

DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

OCTOBER to DECEMBER QUARTERLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

1 October – 17 December 2021

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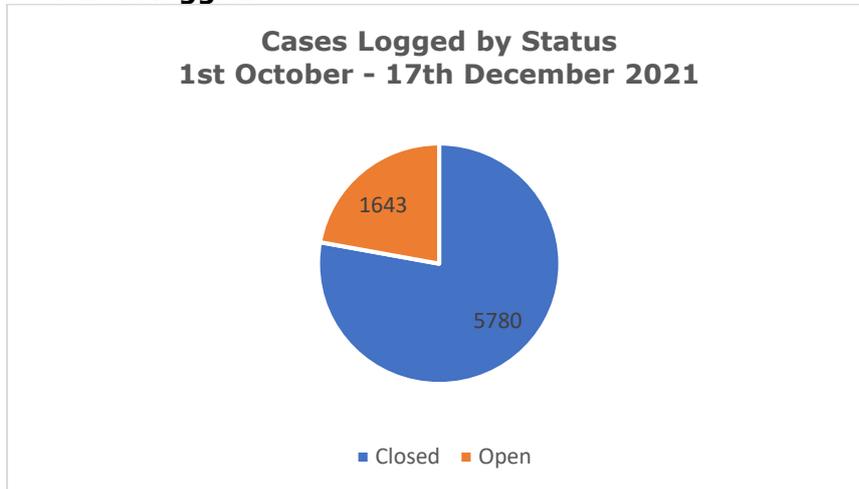
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CRM Statistics

Cases logged



Open	1,643
Closed	5,780

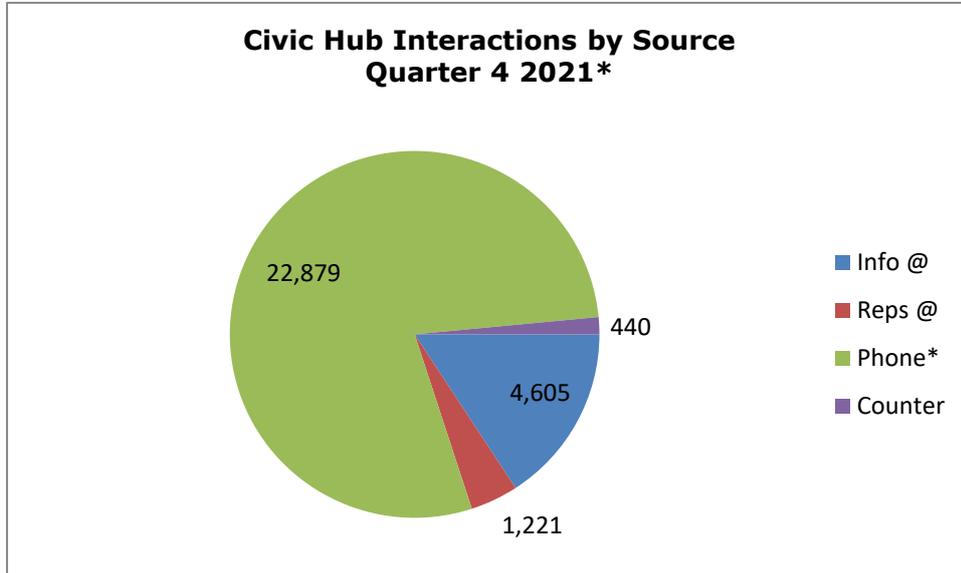
Cases logged by section

Section/Dept	Active	Inactive	Total
Architects	3	23	26
Ballyogan Depot	3	4	7
CoCo	5	16	21
Comms & Civic Hub	43	1462	1505
Community	6	14	20
Corporate Services	9	5	14
dlrcoco	16	2	18
Enterprise	1	6	7
Environment	194	1429	1623
Finance	56	715	771
Housing	68	256	324
HR	1		1
Law	1		1
Libraries	1	4	5
Parks	641	459	1100
Planning	7	43	50
Property	24	14	38
Transportation	552	1110	1662
Waste Enforcement	9	159	168
Water Services	3	59	62
Grand Total	1643	5780	7423

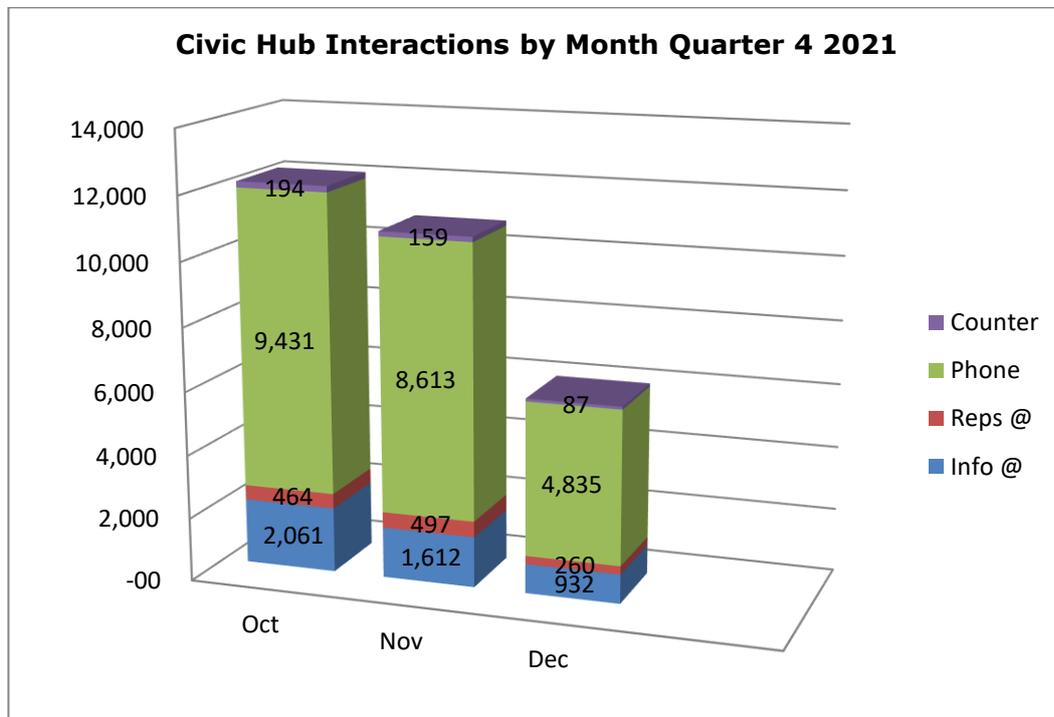
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Dlr Civic Hub:

In Quarter 4 of 2021, the Civic Hub has dealt with over 29,145 customer interactions.



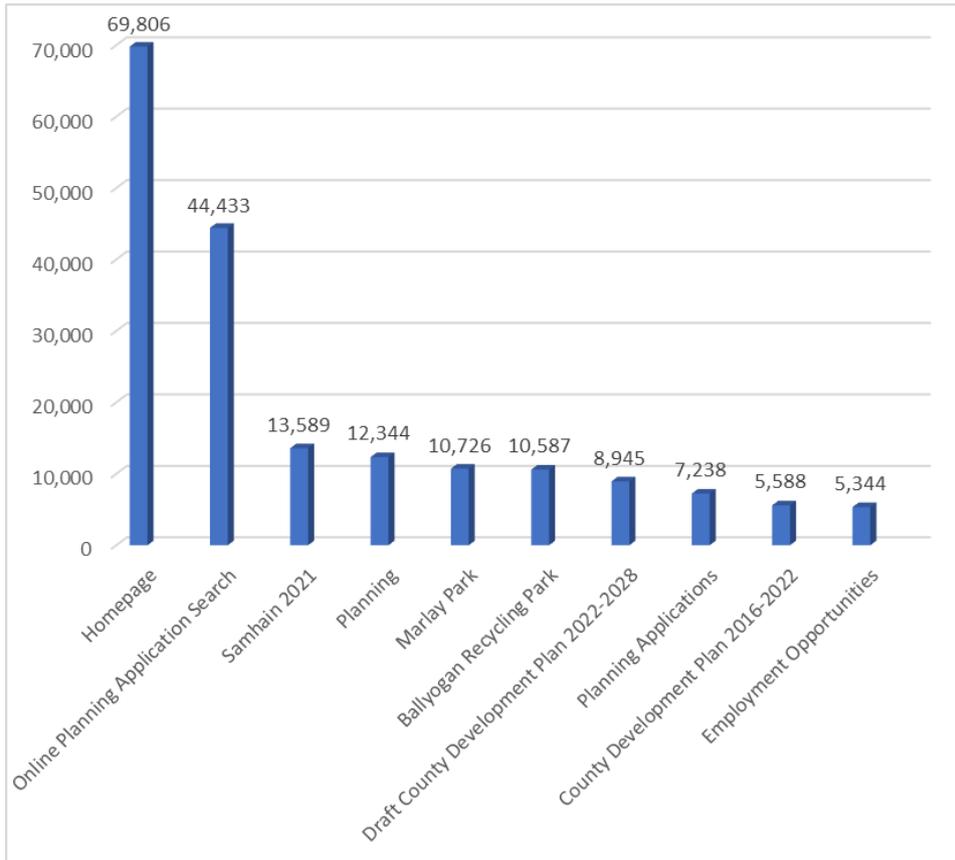
Over the past 3 months the figures break down monthly as follows:



Website Activity – Page Views

Website	Page Views
Dlrcco.ie	550,944
Dlrevents.ie	41,125
dlrLibraries	111,375

Top Pages



Social Media Activity

Profile ^	Audience	Net Audience Growth	Published Posts	Impressions	Engagements	Engagement Rate (per Impression)	Video Views
Reporting Period	70,929	1,283	2,931	4,221,336	168,513	4%	149,698
Oct 1, 2021 - Dec 17, 2021	↗ 2.3%	↘ 19.3%	↗ 4.2%	↘ 25.7%	↘ 9.6%	↗ 21.7%	↘ 2.6%
Compare to	69,307	1,590	2,813	5,683,394	186,389	3.3%	153,641
Jul 15, 2021 - Sep 30, 2021							
 @DLR_Libraries	8,505	88	233	264,683	7,849	3%	3,948
 @dlrArts	2,785	68	183	126,673	3,209	2.5%	1,987
 @dlrcc	18,334	313	823	1,565,818	57,194	3.7%	67,695
 @dlrheritage	3,877	19	29	24,236	1,193	4.9%	22
 @leo_dlr	5,569	25	93	28,760	761	2.6%	212
 dlrcoco.ie	5,206	362	644	533,925	6,625	1.2%	5,493
 dlrevents	11,127	230	106	281,836	25,585	9.1%	4,749
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	12,850	161	744	1,303,013	61,919	4.8%	63,890
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership	2,676	17	76	92,392	4,178	4.5%	1,702

Press Queries

37 press queries were received between the 1st of October and 17th of December.

Freedom of Information

34 FOI Requests were received between the 1st of October and 17th of December.

Finance and Economic Development

Visit by Minister of State Damien English TD



Minister of State for Business, Employment and Retail, Damien English TD, visited the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Enterprise Office (LEO) on Thursday 21st October and afterwards met with some of the LEO client companies.

The team delivered a presentation for Minister English that showcased a wide range of unique Enterprise, Economic Development and Tourism supports which have been innovated internally, demonstrating the ongoing commitment to support the local economy to prosper. The Minister acknowledged this effort.

The Minister then called to the Media Cube, a start-up innovation centre based on the Institute of Art, Design and Technology campus in Dún Laoghaire.

The Media Cube, with whom LEO DLR work in close partnership, has recently announced a five-year partnership to deliver the New Frontiers programme in Dublin and North Wicklow.

At the Cube, Minister English was introduced to Criona Turley, CEO of Capella Workstation Solutions, a start-up that provides practical tools to help companies manage their hybrid workforce. Minister English also met Russell Walsh of VivaGreen, a world leader in the research and development of biodegradable, chemical and plastic-free materials. The company was set up by Russell and his brother, Garrett and their products include chemical free moss killer, biodegradable landscaping stakes and compostable bags.

In his final engagement of the day, Minister English was joined by Minister Josepha Madigan TD and met with the board of Sandyford Business District. The board seek to attract and retain businesses in an area that is home to more than 1,000 businesses and 27,000 employees. The Economic Team in DLR works in partnership with the Sandyford Business District on many important strategic training and public realm programs to support growth in the District.

Shop Local Campaign

The Economic Development Unit has led the Council's Shop Local initiative in December 2021. Window stickers were distributed across the county encouraging shoppers to Click Local and Shop Local, complementing an on-street advertising banner campaign. The Cathaoirleach visited retailers across the county to promote the campaign which was also promoted heavily on the Council's social media platforms.



Councillor Lettie McCarthy visited Airfield Estate in Dundrum in December to promote the Council's Shop Local campaign

Seasonal Fund 2021



Fifteen towns and villages across the county have benefited from grants totally €135,000 under the dlr Seasonal Fund, which aims to increase footfall by providing assistance to business groups to decorate their area. The fund was introduced in 2020 as a response to Covid and was extended in 2021. *Foxrock village was one of this year's Seasonal Fund beneficiaries*

Tourism Development

Quarter four saw a rise in Covid figures and the reintroduction of some restrictions, with tourism and hospitality sectors been severely impacted. Considerable numbers of domestic visitors are still coming to DLR however, especially to the coast and the mountains.

Food on the Edge Festival

The Food on the Edge Festival took place on October 18th & 19th. This two-day food symposium attracted international chefs and people involved in the food industry from around the world to discuss food issues of the day. This festival was held in Airfield Dundrum and the ambition is that this festival will run for three years in DLR.

Tourism Friendly Cities (URBACT)

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council hosted the first in-person meeting of the Tourism Friendly Cities Network on October 5th & 6th. Twenty representatives from eight cities attended this event. This event was opened by An Cathaoirleach and showcased DLR Tourism and its sustainable tourism offer.

Killiney Beach Water Sports Facilities

A meeting took place with Fáilte Ireland and Compliance Phase 2 has now been completed. This project now has approval to proceed to Part 8 Planning.

Destination Towns Project

A new lighting bauble is now in place located outside the Tourism Kiosk at the Metals. Interpretative Signage for the new Coastal Trails has been developed and this will now go to tender for manufacture and installation.

Lighting of the Maritime Museum has been completed and a contractor is now on site at the Battery on the East Pier. St Michael's Church Bell Tower will commence in the new year.

Cruise Tourism in 2022

A meeting was held with key tourism providers to discuss the plans for Cruise calls to Dún Laoghaire in 2022. The development of a number of full and half day tours in Dún Laoghaire for cruise passengers is being explored.

Q4: October, November, December 2021				
dlr Tourism Facebook	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
October	7,064	181	15	367,422
November	7,222	158	12	319,658
December	7,324	102	16	64,785
Total Q4	7,324	441	43	751,856
dlr Tourism Twitter	No of followers	No of New followers	no of posts	Impressions
October	3,604	64	24	20,000
November	3,630	24	15	13,000
December	3,633	3	4	6,000
Total Q4	3,633	91	43	39,000
dlr Tourism Instagram	No of followers	No of New followers	no of posts	Impressions
October				
November	2,669	70	13	234,913
December	2,692	23	4	15,288
Total Q4	2,692	93	17	250,201

Finance

Rates

The Government had previously announced a waiver of commercial rates for the first 9 months of 2021. We have credited a total of €26,944,528, to customers' accounts in respect of waivers to 30th September 2021. The 9 months waiver has been applied to customers' accounts and customers have been informed of their revised balances.

On the 12th October 2021, the Government announced a targeted waiver scheme for quarter 4. Over €60 million is being provided nationally to extend the commercial rates waiver for the quarter targeted at the hospitality, arts and certain tourism related sectors. We have identified 476 rates customers who will receive a total of €2,472,696.30 in respect of quarter 4 2021.

On the 3rd December 2021, the Government announced an extension of the current targeted commercial rates waiver for the first three months of 2022.

As part of the Business Support Grant for 2021, we have applied the grant to commercial rate customer accounts who had signed up to pay by Direct Debit. The scheme provides for graduated grant payments dependent on the level of rates with the grant varying from 4% to 10% of the 2017 rates bill. The maximum Grant ranges from €300 to €800 depending on the 2017 Rate Band.

