



**Director of Services Report
South Central Area Committee Meeting
15th June 2022**

SOUTH WEST INNER CITY ELECTORAL AREA

Public Realm & Capital Programmes

Francis Street Environmental Improvement Scheme works continue albeit behind schedule. This delay is attributed to the lack of skilled labour available to the contractor. It is proposed to introduce an additional paving team and begin paving work at the north end of the street in coming weeks to claw back some of the programme. The project will complete in Q4/22.

The provision of a crossing point/s at **Bridgefoot Street** has been referred to the Active Travel Unit given these will tie in with the design of the proposed Grangegorman to Thomas Street cycle route. The median planting scheme on Bridgefoot Street can be amended to facilitate crossings when location and design is agreed.

A series of footpath repairs and relaying was recently completed at **Inchicore** (Emmet Road and Tyrconnell Roads) to maintain the quality of the village. An audit of street furniture has been requested from the Traffic Section with the objective to reduce street clutter.

Work will commence at the end of June on a landscaping scheme for the Cork Street-end of **Donore Avenue**. The scheme will include provision of a seat and a small planted area to the rear of the footpath. The measure should address illegal parking at this location.

Design work is ongoing for a proposed landscaping scheme at **Blackpitts** on foot of a Road Safety Audit. It is hoped to bring a final scheme to tender later this year.

Measures to enhance **Dolphin's Barn** are ongoing including current rehabilitation of planting of the linear parklet. A tender call for new street furniture and a planted area near the Coombe Hospital will be made shortly.

Housing Updates SWIC

Bonham Street .Dublin 8. Volumetric Build

57 26 x 1 bed 26 x 2 bed 5 x 3 bed	On site	Completion of Scheme	Q4 2022
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Cork St/ Weaver St. Volumetric Build

55 32 x 1 bed 10 x 2 bed 13 x 3 bed	On site	Completion of scheme	Q4 2022
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DCC have designated a community liaison (Veronica Hand) to engage with residents regarding their concerns.

Veronica can be contacted @ 0870997512 veronica.hand@dublincity.ie

St Michael's Estate Emmet Road Dublin 8.

Emmet Road, D.8 (St. Michael's)	Design in progress. Lodge planning Q3 2022	TBC
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Tyrone Place D8. Regeneration.

A review of the development options for the regeneration of Tyrone Place is currently being undertaken by Housing Management, the Local Area Office and City Architects. All are cognisant that redevelopment options will need to take into consideration the large social and cost rental housing scheme that is planned for the adjacent site at Emmet Road.

School Street.

DCC received Stage 1 approval from the DHLGH for the regeneration of School Street and Thomas Court Bawn with a number of queries. These queries have now been replied to and submitted to the D.H.L.G.H. Upon approval, the commencement of the procurement of an integrated design team for the redevelopment project will begin.

Oliver Bond Regeneration.

DCC have received Stage 1 project approval from the DHLGH for the first phase of the regeneration of Oliver Bond, which is for the redevelopment of Blocks L, M and N. We also received funding for a Community Development Worker to be appointed to the Oliver Bond regeneration project.

DCC City Architects and Housing Regeneration staff are currently reviewing queries received as part of our Stage 1 project approval to seek project budget approval.

Dolphin House Regeneration Masterplan Dublin 8.

The Dolphin House Regeneration Masterplan approved on the 4th Feb 2021 by the DH Regeneration Board. DCC will progress the masterplan in conjunction with the Dolphin House Regeneration Board and the Dolphin House Community.
Dolphin 1B.

Stage 1 project and funding approval has been received for the construction of approximately 25 new homes.

Design development is progressing and community consultation on the proposals are proposed to take place shortly.

It is anticipated to start the Part 8 process in early Q4 2022



Donore Avenue-(former Saint Teresa's Gardens)

This project will provide for the delivery of approximately 543 homes in a collaboration between Dublin City Council and the Land Development Agency, under a working title 'Donore Project'

28% of the homes provided will be for social housing and 72% for cost rental housing.

