

To the Chairperson and Members of the  
South Central Area Committee

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**Part 8 Notification for information purposes only  
New Library for Crumlin / Drimnagh**

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**Dublin City Libraries** aim to deliver a modern branch library facility for the Crumlin/Drimnagh area. The area is currently served by Dolphin's Barn Library, Walkinstown Library and Inchicore Library, all of which are situated an average of 1.8km from the Crumlin/Drimnagh area.

The proposed new library will be located on Crumlin Road, within part of the site of a previous secondary school complex called Ard Scoil Eanna. This is deemed to be a suitable central location for a library serving the areas of Crumlin, Drimnagh, Kimmage and surrounding areas.

This proposed new library location is ideally positioned an approximate 20 minute walk from Inchicore, Dolphin's Barn and Walkinstown libraries. Once completed the library will strengthen the existing network of Dublin City Libraries across the South Central Area.

The new development will comprise a two-storey new-build library of approx. 1000 sqm; extensive landscaping of grounds for use by the public; renovation of Ard Scoil Eanna House (with a plan for use as a café in a later phase); entrances at front from Crumlin Road at rear from Rafter's Lane.

Dublin City Libraries are very grateful to DCC Architects for their support on this project.

DCC Architects have undertaken to:

- Manage the Part 8 planning application process in accordance with the requirements set out in the City Council's '**Local Authority Works Part 8 Procedure**'.
- Undertake the preliminary design of the new library including landscaping, plus renovation plans for the Ard scoil Eanna two-storey building
- Arrange Architectural Heritage Impact Assessment for Ard scoil Eanna House, which is a protected structure.
- Manage the procurement of all suitably qualified professionals to prepare the Part 8 documentation including QS cost plan; Landscape Architect

layouts and design report; Civil and Transport engineers drainage drawings and design reports; Flood Risk Assessment; AA Screening Report; Topographical Survey; and illustrative views for proposed development, in accordance with City Council procurement requirements.

- Manage the procurement of other professional services that may be required in preparing the design of the new library, in accordance with City Council procurement requirements.

DCC Libraries seeks approval of the South East Area Committee of their intention to initiative a Part 8 application in Summer 2023.

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