

DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

DECEMBER MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

1 December – 31 December 2019

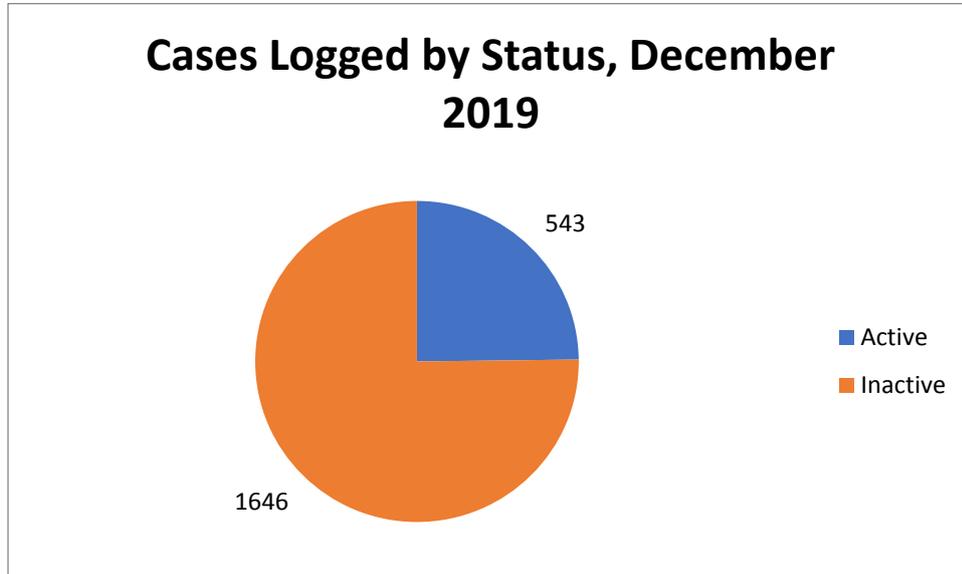
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Cases logged in December 2019



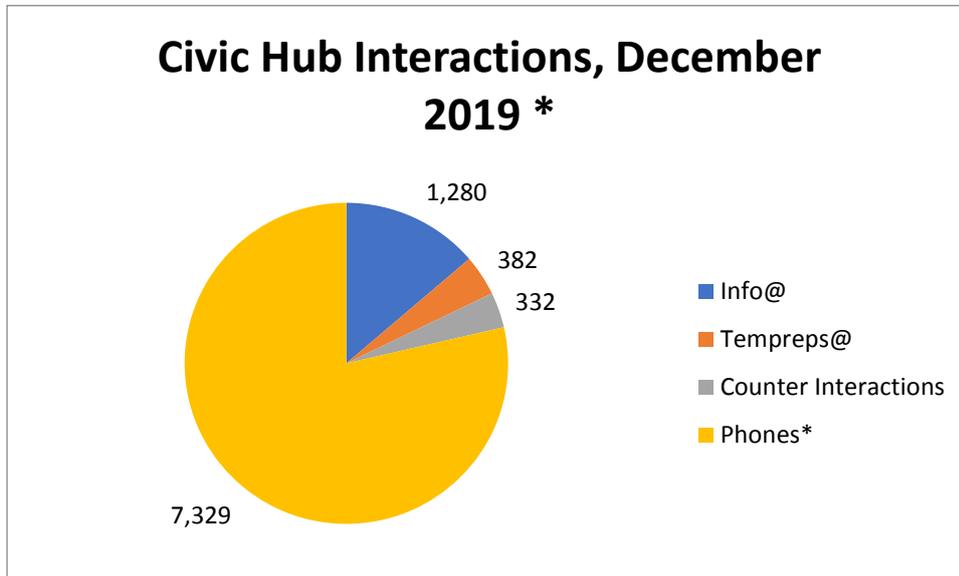
Open	543
Closed	1646

Cases Logged in December 2019, by Section:

Section/Dept.	Open	Closed	Total
Architects	2	2	4
Ballyogan Depot	3	3	6
CoCo	1	2	3
Comms & Civic Hub	19	584	603
Community	2	3	5
Corporate Services	4		4
dlrcoco	2		2
Enterprise	1	1	2
Environment	203	411	614
Finance	52	192	244
Housing	25	126	151
Parks	72	46	118
Planning	6	7	13
Property	3	3	6
Transportation	132	210	342
Waste Enforcement	16	44	60
Water Services		12	12
Grand Total	543	1646	2189

Civic Hub Activities:

Cases logged in December 2019 * Pie chart excludes abandoned calls



Phone Statistics	Answered Directly	Transferred to overflow
	6,530	799

Emails received	Info@	Tempreps@	Total Emails
	1,280	382	1,662

Counter Interactions	Civic Hub	Appointments	Total
	228	104	332

Social Media and Website Activity – December 2019

Social Media

Twitter Accounts*	Tweets	Followers
dlr corporate	64	13,598
dlr libraries	86	7,246
dlr events	17	5,257

