding. The grant drawdown expiry date for these projects is the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 however, due to government restrictions in respect of Covid-19 it is anticipated that these projects will require an extension to their drawdown expiry date.

## **Community Gain Liaison Committee Membership**

In March 2020, the Community Gain Liaison Committee advertised publicly for three new Community Representatives to sit on the Committee. The outgoing Committee members were:

- Mary Doolin, Ringsend and District Response to Drugs, representing the Community, Residents Association and Voluntary sector.
- Elizabeth Allman, Sandymount Ladies Golf Society, representing Arts, Culture, Education, Environment and Sports sector.
- John Nolan, Dublin Stevedores Ltd., representing the Business, Enterprise and Charity sector.

11 applications were received by the closing date of the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

- A total of five applicants were nominated to represent Community, Residents Association and the Voluntary Sector.
- A total of six applicants were nominated to represent Arts, Culture, Education, Environment and Sport.
- A total of four applicants were nominated to represent Business, Enterprise and Charity.

A meeting of the selection panel was held by videoconference on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020. The selection panel comprised of the Lord Mayor Hazel Chu, Céline Reilly, Executive Manager of the Environment and Transportation Department Dublin City Council and Peter McLoone, Chairperson of Community Gain Liaison Committee.

As set down in the Community Gain Liaison Committee's terms of reference, the selection panel considered the detailed applications submitted on behalf of each candidate using the following criteria:

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- General Community Reach (Geographical and Service Delivery) 50 marks
- Membership 50 marks
- Longevity in Community Life in the Area 50 marks

The Selection Committee nominated the following for appointment to the Community Gain Liaison Committee:

- David Turner, nominated by Sandymount Residents Association to represent the interest of the Community, Residents Association and the Voluntary Sector.
- Eimear Mc Cormack, nominated by St Patricks Rowing Club to represent the interests of the Arts, Culture, Education, Environment and Sport sector.
- Anthony McDonald, nominated by The Irish Nautical Trust and Poolbeg Yacht and Boat Club to represent the interest of Business, Enterprise and Charity sector.

Each Community representative shall be appointed for a two year term and may be reappointed for one successive two year term following a selection and evaluation process."

#### Waste Services Update

#### **CRM** service requests

In respect of all of the services delivered by the Waste Management Services Division there has been over 32,000 service requests received and completed to date in 2020.

#### **Street Grading**

Street Grading inspections are ongoing, and the service has now returned to full capacity. Grading of on-street recycling facilities will begin in January 2021.

From 1/11/20-11/12/20, 224 street surveys were carried out across the six waste management areas. Grading was mainly carried out between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday. Overall 74% of streets graded received a Grade A, 9% Grade B, 17% Grade C, 0% Grade D.

AREA	No of Streets Graded	No of Surveys	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D
CENTRAL	40	40	34		6	
SOUTH EAST	29	30	<u>29</u>	1		
SOUTH CENTRAL	33	33	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>	9	
NORTH CENTRAL	<u>37</u>	38	<u>30</u>	4	4	
NORTH WEST	<u>53</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>36</u>	4	<u>17</u>	
CITY CENTRE	32	32	<u>26</u>	4	2	
TOTALS	224	230	171	21	38	0

#### **Recycling Services**

Paystations at Bring Centres and Civic Amenity Sites have been upgraded to facilitate contactless payment in line with social distancing best practice.

Small WEEE recycling is now available at all Bring Centres except at Eamonn Ceannt, Park where the facility has been removed following a series of break-ins and fires following the

introduction of the service. Small WEEE includes any electrical items no bigger than a standard microwave oven. 12.3t of Small WEEE was processed at Bring Centres in November 2020, increased from 10t in October. The total WEEE recycling figure for October, including larger items deposited at Civic Amenity sites was 42t.

A Request for Tender for the Operation and Management of Civic Amenity and Recycling Services at Pigeon House Road and Shamrock Terrace was published on 17<sup>th</sup> August. Site visits for prospective tenderers took place in early September. The original closing date of Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October was extended to Friday 16<sup>th</sup>, and four submissions were received. Starrus Eco Holdings Ltd were the preferred tenderer. Notification letters were posted on 8<sup>th</sup> December and a standstill period is in effect until 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021.

Waste Management Services are currently undertaking a review of our Textile Recycling Service due to increasing problems associated with a number of on-street textile banks located at parks, green spaces and residential areas. A 12 bank combo-unit was installed at Oscar Traynor Road BC in October, resulting in a much more effective service there. Additional combo units have now been ordered for Windmill Road BC and Collins Avenue BC through the service provider, and are due for delivery in mid-December. Once installed, a programme of removal of banks from problematic locations will begin subject to sufficient capacity to recycle textiles being available relatively nearby.

A new programme of bottle bank animation is being rolled out to neighbourhood recycling facilities citywide, with a number of locations recently completed in the North West Area. Animation of bottle banks in Terenure is now completed and has been welcomed by locals. A number of other locations are under consideration for 2021. Additionally, a bottle-bank maintenance programme is currently in development. A suitable location was identified at Collins Avenue depot and a number of issues including Health & Safety and relevant training are currently being worked through and it is anticipated the programme will be up and running by mid-2021 at the latest.

#### **Green Schools / Community Environment Action Fund**

The Green Schools Officer continues to deliver the Green Schools programme remotely. The GS teacher's seminar and school workshops have been delivered virtually. Projects which were planned for 2020 are being run and will be delivered virtually or within government guidelines. Funding claims for CEAF projects continue to be processed with the deadline for projects to be completed approaching on 31st December 2020. Photos of CEAF funded projects are being shared through our social media outlets.

#### **Relove Fashion**

The Relove Fashion Competition run in cooperation with the Rediscovery Centre, open to all secondary school students in Dublin is now in the judging stages. The competition encourages students to take a deeper look at how their clothing is made and to explore creative reuse options such as up-cycling, repairs, alterations and mending. Students use their design and repair skills to make their own fashion statement. Entrants should source clothing from a charity shop, swap shop or reuse items already available at home. This competition is a great opportunity for any students interested in the field of fast fashion, reuse, design or upcycling. Students have now submitted their entries, which will be judged by a panel from the Rediscovery Centre. A virtual final will be held at the end of January with the overall winner being announced. All finalists will receive a school tour and fashion workshop at the Rediscovery Centre, with the overall winner receiving a fashion design pack to the value of €1000.

#### **Circle City Recycling Initiative**

The Circle City recycling on the go initiative was launched on the 19<sup>th</sup> October with 25 recycling bins installed in the Grafton St and Henry St areas to facilitate recycling of plastic bottles and cans 'on the go' in the city centre. Waste audits of the installed bins are being carried out to assess the success of the initiative to date.

#### **Litter Management Plan**

The Litter Management Plan 2020 – 2022 was adopted at the meeting of the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> December. The Waste Management Services Division will now commence the implementation of the plan.

#### **Waste Bye Laws**

The proposed amendment to the Dublin City Waste Bye - Laws was adopted at the meeting of the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Housing Waste Recycling Project**

The Housing Waste Project has resumed with inspections ongoing in housing complexes in the South Central Area. Inspections take place in the remaining South West Inner City complexes on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> December. Removal of general waste (black) bins and introduction of recycling (green) and organic waste (brown) bins in the SWIC will begin in Q1 2021, where feasible. A number of complexes will require the construction of bin storage areas before removal and replacement of bins.

#### **Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2019**

Following recent rejection of Phase 5 Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2020 (Covid-19) at the Council's meeting DCC is currently assessing the best course of action before any decisions in relation to the above are made. In the meantime, DCC will continue to implement 30km/h speed limits in residential areas as per approved Phase 4 - Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2019. This process was delayed due to temporary redirecting resources to Covid-19 related actions.