The Council continues to work in partnership with businesses who are experiencing difficulty paying their rates. Payment plans are entered into which are mutually acceptable to the business and the Council.

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable are continuing to work to ensure suppliers are paid as quickly as possible to assist with their cash flow requirements.

Financial Management

The impact of Covid-19 on the Council's financial position has seen a deterioration in our cash position as we await receipt of approx. €27m rates waiver support in respect of the first 9 months of 2021.

Budgets and cash flow continue to be monitored closely.

Budget 2022

Adoption of Budget - The Council's 2022 Budget was adopted by Members at the Budget Meeting held on the 29th November 2021. The ARV for 2022 and the Vacant Property Rates Refund Rate were also determined by Members at the Budget Meeting. Both remain at the same rate as 2021.

Overdraft Facility

The overdraft facility for 2021 was €10m.

Rates Business Support Scheme

At the County Council meeting held on the 13th December 2021, Members approved the Business Support Scheme 2022 for eligible Ratepayers.

The scheme provides for graduated grant payments varying from 4% to 10% of the 2017 rates bill.

The amount of the 2022 grant payable to qualifying ratepayers is calculated as follows:

Rates Payable 2017	2022 Grant	Maximum Grant
Less than or Equal to €3,000	10% of 2017 Rates Bill	€300
Between €3,001- €5,000	8% of 2017 Rates Bill	€400
Between €5,001 - €10,000	6% of 2017 Rates Bill	€600
Between €10,001 – €20,000	4% of 2017 Rates Bill	€800

Sandyford Business Improvement District Scheme Renewal

Sandyford BID CLG t/a Sandyford Business District requested the Council to commence the process for the renewal of the Business Improvement District scheme for Sandyford Business District. The current scheme ends on the 31st December 2021. The renewal process was followed, and a plebiscite was held with the ratepayers in the BID area. Ballot papers were counted on the 5th October 2021.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

Ballot papers issued to ratepayers	766
Ballot papers returned	257
Ballot papers rejected as invalid	7
Valid ballot papers	250
Votes in favour of B.I.D. renewal	205
Votes against the B.I.D. renewal	45

At the County Council meeting on the 8th November 2021 the Members approved the renewal of the B.I.D. scheme for Sandyford Business District for a further period of five years from the 1st January 2022.

Dún Laoghaire Business Improvement District Scheme

The Dún Laoghaire B.I.D. scheme operated for a period of 5 years from the 1st April 2014 to the 31st March 2019.

BID DL CLG informed the Council of their decision not to seek the renewal of the B.I.D. scheme for a further five years. This decision meant that the scheme ended on the 31st March 2019.

Following the wind-up of the company there was a surplus of €20,706.40 in the fund – all creditors and liabilities having been paid.

This sum was paid by the businesses of Dún Laoghaire town and if the BID Company continued it would have been paid over to it. At the meeting of the Council held on the 11th October 2021, Members approved a grant of €20,706.40 equivalent to the credit balance to DL BID CLG fund to Dún Laoghaire Business Association (DLBA) to fund additional Christmas lights.

The levy payers who were billed for the final levy year have been written to advising them of the termination of the scheme and how the final funds were distributed.

DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/11/2021				
SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2021 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/11/2021 €
A Total Housing & Building	-13,013,648	40,096,786	-42,078,639	-14,995,502
B Total Road Transport & Safety	-6,890,505	21,770,762	-19,251,763	-4,371,505
C Total Water Services	-2,309,719	956,483	-490,030	-1,843,265
D Total Development Management	-116,460,990	5,593,317	-26,245,748	-137,113,420
E Total Environmental Services	-1,537,685	51,588	-392,475	-1,878,572
F Total Recreation & Amenity	-13,255,266	6,740,270	-4,676,147	-11,191,143
G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&Safety	-4,738,072	427,690	-343,880	-4,654,262
H Total Miscellaneous Services	-24,870,872	2,345,475	-2,442,009	-24,967,406
Grand Total	-183,076,756	77,982,371	-95,920,692	-201,015,077

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 30/11/21						
	Balance at 01/01/2021 €		Balance at 30/11/21		Current year debit €	Arrears > 1 year
RATES	19,133,314		29,973,490		27,784,324	2,189,166

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/11/2021

91.67%

SERVICE DIVISION		EXPENDITURE		
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	48,490,773	52,266,800	92.78%
B	Road Transport & Safety	27,792,830	33,534,600	82.88%
C	Water Services	11,843,998	12,722,200	93.10%
D	Development Management	23,583,908	28,826,300	81.81%
E	Environmental Services	30,313,936	32,172,200	94.22%
F	Recreation & Amenity	30,966,670	33,995,500	91.09%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	4,670,422	4,376,900	106.71%
H	Miscellaneous Services	39,499,562	13,454,700	293.57%
Total Expenditure		217,162,099	211,349,200	102.75%

SERVICE DIVISION		INCOME		
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	41,055,233	45,772,800	89.69%
B	Road Transport & Safety	12,202,099	14,719,000	82.90%
C	Water Services	7,939,654	8,750,900	90.73%
D	Development Management	8,708,579	11,073,300	78.64%
E	Environmental Services	5,186,249	5,576,700	93.00%
F	Recreation & Amenity	4,436,860	4,916,300	90.25%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,128,442	3,026,000	103.39%
H	Miscellaneous Services	34,159,394	7,297,500	468.10%
Sub Total		116,816,511	101,132,500	115.51%

LPT	Local Property Tax	17,080,888	18,633,700	91.67%
RA	Rates	84,364,688	91,583,000	92.12%
Total Income		218,262,087	211,349,200	103.27%

Balance as at 30/11/2021		€1,099,988	Surplus
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Housing

1. Executive Summary

1.1 Overview

In accordance with Guidelines issued by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government and the Council's Corporate Plan, this Report is produced to give an overview of the Social Housing portfolio at Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. The Report covers the provision, maintenance and management of social housing stock and the housing supports available for those who need them.

Data included in this Q4 report covers the period from 18th September to 3rd December 2021 inclusive. Data regarding the activity of the Department prior to this report can be found at <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/how-we-deliver-our-homes/housing-statistics>

The government's new housing plan, *Housing for All*, was published on 2nd September 2021. The plan can be found at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/ef5ec-housing-for-all-a-new-housing-plan-for-ireland/>.

The Housing Department continues to provide a full range of services with additional health and safety restrictions in place due to Covid-19. In some cases, additional supports are being provided as required. Given the need to limit access to some homes due to COVID-19, it is not always possible to carry out some services such as minor maintenance requests and inspections for adaptations.

This Report considers the following areas:

Housing Delivery

Build
Acquisition
Part V
Social Leasing
Traveller Specific Accommodation
HAP / RAS
Cost Rental

Support

Management, Maintenance and Improvement of Housing Stock
Retrofits
Housing Adaptation Grants
Allocations & Assessments
Choice Based Letting
Homeless Services
Private Rented Housing Standards
Tenancy Management & Anti-Social Behaviour
Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan
Tenant Purchase Scheme

2. Housing Delivery

2.1 Overview

The **Social Housing Target 2018-2021** for delivery by this Council is **1,563 homes**.

Table 1: Homes Delivered per Quarter during 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	2021 Target
DLR Build	5	24	0	21	50	404
DLR Part V	4	0	7	8	19	
AHB Build	0	75	0	0	75	
AHB Part V	0	8	0	0	8	
DLR Acquisition	2	1	1	0	4	
AHB Acquisition	0	0	0	1	1	
DLR Lease	2	3*	3	4	12	114
AHB Lease	0	0	0	0	0	
Total Build, Acquisition & Leasing	13	111*	11	34	169	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Target
RAS	8	1	6	2	17	
HAP - Standard	71	55	72	58	256	
HAP - Homeless	41	44	31	26	142	
Total RAS & HAP	120	100	109	86	415	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Target
Total Delivery All Social Housing delivery streams exc. bad relets	133	211*	120	120	584	

*Please note the figures for Q2 as previously reported, have been amended in this report.

Table 2: Traveller Specific Accommodation 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Refurbishment Works and New Sites	0	1	2	3	6
Casual Vacancies	0	3	2	2	7
Standard Housing	0	3	0	0	3

2.2 Housing Construction

The Housing Department recognises the importance of managing the development process as part of the effort to achieve the targets set by the DHLGH. To this extent, the schemes are closely monitored from inception through to completion.

DLRCC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME 2018 – 2021
Includes SHIP, Major Refurbishments and AHB New Build

The following tables provide an overview of the different schemes under the Housing Construction Capital Programme, their current status and estimated completion date. It should be noted that dates indicated for handover are estimates and are subject to change.

Table 3: Schemes on Site

Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Broadford Rise	21	Completed	Q3 2017	Nov 2021
Enniskerry Road (AHB)	155 (105 social)	Construction in progress. To be delivered in two phases.	Q2 2019	Q4 2021/Q1 2022
Rockville Green	13	Construction in progress	Q2 2021	Q3 2022
Ballyogan Square (Phase 1)	67	Construction in progress	Q3 2021	Q2 2023
TOTAL	256			

Table 4: Schemes with Part 8 Planning Approval

Site Name	No. Units (estimated)	Status Detail	On Site Date (estimated)	Handover (estimated)
Moyola Court (infill)	4	Tender package being finalised	Q2 2022	Q1 2023
Park House	4	Tender package being finalised	Q2 2022	Q2 2023
Ballyogan Rise (Phase 2)	52	To follow on from Ballyogan Square (Phase 1) completion	2023	
St Laurence's Park	88	Tender package for construction contract being prepared. Enabling works commenced.	Q4 2022	Q4 2024
Shanganagh Residential Lands	597 (200 social)	Project tendered. Tender deadline extended to early December.	Q2 2022	Phased delivery from Q4 2023
Total	745			

Table 5: Schemes at Design/Tender Stage

Site Name	No. Units (estimated)	C	On Site Date (estimated)	Handover (estimated)
Loughlinstown Wood (AHB)	42 (34 social)	Preferred tenderer has withdrawn	Q2 2022	Q4 2023
Roebuck Road Infill	4	On hold		
37A Rollins Villas (infill)	1	Part 8	Q3 2022	Q2 2023
Coastguard Cottages	4	Tendered	Q1 2022	Q4 2022
Total	51			
OVERALL TOTAL	1,052			

3. Housing Support

3.1 Management, Maintenance and Improvement of Housing Stock

Table 6: Retrofits 2021

Retrofits	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Non-Standard Voids	0	0	1	2	3
Relets	24	29	31	38	122
Energy upgrade works	0	0	0	53	53
Traveller Specific Accommodation	0	0	1	1	2

Table 7: Maintenance Requests 2021

Routine Maintenance	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Requests received	1,489	1,195	1,350	1,397	5,431
Requests in process	435	187	335	1,150	2,107
Requests completed	1,054	1,008	1,015	247	3,324

Table 8: Disabled Persons Alteration Scheme 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Works on Hand at beginning of Quarter	123	121	119	117	
Requests Received	5	12	14	27	58
Works Completed	14	6	22	28	70

3.2 Allocations

Table 9: Allocations 2021

Allocations	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Social Housing List	19	49	75	44	187
Transfer List	9	35	33	25	102
Total Allocations	28	84	108	69	289

3.3 Choice Based Letting (CBL)

Table 10: CBL Adverts by Area of Choice in 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Dún Laoghaire/Dalkey	0	10	7	0	17
Blackrock/Stillorgan	1	3	11	2	17
Ballybrack/Shankill	2	5	28	0	35
Ballinteer/Ballyogan	8	20	9	1	38
Total	11	38	55	3	107

Note: Figures shown are cumulative from 1st January 2021 and the number of adverts put on CBL. Some adverts represent multiple properties.

3.4 Homeless Services

Table 11: Homeless Services 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
No. of Homeless Families	66	67	72	70
No. of Homeless Individuals	199	217	171	181
No. of Allocations to homeless individuals/families	10	19	36	46
No. of SHS offers currently accepted by homeless individuals/families	6	21	9	9

Note: Figures include those who may have signed for a tenancy but have yet to move out of homeless services/awaiting move-in grant.

3.5 Housing and Disability Steering Group

The Council continues to work with the Steering Group on implementing the Terms of Reference. A meeting of the Steering Group was held on the 8th December. To date, 28% of allocations were made to Disabled People this year. The steering group has completed and published its Local Strategic Plan for Disabled People. This Plan can be found [here](#).

3.6 Grant Assistance to Older Persons and Disabled People

Table 12: Breakdown of Grant Assistance to Older Persons and Disabled People 2021

Housing Adaptation Grant for Disabled People

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
No. of Applications received	36	50	49	51	186
Provisional approvals issued	33	31	51	31	146
Grants paid	27	39	36	29	131
Value of Grants paid	€227,534	€343,597	€308,989	€272,326	€1,152,446

Housing Aid for Older Persons

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
No. of Applications received	9	15	13	14	51
Provisional approvals issued	3	9	14	10	36
Grants paid	5	8	8	11	32
Value of Grants paid	€25,883	€37,324	€37,103	€74,336	€174,646

Mobility Aids Grant

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
No. of Applications received	3	12	11	7	33
Provisional approvals issued	3	3	12	6	24
Grants paid	4	9	7	6	26
Value of Grants paid	€14,865	€28,024	€22,428	€27,060	€92,377

Budget Provision (3 Schemes)	€1,550,000
Budget Spent	€1,419,469
Budget % Spent	91.58%

Note: Some applications may be received in one year and processed in the following year as it can take some time before full documentation is submitted by the applicant.

3.7 Rent Arrears

Table 13: Rents 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Accrued Rent Arrears	75,502	14,704	53,247	86,923	230,376
Rental Income	3,209,513	3,738,293	3,834,686	4,090,125	14,872,617

3.8 Private Rented Housing Standards

Table 14: Private Rented Housing Standards 2021

Private Rental Inspections	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Inspections Carried Out	56	59	401	506	1022

Note: 1022 is the total number of inspections that took place Q1 to Q4 inclusive
Q1 inspection figures were impacted by Covid-19 restrictions. Inspections were not permitted in level 5 restrictions. Virtual inspections commenced in January 2021. There were 3 physical inspections on vacant properties and 53 virtual inspections.

Q2 figures include one vacant property onsite inspection and 58 virtual inspections.

Q3 Physical onsite inspections recommenced on the 14th of July.

3.9 Tenancy Management and Anti-Social Behaviour

Table 15: Estate Management 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Pre-tenancy training	0	0	0	0	0

Note: Figures at 0 due to COVID-19 restrictions

Table 16: Anti-Social Behaviour 2021

Anti-Social Complaints	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Received	25	45	89	28	187
Completed	12	44	98	25	179
Ongoing	13	14	3	8	38
Tenancy Warning	0	1	6	2	9
Tenancy Notification	4	2	5	4	15
Verbal Warning	2	3	8	1	14
Advice Given	1	13	40	3	57
Refer to Other Depts	8	29	30	17	84
Court Case	2	1	0	2	5

Table 17: Tenancy Management Interviews 2021

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Tenancy Management Interviews	9	7	12	7	35

3.10 Loans

Table 18: Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan 2021

Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Applications received	15	14	14	6	49
Applications approved in principle	10	2	5	5	22
Loan Drawdowns	0	0	2	2	4

Planning

Section 48 and Glenamuck Scheme:

1/10/2021 - 17/12/2021 Invoiced = €19,650,326.14 Received = €5,933,963.04

1/10/2020 - 17/12/2020 Invoiced = €3,773,991.70 Received = €6,283,153.90

1/10/2019 - 17/12/2019 Invoiced = €4,225,923.40 Received = €5,229,086.67

Strategic Housing Development (SHD) Applications:

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

The Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government and the Government have made orders which have the effect of freezing all current time limits on planning matters including planning appeals and submissions on appeals and on strategic housing and strategic infrastructure applications. You can read the [Minister's press statement](#) and these orders announcing this extension on the Department's website www.housing.gov.ie.