The breakdown of the social homes include:

41% 1 bed which 50% will be available for Older Person Accommodation

48% 2bed

11% 3 Bed

There is ongoing public consultation with local elected representatives, S.T.G. Regeneration Board and neighbours

A Part 10 planning application is due for lodgement late Q2 2022

Kilmainham Inchicore Network - meeting 27th June 2022 at 5.30pm

Grattan Crescent Playground Upgrade

The playground at Grattan Crescent Park upgrade has commenced, it is due to be completed for the summertime holidays.

Vincent St West Lighting Upgrade

Upgrade works on street lighting has been completed along Vincent Street West. This follows community request for increased lighting along the road.

KIN Strategic Planning Process

KIN is over 5 years in existence and reviewing, evaluating and planning for the future. This strategic process will be ongoing for the next few months. As part of this process a booklet is being prepared for circulation to local households outlining the work of KIN, encouraging greater engagement in planning and attending events. Information will be shared on developments, organisations and services in our area.

Liffey Gaels/ East Timor Park Master Plan:

Alastair Ferrar, Cunnane Stratton Reynolds Consultant has almost completed a Master Plan for Liffey Gaels Park on behalf of DCC.

Grand Canal - Activation and Animation of Grand Canal between Portobello and Kylemore Road:

Irish Leisure Consultants (ILC) have been asked by Dublin City Council and Waterways Ireland to identify the potential recreational Activation and Animation measures along the Grand Canal between Portobello and the Kylemore Bridge. They have consulted with local organisations, individuals and agencies regarding the current and potential future recreational use of the canal, and from this are in the process of identifying appropriate approaches and best practice. A draft discussion document will be circulated shortly for public feedback.

Multicultural Family Fun Event at Richmond Park 25th June 2022

DSCP, St Patrick's Athletic FC and DCC Community Development are working with in organising a Multicultural Family Fun Event at Richmond Park 25th June 2022 11am to 2pm, KIN is helping plan this event. An invitation to all cultures living in South Dublin is being circulated for a family fun day of events as well as sharing information about resources and events available locally.



Fairs at Richmond Barracks

KIN, in partnership with DSCP and DCCCC, are organising 4 fairs at Richmond Barracks over the next year. The first fair of 2022 took place 28th /29th May, with a Recycle/Upcycle/Reuse theme, around 1800 people visited the fair over the weekend. KIN organised workshops and a panel discussion with an educational/ developmental learning aspect as well as encouraging local community engagement. Outreach and workshops in local National Schools took place in advance of the Fair. Planning for the next Fair – a Harvest Fair 24th and 25th September 2022 - is now underway. KIN's emphasis is on workshops with community engagement and development. There will be further fairs for Christmas (November 2022) and a Spring Fair (February 2023).

Samhain Stage Event, Halloween 2022

KIN and IRCF are beginning to plan for the Halloween community event taking place 31st October 2022. This is the first of a trilogy of events, post the successful pilot Samhain Stage event of 2021. Core Values, themes, scale, budget, outreach and different forms of research and development are being considered at present.

Inchicore Regeneration Consultative Forum – meeting 27th June 2022 at 1pm

Phase Three of Emmet Road Public Consultation in Richmond Barracks is completed. The ERD project manager informed the IRCF that this was the last phase of public consultation before the planning application is lodged to An Bord Pleanála. The statutory public consultation as part of the planning process with ABP will follow. See www.emmetroad.ie for information.

Outdoor Exhibition/ Website:

Project architect's, Bucholz McEvoy, display of their design proposals at an outdoor exhibition is located on the green across from Richmond Barracks in St. Michael's Estate. This exhibition will evolve over time with new panels installed as the design progresses to completion for planning. The www.emmetroad.ie has been updated.

Core Youth Service have recently installed an Art Mural on the west side of the outdoor exhibition panels.

IRCF Subcommittees:

Meanwhile Activities and Community Building Subcommittee (MACb)– MACb.13 due to take place Tuesday 14th June. This will discuss educational/developmental workshop options for the Harvest Fair at Richmond Barracks 28th and 29th May.