#### Water Framework Directive (WDF) Greenways and River Flood Protection

DCC is working to integrate a number of projects to ensure that the opportunities to meets DCC's WFD obligation of achieving "good" status for each river by 2027 are maximised. Current examples are:

- Consultants have been appointed by DCC to deal with flood risk across the DCC and SDCC sections of The River Camac and this is being integrated into a desire to "deculvert" this over engineered river where possible so that it can, over time, be restored to a more natural state. The project will also involve identifying and remedying urban pollution sources, where possible. This is also being done in conjunction with an existing Greenway proposal and also in tandem with Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) funded projects in the area.
- The River Santry where DCC is preparing a brief to engage consultants as part of a URDF funded project to restore the river to a more natural state, and investigate and remedy sources of pollution. Again this work is being designed in conjunction with a proposed Santry River Restoration and Greenway Project. A restricted procedure to engage consultants is currently underway. Assessment of Expressions of Interest has been completed. Candidates will be contacted this week and the 14 day cool-off period will commence. Successful candidates will be invited through to Stage 2: Request for Tender in January 2021.

#### Coastal, Surface Water and Pluvial (Rainfall) Flood Risk Management

It has become increasingly apparent that, as a result of climate change, rainfall patterns in Dublin have changed from the previous low intensity long duration type rain to shorter and far more intensive rainfall events. The existing drainage infrastructure was not designed to deal with this type of rainfall and, as a result, there have been a number of localised flood events in recent years.

Arising from work initiated by the DCC Flood and WFD Division in close liaison with the DCC Climate Change Action Plan team, it has been agreed that DCC should progress a number of nature based water retention measures using a sustainable urban design approach at different locations across the City. These will have the dual effect of reducing the rate of surface water runoff into sewers, thus reducing the risk of downstream and local flooding, as well as improving the water quality of that runoff through percolating the runoff in natural media with a green infrastructure approach.

In recent months, the WFD / Surface Water team has continued to liaise with their colleagues in E&T Roads, in the Parks Department and in the City Architect's Office to facilitate the implementation of this approach in particular public realm projects that are at design and construction stages.

A consultant has been procured to draw up a SuDS Guidance Document to cover best practice in this area. Consultants are being procured for other pilot projects on the Dodder and Santry rivers.

Coastal flood risk has increased dramatically in the City over the last 20 years with an estimated 125mm+ increase in average sea level in Dublin Bay. This also leads to increased wave heights during some storm conditions. All of these factors are being included in proposed flood alleviation measures for the City.

#### **Bathing Waters**

Dublin City Council has appointed a Senior Engineer to lead a joint effort with our colleagues in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown to deal with the long-standing problems regarding the quality of the bathing waters in the south city area. A Task Force has been established including the two local authorities, the DHPLG and Irish Water and investigations are ongoing. DCC is also working in close liaison with the EPA, the HSE, and experts from UCD in relation to this matter. An enhanced programme of water quality testing has identified a number of areas for further investigation but field work is delayed due to Covid-19. A Combined Sewer Overflow in the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown area has been identified as a particular problem. Irish Water have agreed to remove this before the start of next year's bathing season. New monitoring equipment is currently being procured.

Merrion Strand has been closed/ declassified after five successive years of "Poor" quality. DCC will continue to monitor water quality at this beach and aim to improve it. Sandymount is now designated "Satisfactory" so is now open for bathing and Dollymount is designated as "Excellent".

#### **Climate Action Team**

The Climate Action Team has completed the first progress report on the CCAP in partnership with the CARO and Codema. The report is a requirement under the National Adaptation Framework and was submitted to the Department of Energy, Climate and Communications at the end of October.

The first phase of the engagement strategy is has been completed and work on the second phase is progressing. From this first phase a potential H2020 Green Deal call has been identified and work is ongoing on the application with the lead partner, the project will be focused on creating a positive energy neighbourhood.

Two additional applications for the EU Green Deal Call projects with academia and private sector, are going ahead. Both are considering citizen engagement, one focus is waste, and the other is noise and air pollution.

A short research project on car sharing funded via the Smart City Innovation has commenced and will consider how DCC will better support the shift to car sharing. The Climate Action Team received a request from DCU to provide research projects for the MSc in Climate Change. The Team submitted 9 proposals of which 4 were selected. The remaining projects are being compiled into a list of projects that may be considered for future requests from other third level institution. A meeting with the students has been held.

#### **Energy Management**

By end 2019, DCC had improved its energy performance by 36.5%, compared to the baseline years 2006-2008, surpassing its 2020 efficiency goal of 33% one year ahead of target. In 2019, DCC consumed a total of 172 gigawatt hours (GWh) of primary energy; this is the equivalent of 32,247 tonnes of CO2 with an associated energy cost of €11.8 million. This represents an absolute reduction of 75 GWh in primary energy when compared to the baseline, (17,315 tCO2). Our Energy Review (to be published shortly) will detail how we consume energy across the Council as well as setting out our targets for 2030. While this is a very encouraging achievement, it should not be seen as "job done" with even more challenging 2030 targets. Energy savings are not guaranteed from year to year, and effort must be maintained to improve upon these savings through ongoing monitoring and analysis. This will require continued and increased focus across all departments on the energy performance of DCC's buildings and operations over the coming decade.

### **Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit**

## Ambient Air Monitoring Network

- A new PM10 and PM2.5 monitoring station has been set up in Oscar Traynor Rd. Coolock, and a further PM10 and PM2.5 monitoring station will commence operation in December 2020 at Weaver Park Cork St.
- As part of the cycle path project in Sandymount a PM10 and PM2.5 monitoring station will be established in Sandymount village (exact site to be determined) in January 2021.
- The EPA Nitrogen will commence a year long nitrogen dioxide diffusion tube survey in Dublin in January 2021. Dublin City Council have been asked to assist in this project with the placement of ten tubes. Two of these will be deployed in Sandymount at the request of DCC.

#### **Air Quality November**

A pattern of elevated levels of PM <sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> was recorded in towns and cities across Ireland for the period during 27-29 November, due to a combination of meteorological conditions and local emission sources – in particular domestic solid fuel usage. A report is being prepared for the January 2021 Climate Action Environment and Energy SPC I meeting.

#### **UTRAP**

The Urban Traffic Related Air Pollution (UTRAP) Working Group formed in late 2019 has issued its Draft item Report. This is the first time that all the stakeholders in government

departments and agencies have convened to consider the issues and identify potential solutions around urban traffic related air pollution on a regional and national basis.

UTRAP, which is jointly chaired by the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications and the Department of Transport also has representatives from the following: Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, Department of Health, Department of Finance, National Transport Authority, Transport Infrastructure Ireland, Environmental Protection Agency, Dublin City Council, South Dublin County Council, Dublin Bus, Health Service Executive. It is expected the final UTRAP report will be presented to government by mid- 2021

### **Electrification of DCC Fleet**

The Council's fleet continues to migrate to electric vehicles with 41 electric vehicles currently operating in the city. In addition a survey of depots and offices is underway to establish suitable locations for charge points to facilitate further electrification.

#### Citizen science

Dublin City Council will participate in the EPA-An Taisce 'Clean Air Together' project. This Citizen Science project involves recruiting volunteers in the deployment of 1,000 NOx tubes in the Dublin Area during 2021. A pilot of the project was carried out during October-November 2020 using 150 volunteers.

#### **Interim Mobility Intervention Programme for Dublin City**

The Chief Executive issues a weekly Covid Mobility report to all Councillors. In addition an end of Year Report on all Covid Mobility interventions was issued at the December Council meeting. All reports to date (since June 18) are available on the <u>Covid Mobility page</u> on the website. In addition details of schemes and consultation around the schemes are now being undertaken via the DCC consultation hub.

# Sustainable City Centre Strategy

The Covid Crisis and the changes that it has brought to the city and its likely knock on consequences on the cities transport needs and the overall mobility movements in the city require that the existing City Centre Transport Strategy document to be updated. This will require us to both look at the pattern of mobility in the city pre Covid and what is now needed for the next number of years.

In addition projects such as Metro link, bus connects, Dart + Luas extension to Finglas and the increase in cycling funding allocation will require a coordinated view of how these projects will work together and what is required over the next 5- 6 years.

The Council is also working with the three other Dublin Authorities, SMART Dublin and the CARO to publish an overarching electric vehicle charge point deployment strategy within the context of our sustainable urban mobility strategy and the Government's vehicle electrification targets.

It is anticipated that a draft of the sustainable city centre strategy will be available by December 2020.

