

**The Chairman and Members of
North West Area Committee.**

Meeting: 12th December 2023

Item No: 6

**St Canice's Graveyard, Finglas: December Update
to the Chair and Members of the North West Area Committee**

Conservation Works – Phase 2 (CMF Grant 2023)

The site was inspected by the DCC CMF team of professionals and the Department and the documentation for the CMF Grant 2023 funded works (€100,000) was submitted by the deadline, last month. The conservation works to the church ruins are still underway, as project management resources and additional funds were allocated to the project by DCC Parks including €75,000 provided through the Archaeology Section's capital budget. These additional works are expected to be completed by the end of the year. Once complete the entire church will have been conserved and will be not only safe from and resilient to climatic changes but its appearance will be greatly improved. We would like to thank the local stakeholders for their ongoing patience and support during the works phase.



General Project Updates

- Due to the local bereavement, the proposed on-site Autumn Stakeholder update was postponed. We plan to meet the key stakeholders in January or February, at a date convenient to local stakeholders. This will include an update on the Nethercross report. Stakeholders may indicate preferred dates through the Area Office.
- We propose to continue the bespoke landscape maintenance regime in 2024.
- We proposed to apply to the CMF Grant 2024 scheme for additional funds for works at the site.

Next Steps

- Review recently commissioned specialist assessments to inform next steps.
- The proposed January/February site visit will be an opportunity to discuss next steps.
- Prepare application for CMF 2024 for submission 14 February

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