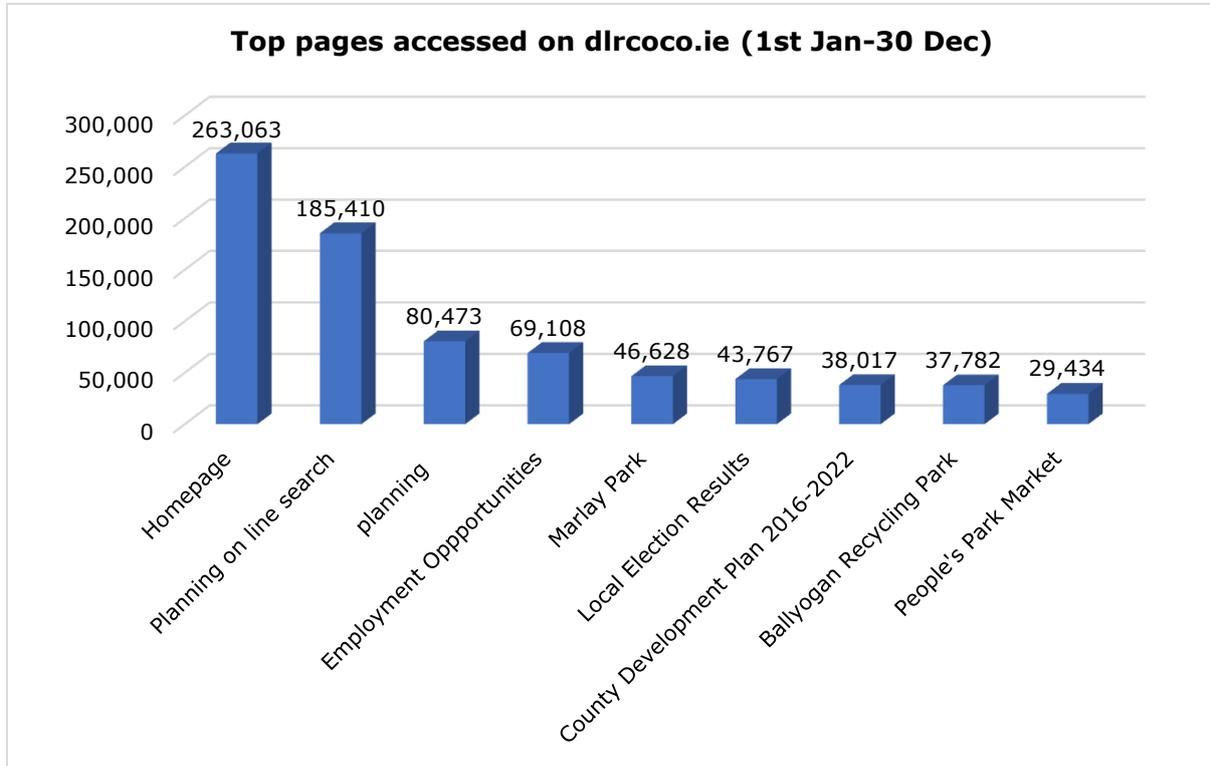
*On average per month there are 300+ tweets across all dlr accounts

Facebook Accounts*	Facebook Posts	Followers
dlr Corporate	51	9,897
dlr libraries	88	5,390
dlr events	65	10,088

*On average per month there are 300+ posts across all dlr Facebook accounts

Website Activity – page views

dlrcoco.ie 127,822
 dlrevents.ie 93,716
 dlrlibraries.ie 60,978



Press Queries

24 Press queries in December.

Freedom of Information

9 Freedom of Information requests were received in December 2019.

1. Road Maintenance Management Report December 2019

	STATUS				Comment
	Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
Roads Programme					Comments
Ashlawn Estate (Includes Capital)	✓				Part of larger Public Realm Scheme
Rathsallagh Estate				✓	
Glenageary Road Upper (Sallynoggin to Killiney Towers)	✓				East 2019, West 2020, and includes Bellevue.
Ballinlea Road (part of)				✓	Avondale Road to Ballinlea Wood.
Tivoli Road				✓	
Adelaide Road		✓			From Eden Rd Lower to Villarea Park
Ballinteer Avenue		✓			
Green Route (Northbound)				✓	
Grangefield Estate				✓	
Nutgrove Avenue				✓	Public realm works in collaboration with Traffic Section
Kilmacud Road Lower (incl. Old Kilmacud Road)				✓	
The Park, Cabinteely (Valeview Lawn)				✓	
Ballyedmonduff Road (Surface Dressing)				✓	
Patching Programme					Comments
Old Connaught Avenue (at Conna Wood Estate)				✓	IW have completed sewer upgrade works
Maretimo Gardens West.				✓	
Eblana Avenue				✓	
Dalkey Avenue	✓				
Shanganagh Road centreline joint at Cemetery				✓	
Georges Place		✓			
Mine Hill Lane				✓	
Shanganagh Road at Olcovar, Rathsallagh Junction & Aubrey Park				✓	
Hillcrest Road				✓	
Sandyford Village				✓	
Woodpark Estate				✓	
Broadford Road		✓			
St. Patrick's Park				✓	
Brehonfield Road (at junction of Kingston Estate)				✓	
Stillorgan Road (old N11) Mount Merrion Avenue to Belfield	✓				
Footpaths Programme					Comments
Dún Laoghaire town				✓	Royal Terrace, Melifont Avenue, Rosmeen Garden, Queens Rd
Blackrock town				✓	Bath Place, Temple Road Jcn, Side Rd off Georges Ave, Georges Avenue, Anglesea Parade
Hyde Road Dalkey	✓				Public Realm Scheme, Parks and Traffic input.
Ashlawn Park / Coolevin	✓				
Woodbrook Glen			✓		
Killiney Road				✓	
Killiney Avenue				✓	
Pine Valley				✓	