### **Surface Water & Flood Incident Management:**

Water and Flood Incident Management (SW&FIM) Division are in the final stages of a tender process that will expand their fleet of customised vehicles. Designed in accordance with Dublin City Council specifications, these vehicles feature both a jetting function, to clear pipes of blockages, and a suction function which is used to clear streets of localised flooding caused by pooling of surface water. These machines are in use on a daily basis, cleaning gullies around the city long before rush hour begins, and are also deployed in advance of and during rainfall events as part of the DCC flood response.

# **Projects at Design Stage**

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
1	College Green	NTA/DCC	DCC	The review of this project is ongoing and discussions are continuing with the NTA regarding relevant transport issues, including Bus Connects and the recently published Bus Network Redesign. This will inform the preparation of a new College Green proposal and the intended re-submission of an appropriate planning application as soon as possible. As part of the preparation of a revised proposal, a report was presented to the November meeting of the Transportation SPC on the possible inclusion, within the project, of the section of Dame Street up to South Great Georges Street. A public consultation process on this proposal is currently underway and details are available on the City Council's Consultation Hub.
2	Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4A - Clarendon Row	DCC	DCC	Detailed design works are complete and following a tender process, it is planned to be in a position to commence works after completion of the major private development currently under construction and affecting Clarendon Row. This is expected in Q2 2021.
3	Grafton St Qtr Phase 5 Duke St/Sth Anne St Area	DCC	DCC	Preliminary design works are continuing. Following internal and external consultations, a Part 8 Planning Application will be submitted as soon as possible.
4.	Grafton St Quarter Phase 6 – Suffolk St	DCC	DCC	Preliminary design works are continuing. Following internal and external consultations, a Part 8 Planning Application will be submitted as soon as possible.
5.	Cathal Brugha St/Findlater Place	DCC	DCC	Consultation with local stakeholders has commenced for the upgrading of the public realm in this area. Depending on the scope of the work a Part 8 may be required.
6.	Dodder Bridge	DCC/LIHAAF/NTA	Roughan & O'Donovan	The planning application for this project will now be lodged as part of the NTA BusConnects project. Preliminary design is complete and the draft EIAR is been amalgamated into that of BusConnects. Land acquisitions and Land Owner agreements are still being progressed by DCC.
7.	Blood Stoney Bridge	DCC	RPS/COWI	Received An Bord Pleanala decision on 21st Sept '20 not to approve the amendment to the SDZ to relocate the bridge to Blood Stoney Road. Project team will liaise with Planning Dept. to decide how to proceed.

# Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
8.	Point Pedestrian & Cycling Bridge & Tom Clarke Bridge widening works	DCC/NT A	New Competition	5 The Tender Assessment is now complete and the contract for a design consultant for this scheme will be awarded shortly.
9.	Temple Bar Square Refurbishment	DCC	DCC	The Main Works (e.g. repaving, public lighting, green infrastructure etc.) will commence in August 2021 (after Euro 2021 event) with completion in May 2022.
10	Cathedral Street / Sackville Place	DCC	DCC	The Joint Working Group of the Public Participation Network Disability Linkage Group and Dublin City Council have concluded the examination of design options for the Cathedral Street / Sackville Place scheme and a design option has been chosen to progress to Part 8 Planning.
11	Liffey Street Public Realm Improvements	DCC	DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers	Part 8 Planning Approval received at the September City Council Meeting. Detailed design complete and tender documents being reviewed for issue Q3 2020.
. 12	Castle Street /Cork Hill Improvement Scheme	DCC	DCC	Due to a significant increase in the estimated costs for this project the project has been suspended pending review. Road Design have reviewed the cost and the extent of the proposed works and have made a submission to the CPSO.
13	Belmayne Main Street and Belmayne Ave	DCC/NT A/LIHAF	DBFL Consulting Engineers	6 The tender assessment is complete and the contract will be awarded once funding approval is in place from LIHAF, NTA and Irish Water. Transfer of the required lands is also being finalised.
	Poddle Flood Alleviation Project	SDCC/D CC/ OPW	Nicholas O'Dwyer	Preliminary design and EIAR developed. Structural Infrastructure Development programmed for late January 2020 as joint SDCC/DCC submission presented to SEA Committee on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September. Part X application closing date the 11 <sup>th</sup> June. 25 submissions received by ABP, majority of people in favour of project with some reservations. Responses to an ABP queries sent by 11 <sup>th</sup> October. Awaiting ABP response.

# Projects at Design Stage – Continued

	Project	Funding Agency	Designer	Comments
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15.	Camac Flood Alleviation Project 2	DCC/SDCC/OPW	AECOM	AECOM appointed, kick off meeting 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2019. Environmental and topographical surveys underway. Computer flood modelling of catchment ongoing. Website <a href="https://www.camacfas.ie">www.camacfas.ie</a> Environmental surveys have revealed more flora and fauna in the river than previously recorded.
16.	Dodder Phase 3 Clonskeagh Orwell Bridge	DCC/DLRCC/OPW	Byrne Looby	Tenders for appointment of service provider assessed with consultant appointed in September 2019. Consultant appointed as PSDP. Kick-off meeting 25th November 2019. Building web-site. Public info session - comments being analysed. Environmental and topographical survey's ongoing. Computer flood modelling ongoing. Website <a href="https://www.floodinfo.ie/frs/en/dodder-3/home">www.floodinfo.ie/frs/en/dodder-3/home</a> .
17.	Mary's Street Pedestrianisation	DCC	DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers	Integrated Design Team appointed, preliminary design options being developed. Internal consultation continuing. External consultation to resume following lifting of restrictions.
18.	Culvert Improvement Works – Screen Upgrade Works	DCC	Tobin Consulting Engineers (TCE)	Stage 1 Completed: Suitability Assessment and Options Report signed-off by DCC. Stage 2 commenced on 26/07/19. Draft Drawings and Work Requirements submitted by Consultants TCE have been reviewed by DCC's Project Team and feedback provided Consultation with stakeholders is ongoing. Works are required at 19 culvert screens located throughout the city. 4 are on the Finglas River, 4 on the Santry River, 4 on the Poddle River, 2 on the Claremont Stream, 2 on the Gallblack Stream, one each on the Naniken River, Elm Park Stream and a tributary of the Wad River. Stage 3: Instruction to commence Stage 3 has been given to the Consultant on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> of December 2020.
19.	Sandymount Green	DCC	DBFL	Construction is underway on these two crossings and a ramped area.
20.	Finglas Village	DCC	Atkins	Construction is due to start shortly.
21.	Wad River Flood Alleviation Scheme	DCC	Nicholas O'Dwyer	Consultant appointed. Landowners and major stakeholders being contacted. New Ecological, site investigation and topographical surveys ongoing.

# **Projects at Construction Stage**

#	Scheme Name	Client	Contractor	Start Date	End Date	Comment
1	Dodder Flood alleviation works	ARUP DCC	OPW	August 2007	Dec 2020	Construction of new RDS wall ongoing. Programmed for completion Q2 2021. Construction commenced at Beech Hill Road. Programmed completion Q4 2021.
2	South Campshires flood alleviation works	AECOM	OPW, Rock Roadstone and KN Network Services	October 2014	Nov 2019	Scheme is operational & all outstanding minor elements completed in 2019. Tree planting on George's Quay completed. Tenders for sealed manholes assessed and preferred tenderer approached.
3.	Balbutcher Lane Junction reconfiguration	DCC	Clonmel Enterprises Ltd	January 2020	Q4 2020	Works are 95% complete with the new junction due to open to traffic at the start of December. An education campaign will be launched in advance to guide people on how to use the new 'Protected Junction'.
4	Sillogue Infrastructure Scheme	DCC	O'Connor Sutton	Nov'20	Aug'22	This scheme has now commenced with the Contractor meeting the various utility companies on site to coordinate the works. Tree felling will be carried out before the end of the year with the main roadworks commencing after Christmas.
5	Francis Street Improvement Scheme	DCC	DBFL	October 2020.	December 2021.	Letter of Acceptance issued to Contractor on 20th October 2020. Hoping to commence work on Hanover Street before the end of the year.
6.	Sandymount Green	DCC	Actavo Ltd. (Ireland)	November 2020	Q1 2021.	Works are ongoing.
7.	Finglas Village	DCC	Coffey Construction	November 2020	December 2020	Works are ongoing.

### **Planning & Property Development**

## 1. New Policy/Strategic

The National Planning Framework 2040 provides for 265,000 additional population and associated infrastructure in the Dublin Area.

The Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy which includes a Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan (MASP) was approved by the Regional Assembly in May 2019.

The Cherry Orchard LAP was approved by the City Council in October 2019 meeting and an Implementation Group has been set up. The implementation of the Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP is being progressed, including a proposed masterplan for the Belmayne lands.

The City Council has embarked on a major review of Z6 industrial land banks, following a presentation to the Planning SPC and the City Council in March 2019. A first tranche of 20 smaller individual sites was considered for rezoning at the March meeting of the City Council, 16 of which were rezoned for Residential/mixed use.

Urban Regeneration Development Fund bids have been submitted to the DHPLG based on the North Inner City, South Inner City and Cherry Orchard

Changes in Policy or Practice	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
from Department or DCC		
Development Plan 2022- 2028	<ul> <li>Review commenced on the 15<sup>th</sup>         December 2020; public notices issued, etc     </li> <li>Public issue paper finalised and being printed. A version in Irish is being finalised. A short summary version with NALA approval also prepared for the website.</li> <li>Retail study consultant appointed and work progressing well.</li> <li>Website ready</li> <li>Dates now set for webinars in Jan</li> </ul>	Submissions from public etc received until 22 <sup>nd</sup> February  Material for webinar to be prepared
	Work on RPS recommendations for pre-Draft stage and Draft stage underway	List of RPS additions being prepared to process in advance of the Draft.
Development Plan 2016- 2022	Public consultation closed for ACA at North Great Georges St, 4 submissions received, including OPR.	Proposed to bring the CE Report to the January 2021 Council meeting for approval.
	<ul> <li>Preparation work underway for a variation for lands at Finglas</li> </ul>	Aiming for a draft variation to go on

Planning/Housing Studies	Assessment of Housing land potential on Council owned flat complexes now complete and presented to Housing SPC.	display following the Pre-Draft Public Consultation for the Draft Plan; to avoid overlap.  Moving into feasibility and concept design phase.
Ballymun LAP	<ul> <li>DCDP Variation No. 30: lands at Carton rezoned from Z9 to Z1, Sept 2020.</li> <li>Metro – liaison with NTA on-going.</li> <li>New intersection with Hampton Wood near completion.</li> <li>Sillogue Avenue road realignment onsite.</li> <li>Site 1: Shopping centre: demolition near completion.</li> <li>Site 3: Lidl shop open &amp; student accommodation completed.</li> <li>Site 6: Cost rental, AHB consortium (Housing dept)</li> <li>Site 9: "Empowering the Family" expressions of interest (Housing Dept)</li> <li>Site 10: PPP bundle No. 3: for senior citizens (Housing Dept)</li> <li>Sites 12 &amp; 14: Affordable Housing Serviced Site Funding: design team appointed for part 8.</li> <li>Site 21: O'Cualann, planning granted March 2020, Ref. 3623/19.</li> <li>Site 22/23: O'Cualann site: near completion.</li> <li>Site 25: To be given to O'Cualann (Housing dept).</li> <li>Site 27 (part of): Decathlon opened, June 2020</li> <li>Sites currently on-hold: Site 2 (following failure of section 183); Site 4 Main Street; Site 7 Boiler House (Bennets); Site 20 (Poppintree NC); Site 24 (Belclare Way); Site 26 (industrial site);</li> </ul>	Meetings with NTA ongoing to establish land take for Metro.  Affordable Housing Sites:  Design team appointed to proceed to Part 8.  Housing Dept. preparing a report to DHPLG re-funding for sites 5, 15, 16, 17, 18 (bundled together, Main Street – Balcurris Park); Site 8 (Coultry Park), Sites 11 & 13 (Sillogue Ave / Road); plus new site at Carton (variation no. 30).  Site 19 (St. Josephs' Church): City Architects to extend feasibility study.
Park West – Cherry Orchard LAP	<ul> <li>Sites 27-31: M50 lands.</li> <li>LAP adopted at City Council meeting 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.</li> <li>URDF application for funding submitted, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020</li> </ul>	LDA to present to the Housing SPC re LDA constitution and revert to Area Committee

		regarding sites 4 & 5
		URDF application made for LAP implementation. Site 1: Serviced site fund: Part 8 application being prepared for site.
Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP	Belmayne Masterplan approved by	
	<ul> <li>Area Committee</li> <li>Life of LAP extended to 2022</li> <li>Part 8 Approved for 'Main Street' Belmayne in March 2019.</li> <li>DCC engaged in proposal for PCC, Garda Station and new library.</li> <li>URDF application for funding submitted, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020.</li> </ul>	Design of LIHAF funded 'Main Street' Belmayne is currently being progressed. URDF application made for LAP/masterplan implementation.
Finglas	<ul> <li>New Concept Masterplan for Finglas to be prepared. Presentation given to local councillors Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019.</li> </ul>	Present findings of report to members, 16/12/20.
	Update Briefing given to Local councillors     23 July 2020. Draft Community and     Social Audit prepared.  Paralletian & Hausing Analysis appart.	Publish report Jan 2021.
	<ul> <li>Population &amp; Housing Analysis report drafted.</li> <li>A number of proposals received from some owners of Jamestown Industrial</li> </ul>	Jamestown rezoning & SDRA: end Q1 2021.
	lands.  • Finglas Concept Plan to be and presented to Area Committee 16	Other rezonings feed into DCDP Review.
	December 2020.	On-going consultation with TII re LUAS and urban design analysis of sites along route.
Luas Finglas	Emerging Preferred Route.	Agree way forward for other sites.
North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ	<ul> <li>Report submitted to An Bord Pleanála in December 2019 in relation to statutory public consultation on amendments to building heights.</li> </ul>	Await decision of ABP.
	<ul> <li>DCC took a Judicial Review of Bord Pleanála's grant of permission under the SHD process for development at City-Block 2 of the North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock planning scheme.</li> <li>Planned works on Campshires public</li> </ul>	Case now concluded. DCC's position accepted.
	<ul> <li>realm.</li> <li>Docklands Oversight and Consultative Forum to resume in 2021.</li> </ul>	Ongoing meetings. Meeting to be held 11 January 2021.
Public Realm Strategy	<ul> <li>Wolfe Tone Square – on site for Construction Phase .Public toilets will</li> </ul>	Construction stage

	<ul> <li>be retained for as long as possible.</li> <li>Francis Street onsite – main works to be carried out after Christmas.</li> <li>College Green – proposals re inclusion of Dame St out to public consultation until Jan and are well received. Procurement and Design review continuing to be brought forward</li> <li>Public Realm Plan for the Markets Area being developed to identify improvements to the pedestrian experience of the area and guide redevelopment at survey stage.</li> <li>Greening and enhancements at Inns Quay, Summerhill, Bridgefoot Street and James Street either on site or</li> </ul>	Project Design and planning for projects is continuing, however, a number of projects are impacted by Covid measures
Redevelopment of the Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market	<ul> <li>Markets Soundings process complete and agreed with the Members Advisory Group to proceed to tender.</li> <li>Internal meetings taking place to agree detail with a view to issuing tender. Building is being used temporarily by building sites in the area.</li> </ul>	Issue tender for redevelopment of the Markets Building
Urban Regeneration and Development Fund	<ul> <li>Call 1 – Awarded</li> <li>Naas Road / Ballymount / Park West / Cherry Orchard Masterplan – Joint DCC / SDCC project.</li> </ul>	Stage 1 Baseline Study due Q4 2020. Landowner briefings on going. Stage 2 Strategic Framework – Commence Q1 2021.
	<ul> <li>Kilmainham / Inchicore Development Strategy.</li> <li>16 October 2020 - Stage 2 Stakeholder consultation commenced</li> </ul>	Stage 2 Report – being finalised. Report to presented to South Central Area Committee for noting deferred until January 2021.
	<ul> <li>Call 2 – Bid         <ul> <li>4 bids submitted 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020, in collaboration with Departments across DCC North Inner City</li> <li>South Inner City</li> <li>Park – West Cherry Orchard</li> <li>Clongriffin- Belmayne</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Awaiting decision of DHPLG Assessment Panel.
DART + WEST (Maynooth Line)	iii. Clongriffin- Belmayne Irish Rail's Emerging Preferred Options in relation to "Dart + West"	Comments issued on 21 October.

	were published and submissions invited.	
DART + SOUTH WEST (Kildare Line)	Irish Rail briefings on Emerging Preferred Options are continuing, with further briefings scheduled into January.2021.	Continuing input from various DCC departments in advance of Irish Rails public consultation phase early next year.
Metrolink	Current pre-Railway Order discussions with TII.	Ongoing planning input.
BusConnects	Stage 3 Public consultation phase 4 November to 15 December 2020.	DCC Bus Connects Steering Group notified of strategic issues.
Finglas LUAS	Public consultation on preferred route. DCC submission made 17 <sup>th</sup> sept 2020.	Ongoing consultations with TII

# 2. <u>Departmental Priority</u>

Major Current Issues	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Active Land Management		
Derelict Sites Register	Thomas Court, 37, D8  The property vested in the Council on 30 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020 under the control of the Housing & Community Services. It will be refurbished and used for social housing purposes.	21, 27 & 29 and rear of 21-29 Richmond Ave, D3.  Decision of ABP is awaited for the compulsory acquisition of the above derelict site
		Acquisitions _Phase 9 A further ten derelict sites have been identified for possible acquisition. Updated references of ownership and site inspections are being arranged.
Vacant Sites Register	<ul> <li>Notices of Proposed Entry have issued in relation to <u>201 sites</u>.</li> <li>Notices of Entry have issued in relation</li> </ul>	

#### to **134 sites.**

- 157 submissions have been received to date.
- <u>54</u> sites currently on the Vacant Sites Register (19/10/2020). <u>15</u> of which are in City Council ownership

2018 Demands				
Paid	€640,950			
Cancelled	€1,394,100			
To be cancelled	€48,000			
Outstanding €900,600				
Total Demanded: €2,983,650				

2019 Demands					
Paid	€227,500				
Cancelled	€402,500				
Outstanding €5,508,300					
Total Demanded: €6,138,300					

# **City Valuers**

- Exchange of lands with Cairn Homes/Stanley at Belmayne, negotiations advancing slowly.
- Proposed CPOs at Ryders Row, Werburgh Street, Exchange Street and for new Abbey Theatre project at Eden Quay proceeding.
- Transactions involving the HSE at The Church of the Annunciation and Fergal's Field Finglas, St. Michael's Estate, Cherry Orchard and Gulistan Terrace agreed with HSE and reported for receipt of approvals
- Initial work on DCC property aspects of the Metrolink and Bus Connects projects
- Heightened focus on Long Term Leasing of residential properties and hospitality sector for temporary Homeless accommodation.

Ryders Row CPO. Notices for Possession served.

# 3. <u>Departmental Projects</u>

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Record Protected Structures	The two RPS proposed additions of Richmond House and 'Brooklawn' were on public display and no were submissions received.	Two reports in respect of proposed additions to the RPS will go to the January 11 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the City Council.
	Nos. 6, 7, & 8, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 (presented to November Central Area Committee) No. 31 Old Kilmainham, Dublin 8 (presented to November South Central Area Committee) No. 139-149 North King Street, Dublin 1 (presented to December Central Area Committee).	The public display period for these 5 proposed additions to the RPS will take place in the second week of January 2021.
Built Heritage investment Scheme 2021	• Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2021 The Minister has allocated €369,600 to Dublin City Council under the BHIS 2021 (€61,600 increase in funding this year compared to 2020). Letter of acceptance issued to Minister. The closing date for applications to be made to the BHIS 2021	,

	Scheme is Friday the 25 <sup>h</sup> January and all information is available on our website at <a href="https://bit.ly/ConservationGrants21">https://bit.ly/ConservationGrants21</a>	
Historic Structures Fund		
2021	<ul> <li>Historic Structures Fund 2021. The same level of funding is potentially available to the City Council with the opportunity for additional funding with additional streams this year for shopfronts and vernacular buildings. The closing date for applications to be made to the HSF 2021 Scheme is Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> January and all information is available on our website at <a href="https://bit.ly/ConservationGrants21">https://bit.ly/ConservationGrants21</a></li> </ul>	

# **Finance**

# **Planning Application Fees**

2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change Q1 2019
Total income from fees	736,044	601,314	629,606		Down 13%
Total refunds issued	67,771	8,334	24,850		Down 76%
Net fee income	668,272	592,980	604,756		Up 1.5%

# **Development Contributions**

2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change Q1 2019
No. of New invoices issued	153	132	188		-10%
Total value of invoices issued	€15,552,779.27	€7,784,014.76	16,362,916.00		-13.5%
No. of payments made	295	188	259		-30%
Total payments received	€6,206,244.73	€4,243,484.33	4,728,251.00		-44%

# Collection of outstanding

# Development Contributions (utilising enforcement tools)

2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change Q1 – 2019
No. of Inspections	15	13	45		4%
No. of Section 152 Warning letters issued	13	Nil	0		-100%
No of Section 154 Enforcement Notices issued	Nil	Nil	Nil		No change
No. of Section 157 referrals to District Court	Nil	Nil	Nil		No change

# **Planning Enforcement**

2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change Q1 2019
No. of New complaints opened	518	233	446		96% ↑
No. of S152 Warning Letters issued	518	198	451		103% ↑
No. of S154 Enforcement Notices issued	71	15	39		-13%
No. of S157 Referrals to District Court	19	4	12		-5%
No. of files closed/resolved	457	106	315		46%↑

Total number active planning enforcement files at 30/06/2020	3536
% change	

# **Building Control**

2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change Q1 – 2019
No. of multiple dwellings commenced	1287	684	561		25%
No. of single dwellings commenced	236	53	72		219%
Total dwellings commenced	1523	737	633		35%

# **Disability Access Certs**

2020						% Change
2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1 2019
Valid Applications	112	107	74			-21%
Certs issued within 2 months	65	92	65			-31%
Info requested	37	25	28			+67%

# **Derelict Sites Section**

# **Statutory Notices Served**

2020	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% Change Q1-Q3 2019
Number of sites inspected	109	22	63		-56
Section 10 (warning letters)	32	0	12		-62
Section 8 (2) Notices (Intention to enter on Register)	0	0	3		-91
Section 8 (7) Notices (Entry on Register)	0	0	2		-88
Sites removed from Derelict SitesRegister	6	2	3		83

Number of Sites on Derelict Sites Register at 30/09/2020	76
Number of derelict sites acquired in Q1-Q3	1

# **Property Management**

# **Revenue & Receipts**

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2,412,653	2,069,493	2,430,492	2,492,989
2,659,364	2,131,269	2,485,080	
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Income Received				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2019	2,465,955	2,165,703	3,149,568	1,916,388
2020	1,718,417	3,044,216	588,896	

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

#### **Culture, Recreation and Economic Services**

#### New Policy/Strategy

Parks - as part of our commitment to biodiversity enhancement and the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, several initiatives to improve areas for pollinators have been progressed across the city. Mowing regimes have been adjusted to allow grass and wildflowers, including those normally considered weeds, to grow; and pollinator-friendly planting schemes of spring flowering bulbs, perennials and wildflower seed mixes have been increased to improve food availability. The use of glyphosate has also been eliminated from green space management, which is vital to assist pollinator species. The Biodiversity Officer successfully applied for project funding under the National Biodiversity Action Plan from the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. We received €33,500 in 2020 and will receive €24,500 in 2021. Funds will be used to implement the City Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) and Climate Change Action Plan.

LEO - EU Programme Participation Strategy 2021 - 2027 was completed in December, which culminates the work of the SPC Working Group on EU Affairs & International Relations. This strategy document contains baseline data on expertise & knowledge across the organisation, programme details and processes collated from 5 Information sharing meetings and seminars & consultations taken place with elected members & senior management. Strategy will be presented to the SPC on 12<sup>th</sup> January. Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor - The recently established Political Advisory Group representing the 8 participating local authorities will hold their inaugural meeting in January 2021.

#### **Departmental Priority**

Arts-URDF feasibility Study of sites at 8 and 9 Merchants Arch and Bridgefoot Street to conclude in mid-January 2021.

Libraries - Our branches reopened on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December and are now available for browsing, e-services, and call and collect. Under the current guidelines the use of study spaces or public PCs is not possible, however library users will be able to collect printing from the Surfbox printers and reserve items from anywhere in the system. Details of the service offer at each location can be found here: <a href="https://www.dublincity.ie/library/blog/dublincity-libraries-reopen-browse-and-borrow">https://www.dublincity.ie/library/blog/dublincity-libraries-reopen-browse-and-borrow</a>

We are continuing to offer a home delivery service for older people and those who are long-term isolating, with library staff organising the delivery of items, with the support of volunteers from the Dublin Volunteer Centre. To date 3,385 items (books, audiobooks, DVDs) have been delivered to people's doors. Details here: https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/libraries/using-your-library/eresources

The 'Ask a Librarian' service - This feature on the library <a href="https://homepage">homepage</a> allows the public to ask and get answers to their questions online and in real time during the hours of 10am - 12pm and 2 - 4pm, Monday to Friday. Outside of these hours, people can leave a message and email address and library staff will get back to them.

Dublin City Libraries is leading the tender process for a new library management system for all public libraries in Ireland. The tender process is at the evaluation stage and the results will be announced in the New Year. The Dublin City Team will then lead the implementation of the new system.

National Library Suppliers - Dublin City Libraries were represented on the tender team to supply books and audio-visual materials to all public libraries in Ireland. A number of library authorities from other counties plus the LGMA were also represented. The tender team

began a series of remote meetings in June this year, and after a successful conclusion the contracts will be awarded in mid-January.

History and Heritage - The annual John T Gilbert lecture will take place online at 7pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021 with a lecture on "The Public History of Slavery in Dublin" by Ciaran O'Neill, Ussher Assistant Professor in Nineteenth-Century History in Trinity College Dublin. More information on the library events page: <a href="https://www.dublincity.ie/events?type=223">https://www.dublincity.ie/events?type=223</a>

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dublin UNESCO City of Literature Lecture: *Knocking Nelson Off His Pillar: Writers and the Meaning of Statues will* be given online by Proof Chris Morash, Seamus Heaney Professor of Irish Writing at Trinity College Dublin in January 2021. In the context of particularly intense and widespread debates about the meaning of public statues over the past year, this lecture asks if a statue can be knocked off its pillar with a pen. The event will be available to book online in January. See www.dublincityofliterature.ie for more details.

The Local Enterprise Office is now categorised as a critical service by the LGMA. Business Continuity Voucher received 1305 applications by LEO Dublin city, with 843 applications approved to the value of €2,107,500Micro Enterprise Assistance Fund received 37 applications by LEO Dublin city, with 17 applications approved to the value of €16,049 Trading Online Vouchers (TOV) scheme received 1,227 applications of which 1051 have been approved to date. Value of the TOV approved to date is €2,545,878 Feasibility, Priming and Expansion Grants 75 approved grants to date to value €1.3 million. Training – 4378 participants across 130 training programmes year to date. Training Programmes have run exclusively online since March 2020. Mentoring – 455 businesses have availed of 3 hour assignments and 297 availed of 6 hour assignments to date. Mentoring assignments have run exclusively online since March 2020.

LEO Lunch and Learn <a href="https://www.localenterprise.ie/response/Lunch-and-Learn-Training-Webinar-Series/">https://www.localenterprise.ie/response/Lunch-and-Learn-Training-Webinar-Series/</a> BREXIT supports <a href="https://www.localenterprise.ie/Discover-Business-Supports/Brexit/">https://www.localenterprise.ie/Discover-Business-Supports/Brexit/</a>

# **Departmental Projects**

Project	Progress/Current Status	Next Stage
Bord Failte Safety Charter	HLG was awarded the Bord Failte Safety Charter on Dec 1 <sup>st</sup>	Maintain safety charter qualification.
Refurb 1930s wing	Tender to be published in Dec.	RFT due in Jan
Development plan for Hugh Lane Gallery	HLG is undertaking safety works in 20 &21 Parnell Sq. North which will form part of the development plan.	Feasibility study in 2021.
Online programme of art education	Since March 2020, newly created online education talks & art activities on HLGs YouTube channel saw impressions activity increase from 3,000 in 2019 to over 270,000 impressions in 2020. In Jan 2021: 24 x online art education programmes and virtual resources including Coffee Conversations, Culture Clubs, art history series, online Portfolio course; art activity films, Artists Takeover, VTS Sculpture Club and online audio description discussion for visually impaired. 1 x 6 day online Transition Year programme; 1 x Study Day with 6 guest speakers including Turner Prize winner Lawrence Abu Hamdan exploring themes in WWE; Planning &initiation of artist-led workshops with Foundations Project.	Ongoing development of innovative art education programming.
Zoom@HughLa neGallery	Phase III: Jan-Feb schools include Gaelscoil Baile Munna, Georges Hill NS, Naomh Finnin, D11. http://www.hughlane.ie/outreach-projects/current/2330-zoom	Ongoing
Collection displays	Installation of new displays in 2006 wing, including a special display to mark Cecil King's centenary.	Opening of new displays
Care of collection	Monitoring of gallery environmental conditions continues 24/7.	Ongoing
New website	Phase 3 of new website development underway.	Install eMuseum
Change For Life 2021	8 week flagship DCSWP programme in its 8 <sup>th</sup> Year. Runs in tandem with RTE's Operation Transformation Programme. Funding secured from Healthy Ireland for CFL community programmes in 2021. Focuses primarily on underactive adults of all abilities.	Planning process ongoing. Programme details TBC.

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Lord Mayor's 5 Alive (Virtual) Challenge 2021	Continues in 2021 with plans for Covid-19 adapted virtual races in place. Challenge to link in with 3 of 5 existing races. Details on final races TBC.	2020 participants contacted regarding completion of 2020 races.
Operation Transformation Walks 2021	OT walks to go ahead in 2021. Currently in planning process around Covid-19 restrictions.	Provisional dates set for 5k run on Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February.
Orienteering	Orienteering programmes in partnership with Orienteering Ireland. Programmes to be all inclusive – families, underactive adults, young people, all abilities.	Programmes in planning stages including virtual options.
Online Training	Disability online Inclusion Training in partnership with Cara Ireland	Ongoing.
	Safeguarding Online Training	In progress.
Women in Sport 2020	Multi-Sport School Programme as part of DCSWP's Get All Girls Active (GAGA) programme. Multi-partnership approach to support young women in sport.	Delivery of programmes to continue in schools from January 2021
Co-Funded Programmes	DCSWP 27 Co-funded officers continue to work across communities and schools in Dublin city area in the delivery of Athletics, Boxing, Cricket, Football, Rowing and Rugby programmes in schools across city.	Ongoing.
Inchicore Library Refurbishment	Final preparations to go on site underway.	Commence Construction
Finglas Library Development	Planner's Report completed	Part 8 to launch in January
Ballymun Library Roof Refurbishment	Works are progressing on schedule	Preparation to resume services from 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Green Infrastructure Strategy	Internal DCC steering group met in Q4 to review content	SUDS report to issue Q1 2021
Ectocarpus and Algae study for Dublin Bay	Surveys being carried out by NUIG and Coast watch Ireland	Report to issue Q1 2021
Dublin City	Surveys complete. Bushy Park and Belcamp Park	Prepare work