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
ABP311 66921	Bridgeclip (Developments) Limited Rocklawn, Leopardstown Road, Dublin 18 112 no. Build to Rent apartments and associated site works.	14/10/2021	17/11/2021	www.rocklawshd.ie	11/02/2022
ABP311 72221	Palemink Limited Former Siemens Site, Corner of Blackthorn Avenue and Ballymoss Road, Sandyford Industrial Estate Demolition of the existing building on site, construction of 190 no. Build to Rent apartments	21/10/2021	24/11/2021	www.siemenssiteshd.ie	18/02/2022
ABP311 82621	Knockrabo Investments DAC Lands at Knockrabo, Mount Anville Road, Goatstown, Dublin 14 227 no. apartments and associated site works	01/11/2021	02/12/2021	www.knockraboahd.com	28/02/2022
ABP312 07021	Ted Living Limited Lands at the former Ted Castles site and Dun Leary House (a proposed protected structure), Old Dun Leary Road, Cumberland Street and Dunleary Hill, Dun Laoghaire, Dublin Demolition of open fronted shed located, 146 no. build to rent apartments and associated site works	26/11/2021	10/01/2022	www.tedcastlesliving.ie	28/03/2022
ABP312 13221	Cornel Living Limited Old Bray Road, Cornelscourt, Dublin 18 419 no. residential units (7 no. houses, 412 no. apartments), creche and associated site works	07/12/2021	19/01/2022	www.cornelscourtplanning2.ie	06/04/2022
ABP312 17021	1 Wyckham Land Limited Marmalade Lane, Wyckham Avenue, Dundrum, Dublin 16 'Build to Rent' (BTR) apartment development consisting of 5 no. blocks ranging in height up to 10 storeys. 531 no. apartments	13/12/2021	24/01/2022	www.marmaladelaneshd2.ie	11/04/2022
Subject to	Heronvale Developments Ltd	15/12/2021	-	www.landsatshaldongran	-

validati on	Lands at Shaldon Grange, located off Enniskerry Road (R117), Kiltiernan, Dublin 18 130 no. residential units			gekiltiernans hd.com	
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<https://www.pleanala.ie/getattachment/7e5978f6-673a-47ea-8cb3-772fbbd926fb/Current-Applications-26-08-2021.pdf?lang=en-IE>

Planning Statistics: 01st October – 17th December 2021

	Outline Permission	Full Permission
New application Received*	0	406
Decision Deferred	0	112
Decisions to Grant**	0	245
Decision to Refuse**	0	53
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	223
Invalid Applications	0	75

*Includes 51 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".

8 Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse)

Building Control	1 st October – 17 th December 2021
Fire Safety Certs applications received *	51
Fire Safety Certs Applications Granted *	40
Fire Safety Certs Applications Refused/Invalid	0/1
Disability Access Cert Applications Received **	30
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted/Refused **	21/0
Commencement Notices Validated	140
7 Day Notices received	13
Completion Certs Validated	47

*Includes FSCs, Reg Certs, 7 Day Notices & Rev Fire Certs

**Includes DACs, Dispensation/ Relaxation

Customers to Planning Counter: 1 st October – 17 th December 2021	Customers 529
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Active Land Management – DLR Q3 2021

The primary 'performance' indicator available to actively assess the issue of housing supply is the Dublin Housing Supply Coordination Taskforce (DHSCT) data - of which DLR contributes on a quarterly basis. The data utilised within the Household Taskforce is focused to capturing developments with planning permission for 10 or more units across the Dublin Region.

Please note that due to delays arising from Covid-19, the DHSCT 'Red Book' compilation of the four Dublin Authorities data sets for Q1, Q2 and Q3 2021 have not yet been posted on the DHLGH website. As the information is not available for the other 3 no. Dublin Local Authorities, it is not presently possible to provide a comparison between DLR and the other 3 no. Dublin Local Authorities for Q1, Q2 and Q3 2021.

The most significant performance indicators - within DLR - are based on growth rates between **Q2 2021 and Q3 2021**. This includes:

- There has been a marginal increase in the **number of sites with planning permission** from 119 sites in Q2 to 120 sites in Q3 2021.
- There has been a **4.6% increase** in the total number of residential units with planning permission from **16,355 in Q2 2021** to **17,102 in Q3 2021**.
- **9.7%** decrease in unit completions within the quarter from **278 in Q2 2021** to **251 in Q3 2021**.
- The number of active sites (sites within which construction activity has commenced) has increased from **41 in Q2 2021** to **42 in Q3 2021**.
- There has been a slight **increase in the total number of units under construction** from 3,241 in Q2 to 3,246 in Q3.
- The sum total of units with planning permission in **Q3** is running at approximately **1:5.6 houses to apartments**. Units in the planning system awaiting final determination in Q3 are running at nearly **1:22 houses to apartments**.

A comparison has been carried out between Q 3 2021 and Q 3 2020. This includes:

- **5% decrease** in the **number of sites with planning permission** from 127 in Q3 2020 to 120 in Q3 2021.
- **5% increase** in the **total number of units with planning permission** from 16,305 in Q3 2020 to 17,102 units in Q3 2021.
- **9% decrease** in the **number of active sites** from 46 sites in Q3 2020 to 42 sites in Q3 2021.
- **1% decrease** in the **number of units under construction** from 3,281 in Q3 2020 to 3,246 in Q3 2021.
- **39% increase** in the number of **units completed this quarter** from 181 in Q3 2020 to 251 in Q3 2021.

Forward Planning Infrastructure

Cherrywood SDZ – Progress Report.

The **current Main Work Streams** include:

- Cherrywood LIHAF - as reported above;
- URDF Call 1 Projects (2018) - Cherrywood Parks, Greenways and Attenuation – as reported above;
- URDF Call 2 Project (2020) – Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity application submitted to DHLGH on 29th May 2020 which received funding approval in the order of c.€40M - as reported above. A further briefing to the elected members will be facilitated once further particulars have been received from the Dept. on the detail of the successful projects;
- Bride’s Glen to Shankill pedestrian / cycle Scheme - Dlr Road Projects has completed engagement with HSE Estates office/Loughlinstown Hospital. It has the project governance board and NTA approvals to proceed to Part 8 and we will be commencing part 8 in Q1 2022;
- The Cherrywood Steering Group, comprising the Chief Executive and Directors of Services in key service departments met 16 times since it was established in 2017. The Steering Group has been convened to provide oversight in all key aspects of the delivery of the Cherrywood SDZ that cover multi – disciplinary themes;
- Development of a Common Infrastructure Agreement for the provision of the common infrastructure required for the build out of Cherrywood SDZ is being progressed by the Development Agency Project Team (DAPT).;
- DLRCC as the Development Agency submitted the Proposed Amendment No. 8: Building Height and Density Changes to An Bord Pleanála on 1st June 2021. The purpose of the proposed amendment is to amend the approved Planning Scheme to take cognisance of the review undertaken by the DAPT arising from the requirements of the SPPR 3 (B) of the Ministerial Guidelines 'Urban Development and Building Heights, Guidelines for Planning Authorities, December 2018. The Board had advised of their intention to determine the case by 29th November 2021. However, the Board have since advised that it was not in a position to determine by that date but it is giving priority consideration to the case and hopes to issue the Inspector’s Report and recommendation in the near future. Information can be reviewed on their website at the following link: <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/case/310382> ;
- The DAPT has established a cycling review group to draw from the expertise of the NTA and the dlr Sustainable Mobility Group to scope out enhancements to what has been provided in the area and explore new experiences in cycling (including technology). It is intended to bring a Report on findings and recommendations of this group to a future meeting

Planning Applications – FOR NOTING

The following major infrastructural projects have been granted permission, with substantial completion on site achieved within the main Landowner lands. DZ15A/0813 – Tully Park; DZ15A/0814 – Beckett Park; DZ16A/0570 – Ticknick Park and DZ15A/0758 – Roads and Infrastructure – Phase 1.

