#### COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Buiséid a tionóladh ar 21 Samhain 2022 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Sráid An Dáma agus ar físchomhdháil cianda ag 6.15 pm.l Láthair an tArdmheara Caroline Conroy sa chathaoir

#### **Attendance:**

#### **Oifigigh**

Enda Currid	Ruth Dowling	Michael Gallagher
Owen P. Keegan	Natalie Leonard	Victor Leonov
Fintan Moran	Kathy Quinn	
Prajwal K. Annibabu		

- 1.) Consideration of the Draft Revenue Budget for the local financing year ending the 31st December 2023 (Report No. 306/2022) including:
  - > Resolution to adopt or amend the Chief Executive's Draft Budget
  - Resolution on whether to vary the Vacancy Refund Rate

The Lord Mayor and Group Leaders thanked the Head of Finance, Kathy Quinn and her team as well as the member of the budget consultative committee chaired by Councillor Seámas McGrattan for all their hard work in putting together the budget.

The Head of Finance gave a presentation on the budget proposals that had been circulated to the Members. A discussion of the proposed budget then followed with contributions from all the political groups on the council. A copy of the presentation is attached as **Appendix A** to these minutes.

Motions to amend the budget were submitted to the Lord Mayor and taken in the order in which they were received – copies of the motions are attached as **Appendix B** to these minutes. The Lord Mayor ruled the Sinn Féin motion out of order.

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Division J	J0801		1,500,000

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LORD MAYOR		MEETINGS ADMIN	IISTRATOR	



# **Draft Revenue Budget 2023**

Statutory Budget Meeting

21st November 2022

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# **Budget Summary 2023**

	Adopted 2022 €m	Draft 2023 €m	Movement €m
Gross Expenditure	1,130.0	1,241.4	111.4
Gross Income	704.5	791.5	87.0
Net Expenditure	425.5	449.9	24.4
Funded By			
Net Credit Balance	35.4	42.9	7.5
Commercial Rates	366.9	380.8	13.9
LPT	23.2	26.2	3.0
Total	425.5	449.9	24.4

## **Budgetary Pressures**

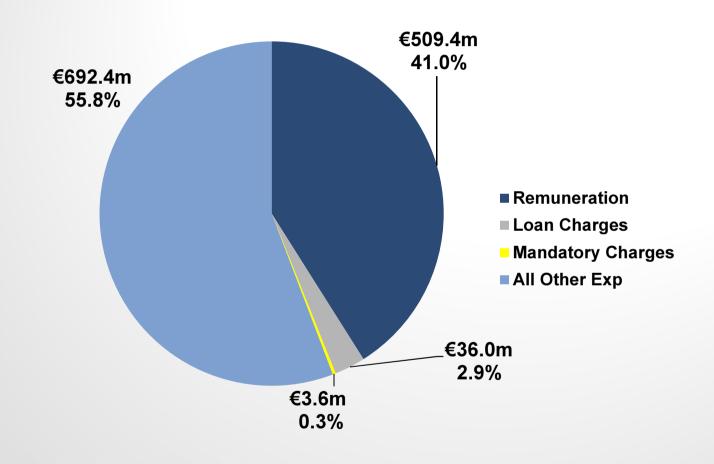
- Key objective to continue all services in 2023 at 2022 levels as a minimum.
- Significant economic uncertainty continuing in 2023 due to energy and general inflationary increases.
- Examples of budgetary pressures in 2023:
  - National Pay Agreement; net cost to DCC €3m
  - Increase in loan charges €3.6m
  - Increased cost of energy €18m
  - Increased cost of general inflation €9m
  - Constraints on funding

## **Estimated Gross Expenditure 2023**



**Total: €1,241.4m** 

### **Estimated Gross Expenditure Elements 2023**



Total: €1,241.4m

## **Additional Service Provision in 2023**

Service	Increase
	€m
Long Term Leasing	6.3
Homeless	38.5
Street Cleaning	1.4
Fire Services	2.5
Festival & Events	1.4
Loan Charges	3.6
DPG & ERG's	1.5

### **Additional Services in 2023**

- New Borrowings
  - District Heating
  - Housing Capital Projects
  - Dublin Fire Brigade
- ▶ €500k for Older Persons Services
- ▶ €500k for community supports (to be applied Northside & Southside)