Proposals with regard to youth meanwhile use of the former St Michael's Estate site was discussed with further work in progress. This is all part of the process to encourage community engagement and meanwhile activities, as well as building community leadership, capacity, and trust through shared experiences/memories.

Self Management of Community Facilities

Letter sent to DCC ERD PM and DCC SWIC Area Manager from IRCF and relevant stakeholders addressing next steps with regard to (a) DCC SCA invitation (15th Feb 2022) to consider leading out on management/ governance /future running of community facilities on ERD (b) feedback on Community Hub Concept Design (initial feedback as well as requirements in order to complete feedback).



Childcare in Lower Inchicore – next meeting 16th June 2022

The DSCP Early Learning and Care Report, considering future childcare needs in lower Inchicore, will be presented at the DCC SCAC Meeting June 2022. All childcare providers in lower Inchicore area have engaged in the research process. Next steps and review of recommendations underway.

A reflection on the experience and learning of Regeneration Boards / Forums in Dublin 8, 10 and 12

This event, hosted by stakeholders from Regeneration Boards/Forums and facilitated by CAN, took place 25th May 2022, F2 Centre, Rialto. This closed dialogue event brought together representatives of all stakeholders from 5 regeneration projects in the South Central Area – Dublin City Council tenants, community, residential and enterprise organisations, Dublin City Council senior personnel, elected representatives, statutory representatives from the Gardaí and HSE and Independent Chairs. There were representatives from the Housing SPC in attendance as well.

This is the start of a process. A shared learning event, through dialogue, reflected on the operation and processes of Regeneration Boards/Forums over many years. The outcome from the dialogue will be captured in a report by CAN. This will be circulated once completed. Overall the experience was positive with requests from participants for further engagement.

Public Domain

19 Three Tiered Planters are in place at Cornmarket, Thomas Street, Dean Street, Sarsfield Road, Kilmainham, Inchicore and Rialto. Intensive Cleaning will take place on Market Street, Bellevue, Crane Street and Sugarhouse Lane over the next two weeks. Public Domain have completed deep clean on Cork Street, Donore Avenue, Margaret Kennedy Road, Eugene Street, Mountbrown, 40 steps to Cameron Square, Braithewaite Street., Pimlico Terrace, Poole Street and John Street South. Public Domain will be in the SWIC again on Wednesday 15th June to complete Gray Street, Reginald Street and South Brown Street. Dublin Canvas Project has begun with 8 traffic signal boxes assigned for art work in the City to include: Bridgefoot Street, Dean Street, St.Lukes Avenue, Patrick Street, Dolphins Barn, Emmet Road, Inchicore College, and Bulfin Road. 16 Clean-ups have been supported this month. Graffiti has been removed at Lambe Alley, St Augustine Street, Forbes Lane, Ushers Quay, Back Lane, Hanover Lane, and Vincent Street West.

Report from: -

Bruce Phillips,
Senior Executive Officer
South West Inner City Local Electoral Area.



BALLYFERMOT/DRIMNAGH ELECTORAL AREA

Housing

Cornamona

Work is continuing with the development with an anticipated completion date of late Q4, 2022.

Springvale

The Building Control Section has carried out an inspection of the site. There is no further update in relation to a completion date, members will be informed of any information as soon as it is received.

Canal Bridge Apartments Kylemore Road /Bluebell

Council staff have met with the respond team for this development. The allocations team is processing the CBL applications.

Lissadel Maisonettes

Works are in train to address the issues of dampness, ventilation and windows and work is ongoing in relation to the feasibility study.

Bernard Curtis House

The repainting of the units is ongoing.

Labre Park

It is anticipated that Cluid AHB will be submitting a stage 2 funding application to DHLGH by the end of the month. The decanting of the site is ongoing.

Park West Apartments

These units were advertised through CBL from 16th – 25th May and almost 400 applications were received which are being processed by the Allocations team.

Sons of Divine Providence

Council officials are developing a stage 2 application for the scheme while awaiting the feedback from DHLGH in relation to the stage 1 application.