Sandyford Business District			✓	Holly Avenue and Birch Avenue
St Columbanus			✓	
Broadford Estate		✓		
Westminster Road			✓	
St Laurence's Park			✓	
Kilmacud Road (from Junction with South Ave.)			✓	
Kerrymount Avenue	✓			
National Road Programme				Comments
N31 resurfacing, Coast Road from Newtown Avenue to Marine Road	✓			Including bus bay at Dún Laoghaire DART station, and Crofton Road footpaths
Bridge Programme				Comments
Belfield Flyover		✓		
Category 3 Bridges				
Drainage / Gully programme				Comments
Quinn's Road, Shankill (at Tennis club)			✓	Completed January 2019
Killiney Hill Road (at Padua)			✓	
Woodpark, Ballinteer			✓	Completed January 2019
Ard Mhuire Park, Dalkey			✓	
Seafield Road, Killiney	✓			Investigation and remedial work if necessary
Gully remedial works	✓			Ongoing works to solve flooding at various locations
Estate Management works				Comments
Rathsallagh Park – Road Resurfacing			✓	Part of wider resurfacing works in Rathsallagh estate
Meadowlands-Fitzgerald Park – Repairs to Cobblelock			✓	
Kilcross Estate – Replacement of damaged footpaths			✓	
Taking-In-Charge Works				Comments
Beechpark Avenue to Foxrock Wood laneway	✓			
Parking area at shops, the Rise, Mount Merrion				Subject to funding and TIC at Council meeting.
Accessibility Works (Pilot)				Comments
Lynnwood to Ballinteer	✓			
Lynnwood to Dundrum			✓	
Loreto Park	✓			
Carysfort Avenue, at Avondale Lawn			✓	
Ballinteer Avenue			✓	Accessibility improvements for 'Cycle Bus' initiative
Cycleway Maintenance (Pilot)				Comments
As required				Locations identified through CRM/cyclist feedback/Reps from Elected Representatives
Other Works				Comments
Sea Wall at Brighton Vale			✓	Repair of Wall post Storm Emma for completion in April

2. Traffic & Road Safety

Traffic & Road Safety Schemes –December 2019

	Preliminary Design Stage	Public Consultation	Detailed Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	Comment
NTA Schemes							
N11 Brewery Road Safety Improvement scheme			✓				
Sandyford Cycle Route (UCD accessibility on Clonskeagh Road)					✓		Works substantially complete
Sandyford Cycle Route (Drummartin Link Road / Rotary)				✓			
Stillorgan Road Cycle Route (UCD accessibility at Nova)				✓			Contractor to be appointed January 2020
Brides Glen Greenway	✓						
East Coast Trail (Merrion Gates to Seapoint)	✓						Studies underway
Wyattville Road Cycle route – stage 2	✓						Tender for detailed design has been awarded
Sandyford Cycle route (UCD to Clonskeagh) Phase 3	✓						Tender for detailed design has been issued
Monkstown Road Cycle Route					✓		Cycle track red surfacing tender awarded. Work to be commenced in Spring 2020
Cherrywood Greenway	✓						Consultant appointed
Dodder Greenway	✓						Work on the Design of preferred option is being progressed by DCC
Cycle Parking						✓	Tender issued for procuring more cycle stands

Other schemes

- Stillorgan Village Area Movement Framework Plan - Phase 2-Lower Kilmacud Road from 100m east of the junction with Upper Kilmacud Road to the Access Road into Kilmacud Crokes GAA Club. Awaiting funding approval. Work on behalf of Transport Infrastructure Ireland to upgrade road directional signage along the N11 and N31 is complete.
- Speed Alert Signage- Work ongoing in installing Speed Alert signs at 10 locations on the Regional Road Network throughout the County.

Road Safety and Cycling

- Traffic Section supported Operation "Open City" in conjunction with the Gardaí and other agencies involved from the December 2 to December 24, 2019
- The Road Safety section held 3 meetings with School Wardens in December, 2019 (3rd to the 5th of December)
- Training of newly recruited school wardens took place in Dundrum sub office on the 11th of December, 2019
- Road Safety Plan review presented to Dundrum and Dún Laoghaire Area Committees
- Cycle Forum meeting held on December 18, 2019 and made a presentation of cycling activities

BusConnects Dublin Update

Details are available on the BusConnects website (www.busconnects.ie) and ***the consultation ran to 10th December 2019.***

As part of the consultation process for the bus services proposals, **two public information days were held in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire:**

- **on Thursday 14th November from 11:30am to 5:30pm; and**
- **on Friday 15th November from 1:30pm to 7:30pm.**

Staff of the NTA were available at those information days to answer queries and provide information in relation to the revised service plans.

Delivery of the BusConnects Core Bus Corridor infrastructure projects:

The NTA will be briefing the Council on the latest design developments in January 2020. The next phase of the public consultation is expected in Q1 2020.

It is intended that Quarterly Reporting on the BusConnects will form part of the Council's Quarterly Management Report going forward.

3. Water & Drainage

Drainage and Flood Alleviation

Tenders have been received for Engineering and Environmental Consultants for Flood Risk Management works on the Deansgrange Stream. The assessment has been completed and an award has been made mid-November. The kick off meeting is planned for mid-December. This commission, and all approved civil works, will be funded by the OPW.

Tenders will be invited **at end January 2020** for Contractors to construct the new screen/flood storage structure in Kilbogget Park. **An advance contract will be tendered to manage Invasive Species on the site of the proposed works.**

Tenders are currently being prepared for Engineering and Environmental Consultants for the Carrickmines/Shanganagh Rivers. **Tenders have been invited mid-December with Tenders due back mid February 2020.**

Drainage Section is working closely with the OPW as they commence the update process of the published flood maps as required by the Floods Directive.

A contract has been awarded for the installation of a surface water pipe, and ancillary works, at Cairnbrook in Glenamuck. This will facilitate construction of the proposed social housing scheme in the adjacent Rockville Drive site. Construction has commenced on site on the 25th November 2019 **and the works have now been substantially completed.**

Hydraulic modelling of the Dundrum Slang Stream is complete. An independent audit is complete. Modelling of flood alleviation options will be complete in February 2020.

Tender documents are being prepared for consultants to prepare detailed flood risk maps for the Monkstown environs streams. It is planned that this project will be tendered at the end of January 2020.

Draft Flood Risk management Plans (FRMPs)

The Flood Risk management Plans were launched on 3rd May 2018 and these were adopted by the Council at the Council Meeting on the 10th September.

All three Flood Risk Management Plans (FRMPs) in the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council area (Deansgrange/Loughlinstown/Shanganagh, Carysfort- Maretimo and Old Connaught Wilford) have been included in the Ten-Year €1 billion Programme of Investment in Flood Relief Measures with Deansgrange/Loughlinstown/Shanganagh included in the first tranche of €257 million in funding for 50 new flood relief schemes to proceed to detailed design.

The OPW have asked DLR to project manage the scheme and have agreed to fund the necessary in-house project management personnel. The first Steering Group Meeting was held in October 2018. DLRCC will allocate/recruit experienced personnel in Q1/2 2020 to project manage the schemes.

4. Parks

Parks & Landscaping Service:

- Works commenced Sorrento Park
- Remedial Tree Works for East Side ongoing
- Dogs off leash run progressing on site Kilbogget Park. Fencing erected.
- O'Rourke Park railings erected
- Bulb planting east county Completed
- Grass maintenance on going
- Remedial Tree works for West Side ongoing
- Flailing of hedgerows ongoing (West)
- Flailing of hedgerows ongoing (East)
- Tree Procurement tender awarded (West)
- Potting Shed/Greenhouse progressing on site in Fernhill
- Tree Care Programme West was presented at Dundrum area committee meeting in December

Biodiversity

- Bird Workshops for Schools with BirdWatch Ireland
- Biosphere – Dublin Bay Biosphere Partnership Meeting Dec 4th
- Biodiversity Events Dec - Bird Watching in Kilbogget Park Sunday, December 15th
- Continuation of Red Squirrel surveys Killiney and Fernhill 2019
- Continuation of Brent Geese surveys of Inland sites in DLR 2019
- Commencement of the Brent Geese Tagging Project 2019 in collaboration with FCC and DCC.
- Draft concepts for the Biodiversity themed UCD College of Science Artist in Residence 2020 - Biodiversity in DLR

DLR Events Highlights

Dún Laoghaire Christmas Festival ran from Saturday November 30th to Sunday December 23rd 2019.

CoCo Markets

During the month of December we received 1 permanent application for Marlay Park. This application fell under the following category:
1 application for Hot Food

Sports Services:

Sports Development

Leinster Rugby:

- **Leinster Rugby Tag Rugby Program:**
Primary schools 9 - 562 boys, 410 girls = 972 total
- **Leinster Rugby Coach Development Workshops in DLRCC:**
CBC Monkstown Vision 22 Coach/Player Development = 22 players & 2 coaches
Old Wesley RFC - Tackle Workshop = 15 players & 6 coaches
- **Inclusion Rugby:**
Seapoint RC Dragons V South African Titans (Invitational Club Schools Level) - 8th of December 2019
- **Leinster Rugby Development Rugby Schools:**
Leinster Rugby Development Cup Finals Day Donnybrook (Energia Park) 17th of December 2019 - St Benildus College (DLRCC) V Ballymakenny College - KO 4.00pm
- Senior Cup

FAI:

- Primary Schools - 150 boys and girls
- Coach Education - 11 clubs attended Coach Education 2020 planning meeting. Eight courses planned for January and February.
- Glow Football - 70 girls
- Late Night League Finals - 34 boys and 6 girls attended.
- Club Sessions - 20 boys, 20 girls, 6 coaches

Leinster Cricket:

- There were meetings for budgets for 2020 and with coaching staff re availability etc as well as admin for end of year participation reports completed. And of course Jim Stewart attended the meeting on Dec 12th. However, due to annual leave from Dec 10th - 18th and a cancelled session the first week of December due to weather there were no school sessions completed during this time.

Sports Partnership:

- Ballyogan Sports & Activity Hub – promoting sport and physical activity among young people in the Ballyogan area. Carrying out research to review progress to date and key areas for action in 2020.
- Communications Workshop held with partner agencies to develop public and inter-agency knowledge of existing opportunities in the Hub area.
- Primary Schools Table Tennis – roll out of pilot initiative in Gaelscoil Sliabh Rua to promote the sport among 2nd to 4th class children.

- Sports Partnership Board – review of membership and representation to ensure an effective operating Board.
- Child Safeguarding in Sport - 3 workshops organised in December (48 volunteers)
- The Daily Mile – continuing to work with primary schools in the County to promote this physical activity initiative.
- Disability Sport Opportunities Brochure – circulation of a user friendly list of the various inclusive sports and activities available for children and adults with a disability.

5. Roads Control Unit December 2019

Reinstatement works

Roads Control Unit is continuing to carry out permanent reinstatements on behalf of Water Services Section as agreed under the Service Level Agreement with Irish Water. In 2019, the Contractor (Richard Nolan Civil Engineering Limited) has completed 420 no. locations to date.

Restoration works

Restoration works continue on Cunningham Drive and are nearing completion.

6. Cleansing Section Information & Statistics

Cleansing & Beaches Section Statistics: June 2019 – November 2019

Cleansing & Beaches Stats	June 2019	July 2019	August 2019	September 2019	October 2019	November 2019
Weight of Rubbish Collected from Streets/Beaches (tonnes)	215	253	200	246	366	365
Clean-Ups Assisted	58	60	36	52	56	45
Animal Removals from Public Spaces	23	20	36	29	60	22
Bathing Water Samples Taken	54	56	37	43	0	0
Gullies Cleaned	851	988	834	1507	1284	1151
Dumping Incidents Managed	51	79	78	54	71	64
Bathing Water Pollution Incidents Detected	4	1	1	1	0	0
Reported Overflows from Drainage Network to Bathing Water	8	1	10	19	13	44
Street Bin Collections	3,598	3,598	3,619	3,401	3500	3088

* Statistics available up to the end of November 2019.

Cleansing & Beaches Project Updates – December 2019

- Cleansing works (*gully cleaning and road sweeping*) have been completed on Kill Lane / Clonkeen Drive and environs. Due to Operation 'Open City' which commenced on 02/12/19 cleansing works have been curtailed on the main road network. The focus instead has been more on local roads, housing estates and

emergency works. Cleansing works will commence again in full in the New Year when the 'Open City' traffic restrictions have been lifted.

- Cleansing works on the N11 (*gully cleaning, road sweeping and weed control*) will be carried out in the New Year when the Design Plan for Maintenance Works Report is finalised. Following this, a design plan for cleansing works on the Rock Road will also be progressed.
- Design of the initial Content Management for the Digital Screens at Seapoint Beach and Sandycove Beach has been completed. The screens will be installed early in the New Year.
- A review of all signage at Killiney Beach will be carried out in the early part of 2020 to assist with identifying areas where current signage is inadequate or even non-existent.
- The further survey information required for the upgrade / restoration works at the Forty Foot swimming area will be carried out in the New Year.
- The Smart Bin Review for the second half of 2019 is being finalised. Once complete, the review will go to the area committee meetings before being published on the dlr website www.dlrcoco.ie

7. Relevant Statistics

1. Parking Unit

There were 2,923 fixed charge notices/fines issued during December 2019.

2. Public Lighting

Work continues on the replacement of the old lights with LED lighting which is more energy efficient, gives less maintenance and improved service. General maintenance including upgrading of brackets, columns and Networks is also on-going.

Public Lighting Maintenance

Number of repairs carried out in Dec 2019:	278
Percentage of lights out at the end of Dec 2019:	1%
Pole replacement carried out in Dec 2019:	0
Bracket replacements:	54
Tree trimming:	0
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	12
LED Upgrades	63

LED Upgrading Program

A list of these can be found on www.dlrcoco.ie

Planning and Building Control

Applications analysed	32
Inspections completed	2

Requests

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	2
Alterations:	6
Legal requests:	0

3. Road Opening Licences December 2019

Road Opening Licences received on 2019 via MRL System up to 23rd December 2019.

No. Road Opening Licences ROLs						
Received	Conditioning	Processed	T5 Rejected	Signed Off	Guarantee Period	Refused/ Withdrawn
2232	56	1074	1	340	576	185

Road Closures, Street Furniture, event signage and filming applications

There were no applications for a Road closure in December and 1 application for filming on locations in the County.

There were also no applications for street furniture and 5 applications for Event signage in December 2019

Finance and Economic Development

Local Enterprise Office (LEO)

Financial assistance approved year to date for 2019

Period	No. of feasibility study approvals	No. of business priming approvals	No. of business expansion approvals	No. of Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters approvals	Total no. of applications approved	No. of Trading Online Vouchers approved	No. of client applications submitted to Microfinance Ireland
January – December 2019	16	17	7	30	70	69	9
Enterprise Ireland Target to December	14	16	10	18	58	50	20

Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance Year to Date 2019

January - December Jobs Created	47
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Clients assisted in LEO activities Year to Date for 2019

Period	No. of applications for financial assistance	No. of clients attending networking events	No. of clients commencing training / attending workshops or seminars	No. of clients commencing mentoring assignments	No. of clients attending business advice clinics	Total no. of clients assisted
January - December 2019	139	962	1657	96	269	3123

DLR Economic Development Supports	Vacant Commercial Premises Scheme	Shop Front Improvement Scheme	Business Promotion Grants
January - December 2019	7	10	14

Enterprise Promotion activities in December 2019

One-to-One Business Advice Sessions	December 11th, 14 th , 16th and 17th
Group Business Information Session	December 12th
Dublin Food Chain event	December 10th
Enterprising Women Network	December 3rd



DLRCC made an application Failte Ireland as part of the Developed and Emerging Destination Towns, Capital Investment Programme 2019. The title of the proposed project is "Telling the stories of Dún Laoghaire Town" There are four elements proposed as part of this project which will contribute to the overall aim of increasing visitor numbers enhanced dwell time and visitor spend in Dún Laoghaire Town. DLRCC will engage with Failte Ireland in January to progress the implementation of this project.

A New Dublin Coastal Trail is under development with Fáilte Ireland. A new set of Gateway and Destination signage will be developed for key locations outside Monkstown, Dún Laoghaire and Dalkey DART Stations. "

The DLR Tourism website has been revamped and will go live in January.

The DLR Regional Festivals and Participation Grant Scheme for 2020 has been agreed with Failte Ireland. Applications will open from January 2nd to February 7th 2020.

DLR Tourism hosted a short one day workshop (December 4th) for Tourism Providers interested in using video to promote their services through social media channels.

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/11/2019
11 months 91.67%

SERVICE DIVISION		EXPENDITURE		
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	41,989,785	43,150,600	97.31%
B	Road Transport & Safety	26,998,797	29,477,600	91.59%
C	Water Services	11,095,152	12,421,100	89.33%
D	Development Management	18,164,828	19,842,800	91.54%
E	Environmental Services	29,749,347	31,999,200	92.97%
F	Recreation & Amenity	30,783,533	34,263,100	89.84%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	5,339,285	4,585,500	116.44%
H	Miscellaneous Services	8,737,561	8,147,900	107.24%
Total Expenditure		172,858,286	183,887,800	94.00%

SERVICE DIVISION		INCOME		
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	35,667,997	36,902,000	96.66%
B	Road Transport & Safety	11,602,957	11,937,100	97.20%
C	Water Services	7,667,231	8,636,400	88.78%
D	Development Management	5,267,333	5,198,300	101.33%
E	Environmental Services	6,696,965	7,140,900	93.78%
F	Recreation & Amenity	5,151,101	5,406,900	95.27%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,780,394	4,065,600	92.98%
H	Miscellaneous Services	8,420,682	7,720,500	109.07%
Sub Total		84,254,659	87,007,700	96.84%

	Provision for Credit Balance	0	1,500,000	0%
LPT	Local Property Tax	9,958,850	10,864,200	91.67%
RA	Rates	77,805,306	84,515,900	92.06%
Total Income		172,018,815	183,887,800	93.55%

Deficit at 30/11/2019		€839,471		
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**DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/11/2019**

SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2019 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/11/2019 €
A Total Housing & Building	-11,181,035	31,652,032	-27,219,815	-6,748,817
B Total Road Transport & Safety	-8,625,843	4,666,222	-3,537,614	-7,497,235
C Total Water Services	-3,487,760	484,406	-172,638	-3,175,992
D Total Development Management	-44,969,201	12,568,851	-28,278,776	-60,679,126
E Total Environmental Services	-7,326,783	174,409	-2,184,875	-9,337,249
F Total Recreation & Amenity	-11,686,227	7,195,803	-8,112,171	-12,602,594
G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&Safety	-5,200,437	1,270,045	-212,674	-4,143,067
H Total Miscellaneous Services	-37,679,112	1,999,880	-1,024,981	-36,704,213
Grand Total	-130,156,398	60,011,648	-70,743,544	-140,888,294

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 30/11/2019

	Balance at 01/01/2019 €	Balance at 30/11/2019 €	Arrears from current year debit	Arrears >1 year
RATES	14,955,685	20,852,394	11,160,979	9,691,415

Planning Applications – monthly statistics

	Outline Permission	Permission	Total
New application Received*	0	136	136
Decision Deferred	0	25	25
Decision to Grant**	0	82	82
Decision to Refuse**	0	8	8
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	60	60
Invalid Applications	0	17	17

Includes 14 Applications for Retention

**Split decisions; Grant Permission & Refuse Permission (inc. For Retention) are entered in as a decision under both "Decision to Grant" and "Decision to Refuse".

0 Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse)

Strategic Housing Development (SHD) Applications:

Planning Applications received under section 4 of the P&D (Housing) & Residential Tenancies Act 2016

Case No	Applicant's Name & Brief Description of Development	Date Application Received	Last Day for Submissions / Observations	Application Website	Due to be decided by ABP
306160	Declan Taite & Anne O'Dwyer Glenamuck Road / Enniskerry Road, Kilternan, Dublin 18 197 no. Residential units	13/12/2019	27-Jan-2020	www.kilternandoranplanning.com	13/4/2020
306225	Cornel Living Limited Cornelscourt Village, Old Bray Road, Cornelscourt, Dublin 18 452 no. apartments	20/12/2019	03/2/2020	www.cornelscourtplanning.ie	20/04/2020

<http://www.pleanala.ie/shd/applications/index.htm>

Planning Counter Figures

Customers Served	291
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Building Control

Fire Safety Certs applications received	14
Fire Safety Certs applications Granted	11
Fire Safety Certs applications Refused	2
Disability Access Cert Applications Received	9
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted	12
Commencement Notices Validated	28
7 Day Notices received	2
Completion Certs Validated	43

Infrastructure and Climate Change

Environmental Enforcement 1st – 31st December 2019

Litter Fines issued (Litter Pollution Act): 9
 Presentation of Waste (Waste Bye-laws) fines: 3