## **Additional Services in 2023**

- Recruitment in;
  - DFB (2 recruit classes and ESC's
  - Street Cleaning (32 GO's)
  - Roads (NTA funded)
  - Housing
  - Libraries
  - Communications
  - SUDS/Drainage Planning
  - Planners, Valuers & Conservation Officers
  - Control of Dogs

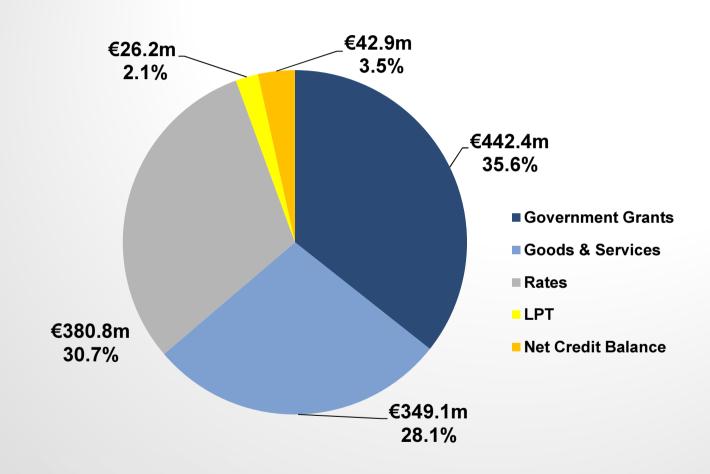
### **Area Offices**

▶ €3m Revenue Discretionary Fund:

Area	Funding
North West	300,000
South East	750,000
South Central	480,000
Central	660,000
North Central	810,000

- ► 3m Capital Discretionary Fund provided in draft capital programme Y2023-Y2025 to enhance environmental improvement works - €1m per annum.
- Programme to be provided by Area Managers to Area Committees.

## **Estimated Sources of Funding 2023**



**Total: €1,241.4m** 

## **Government Support 2023**

- ▶ €5m grant towards energy inflation 2023
- ▶ €25.9m grant towards National Pay Agreement cost 2023
- ▶ €8m grant towards provision of ambulance service 2022

## **Government Grants**

Grants by Department	2023	2022	2022R
Housing, Local Government & Heritage	414,662,430	351,974,219	381,138,992
Rural & Community Development	12,174,575	10,750,747	13,243,134
Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth	2,933,959	1,720,991	3,067,925
Enterprise Ireland	2,901,243	2,578,842	3,494,199
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	2,799,095	2,377,000	2,859,327
Environment, Climate and Communications	2,180,111	2,244,693	1,934,730
Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sports & Media	1,176,500	1,111,000	1,923,511
Health	1,123,550	1,069,424	3,270,709
Justice	765,590	403,634	619,888
National Transport Authority	620,000	330,000	472,100
Social Protection	600,000	475,000	475,000
Defence	410,000	410,000	462,255
Other Departments	95,164	118,963	55,000
Agriculture, Food & The Marine	20,000	20,000	17,750
Transport	0	0	35,779
	442,462,217	375,584,513	413,070,299

## **Dept of Housing – Analysis of Main Grants**

	2023	2022	2022R
Homeless	202,754,068	170,527,556	170,477,099
Homeless Covid	5,581,292	1,954,475	5,581,292
RAS Grants	47,565,725	46,915,524	49,614,562
Social Leasing	44,500,000	38,450,000	41,950,000
CLSS	14,894,516	14,131,347	13,477,978
HAP	10,291,488	23,249,490	8,330,384
DPG's & ERG's	8,214,245	6,869,642	8,214,245
Ambulance Service	0	0	8,000,000
Payroll Compensation	62,740,139	37,278,621	46,693,560
Energy Inflation	5,000,000	0	0

### Goods/Services Income

- No proposal in draft budget to increase charges
- Housing Rents will move in line with household income.
- Parking Meter Charges will be reviewed later in 2023 with report to SPC and considered in Budget 2024

## **Commercial Rates**

	€m
Budgeted Rates Income 2023	380.8
Rates Income 2022	<u>366.5</u>
Increased Income 2023	14.3
Buoyancy 2023	7.4
GARV Increase +1.87%	<u>6.9</u>
	14.3