Wetlands	selected for constructed wetlands	programme
City Habitat mapping project	Database, Report and Map completed	For review. Training webinar for DCC staff in Jan 2021
NEIC Greening Projects	<ul> <li>O'Connell's Secondary School</li> <li>St Joseph's Terrace</li> <li>Mountjoy Parade</li> <li>Summerhill Central Median</li> <li>Sean McDermott Street</li> </ul>	Projects currently on site and will be complete by year end
Dublin Reset Summit	The Dublin Reset Summit took place on 26 <sup>th</sup> November. Video & article highlights were published on DCC website in December <a href="https://www.dublincity.ie/business/economic-development-and-enterprise/strategic-policy-committee/reset-summit-2020">https://www.dublincity.ie/business/economic-development-and-enterprise/strategic-policy-committee/reset-summit-2020</a>	Outcomes Report will be published in Q1 and has fed into the ED Work Programme 2021, which will be presented to the SPC on 12 Jan 21
Your Dublin Your Voice – YDYV Citizen engagement	The final survey of 2020 was published 8 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> Dec. This was a collaboration with DCC's Parks section, focused on Dublin's biodiversity. Results will feed into the Biodiversity Action Plan to be launched in 2021.	The findings of the survey will be collated, cleansed and disseminated to all stakeholders in Q1 2021.
Covid 19 Supports	LEO Dublin city is providing a wide range of critical supports to assist businesses in developing Covid 19 strategy	Covid19 supports are promoted, e-zine, social media & on line www.localenterprise.ie/dublincity
Dublin Place Brand	The team have delivered an 'Open for Christmas Campaign' for the city to shop & dine safely. Also delivered a separate #StaySafe Dublin City safety campaign	Will deliver an 'Open for Business' campaign in January

# **DATES/EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY**

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Event	Location	Date & Time
Ealaín na nÓg workshops for young people age 13-19 to create a podcast with spoken word artist Natalya O'Flaherty	www.comhairlenanog.ie/local- comhairle/dublin-city/	Workshops take place - December-April 2021 Podcast May 2021
The WRAPP around project Poetry Ireland is a spoken word and performance poetry based Writer in Residence (WIR)	5 x Area Schools  1 Mount Carmel Secondary School 2 Beneavin CC/ Margaret Aylward CC  3Clogher Road CC/Trinity 4Comprehensive Presentation CC Terenure 5 Rosary College	2021 School Term  www.poetryireland.ie
Economic Development & Enterprise SPC	will take place virtually in line with government & organisational guidelines	12 <sup>-</sup> Jan.21
Business Advice Clinic	https://www.localenterprise.ie/Dub linCity/Training-Events/Online- Bookings/Business-Advice- Group-Meeting-02-2021.html	12·Jan.21
Start Your Own Business Course	https://www.localenterprise.ie/Dub linCity/Training-Events/Online- Bookings/Start-Your-Own- Business-Course-Mid-Week- January-2021.html	19·Jan.21
Brexit Customs and Planning Webinar	https://www.localenterprise.ie/Dub linCity/Training-Events/Online- Bookings/Brexit-Customs-and- Planning-Webinar1.html	22·Jan.21

#### **Human Resources**

## **Working Arrangements**

Continuing to work a blend of office and home working. All staff attending at least 1 day each week.

#### **Hot Desking Protocols**

Introduced in Resourcing on 09/11/2020.

#### **Resourcing Team**

- Ciara Fitzpatrick, Clerical Officer has transferred to HR from CSC
- Sean O'Flaherty (Temp CO) started with Resourcing
- Fiona Hawkshaw supporting Business Continuity Team (50%) contact tracing

#### Resourcing Programme 2020/2021

Operating in context of restricted budget. All vacancies considered with reference to risk associated with not filling them. Utilisation of resources continues to be reviewed to consider how best they can be assigned. Chief Executive approval received to hold recruitment campaigns for key statutory, regional and internal posts in context of current economic environment. Programmes underway for Parks, Housing, E & T, SLA Unit, WERLA.

#### **Recent Panels Formed**

Clerical Officer- LEO, Temp, Senior Environmental Health Officer, Data Analyst, GO – Art Handler, HLG

#### Interviews Underway/Scheduled/To be arranged – Nov 2020 – Jan 2021

Accountant, Depot Office Supervisor, Assistant Foreman- Gardener, Executive Planner, Executive Engineer, Assistant Engineer, Sheet Metal Worker, District Officer, Area Maintenance Officer, Junior Apprentice.

### **Appointments**

Seventy- one appointments made across a broad range of grades, e.g., Executive Solicitor, Housing Support Officer, Student Engineers, Executive Fire Prevention Officer, GO – CE Licence (Winter Maintenance Roster), Leisure Attendant, Assistant Staff Officer – Payroll, General Operative, Craft

### Other Areas of Work

Secondments, Regrading of Housing Advisors, working with Business continuity Team to identify contact tracers across the organisation.

# **Sanctions Sought from DOHLGH:**

Various posts (10) WERLA – regional programme – DCC lead authority for East Midlands Region – posts funded by DCCAE
Senior Executive Officer x 4
Business Analyst Smart Cities (Temp)
Senior Executive Engineer
Executive Manager x 2

## **Garda Vetting**

59 Garda vetting forms were submitted to the NVB (39 were School Wardens). Retrovetting programme to be scoped and agreed.

### Reporting to DOHLGH/DoPER

Quarterly Reports on staff numbers and projections submitted. New reporting requirement of staff numbers by salary band introduced.

### Public Appointments Service Campaigns

To be advertised

- Law Agent
- Director, DRHE
- Assistant Chief Executive, E & T

#### In Progress

- Senior Executive Officer national campaign
- Senior Executive Scientist, NTFSO

## **Appointments**

- Senior Executive Engineer
- Assistant Chief Quantity Surveyor

#### **ATS Recruitment Platform**

New version going live on 11 November 2020

#### **Qualifications**

Engagement with DOHLGH and stakeholders to revise/update qualifications for a number of grades.

## **SWY 2021**

Closed on 30 October 2020 – 309 applications received. Reduction of 216 on 524 applications received in 2020.

Period	No. of Applications
6 weeks	63
4 weeks	76
2 weeks	170
Total	309

# **Carry Forward of Annual Leave 2021**

Memo to issue this week. Increase predicted due to Covid 19.

### Workforce Planning 2020- 2024

Data analysis underway. Analysis completed for SEOs and Engineering analysis underway.

#### **Core Project**

Mapping of Resourcing processes underway.

Reporting in context of DHLGH and DPER requirements being explored with LGMA

## **Car Allowances**

A Cusack preparing report on outcomes

# **Law Department**

# **Freedom of Information**

		Downston	Doto	Doto
Ref No	Request Details	Requester	Date Opened	Date Closed
Kel No	Copies of Waste Mgt. Action Plan and	Туре	Opened	Closed
FOI/8112/2020	Strategy for DCC	Client	27/11/2020	
101/0112/2020	Records regarding Highest and lowest	Chefft	27/11/2020	
FOI/8111/2020	differential rents in 2018 and 2019	Client	27/11/2020	
101/0111/2020	Correspondence regarding statues	Circine	27,11,2020	
	removed from outside The Shelbourne			
FOI/8110/2020	Hotel	Press	27/11/2020	17/12/2020
FOI/8109/2020	Request records regarding IS	Client	27/11/2020	16/12/2020
FOI/8107/2020	Records re Restart Grant	Client	27/11/2020	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	seeks records re: All LA16 Collision			
	Reports from the last three years in the			
FOI/8106/2020	South East area	Press	26/11/2020	
	Requests records for LA16 Collision			
FOI/8105/2020	Reports from last 3 years in Central Area	Press	26/11/2020	
	Seeks records re: All LA16 Collision			
	Reports from the last three years in the			
FOI/8104/2020	North Central area.	Press	26/11/2020	
/	Requests LA16 Collision Reports from last			
FOI/8103/2020	3 years in North West Area	Press	26/11/2020	
	Seeks records re: All LA16 Collision			
FOI/8102/2020	Reports from the last three years in the South Central area.	Press	26/11/2020	
FOI/8101/2020	Records regarding Restart Grant	Client	26/11/2020	
501/0400/2020	seeks records re Restart Grant Plus	0.1	24/44/2020	45/42/2020
FOI/8100/2020	Scheme	Other	24/11/2020	16/12/2020
	Records regarding Amazing Spaces projects carried out in St. Audens Park			
FOI/8099/2020	and Croppies Park	Press	24/11/2020	
101/0033/2020	Records regarding Restart Grants and	11033	24/11/2020	
FOI/8098/2020	Restart Grant Plus Schemes	Client	24/11/2020	14/12/2020
	seeks records re: all records relating to		, , -	, , , -
	proposed new Discovery Centre on North			
FOI/8097/2020	Bull Island	Client	23/11/2020	17/12/2020
	Records from 2018 - 2020 regarding			
	tender and deployment of Big Belly			
FOI/8096/2020	Smart Bins	Client	23/11/2020	15/12/2020
	Records on number of homeless sleepers			
FOL/000 4 /000	put in emergency accommodation	D	22/44/222	
FOI/8094/2020	between March - November 2020	Press	23/11/2020	
FOI/8093/2020	Records regarding dog breeding facilities	Press	23/11/2020	17/12/2020
	Seeks records re: next of kin seeking			
EOI/9099/2020	deceased Uncles previous address as part	Solicitor	10/11/2020	10/11/2020
FOI/8088/2020	of admin of estate.	Solicitor	18/11/2020	19/11/2020
FOI/8084/2020	Correspondence regarding Group	Client	17/11/2020	07/12/2020

