Capital Programme Update Public Realm Projects SV/IC

South Central Area Committee 17th May 2022



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Policies and Plans

- Dublin City Development Plan 2016 2022
- Draft Dublin City Development Plan 2022 2028 SDRAs
- Former Liberties Local Area Plan (outstanding actions now subsumed into draft DCDP)
- Stepping Up to the Challenge 2014
- The Liberties Greening Strategy 2015
- Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (South City Concept Area) capital projects
- South Central Area Capital Programme Council Capital Programme



How we develop public realm projects



- Process runs in line with Corporate Projects Governance Board (CPGB)
- Approval required to advance stages
- Need for internal resources Public Realm Projects delivery within DCC
- Demands on internal departments during design processes
- Requirements of Public Spending Code need for Business Cases
- Requirements for projects supported under UDRF Business Cases for 6 SCA projects
- Process underway to develop a universal Preliminary Business Case for all URDF-supported projects – expected completion in Q3/22



Major Projects





Francis Street

- €3.9m upgrade in public realm, footpath widening, tree planting, lighting etc.
- Expected completion Q4 2022

Meath Street

- Est €3.5m upgrade in public realm, provision for street markets, greening
- Expected Part 8 in Q4 2022
- Potentially commence detailed design 2023

Major Projects



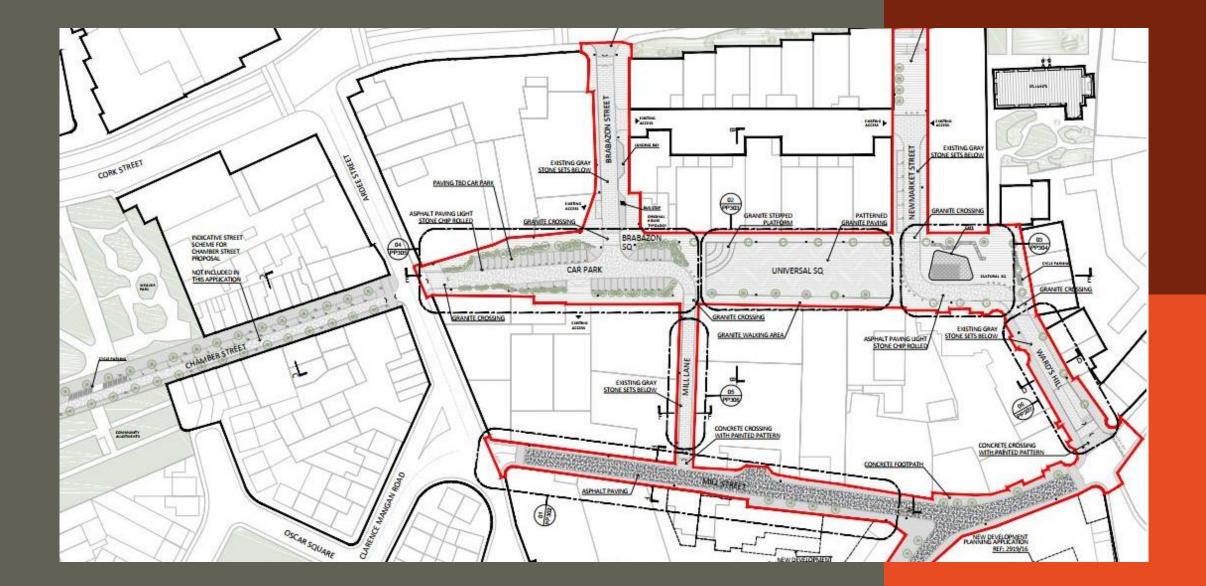
Dolphin's Barn

- Est €2.5m upgrade to public realm, wider footpaths, tree planting
- Part 8 approved in 2018
- Alignment with NTA Busconnects



Newmarket

- Est €5m upgrade to public realm, provision for markets and events, upgrades to adjoining streets
- Part 8 approved in 2017
- Interface with considerable development sites on the square



Major Projects – Non-URDF





- Vicar Street Public Space
- Est €850k upgrade to public realm and tarmac pitch to create a new amenity
- Current approval to develop Concept
- Requirement of Parks Services assistance

- St James Linear Park
- Project led by Parks Services
- Phased upgrading of the parkland between Basin Lane and Suir Bridge
- Phase II expected end 2022

URDF Also Supporting





Cork Street Greening

- Opportunities for additional public space, tree planting, SUDs measures along Cork Street and St Luke's Avenue
- €300,000 allocation
- Complicated by NTA Busconnects project

Liberties Greening Strategy

- 5 sub-projects
- €550,000 allocation
- Bridgefoot Street and James Street medians completed
- Carman's Hall treeplanting, Robert Street public space, St Luke's Avenue public space (beside Ardee Point Student Accom)

Greening Projects

Active Projects

- Dolphin's Barn interim improvements
- Blackpitts landscaping
- Donore Avenue landscaping
- Inchicore interim improvements

New Parks contract to deliver tree planting faster

- Carman's Hall tree planting
- Cook Street/ St Augustine Street/ John's Street tree planting
- Reuben Street/ Haroldville Avenue/ St Anthony's Road Phase II tree planting



Greening Projects

Future Projects – subject to resources

- Weaver Square/ Chamber Street public realm
- Gray Street environs tree renewal and depaving
- Rialto Cottages depaving
- Cromwell Quarters and Mount Brown steps refurbishment
- Robert Street public space
- Cork Street/ St Luke's Avenue greening measures
- Next generation Liberties (or Dublin 8) Greening Strategy – building community capacity





Conclusion

- Ambitious programme in place with continued demands to do more
- Area team is delivering results
- Capacity within the Area team
- Highly dependent on limited internal resources for public realm, landscaping project delivery
- Capacity in the DCC system to engage with complex design processes
- Costs are rising and contractors are busy