Entry Year Property Levy of €3m

## Commercial Rates (continued)

- Proposed 2023 GARV is 0.273
- An increase of 1.87%
- Conscious of difficult trading environment due to inflationary pressures and need to maintain competitiveness
- Maintain Vacancy Refund level at 15%

## Allocation of LPT Funding – Y2022 & Y2023

	2022	2023	Movement
	€	€	€
Dublin City LPT – 100%	82,048,235	94,556,845	12,508,610
Equalisation Fund - 20%	16,409,647	0	- 16,409,647
LPT Retained Locally – 80%	65,638,588	94,556,845	28,918,257
Apply LPT Base Rate in 2023	12,307,235	14,183,527	1,876,292
LPT Funding	53,331,353	80,373,318	27,041,966
Distribution of LPT Funding			
Self Funding – Housing & Roads	30,133,649	54,185,963	24,052,314
Pension Related Deduction (PRD)	16,428,262	16,428,262	0
Historic Funding (General Purpose Grants)	2,667,330	2,667,330	0
Discretionary Funding	4,102,112	7,091,763	2,989,652
	53,331,353	80,373,318	27,041,966

### LPT

- Lost funding to DCC
  - €54.2m retained by Central Government by substituting LPT for grants based on determination by the Department that DCC does not require the services that €54.2m would support
  - €28.4m foregone through the reduction in LPT rate applied to Dublin Households

### Resolutions for Consideration

- Resolution to adopt the Annual Budget for 2023 with or without amendment
- Resolution to determine the Vacancy Refund proposed in the draft budget to remain unchanged at 15%
- Resolution to determine the General Annual Rate on Valuation proposed in the draft budget at 0.273 GARV



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Proposed by: _	 (signature)
Seconded by: _	 (signature)
Date:	



It was proposed by Cllr. Daith Doolan and seconded by Cllr. Séamas McGrattan

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- E1101 Operation of Fire Brigade Service +€965,000 (an extra €1,000 for each of the 965 DFB staff)
- F0501 Lá Mór Na Gaeilge +€35,000
- H0303 Refunds & Irrecoverable Rates -€1,500,000 (reducing the vacancy refund from 15% to 0%)
- J0801 Area Offices €500,000 (increasing the Area Office Discretionary Funds from €3.0m to €3.5m)

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EXPENDITURE		€	€
Division A			
Division B			
Division C			
Division D			
Division E	E1101		965,000
Division F	F0501		35,000
Division G			
Division H	H0303	1,500,000	
Division J	J0801		500,000
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Proposed by: Daithi Doolan

Seconded by: Séamas McGrattan

Date: 21/11/2022



It was proposed by Cllr. Deirdre Heney and seconded by Cllr. Tom Brabazon

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- E0403 Provision of Bulky Waste Collection Service €1,000,000 (towards providing a bulky waste collection service)
- H0303 Refunds & Irrecoverable Rates -€1,500,000 (reducing the vacancy refund from 15% to 0%)
- J0801 Area Offices €500,000 (increasing the Area Office Discretionary Funds from €3.0m to €3.5m)

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Division E	E0403		1,000,000
Division F			
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Division J	J0801		500,000
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Seconded by: _	 (signature)
Date:	



It was proposed by Cllr. James Geoghegan and seconded by Cllr. \_Terence Flanagan

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- D0905 Enterprise Support Grant +€1,500,000
- H0303 Refunds & Irrecoverable Rates -€1,500,000 (reducing the vacancy refund from 15% to 0%)

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AND that it is agreed that the deadline for application for the grant is 31st of March 2023.

AND it is further agreed that any monies allocated for the grant which are not used, once calculated following the deadline of the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2023 will be re-allocated in 2023 to discretionary funds, assigned pro-rata in the ordinary way in which funding for the various discretionary funds are distributed."

#### **EXPLANATION FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

This amendment, if passed, will ensure that every small business that is a rate payer, and whose rate bill is no larger than €25k a year will be eligible to receive a grant equivalent to the amount of the rate increase which they have paid, as a result of rate increases in the Dublin City Council Draft Budget 2023.