	Leaders meeting			
	Seeks records regarding cost of Christmas			
FOI/8083/2020	decorations for last two years.	Press	17/11/2020	14/12/2020
	seeks records re: Any correspondence			
	between Dublin Town and DCC regarding the playing of Christmas music on Dublin			
FOI/8082/2020	streets for 2020	Press	16/11/2020	24/11/2020
. 3., 3332, 2323	Records regarding future development of	1 1 0 3 3	10/ 11/ 2020	2 1, 11, 2020
FOI/8081/2020	the Parnell City Library	Press	16/11/2020	10/12/2020
	Records re no. of inspections carried out			
	by NTFSO of export shipments of waste			
FOL/2020/2020	farm plastics at the point of export	Cliant	12/11/2020	10/12/2020
FOI/8080/2020	during last 3 years Seeks records regarding fire safety	Client	13/11/2020	10/12/2020
	certificates for property at Hardwicke			
FOI/8078/2020	Street.	Client	13/11/2020	17/11/2020
	Seeks records regarding fire safety			
	certificates for property at Hardwicke			
FOI/8077/2020	Street	Client	13/11/2020	17/11/2020
	Seeks records regarding fire safety			
FOI/8076/2020	certificates for property at North Frederick Street	Client	13/11/2020	17/11/2020
101/8070/2020	Seeks records regarding fire safety	Ciletit	13/11/2020	17/11/2020
	certificates for property at North			
FOI/8075/2020	Frederick Street	Client	13/11/2020	17/11/2020
	Seeks records regarding fire safety			
501/0074/0000	certificates to property at North	ol: ·	12/11/2020	47/44/2020
FOI/8074/2020	Frederick Street	Client	13/11/2020	17/11/2020
FOI/8073/2020	Records on Strand Road Trial Cycle Path Seeks records regarding report	Client	13/11/2020	
FOI/8072/2020	commissioned on anti-social behaviour	Press	13/11/2020	09/12/2020
1 01/00/2/2020	Request records from DCC from families	11033	13/11/2020	03/12/2020
	living in Emergency Accommodation			
FOI/8070/2020	01.01.20 - 31.10.20	Press	12/11/2020	11/12/2020
	Records regarding Freedom of the City			
EOL/2060/2020	being awarded to CMO Dr. Tony Holohan between 01.07.20 - 31.10.20	Droce	12/11/2020	00/12/2020
FOI/8069/2020	Records regarding signage on Clontarf	Press	12/11/2020	09/12/2020
FOI/8068/2020	Road	Press	12/11/2020	02/12/2020
	Seeks records re: details of meals		, ,	
	ordered by Dublin City Council			
	employees or associates from JustEat as			
FOL/2007/2020	part of their roles with the council,	Dross	12/11/2020	10/11/2020
FOI/8067/2020	1/1/2020 to the current date.	Press	12/11/2020	19/11/2020
	seeks records re: Any Correspondence			
	DCC North Central Area Office and			
FOI/8066/2020	Donaghmede Estate Residents Association 2019-20	Client	11/11/2020	11/12/2020
. 01, 0000, 2020	Records regarding Drones from 01.01.20	CHCIT	11, 11, 2020	11, 12, 2020
FOI/8064/2020	- 10.11.20	Press	10/11/2020	

FOI/8063/2020	Request records for Hackney Cab and Private Hire Vehicles	Client	10/11/2020	10/11/2020
FOI/8062/2020	Seeks planning enforcement files	Client	10/11/2020	19/11/2020
FOI/8061/2020	Seeks records regarding numbers of homeless people housed by DRHE	Press	09/11/2020	
FOI/8059/2020	Requests records regarding "machine learning"	Press	06/11/2020	17/11/2020
FOI/8057/2020	Seeks records regarding inspections of private rented property.	Client	06/11/2020	03/12/2020
FOI/8056/2020	Seeks records regarding correspondence between DCC and Uninest Student Residences	Client	06/11/2020	
FOI/8055/2020	Requests copy of tender submittals for the Provision of a Dog Pound and Dog Warden Service	Client	05/11/2020	30/11/2020
FOI/8054/2020	Request minutes from Grand Canal Sub Group	Client	05/11/2020	19/11/2020
FOI/8053/2020	Correspondence between DRHE Eileen Gleeson and Chief Executive of any Dublin Local Authority between 01/08/20 - 03/11/20 Correspondence between DRHE Eileen Gleeson and Minister for Housing between 01/08/20 - 03/11/20	Press	03/11/2020	30/11/2020
FOI/8052/2020	Records relating to refurbishment /rents on homeless hubs broken down by hub	Press	03/11/2020	
FOI/8051/2020	seeks planning enforcement records	Client	03/11/2020	17/11/2020
FOI/8050/2020	Records relating to possible provision of free parking services to healthcare workers for the duration of Level 5 Lockdown measures from 01/10/20 - to date of receipt	Press	03/11/2020	27/11/2020
	seeks records re private emergency	_		
FOI/8049/2020 FOI/8048/2020	accommodation  Records /correspondence for cost of refurbishing an OPW - owned site on Clare Lane between 01/01/15 - 31/12/15 and 01/01/20 - to present	Press	03/11/2020	30/11/2020 25/11/2020
FOI/8047/2020	Seeks records regarding correspondence with DRHE on people staying in tents.	Press	03/11/2020	20, 22, 2020
FOI/8046/2020	Seeks records regarding white water rafting facility	Press	03/11/2020	01/12/2020
FOI/8045/2020	seeks records re: All correspondence in 2019-2020 between Dublin City Council and car park owners, car park operators, regarding pedestrianisation or other traffic restrictions	Client	02/11/2020	

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FOI/8044/2020	Seeks records re: All records in relation to traffic measures (pedestrianisation, parking alterations, direction of traffic flow etc.) on South William Street, Exchequer Street, Wicklow Street and Clarendon Street between 01/05/20 and present day.	Client	02/11/2020	
FOI/8043/2020	Seeks records related to the pedestrianisation trials of South William Street, Drury Street in Dublin City Centre in 2020 that relate to car park operators.	Client	02/11/2020	
FOI/8042/2020	Seeks planning enforcement records	Client	02/11/2020	25/11/2020
FOI/8041/2020	•	Client	02/11/2020	11/11/2020
FOI/8041/2020	Seeks planning enforcement records  Seeks records re: report on no planning permission on extension built Shanown	Client	02/11/2020	11/11/2020
FOI/8039/2020	Grove 2000-03	Client	02/11/2020	11/11/2020
FOI/8038/2020	Seeks records regarding parking fines.	Press	02/11/2020	27/11/2020
FOL/2027/2020	Correspondence between DCC & Dublin Town concerning the salary of Dublin Town Board members. Correspondence among DCC regarding salary of the	Droce	02/11/2020	
FOI/8037/2020	Dublin Board members  Seeks records relating to the STC  Community Group in regard to proposed trial cycle routes on Strand Road and Merrion Road between 01/08/20 and	Press	02/11/2020	
FOI/8036/2020	present day.	Client	02/11/2020	

The above table represents a snapshot of the position with <b>non-personal</b> FOI requests only, received in November 2020	
The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2020 is outlined below.	
Carried forward from 2019	26
Total opened at November2020	680
	706
Total closed at November 2020	643
Live cases	63