Community Development

The Community Development report is divided under three headings: Community Participation, Environmental Projects and Social inclusion

Community Participation

Summer Festivals

The City Council is supporting the local festival committees to organise community festivals over the summer months. Many Committees need a lot of support regarding event management, park permits, Insurance and programme planning. The council supports the projects financially with funding from the area offices and discretionary funds 2022.



Ballyfermot /Cherry Orchard Festival will be launched on Tuesday June 14th at 7:00PM in the Ballyfermot Civic Centre by Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland. Ballyfermot musician and artist Declan O Rourke will be the Grand Marshall of the festival in recognition of his outstanding contribution to music over the years. The Festival will commence on June 24th with the full programme of events delivered to every house in the area. Highlights include:

June 25 th	1:00PM	Park Community Day	Peoples Park at the Civic Centre
July 2 nd	10:00AM	Sports Fun Day	Ballyfermot Sports Complex, Gurteen Rd.
July 3 rd	1:00PM	Family Fun Fay	Markievicz Park
July 9 th	1:00PM	Family Fun Day	Cherry Orchard Park

For more information visit Facebook Ballyfermot festival 2022

Drimnagh Festival will be held over the weekend of June 10th, 11th and 12th with events taking place in Brickfield Park, Lansdowne Valley and the Errigal Green Space.

Friday 10 th	6:00PM	Outdoor Cinema	Errigal Green Space
Saturday 11 th	1:00PM	Community festival	Brickfield Park
Sunday 12 th	1:00PM	Sports Day	Good Counsel GAA

For more information visit dynamicdrimnagh.com

Chapelizod Festival kicks off on July 2nd with a full week-long programme of events. The Festival is managed completely by local residents and volunteers and is a great credit to their hard work. Highlights include:

Sunday July 3 rd	1:30pm	Grand Opening	Chapelizod Village Square
Thursday July 7 th	5:30PM	Music by the River	Garda Boat Club
Saturday 9 th	2:00PM	Sports Day	Donore Harriers

In each area the City Council Community Team is organising the following events to attract residents and animate our local parks:

Community Dog Show in:

Drimnagh on June 12 th	at 12:00 Noon	Brickfield Park
Ballyfermot on June 25 th	at 12:00 Noon	Peoples Park at the Civic Centre
Chapelizod On Sat. July 9 th	at 12:00 Noon	Belgrove Lawns

Opera in the Park in:

Ballyfermot on July 5 th	at 7:00PM	Peoples Park at the Civic Centre
Drimnagh on July 7 th	at 7:00PM	Brickfield Park

Walk and Talks with Éanna Ni Lamhna:



Ballyfermot on June 29th
Chapelizod on July 6th

at 7:00PM
at 7:00PM

Canal Bank, Parkwest
Allotments Springvale



DRIMNAGH DOG SHOW
Brickfield Park, Drimnagh
Registration from 10.00am
Dog Show 12 Noon - 13:30
Sunday 12th of June
Free Event



Comhairle Cathrach
Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council



with Éanna Ní Lamhna

Cruinniú

Cruinniú Na nÓg took place on Saturday 11th of June.

The Unsung Youth concert took place in the Ballyfermot Civic Centre and was a great success, well attended and a wonderful showcase of the talent of local young people.

The Familibase LGBTQ+ Group provided information stalls on welfare, Health and wellbeing and provided great entertainment with their VR booth. Great credit is due to Familibase, Cherry Orchard integrated Youth Services and Ballyfermot Youth Service who collaborated on this project



Social Inclusion

Community Grants 2022

The City Council 2022 Community Grants Scheme will open by the end of June.

Under the scheme community and voluntary groups may apply for grants for activities which benefit the local community. The grants are going online this year and community staff will be available to support groups make their application.



Applications must relate to at least one key priority area and key theme in order to be eligible for consideration.

Key Priority Areas

Community Development
Social inclusion
Integration & Inter-culturalism
Local area issues
Adult Education
Educational
Environment

Key themes

Recreation
Play
Festival / Event
Children / Young people
Older Persons
People with Disabilities
Health & Wellbeing

Summer projects

The City Council is supporting youth organisations and funding to organise summer programmes for young people during the holiday period. The number of Voluntary summer projects has decreased significantly this year with only one application for funding from the area.

BUD Ballyfermot Understanding Dementia

The choir targeting older people in the early stages of dementia is up and running and being well attended. Plans are in place to keep the group operating throughout the summer to maintain momentum. The group meets every Thursday at 2:15PM in the Ballyfermot Resource Centre. For further information contact Miriam.flynn@dublincity.ie

Environment

Community Allotments

The Bluebell and Chapelizod allotments are thriving, The City Council has supported the allotments committees by rotavating plots, clearing grass waste and overgrown communal areas. The Bluebell allotments committee is planning a harvest festival at the end of the summer and the Chapelizod committee was awarded a certificate from Technological University Dublin for its collaboration with the staff and students of the college. The Chapelizod Allotment Group plan to hold a series of talks during the summer on supporting bio diversity and pond life.

Walkinstown Planters

The City Council has delivered and installed twelve blue planters in various locations in Walkinstown. The Community Development Team consulted with the local residents associations and environmental groups to identify the best locations of the planters. The local businesses and residents will maintain the planters.

Ballyfermot Main Road

400 Geraniums will be planted in the blue planters on the main Road to enhance the area with funding from the 2022 Discretionary funds.



Cherry Orchard

Dublin Circus Project.

The DCP are running a 6 week Sensory Circus programme for children with special needs through May & June. Spaces were limited and the programme was booked up within a couple of days. We hope to run more sessions like this as there is clearly a big demand for this type of service. This came about from the success of the young children and parent group discussions around running programmes like this. The Orchard Centre, Tusla and the DCP all worked together to bring about this initiative.

Afterschool Football Coaching sessions.

These sessions began on the last Tuesday in May and all of the coaches are UEFA qualified and have worked with clubs such as Shamrock Rovers, Bohemians F.C. and St. Kevin's Boys F.C. The sessions are drop in and cost only €2.00 per one hour session and happen every Tuesday from 3.00 to 4.00 pm

Disability Action Collective.

The Smashing Barriers Theatre Group, a disabled arts group, is currently rehearsing for its "What We Thought Was Good For Us" show in the centre every Thursday morning from 11.00 am-1.00 pm and will perform it in the centre at 12.00 pm on Thursday, 30th June.

Ballyfermot/Cherry Orchard Sisters Shed.

This is a new group starting up in mid-June aimed at giving women in the area a meeting point where they can do various courses and make contact with other women to help create a welcoming place for women in the community to come together.

Cherry Orchard Social Plan

The draft plan will be issued to relevant stakeholders for observations in the coming weeks.

Public Domain

25 Three Tiered Planters are in place at Bluebell, Ballyfermot Shops, Chapelizod Road, Drimnagh Road, Tyrconnell Road/Naas Road, Walkinstown Avenue and Road. The Weed Treatment programme is in progress and a combination of Foamstream & Acetic Acid – (Traffic Islands) is being used with some strimming in areas where spraying is not possible. The programme will take a number of weeks to complete. Strimming will take place at some locations to include Park West Avenue, Ballyfermot Road and Le Fanu Road. Ballyfermot Road shopping precinct intensive clean will take place over the coming weeks. Dublin Canvas Project -Traffic Signal Boxes at the following locations will have art work applied over the Summer: Walkinstown Avenue, Assumption School Walkinstown Green, Chapelizod Road - where Tristan will be portrayed to accompany last years most liked art work of Isolde Chapelizod Village, California Hills Le Fanu Road, St Michaels School Kylemore Road, Bluebell Road/Naas Road and Rafters Road. 22 Clean Ups have been supported by Public Domain this month. Drimnagh Festival Dog Show will take place on Sunday 12th June and will be promoted on South Central facebook page. Registration will take place at 10am Brickfield Park. Ballyfermot Dog Show will take place on Saturday 25th June in the Peoples's Park adjacent to the Ballyfermot Civic Centre with registration at 10am.

Report from: -

Alan Sherry,

Senior Executive Officer

Ballyfermot/Drimnagh Local Electoral Area.