Legal proceedings initiated: 0

Statutory notices issued by Environmental Enforcement:
 LPA Warning notices: 7
 Waste Warning notices: 0

Environmental Enforcement Section - Waste Enforcement, Air, Noise
 Complaints received 49
 Complaints closed 48

Litter

December 2019	Number	Comment
Litter Fines issued (Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-Laws)	34	
Presentation of Waste (Waste Bye-laws) fines	0	Waste Bye-laws
Legal proceedings initiated	13	
Cases opened (Dumping/Litter)	160	Litter Section
Cases closed (Dumping/Litter)	190	Litter Section

Architects

Dangerous Buildings: 1st Dec – 31st Dec 2019

Dangerous	1
Potentially Dangerous	1
Not Dangerous	1
Total	3

Community and Cultural Development

- **Community Development and Social Inclusion**

Community Development Initiatives

Community activities

Community programmes and initiatives are ongoing across dlr www.dlrcommunity.ie

Community Events

Belarmine Community Centre hosted a **festive tea party**, with carols, readings and music, for elderly people in the local community. On 6th December 2019, 40 guests were treated to a festive tea party and music and dancing.

Glencullen Men's Shed hosted the Glencullen Active Retirement Group and local friends to a **festive carol session** on the 18th December.

Bank of Ireland National Town Enterprise Awards

The annual awards, now in their fourth year, bring business, community groups and local authorities together, in each town, to showcase the spirit of enterprise in their local area. Dundrum were winners in their regional category with Dun Laoghaire received the runners up award in their regional category. <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/ga/node/37868>

Estate Management

All 12 estates took part in a very successful end of year training session for board members. Each group also had an opportunity to provide updates on work they completed in their area in 2019. <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/estate-management>

Pride of Place

This national event took place on the 30th November 2019. Four groups were nominated from the Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown area and these included Making Connections, Meadowlands Fitzgerald Park Estate Management Group, Men's Shed Forum and The National Maritime Museum. Two groups were privileged to receive awards on the night, Meadowlands Fitzgerald Park were awarded Runner Up in Housing Estates Category and The National Maritime Museum received a special award for their voluntary work and showcasing heritage. <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news-press-releases/dlr-win-two-pride-place-awards>

Dlr Comhairle na nÓg

Members from dlr Comhairle na nÓg presented to the December County Council Meeting regarding progress on their workplan and priorities for 2020.

Comhairle's poster campaign on Peer Pressure was launched at their AGM in November, and copies of the poster are being distributed to all secondary schools and youth clubs within the County. <https://www.comhairlenanog.ie/local-comhairle/dun-laoghaire-rathdown/>

Age Friendly

Dlr was represented and commended as part of the leadership of Local Authorities in Age Friendly policies and practices at the launch of Age Friendly Ireland as a Shared Service of Local Government on 16 December. The Age Friendly Programme is a key strategy

to enable people of all ages to actively participate in the community. All 31 Irish Local Authorities received their charters from the World Health Organisation in recognition of their membership of the WHO Global Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities. Ireland became the first country with full membership in April 2019.

<http://agefriendlyireland.ie/>

Community Grants

The dlr Universal Grant Scheme, Round 1 2020 was approved by the County Council at its meeting in December with a total of 272 grants approved. This will support sports, business and various community initiatives across the County. A total of 152 of those approved are community grants.

<http://vdlr-modgov02/documents/s71308/Final%20Recommend%20Order%20Grant%20Scheme%202020.pdf>

The Local and Community Development Committee

A training and networking event was held by POBAL on the 2nd of December regarding the Social inclusion Community Activation programme

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/dlr-local-community-development-committee>

The LCDC met on 4th December, in support of developing, co-ordinating and implementing an integrated approach to local and community development. The meeting included presentations from Southside Travellers Action Group and HSE on HSE's plan.

• Cultural Development

Arts

Musicians in Residence Programme

The final concert of the 2019 residency programme took place in the Studio, dlr LexIcon on 5 December. Percussionist and composer Éamonn Cagney were joined by guitarist Niwel Tsumbu with Darragh O'Kelly on keyboards. This programme is supported by Arts Council funding and is managed by Music Network.

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/music/music-development/musicians-residence-2019>

Workplace Choirs concert

The year finished on a high note when the three workplace choirs came together for a Christmas concert in the Studio, dlr LexIcon on 10 December. The choirs – from the HSE, dlr and Blackrock Further Education Institute – have been meeting in their workplaces on a weekly basis throughout the year with choral directors Elizabeth Hilliard and Grace Bergin. The programme is also supported by Arts Council funding.

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/music/workplace-choirs>

Municipal Gallery: Utopia/Dystopia Open Submission Exhibition

Utopia/Dystopia opened on the 12th of December and features over 40 artists with a connection to the County. It features a variety of artforms and is a celebration of the artistic talent in the county. The exhibition continues until the 26th of January.

The Learning Programme saw lantern making workshops for children, a dementia inclusive tour and an audio described tour for those who are blind or visually impaired.

dlr First Frames Short Films

The 2019/20 dlr First Frames Short Film Awards have been announced. Both films will start production early in 2020. dlr First Frames aims to provide funding and support to emerging filmmakers looking to develop ambitious and creative short films based in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. The Scheme is fully funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County

Council Arts Office and DLR Local Enterprise Office and managed by IADT. Additional equipment and facilities support are provided by the National Film School, IADT.
<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/visual-arts-and-film/dlr-first-frames-201920>

Exit 15 Big Screen Party

On Thursday 5 December the Exit 15 Big Screen Party took place in Ballyogan. Three short films that were made with the local community were screened. This event celebrated the culmination of a dance-filled year in Ballyogan.

Exit 15 is a partnership between Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, Voluntary Arts Ireland and Queen's University Belfast funded by the Arts Council's Invitation to Collaboration Scheme 2017 and Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council.

<http://exit15.ie/>

Libraries

Highlights for December:

Family time at your library

As part of the national Right to Read Programme, storytime sessions for families were held in all libraries in December. <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/>

Christmas crafts and seasonal singalongs

Traditional Christmas craft-making workshops took place during December, including Scandinavian wreathmaking in Cabinteely, Dalkey and Shankill Libraries; Christmas cardmaking for adults and children in Dundrum and Deansgrange Libraries. Music and singalongs continued with Music Generation at dlr Libraries during December in addition to carols from Carraig Doves in Blackrock and Sandyford Youth Band in Stillorgan Library.

LexIcon Lab (Science & Technology)

The Lab programme is ongoing and included a variety of events for adults, including a create your own website workshop, a 3D printing workshop and a graphic design workshop using the Lab's vinyl cutter. A hardware coding workshop for kids was also held in December. <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/library-services/dlr-lexicon-lab>

Exhibition Programme

Divine Illumination: Centenary of the Oratory of the Sacred Heart, Dún Laoghaire. 11 Oct – 4 Jan, dlr LexIcon.

Life and times of Justice Daniel Cohalan: to accompany Dr Michael Doorley's new book Justice Daniel Cohalan, 1865-1946. 6 Nov – 4 Jan 2020, dlr LexIcon. Associated talk by the author Michael Doorley held on 2 Dec in dlr LexIcon.

Dare to dream: Irish people who took on the world (and won!): to accompany Sarah Webb's new book (illustrated by Graham Corcoran). 13 Nov– 4 Jan 2020, dlr LexIcon.

Bicentenary of Bullock Harbour: organised by the Dublin Port Archive in association with Bullock Harbour Preservation Association. 8 Nov – 7 Jan 2020, dlr LexIcon.

<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/current-exhibitions>

Regular Events for Adults

With over 20 book clubs, including teen and audio clubs, December was a busy month for many of our clubs. Our language courses continued with the LexIcon's weekly Coffee morning as Gaeilge, Language exchange sessions in Irish, French, German, Italian and Spanish in Deansgrange, and weekly English language groups for those for whom English is a second language in dlr LexIcon and Stillorgan Library.

David Butler held a two-week creative writing workshop on 5 & 12 December in dlr LexIcon. As part of our **Work Matters at the Library** programme, a talk on Money Matters with financial well-being coach Aileen Morrissey, was held in dlr LexIcon on 3 December. A performance of 'Zandra, Queen of Jazz', by Roseanne Lynch was held on 6 & 7 Dec in the Studio, dlr LexIcon.

Find out what's on in your dlr Library with our handy event calendar:

<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/event-calendar>

Regular Events for Children

Throughout December, regular Lego clubs continued in Dalkey Library & dlr LexIcon, with STEAM Saturdays taking place fortnightly in Cabinteely Library. Branches in Blackrock, Dalkey, dlr LexIcon and Stillorgan held regular junior/teen book/film clubs.

Early years creative play programme took place every Friday in Dalkey Library. For more information on Baby Book Clubs, Parent and Toddler Groups, Storytime sessions and musical events with Music Generation dlr, please check event calendar:

<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/event-calendar>

Music Generation dlr

- 3 young musicians from Sandyford Youth Band participated in Sir James Galway's 80th Birthday performance in the National Concert Hall. They were part of 80 young musicians from all around Ireland. The performance was broadcast on Lyric FM in December 2019.
- Music Generation dlr and Rockjam, one of the Music Generation dlr Service Providers, have begun testing the new ukulele programme – the ukulele license, in schools in the county. The new programme will be launched in 2020 is the first of its kind for a MG county. It is comprised of a loyalty card where participants collect stickers upon completing each module and there is online content supporting each module.
- MG dlr help workshops with participating primary schools. 2,300 children participated in percussion, Singing and Body Percussion and with a string quartet.

<https://www.musicgeneration.ie/programmes/details/music-generation-dun-laoghaire-rathdown/>

Further info:

Please see What's On Guide (Oct-Dec) and our new (Jan-Mar) issue for information. https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/sites/default/files/whatson_janmar2020_web_friendly_pdf_0.pdf

Keep up with what's happening in dlr Libraries by signing up for fortnightly e-bulletin: <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/dlr-libraries-ebulletin>

Statistics

1. Libraries: (November 2019 stats)

Registered Patrons: **56,624** (26% of dlr population)

My Open Library patrons: **1,521**

Issues: **91,337**

Digital library issues: **30,230** (+56% on Nov 2018)

Footfall: **89,954** (daily average footfall of 3,616)

Self-Service Usage: Average of **69%** across the branches

Reserves placed: **4,840**

Wi-Fi & Internet Usage: **15,597** sessions

2. Social media platforms (December 2019)

Facebook: 5,389 followers

Twitter: 7,249 followers

Instagram: 1,808 followers

6,234 subscribers to fortnightly Libraries e-bulletin.

December Events

Best Parties Ever - 1920's themed Christmas Parties - Parties were held throughout December