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

## **NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT**

### **2021 Funding**

A further round of funding proposals totaling **€68,656** was approved by the NEIC Programme Implementation Board at its meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021. This latest round of approvals brings the total amount to €6.2M of the overall €6.5M allocated by the Government to the North East Inner City Initiative for 2021. All 2021 projects approved to date are listed under the relevant Sub-Group heading on the attached table **Appendix 1**. The table will be updated on an ongoing basis as further funding proposals are approved. The projects approved at the October Board Meeting are as follows:

### **Sub-Group 2 – Maximising Educational, Training & Employment Opportunities**

**Work experience/Flash mentoring Coordinator - €66,906.** National College of Ireland

The objective is to continue to build and cement relationships with organisations interested in supporting the 6 NEIC schools and to manage mentoring and placement opportunities across all schools.

The Flash Mentoring Programme will be run for all interested schools (altering it slightly to fit in with the third year curriculum in O' Connell's). The programme will continue to facilitate career discussions between employers and 4<sup>th</sup> year students, with the aim of giving students exposure to a variety of career fields.

### **Sub Group 6 - Alignment of Services**

**YPAR 0-5 Research Proposal to access current and emerging unmet needs of Early Years (Prenatal - 5 years) Service in Dublin – additional funding €1,750 (bringing the total for this research to €35,850)**

The 0-5 Working Group are seeking additional funding for desk research to complete the review of the current antenatal to 5 years services and supports in Dublin's North East Inner City and resource needs and service capacity deficiencies. This research involves engagement with key stakeholders, focus groups, interviews and surveys. In order to complete this research an additional €1,750 is being sought. The recipient of this funding will be Childhood Development Initiative (CDI Training and Consultancy Service).

### **NEIC MDT Progress Report 2020-2021**

The Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) was set up in October 2020. This team, comprising of an enhanced NEPS service and HSE Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Psychology, provide a 3 tiered model of holistic support to all children (1,800 pupils) in the 10 Primary schools in the North East Inner City (NEIC).

In May 2021 additional funding of **€405,777** was sought for the retention of the MDT for a further year from 01/09/2021 to 31/08/2022 was approved by PIB.

The MDT offers different levels of support depending on the needs of each child. The MDT members work with the whole school community, parents/guardians, whole classes, small groups of children and individual children. The tiered model of service, provides for a tailored response depending on the presenting needs. Supports and interventions offered range from individual one to one support for those children with the most intensive needs, to prevention and early intervention for emerging needs.

A recent report was presented to the NEIC Board outlined progress on this project are as follows:

- Since its inception wait times for access to Speech and Language therapist has decreased from August 2020 the wait time was between 52 – 156 weeks. August 2021 sees this wait time reducing from between 6-12 weeks.
- The NEPS service to schools has also been enhanced within their role in the NEIC MDT and referrals to NEPS have increased fivefold over one year; with 27 cases opened in 2019-2020 increasing to 156 cases opened in 2020- 2021.
- This fivefold increase in referrals represents the vastly increased NEPS capacity to work with children and school staff in the NEIC.
- Enhanced NEPS capacity under the NEIC MDT Pilot Project has also facilitated psychologists to engage in interventions for social emotional learning (SEL) and to design and deliver a range of bespoke training for school staff in response to identified needs.
- The MDT work collaboratively with other in-school services such as Home School Community Liaison, School Completion and the City Connects Coordinators. We also liaise with our community partners such as CAMHS, Meitheal and Young People at Risk (YPAR) to maximize wrap around supports for children, their schools and families.

**NEIC Website: <https://www.neic.ie>**

NEIC Website has been re-vamped while maintaining all the previous information relating to the NEIC additional information and new content has been included. The revamp includes new videos and all up to date event information in the NEIC.

## **The Big Scream 2021: Dublin's NEIC Halloween Community Festival 24<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.**

Halloween Activities have been ongoing since the beginning of October with 31 Screams and daily prizes. The Big Scream Festival kicked off 8 days of programming with over 40 events in Mountjoy Square Park on 24/10/21. The Festival was officially launched by Dracula and the NEIC own Olympians - Emmet Brennan and Kellie Harrington. Mountjoy Square Park hosted many events including Doggie Dress Up Contest & Pimp your Pumpkin.



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**NEIC Sport Recreation & Wellbeing Programme  
Report to Central Area Committee  
November 2021**

**NEIC Select – Garda Soccer Match**

Dublin City Council, The Football Association of Ireland, An Garda Síochána and Shelbourne FC through the North East Inner City Initiative hosted a game at Tolka Park between a North East Inner City Select and An Garda Síochána.

The game was very much about building relationships between an Garda Síochána and young people from the North Wall area. The game was played in great spirit with the game a tight contest. It is envisaged that this will be the first in a series of games that aims to build on local community relations in the area.



NEIC Select v An Garda Síochána

## **Taekwondo Exhibition**

Sean Mc Dermott Street Taekwondo Club held it's an Annual Taekwondo Exhibition on the 4<sup>th</sup> October at Lourdes Parish Hall with the Support of Dublin City Council and the North East Inner city Initiative. The Exhibition day saw local participants and visiting participants engage in a high level training session under the guidance of former Irish International Boxer Mick Dowling.



Delegates at the Sean Mc Dermott Street Taekwondo Exhibition

## **Drac Olympics**

On 24<sup>th</sup> of October Olympian from NEIC – Kellie Harrington and Emmet Brennan launched The Big Scream Festival 2021 in Mountjoy Square Park. The Drac Olympics was a fancy dress sports day hosted by Dublin City Council held as part of the series of activities leading up to Halloween in the NEIC. Activities included Boxing, Cricket, Soccer Skills, Capoeira and Athletics on the day.



**Participants at Drac Olympics**

### **Operation Reactivation**

Operation Reactivation 'reactivated' on the 11<sup>th</sup> October with its Autumn Programme. A 6 week suite of free taster sessions have been offered to participants. The aim of the taster sessions is to develop an interest in activities that could become stand-alone sustainable activities. The activities are very much focused on Women and form part of the 'Inform Women, Transform Lives Campaign' lead through the Carter Centre in the United States. The programmes activities are being run in conjunction with the Five Lamps Arts Festival, Lourdes Youth and Community Services, Inner City Community Co-Op and a host of local sports clubs.

(see appendix 2)



## Young Peoples Activities

Dublin City Council and the North East Inner City Initiative through the locally co-funded national governing body development officers continue to facilitate and support a wide range of Sport and Wellbeing activities through local schools, youth services, after schools programmes and local sports clubs.

Activities included Gaelic games, Football, Basketball, GAA, Rugby and Boxing. Capoeira and Ju-Jitsu classes were also delivered through the Five Lamps Arts Festival.



Rugby at St. Laurence O Toole MUGA

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## APPENDIX 1

### NEIC Programme – 2021 Funding Proposals Approved to date (October 2021)

Department of Rural & Community Development Community Enhancement Programme Allocation (€6.2M of €6.5M)	
<b>Sub-Group – Enhanced Policing</b>	
Operation Cribbage (Additional Policing resources for Liberty Park & Environs)	€370,000
Domestic Violence and Child Protection - Training for Practitioners	€1,600
Training Bursary – Understanding and Responding to Domestic Abuse (Dundalk IT)	€5,600
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€377,200</b>
<b>Sub-Group 2 – Maximizing Educational, Training &amp; Employment Opportunities</b>	
School Principals Network – MA in Education (Special Option Poverty and Social Inclusion in Education) – Yr 2 of study for teachers who commenced the course in 2020	€42,900
Adult & Community Education Strategy for NEIC (co-fund with CDETB)	€12,750
Nurture Room Training for NEIC Primary Schools	€6,675
ICRG (Inner City Renewal Group / Eastside & Docklands Local Employment Service) Bursary 2021	€10,000
Childcare CPD Training Bursary	€41,200
O'Connell's Primary School – Arts & Wellbeing room	€16,556
Career LEAP Programme	€79,697
P-Tech	€103,600
Doddle Den	€51,000
Educational Guidance	€50,000
Work experience/Flash mentoring Coordinator NCI	€66,906
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€481,284</b>
<b>Sub-Group 3 – Family Wellbeing</b>	
Service Provision for 7 to 10 year olds (Belvedere Youth Club)	€48,764
Under 18s Mental Wellbeing Therapeutic and Counselling Support (YPAR) (3 months)	€97,750
Parenting Programme Co-Ordinator (via Tusla)	€60,000
Ozanman House – 8 Week parenting programme	€5,000
NCI Restorative	€43,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€254,514</b>
<b>Sub-Group 4 – Enhanced Community Wellbeing and the Physical Environment</b>	
NEIC Greening Strategy (Phase 2 : 2021-2023)	€545,000
Community Events Programme 2021	€325,000
Sport, Recreation & Wellbeing Programme 2021	€200,000
Community Arts Programme 2021	€155,000
Intercultural Development Co-Ordinator Yr. 2	€60,800
The Green Ribbon Environmental Project	€146,000
Rutland School Re-development	€900,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€2,331,800</b>
<b>Sub-Group 5 – Substance Use, Misuse and Inclusion Health</b>	
Recovery Coach Internships	€16,400



Recovery Café (Recovery Academy of Ireland)	€55,000
HOPE – Recovery Case Manager	€21,000
Community Aftercare Programme for released prisoners	€90,000
Initiative to reduce & prevent drug-related deaths	€30,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€212,400</b>
<b>Sub-Group 6 – Alignment of Services</b>	
Swan Youth – Detached Youth Outreach Programme	€150,000
'City Connects' Primary Schools Support Programme (Revised from previously approved figure of €367,951)	€314,680
NEPS / HSE – Multi Disciplinary Team supports for primary schools	€405,777
YPAR 0-5 Early Years Research	€34,100
BYC Two youth worker posts	€30,000
YPAR 0-5 Early Years Research (additional funding)	€1,750
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€936,307</b>
<b>NEIC Programme Office – Overarching all Sub-Groups</b>	
NEIC Social Employment Fund – maintain existing 55 places	1,000,000
Programme Office Costs 2021	260,000
Emerging Needs Fund	250,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Priority Technology Needs of Schools for remote learning</i> €96,760</li> <li>○ <i>Transitional Roma translation Service for NEIC Schools</i> €24,000</li> <li>○ <i>LYCS Temporary Accommodation contribution</i> €10,128</li> <li>○ <i>Hill Street Family Resource Centre – 0-6 equipment</i> - €1,760</li> <li>○ <i>Lourdes Daycare Centre Kitchen Equipment</i> - €5,392</li> <li>○ <i>The Oasis Centre, Counselling and Mental Health Supports</i> – €12,250</li> <li>○ <i>Sensory toys for children</i> - €5,029</li> <li>○ <i>Minor outside work</i> - €5,405</li> <li>○ <i>Outdoor classroom</i> - €7,260</li> <li>○ <i>Outdoor space upgrade</i> - €8,758</li> <li>○ <i>Kitchen installation</i> - €4,973</li> <li>○ <i>Outdoor play equipment</i> - €4,423</li> <li>○ <i>Replacement Fridge</i> -€2,116</li> <li>○ <i>Outdoor classroom construction</i> – €4,570</li> <li>○ <i>Network Upgrade</i> - €4,979</li> <li>○ <i>CASPr –Refurbishment of Shower</i> -€8,140.00</li> <li>○ <i>BYC Mental Health Awareness workshop</i> – €7,230</li> </ul>	
Community Grants Scheme 2021	100,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€1,610,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>€6,203,505</b>

## APPENDIX 2

# OPERATION REACTIVATION TIMETABLE

**Starts October 11th | 6 Weeks of FREE taster activities\* for Adults (Over 18's)**

**Book your place** directly for each class with the **relevant contact point**.  
Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis | COVID guidelines must be adhered to

### MONDAYS

Activity: Capoeira  
Contact Point: **Marcela Parducl / 083-431 9036**  
When: **8 PM - 9 PM**  
Where: **Ballybough Youth and Community Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Five Lamps Arts Festival**

### TUESDAYS

Activity: Tai - Chi  
Contact Point: **Martin McConigley / 087-747 1016**  
When: **5.45 PM - 6.45 PM**  
Where: **Ballybough Youth and Community Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Lourdes Youth and Community Services**

Activity: ~~Boxercise~~  
Contact Point: **Elaine O'Neill / 085-130 7765**  
When: **7 PM - 8 PM**  
Where: **Ballybough Community Facility (Ballybough Boxing Club)**  
Programme Provider: **Ballybough Boxing Club**

### WEDNESDAYS

Activity: **Wellbeing and Stress Management**  
Contact Point: **Catherine Heaney / 087-115 2153**  
When: **10 AM - 12 PM**  
Where: **St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Dublin City Community Co-op**

Activity: **Bootcamp**  
Contact Point: **Scott Kinevane / 085-275 4756**  
When: **6 PM - 7 PM**  
Where: **St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Dublin City Council**

### WEDNESDAYS

Activity: **Yoga**  
Contact Point: **Scott Kinevane / 085-275 4756**  
When: **7 PM - 8 PM**  
Where: **St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Dublin City Council**

Activity: **Self-Defence Class**  
Contact Point: **John Moffit / 086-883 2366**  
When: **7.30 PM - 8.30 PM**  
Where: **Lourdes Parish Hall, Sean McDermott Street**  
Programme Provider: **IFSC Force Taekwondo**

Activity: **Capoeira**  
Contact Point: **Marcela Parducl / 083-431 9036**  
When: **8 PM - 9 PM**  
Where: **Ballybough Youth and Community Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Five Lamps Arts Festival**

### THURSDAYS

Activity: **Move for Health Programme**  
Contact Point: **Derek Ahern / 087-336 2368**  
When: **10.30 AM - 11.30 AM**  
Where: **Ballybough Youth and Community Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership**

\*Minimal Supplementary Charge

Activity: **Kickboxing**  
Contact Point: **Barbara Delaney / 086-150 0668**  
When: **7 PM - 8 PM**  
Where: **Fight Club Gym, Strandville Avenue, North Strand**  
Programme Provider: **Fight Club Gym**

Activity: **Gaelic for Ma's**  
Contact Point: **Suzanne Hannon / 086-895 0551**  
When: **6 PM - 7 PM**  
Where: **St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre**  
Programme Provider: **Dublin City Council**

### THURSDAYS

Activity: **Gaelic for Ma's**  
Contact Point: **Niamh McEvoy / 087-925 2238**  
When: **7 PM - 8 PM**  
Where: **Ballybough Youth and Community Centre MUGA**  
Programme Provider: **Dublin City Council**

### FRIDAYS

Activity: **Football for Women**  
Contact Point: **Tommy Daly / 087-791 2810**  
When: **7 PM - 8 PM**  
Where: **Commons Street MUGA**  
Programme Provider: **Sheriff Youth Club**

### SATURDAYS

Activity: **Parkrun**  
Contact Point: **Participants must register at [www.parkrun.com](http://www.parkrun.com)**  
When: **9.20 AM**  
Where: **Fairview Park**

Activity: **Afro Brazilian Dance**  
Contact Point: **Marcela Parducl / 083-431 9036**  
When: **1 PM - 2 PM**  
Where: **Jiu-Jitsu Academy 45-46 Hardwicke Street**  
Programme Provider: **Five Lamps Arts Festival**

Activity: **Capoeira**  
Contact Point: **Marcela Parducl / 083-431 9036**  
When: **3 PM - 4 PM**  
Where: **Jiu-Jitsu Academy 45-46 Hardwicke Street**  
Programme Provider: **Five Lamps Arts Festival**

For further information | [www.neic.ie](http://www.neic.ie)

\*Participants can join a class at any stage throughout the 6-week programme

\*\*Please note classes will be limited before October 22nd by capacity due to COVID-19 Restrictions

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