This is modelled on a similar scheme in other local authorities including Limerick City and County Council to support small businesses in the face of rising inflationary costs.

The figures for the rate payers are set out below.

It will benefit almost 16,000 rate payers in the city.

Budget Amendment - Grant Scheme per Charge Range					
2022 Charge Range	No. Of Accounts	Value € @ 1.87 %			
1. €1-1000	1861	€21,142.03			
2. €1000-3000	5644	€206,217.37			
3. €3000-5000	3611	€263,829.82			
4. €5000-10000	3969	€521,086.74			
5. €10000-25000	899	€187,833.10			
Total	15984	€1,200,109.06			

Budget Amendment - Grant Scheme per Award/Refund Range					
Refund Range No. Of Accounts Value € @ 1.87 %					
1. €1-50	6676	€183,506.10			
2. €50-100	4891	€351,281.74			
3. €100-150	2461	€300,773.23			



4. €150-200	1336	€230,583.67
5. €200-250	620	€133,964.32
Total	15984	€1,200,109.06

The figures for the Budget Are as follows

	SUB-SERVICE	REDUCTION	INCREASE
EXPENDITURE		€	€
Division A			
Division B			
Division C			
Division D	D0905		1,500,000
Division E			
Division F			
Division G			
Division H	H0303	1,500,000	
Division J			
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Division J			

Proposed by: _Cllr James Geoghegan	(signature)
Seconded by:Cllr Terence Flanagan	(signature)
Date:21st November 2022	_

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COUNCILLORS	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	COUNCILLORS	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councillor Daryl Barron	<b>√</b>				Councillor Alison Gilliland	√			<del>                                     </del>
Councillor Racheal Batten	√				Councillor Deirdre Heney	V			
Councillor Janice Boylan					Councillor Jane Horgan Jones	V			
Councillor Tom Brabazon					Councillor Janet Horner	$\sqrt{}$			1
Councillor Christy Burke	1				Councillor Vincent Jackson	V			
Councillor Dearbháil Butler					Councillor Dermot Lacey	V			
Councillor Claire Byrne	1				Councillor Darcy Lonergan	V			
Councillor Danny Byrne					Councillor John Lyons	V			
Councillor Mary Callaghan	<b>V</b>			1	Councillor Micheál MacDonncha	√			
Councillor Daniel Céitinn	1				Councillor Briege MacOscar	V			
Councillor Hazel Chu	<b>V</b>				Councillor Ray McAdam	V			
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	1				Councillor Paddy McCartan		$\sqrt{}$		
Councillor Keith Connolly	1				Councillor Eimer McCormack	√			
Lord Mayor Caroline Conroy	<b>V</b>				Councillor Séamas McGrattan	V			
Councillor Deirdre Conroy	<b>V</b>				Councillor Declan Meenagh	V			
Councillor Donna Cooney	1				Councillor Carolyn Moore	√			
Councillor Joe Costello	1				Councillor Darragh Moriarty	V			
Councillor Deirdre Cronin		<b>√</b>			Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud		V		
Councillor Hazel de Nortúin		<b>V</b>			Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí		V		
Councillor Daithí de Róiste	1				Councillor Claire O'Connor	V			
Councillor Tara Deacy	<b>V</b>				Councillor Cat O'Driscoll	V			
Councillor Máire Devine	1				Councillor Damian O'Farrell	V			
Councillor Kevin Donoghue	1				Councillor Colm O'Rourke	V			
Councillor Daithí Doolan	1				Councillor Larry O'Toole	V			
Councillor Pat Dunne		√			Councillor Cieran Perry	√			
Councillor Anne Feeney	<b>√</b>				Councillor Michael Pidgeon	V			
Councillor Declan Flanagan	<b>√</b>				Councillor Noeleen Reilly	V			<del>                                     </del>
Councillor Terence Flanagan	<b>√</b>			1	Councillor Nial Ring	V			T
Councillor Mannix Flynn	1			1	Councillor Patricia Roe	V		1	<del>                                     </del>
Councillor Mary Freehill	1			1	Councillor Catherine Stocker	V			<del>                                     </del>
Councillor James Geoghegan	1				Councillor Michael Watters	√			

FOR: 52 Page 29 ABSTAIN: AGAINST: 6 ABSENT: