

CONSERVATION GRANT SCHEMES

CONSERVATION SECTION
DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

Introduction

- Built Heritage Investment Scheme and Historic Structures Fund are administered annually by Local Authorities on behalf of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Combined funding of €9million Euro nationally in 2023 representing a significant investment in the preservation of Ireland's built heritage.
- Each year Conservation Section oversees grants within the Dublin City Council administrative area.

Grant Schemes

- Managed by Architectural Conservation Officers.
- Supported by Conservation administration team.
- Essential assistance provided by City Architects for applicant assessment and grant inspection.
- External conservation professionals engaged for grant inspection.
- Allows the completion of a large number of projects within tight annual timeframes.
- Projects are inspected prior to commencement and at the end of the project
- Recoupment of both schemes is undertaken in October and November each year and involves significant input from our administrative and finance colleagues.

Built Heritage Investment Scheme

- Main stream of funding, supports owners of historic structures to safeguard and maintain their properties and also supports skilled heritage craftspeople.
- In 2023, DCC received grant aid of €492,800 and has forwarded 64 projects for approval by the Department.

Year	Grant Aid Received from Dept.	Projects Completed	Total Spent on Repairs	Private Leveraged Funds	Days of Employment Created
2022	€503,800	50	€1,290,399	€786,599	2370
2021	€385,231	63	€1,512,206	€1,125,974	2967

Historic Structures Fund

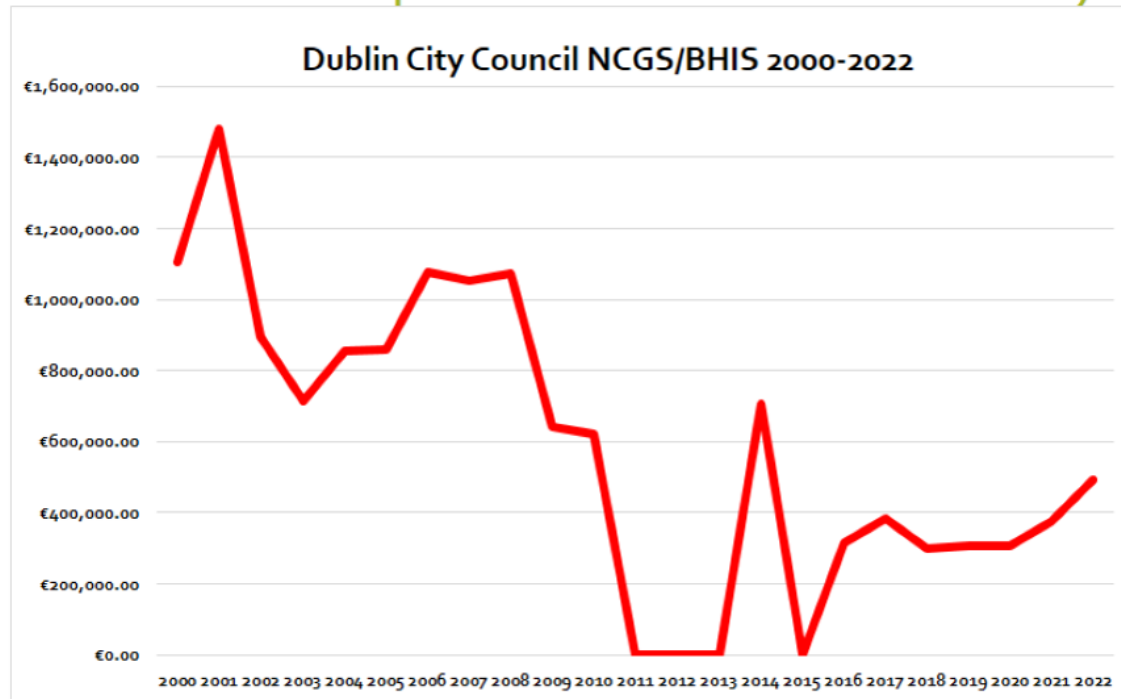
- Second avenue of funding is Historic Structures Fund.
- Primary focus is the conservation and enhancement of historic structures and buildings for communities and public.
- Not generally applicable to private house.
- Highly competitive scheme with DCC competing nationally.
- Applications allowed under a number of different streams
 - Stream 1
 - Stream 1 (Historic Shopfronts)
 - Stream 2
 - Vernacular Structures

Historic Structures Fund

- In 2023 DCC received 20 HSF applications by closing date.
- Following assessment of these applications, 7 were submitted for approval by the Department.

Year	Applications Received	Applications Successful	Streams	Total funding received
2022	18	5	Stream 1 (3 projects), Stream 2 (2 projects)	€350,000
2021	18	4	Stream 1 (4 projects including 1 Historic Shopfront)	€174,250
2020	18	2	Stream 1 (2 projects)	€60,000

Grant Funding over the years (still at 54% reduction compared to 2008 allocation)



Happy Ring House, O'Connell Street Upper, Dublin 1



Repair of Neon Lighting 2021



Repair of Clock 2022

26 Montpelier Hill, Dublin 7



Chimneystacks & Roof
Repair 2020



Window
Reinstatement 2022



Window
Reinstatement 2021

ACA Projects – DeCourcey Square, Dublin 9



No.30 – Reinstatement of
Historic Windows - 2020



No.8 – Repair of Historic Door
- 2021

George Bernard Shaw House, 33 Synge Street, Dublin 8



Repair of Roof 2021

Price's Medical Hall, Clare Street, Dublin 2



Emergency Temporary Propping
- BHIS 2020



Repair of Victorian shopfront –
HSF funding 2021

St Audeon's Church of Ireland Church, High Street, Dublin 8



HSF 2020 – Completion of works to the tower



BHIS 2022 – Completion of works to west gable