Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council

Report to Housing SPC

Date: Wednesday 13th April 2022

Item No. 5

TAP Programmes

- St Margaret's Redevelopment – New consultation planned to determine exact expectations from residents to be completed. First draft plans have been rejected.
- St Margaret's Park 30 Bay refurbishing is almost complete subject to final inspections.
- St Joseph's Park 14 Bay refurbishing is almost complete subject to final inspections.
- Labre Park Redevelopment –The rehousing of residents from Labre Park continues.
  Two house purchases completed. One house to be treated as a VOID extension to meet particular family needs. One house purchased in identified by family purchased and completed as VOID. However the original planned tenant has refused the house. It has since been offered to other families without success. If no family from Labre Park accepts the property TAU will offer to another Traveller family.
  There are currently three houses with offers and one house under offer to rehouse specific families.
  TAU is working with the local area office and allocations to prioritise social housing options. A total of six families have been housed thus far under the rehoming project.
  Anthony Corcoran is overseeing the refurbishing and renewal of sanitation units in Labre Park and the refurbishing of the road, footpaths, yards etc. Work began on Monday 7th February 2022.
- Rueben Street – Full Council approval expected in March. Part 8 application will immediately follow.
- Avila Park – Full Council approval received. Application for Planning permission has been lodged.
- Cara Park – 9 House Project- design team to be appointed. Expect design proposals within two months of acceptance of tender. Will continue to engage with residents and rehouse as appropriate.
- St Joseph's Park – received confirmation from Fingal County Council that they do not plan to accept the City Councils proposal to build houses for the residents of St Joseph's Park. Fingal County Council are proposing new housing projects for that entire area.
- St Mary's Park – Fingal County Council has intimated that they will look favourably on the City Councils proposal for two new houses at the entrance to the group housing scheme. It is expected that a meeting will be held shortly to gain clarity on a decision.
- Traveller Accommodation Conditional Surveys – New application sent to SEAI regarding retrofit to include Cara Park
- Fire Safety – New Fire safety checks on equipment on all sites for servicing and/or repair/replacement will commence shortly.
- Caravan Loan Scheme - 15 applications thus far. Framework for the provision of mobiles has been unsuccessful. DCC is entering into a negotiated contract with providers to ensure that the quality of mobiles to be provided is ensured. Consideration needs to be regarding a loan payment system. Letter of explanation sent to all applicants.
- Electricity Provision - 48 families in St Dominic's Park, Tara Lawns and Northern Close is to be completed shortly. The provision of Sanitation units for St Dominic's Park and Tara Lawns is underway. It is expected that this project will be fully completed by April 2022. This includes the refurbishing of all bays and houses will be a part of the 2023 Retrofit Programme. All houses have received new fuse boards and are certified by qualified electricians and Electric Ireland personnel.
- A total of 46 Traveller families were allocated accommodation in 2021.