The Status of other applications from 22nd September 2021 to 3rd December 2021 inclusive is as follows; -

- DZ21A/0699 - T6/T8 Amendment – Decision to Grant issued 23/09/2021
- DZ21A/0713 - Amendments to Elevations of blocks A1, A2 & A3 – Split Decision (Grant & Refusal) issued 03/10/2021

- DZ21A/0785 - a mixed use development, Cherrywood - Request for further information issued 27/10/2021
- DZ21A/0806 - 60 Residential units, Cherrywood - Request for further information issued 02/11/2021
- DZ21A/0807 - amendment application to DZ17A/0862 - Request for further information issued 02/11/2021
- DZ21A/0818 - Building 10 (Formerly Block G2) Cherrywood Business Park - Request for further information issued 03/11/2021

There are currently 7 live SDZ applications for which a report is being prepared

To date the total no. of residential units permitted is 2,891. An additional 842 units are at Further Information Stage. The total amount of non-residential development permitted is circa 119,155 sq.m of Town Centre Mixed use (retail/non-retail/commercial including HIE) and circa 47,498 sq.m of High Intensity Employment (HIE).

Stakeholder Engagement

The delivery of the Scheme is complex requiring a number of stakeholders to engage and DLR as Development Agency continues to actively promote the implementation of the objectives of the approved Planning Scheme through collaboration and engagement with all relevant stakeholders.

With Government's focus on the housing crisis the DHLGH has taken specific interest in progressing the Cherrywood Planning Scheme and has designated it 1 of 23 key strategic national Major Urban Housing Delivery Sites (MUHDS). Meetings with all key stakeholders are on-going with the DAPT facilitating progress meetings on key issues, as they arise, that require a coordinated approach from a number of state agencies and service providers including high-level engagement with the DHPLG on the main issues.

Funding

The Cherrywood Planning Scheme Development Contribution Scheme 2017 – 2020, http://www.dlrcoco.ie/sites/default/files/atoms/files/20170613_cherrywood_planning_scheme_development_contribution_scheme_2017-2020_adopted.pdf was adopted at the June Council Meeting 2017 and all decisions to grant planning permission relative to the Cherrywood SDZ area, made on or after 13th June 2017, are subject to the Conditions of this Scheme.

The internal common infrastructure elements include for a road network in the order of 10km, storm water infrastructure in the order of 3.8ha and the delivery of amenity open space – Class 1, new parks, neighbourhood plazas, natural greenspace and greenways (as per Appendix III Cherrywood Planning Scheme Projects List of the Cherrywood Planning Scheme Development Contribution Scheme (DCS) 2017-2020). The current order of magnitude cost (OMC) exercise is guiding that the cost of providing the common infrastructure to open up land for development to support the development of Cherrywood is in the order of €200M for construction.

The Cherrywood Planning Scheme DSC provides for the conditioning of development contributions, and within the DSC under the Exemptions and Reductions section, provision has been made for development contribution offset of certain development contributions payable against costs for common infrastructure works constructed by the landowners.

The current Section 48 Cherrywood Planning Scheme Contribution Scheme 2017 – 2020 states that *'the Council will endeavour to make a new Scheme prior to 31st December 2020*

but this Scheme will continue in full force and effect until a Scheme comes into effect, whether before or after that date”.

Dlr has progressed the review of the current Schemes as stated in both Development Contribution Schemes.

In addition to the DCS, government funding, Local Property Tax Income, LIHAF and URDF (Call 1 and Call 2) has been secured and contributes to the funding of internal common infrastructure. However there still remains a funding gap in relation to the provision of the entire common infrastructure (i.e. the projects that are not LIHAF and URDF funded). The Report indicating the Programme of Capital Projects 2021 – 2023 presented at the February 2021 Council Meeting provides further detail (please note this report pre-dates the URDF call 2 announcements). DAPT will update the status of the funding gap as part of the reporting for the dlr Reports indicating the Programme of Capital Projects 2022 - 2024 of the .

The application for Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Access under the URDF Call 2 on 29th May 2020 relating to seven sub-projects that align with the requirements of the Fund for submission. Six of the seven sub-projects covered in the application have received funding approval on 5th March 2021 and it is intended to provide a further briefing to the Elected Members once full particulars of the approved funding have issued from the DHLGH to dlr. The unsuccessful project was the Kiltiernan Link Road (a Countywide project linking the Cherrywood Planning Scheme area to the Kiltiernan environs).

Discussions will continue with all relevant stakeholders to ensure the funding is in place to enable the infrastructure to be delivered.

dlr has been issued with High Court proceedings by a main landowner in Cherrywood seeking a declaration that it is entitled to offset the costs incurred by it in constructing common infrastructure against development contributions. The claim also includes other related reliefs. Dlr has passed the proceedings to its solicitors who will defend the Council's position in the proceedings. This process is ongoing.

(Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund (LIHAF) and Cherrywood Urban Regeneration Development Fund (URDF) - Progress Report

LIHAF

The Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage (DHLGH) as part of their 'Rebuilding Ireland' programme announced on 28th March 2017 that DLR were successful in their LIHAF application in respect of 4 projects, for which final approval for 3 of these projects was received in March 2018.

The underlying principle of LIHAF is to provide public off-site infrastructure to relieve critical infrastructure blockages which have been identified as one of the main impediments to the development of key sites for housing, thus enabling the accelerated delivery of residential units on these sites in both Dublin and urban areas of high demand for housing.

An overview of these infrastructure projects that were approved is as follows;

Project Name	Detail of Infrastructure	Total LIHAF allocation €M	Amount to be funded by DHLGH €M (75%)	Amount to be funded by DLR €M (25%)
Clay Farm	Construction of 600m of Loop Distributor Road	€4.7	€3.5	€1.2
Woodbrook/Shanganagh	Revision of the Woodbrook roundabout on the old N11; Road improvements to support housing development; Access to the future DART station.	€4.15	€3.12	€1.03
Cherrywood	Druid's Glen Road (road only); Druid's Glen bridge - (short bridge structure traversing valley); New N11 junction 'Q' at Druid Glen Road; Druid's Glen Road (bridge feature)	€15.19	€11.39	€3.80

A table of summary details was published by the Minister on 28th March 2018 for all 30 LIHAF sites across the State.

http://www.housing.gov.ie/sites/default/files/publications/files/lihaf_information_table_-_march_2018.pdf

With regard to the Clay Farm project, dlr issued written correspondence to the Department in October 2020 advising that the delivery of the Clay Farm LIHAF infrastructure could not be achieved within the lifetime of the current Grant Agreement. This was acknowledged by the Department and so, this is not now an active dlr LIHAF project.

DLR will deliver and administer an Affordable Housing scheme to the value of the LIHAF funding amount provided by the DHLGH and in accordance with the provisions of the Affordable Housing Act 2021 and any relevant regulations made thereunder. Forward Planning Infrastructure and Housing Departments are working together in preparation for the LIHAF sites.

The Council will continue to work with the Department and the Landowners in addressing infrastructure deficits required in opening up land for development, particularly for housing. The residential development for both DLR LIHAF sites will progress as and when developers obtain their required planning consents.

A status of each of the remaining projects is as follows:

➤ **Woodbrook Shanganagh – Pre Tender Stage**

Forward Planning Infrastructure Department has convened meetings with all key stakeholders to include the National Transport Authority (NTA) to provide for the management and delivery of the LIHAF infrastructural elements and to provide oversight in the opening of lands for housing development.

The SHD planning application was granted on 25th February 2020 which includes for the access (avenue) road design to support housing development of 682 residential units and access to the future DART station.

The Tripartite agreement closed on the 26th July 2021. Construction works on the new golf holes commenced immediately thereafter by the developer and despite

archaeological finds the works are progressing well, with seeding intended to take place in early Spring 2022.

The developer submitted a commencement notice and construction works by the developer commenced on site on the 13th September 2021. The first 190m of the Avenue Road is progressing well with the road base course now complete.

The dlr LIHAF Project Manager and dlr Roads Project Office are meeting weekly with developer's construction team to progress the delivery of the LIHAF infrastructure. It is anticipated that the First Phase of the LIHAF infrastructure works will commence on site in early Q2 of 2022, and subject to favourable conditions, it is envisaged the final Phase will commence in Q2 2023 with expected completion in Q4 2023.

Dlr received formal approval from the Department on the 29th June 2021 for an extension to the existing grant agreement until the end of 2023, noting the original funding approval timeline was up to the end of 2021. Dlr are currently working with the developer on an updated Development Agreement.

The Wilford Junction Upgrade will now form part of the BusConnects programme which will amalgamate the junction upgrade as part of CBC Route 13, Bray to City Centre Scheme.

DART station planning application (D20A/0744) was granted on the 1st July 2021. Irish Rail are engaging with Dlr regarding construction access to facilitate early commencement of the new DART station. Irish Rail estimate the construction will take up to 18 months to complete following commencement.

The dlr LIHAF Project delivery Team meets with the Land Development Agency Project delivery team and Dlr Housing Department in relation to foul sewer infrastructure delivery.

➤ **Cherrywood**

The Cherrywood Development Agency Project Team (DAPT) is actively managing the delivery of the Cherrywood LIHAF.

Within Cherrywood SDZ, grants of planning have been secured by developers for 2,891 residential units. A further 842 units are at Further Information Stage. 1,740 residential units are under construction with 1,277 of these within the Town Centre development. Phase 1 residential site at Domville comprising of 80 residential units is nearing completion.

Construction activity has gained momentum nationally due to the lifting of Coronavirus (COVID19) restrictions, however the availability of construction materials and construction price inflation has been identified as a possible impediment to infrastructure delivery. At present it is not possible to say how this may impact on developer timelines, and common infrastructure delivery.

The commencement of the remaining units granted will be dependent on developer construction programmes, but it is envisaged that the momentum of development that has accrued on the site will continue and these developers will commence as soon as practicable.

LIHAF Infrastructure

➤ **Phase 1 – Complete**

Construction works on Phase 1 of this project comprising Junction Q (a new signalised junction on the N11) and part of the Druid's Glen Road (130m in length) is complete.

➤ **Phase 2 – at Detailed Design Stage**

The next section of road, originally to comprise of circa 315m of road and a 40m short bridge spanning the Cabinteely Stream is in detailed design stage and forms part of a grant of planning application (to include housing development). This is the subject of two Judicial Review proceedings which were fast tracked to the Commercial Court. The hearing of the first JR DZ18A/0208 took place during the 1st week of December 2020. The findings were expected in January 2021. A revised date for the judgment by the Courts Service was 23rd of April 2021. Dlr received notification from the Courts Service that the judgement could not be delivered on the above date as the designated judge is now dealing with applications concerning the mandatory hotel quarantine procedure established under the Health (Amendment) Act 2021. However, the courts service noted that the above judgement will be prioritised and completed as soon as the commitments in respect of mandatory hotel quarantine applications allow. Dlr continue to engage with the courts services for an update on the decision.

Dlr in tandem with the Judicial review proceedings delay, is advancing the land acquisition, detailed design, tender documentation, pre-commencement surveys preparation with a view to progressing to tender stage following the conclusion of the Judicial Review process.

➤ **Phase 3 – at Preliminary Design Stage**

The final section of the road comprises of (circa 135m of road and a 120m bridge spanning the Carrickmines River). An updated infrastructure delivery timeline, cost estimates and a business case for approval for additional funds was submitted to the DHLGH for their consideration in early 2020, the outcome of which is awaited.

As part of this cost review, dlr appointed a consultant following a tender competition to prepare Concept Design Photomontages, preliminary land acquisition drawings and cost estimates to better inform the design. Dlr have issued a preliminary report to the Department in February 2021 indicating the best estimate of the additional funding required to complete the Cherrywood LIHAF infrastructure. An updated preliminary programme of infrastructure delivery was also included noting a requirement for an extension of the grant agreement until end 2024 based on current estimates (noting ongoing Judicial Review and associated uncertainty on Phase 2 delivery at this stage). It is now further evident that recent tender price increases in the construction sector are likely to have impacted on estimated costs and the application to the Department for additional funding in February 2021 may need to be revised.

Dlr continues to work closely with all relevant landowners who may be impacted by the LIHAF infrastructure delivery.

Cherrywood URDF Infrastructure

The URDF 2018 (first call) was established to support more compact and sustainable development, through the regeneration and rejuvenation of Ireland's five cities and other large towns, in line with the objectives of the National Planning Framework and National Development Plan (NDP). This is to enable a greater proportion of residential and mixed-use development to be delivered within the existing built-up footprints of our cities and

towns and to ensure that more parts of our urban areas can become attractive and vibrant places in which people choose to live and work, as well as to invest and to visit.

DLR was successful in obtaining funding under the URDF in respect of the Category A Cherrywood Parks, Greenways and Attenuation Project, the total cost of which is estimated at €17.8M and for which formal approval of the total project was received in June 2020. Funding is by way of 75% direct government funding and 25% funded by the separate Section 48 Cherrywood Development Contributions. The Department has undertaken to recompense local authorities in respect of 100% expenditure under the Fund as a temporary measure to assist with alleviating any cash flow issues being experienced by local authorities in progressing the projects. This remains in place at this time.

This will see the development of 4 distinct sub-projects comprising the Linear Park, surface water attenuation ponds 2a and 5a and completion of Tully Park Phase 2. Recent Government correspondence has reaffirmed the DHLGH's objective to maintain the continuity and momentum of the URDF supported programme. Construction activity has gained momentum nationally due to the lifting of Coronavirus (COVID19) restrictions, however the availability of construction materials and construction price inflation has been identified as a possible impediment to infrastructure delivery. At present it is not possible to say how this may impact on developer timelines, and common infrastructure delivery.

A brief update on the current status of each sub-project is as follows -

➤ **Linear Park – Next Stage - Planning**

The consultant was appointed following a competitive tendering process to develop the preliminary design for the supporting greenway infrastructure to include the Linear Park within the SDZ area. The preliminary design is now complete and was circulated to Departments for comments. The proposed scheme was also presented to the Elected Members on 9th June 2021. DLR Department comments on Preliminary Part 8 have been considered and technical notes prepared. Tender documentation to advance in tandem with Part 8 to expediate project. This project is being advanced in collaboration with the NTA. Statutory Part 8 planning process is anticipated to commence in early 2022.

➤ **Pond 2a – at Detailed Design and Tender**

Statutory Part 8 submission stage is now complete. Site clearance for ground investigations, GPR & Topographical surveys complete. Site investigations, ground penetrating radar and topographical surveys due to commence. These will inform the detailed design and tender documents which are anticipated for tender issue in early 2022.

➤ **Pond 5a – at Detailed Design and Tender**

Following a competitive tendering process, a consultant has been appointed to undertake costings, contractor procurement and construction supervision. Ground Penetrating Radar and topographical surveys are complete. Phase 1 of the site investigations all advancing on site to inform the detailed design and tender documents which are anticipated for tender issue in early 2022. Developer decommissioning from site is complete. Land transfers are progressing.

➤ **Tully Park Phase 2 – at Construction Stage**

Construction commenced on site on the 24th June 2021. Land transfer complete with major landowner. Remaining land transfers nearing completion. Dlr received additional funding approval from the Department on 1st Nov 2021 to address the project shortfall following the completion of the construction tender competition. Works on site are progressing with the anticipated completion date estimated to be Q2 2022.

Urban Regeneration & Development Fund (URDF) Call 2

A second call for proposals under the URDF 2020 was advertised in January 2020. DLR submitted 5 applications for consideration under this Call 2 process on 29th May 2020. These 5 applications are listed in their ranked order as follows:

1. Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity
2. Dundrum – Civic & Community Centre
3. Dún Laoghaire Greening Project
4. Sandyford Green Infrastructure
5. Shanganagh Park

In addition, a standalone request to initiate a study for Blackrock Village was also submitted.

On the 5th March 2021, dlr was notified by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, that two of the applications submitted by the Council for funding, under Call 2, were successful and a breakdown of what was approved for dlr in brief below. The Department formally confirmed preliminary approval of the €44,361,115 funding on the 25th of August 2021 for the inclusion of these projects listed below in the URDF supported capital programme and approval to move to the next stage of the project lifecycle, the preliminary business case stage.

DLR met with the Department on the 16th of November 2021 as part of an Action Plan review meeting. DLR are currently finalizing a tender brief for a specialist consultant to undertake the preliminary business case in accordance with the Public Spending Code. This tender is due to be issued through the Office of Government Procurement imminently.

Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity €40,361,115

The infrastructure being provided under 'Call 2' consists of the following:

- Castle Street Link – completion of Cherrywood's bus priority route to connect it to the existing Park & Ride facility at Carrickmines Luas stop.
- Ticknick Park - Ballycorus Access – development of cycle, pedestrian and vehicle access to Ticknick Park.
- Town Centre Pedestrian & Cycle Link – development of an elevated pedestrian and cycle bridge within the Cherrywood Town Centre.
- 3 Public Parks – creation of centrally located, multi-functional spaces providing a focal area for each of the associated village communities.
- Smart Parking Study – research and application of measures to create efficiencies in Cherrywood's required parking provision.
- Beckett Link (& Barrington Rd Connection) – development of pedestrian, cycle and vehicle link from the Kiltarnan Link to the Cherrywood Town Centre, to include the uncompleted portion of Barrington's Road.

Dundrum Community Cultural & Civic Hub € 4,000,000

This URDF funding will support:

- Enhanced public realm improvement works to North end of Dundrum (Library/bridge area)
- A renewed masterplan strategy (Design/feasibility) for all of Dundrum. It will include a review of the location/integrated design for a community hub project (based on a revised wider strategic plan called the Community, Cultural and Civic Action Plan). The Community, Cultural and Civic Action Plan is funded under 'Call 1' of the URDF.

Information in relation to the national announcement may be found via the following link: <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/56ef8-urban-regeneration-and-development-fund-urdf/>

Infrastructure and Climate Change

Capital Projects

- 1. Blackglenn Road/Harold's Grange Road Improvement Scheme**- works progressing on site.
- 2. M50 Junction 14 Link Road** - Plan to go to tender in 2022 but further discussions needed with the ESB.
- 3. Enniskerry Road/Glenamuck Road Junction Upgrade (Golden Ball)**- design ongoing.

4. Glenamuck District Roads Scheme (GDRS)

Glenamuck District Roads Scheme (GDRS) consisting of GDDR (Glenamuck District Distributor Road) and GLDR (Glenamuck Local Distributor Road). Approval of the scheme and confirmation of the Compulsory Purchase Order was received from An Bórd Pleanála on 18/12/19. Notice of the confirmation of the CPO was advertised on the 7th of February 2020.

The CPO 'Notice to Treat' was served to the affected landowners on 11th of May 2021, and the 'Notice to Enter' was served on 16th July 2021. The detailed design of the scheme is nearing completion, and tender documents are being prepared, and it is intended to progress to tender stage in Q4 2021.

5. Druids Glen Road Q -P* - no update

6. Druids Glen Road P*-P3 - no update

7. Dún Laoghaire Baths

Works on the Dún Laoghaire Baths site are now significantly advanced including having the statue of Roger Casement installed. Completion of the project was expected in December 2021 but due to Covid and other site factors, the project is anticipated to be delivered in July 2022.

8. Samuel Beckett Phase 2

The Project Board has decided that, due to the anticipated cost of the Project and the uncertainty regarding future usage/occupancy of the facility, a review is to be undertaken concerning the services & amenities to be provided on the Campus. The review is currently being undertaken by the Community & Cultural Development Department, with assistance from the Project Office.

9. Rochestown Road Improvement Scheme - no update

10. Dublin Bay Trail / S2S - no update

11. Bray Woodbrook Landfill Remediation Project

August 2021 work temporarily stalled on site due to issues sourcing rock locally.

Contractor resumed presence on site in November 2021 with Archaeologist on site and is making slow progress due to the tidal window available to work.

The main rock structure works on the beach are yet to commence. A revised works programme for 2022 is awaited from the Contractor with works expected to progress at northern end during Q1 2022.

Environment Enforcement Section - Waste Enforcement, Air, Noise

Complaints received 83
 Complaints closed 96

Litter and Waste Fines

Q4 – 1.10.21 – 17.12.21	Number	Comment
Litter Fines issued (Litter Pollution Act/Litter Byelaws)	205	
Presentation of Waste (Waste Byelaws) fines	22	
Legal proceedings initiated.	26	
Cases opened (Dumping/Litter)	436	Litter Section
Cases closed (Dumping/Litter)	438	Litter Section

Architects

Awards

Energy Team of the Year

Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown County Council won the top Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) 2021 award, 'Energy Team of the Year'. The award recognises the collective ambition and long-term leadership in energy management and continuous ongoing improvement in all areas of energy across all departments.

The cross-departmental dlr Energy Team collaborate to achieve energy efficiency and carbon reduction across its own buildings, public lighting, fleet, functions and services and the wider community. 75% of the public lighting in the county will be LED by the end of this year and the fleet includes 24 electric vehicles. The biggest challenge is the energy upgrade required for dlr building stock to be raised to a Building Energy Rating (BER) B by 2030. Significant resources are required to undertake such a retrofit programme.

DLR continually improves its own energy efficiency through ISO 50001 Energy Management System and by implementing energy projects. The external Certification Europe ISO 50001 Surveillance Audit found no non-compliances and one opportunity for improvement.

Universal Design Award

The Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland (RIAI) announced dlr architects as the winner of the 2020 Universal Design Award category for the housing project at Rochestown House Phase 3, Sallynoggin.

Dangerous Buildings: 1st October – 17th December 2021	
Dangerous	1
Potentially Dangerous	15
Not Dangerous	3
Total	19

Open House Dublin

OHD architecture festival took place from October 15-17 and dlr staff from Architects, ICC and Libraries hosted tours with support from Parks, Heritage and Arts.

A free public webinar on 'Home Energy Upgrades – How to Make Your Home Comfortable and Save Energy' took place on Sunday 17 October as part of Open House Dublin. The webinar featured examples and insights from architects and energy experts to improve the comfort of your home, lower your energy bills and also help to reduce the carbon emissions you produce every day.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4QHsF8OKUo8>

Conservation

A total of €100,643 was paid out to 17 applicants under the Built Heritage Investment Scheme.

Community and Cultural Development

Capital Projects Parks

Parks Capital Projects – Q4 2021 Progress							Comment
On Hold	(i) Preliminary	(ii) Design	(iii) Tender	(iv) Construction	(v) Complete		
					✓	Complete	
					✓	Application for Sports Capital Grant made for the changing pavilion	
					✓	Complete and operational in Nov 2020	
					✓	Complete	
					✓	Complete	
					✓	Complete	
					✓	Railings and entrance works complete	
				✓		Works for completion in Q1 2022	
				✓		Works for completion in Q1 2022	
				✓		To commence Jan 2022	
				✓		Phase 1 works are on-going.	
			✓			Part 8 approved in Dec 2021	
			✓			Procurements on-going.	
		✓				Detail design is on-going. Stage 1 procurement process has commenced.	
		✓				Part 8 advertised in Dec 2021	
		✓				Part 8 approved at Feb 2021 meeting.	
		✓				Part 8 approved at the July 2021 meeting.	
		✓				Playground design to commence. Toilets to be brought to site in Jan 2022.	
	✓					Feasibility complete and design to commence in early 2022	
	✓					Feasibility report complete. Masterplan considerations on-going.	
	✓					Feasibility complete and design to progress in early 2022	
	✓					Considering options following expressions of interest process.	
✓						Delay due to Dept. of Education review	
✓						No funding available.	
✓						Further review to take place in early 2022	

Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP)

- The LCDC held 2 meetings in this quarter – 20th October and 24th November.
- The LCDC made recommendations on the applications and allocation of funding of €29,265.94 through the new Social Enterprise Capital Grants Scheme 2021. The scheme is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development from the Social Enterprise Measure of the Dormant Accounts Fund in 2021 and is being administered by the LCDC. The recommendations were sent to the Department of Rural and Community Development where they were considered for decision by the Minister. The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys T.D., announced details of social enterprises who will receive funding and the LCDC is notifying the applicants.
- New grant scheme 'Community Activities Fund 2021' launched on 11th November and €284,216 is allocated to the DLR area. This scheme is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development and will be administered by the LCDC. Applications to be submitted through the DLR online grants system with a closing date of the 18th of February 2022.
- The dlr PPN in collaboration with the Council began the consultation for the creation of the Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement for the county. A series of online consultation workshops were held throughout the month of October. The Statement aims to capture the aspirations of the local community for present and future generations in terms of six important themes: Social and Community Development, Participation, Democracy and Good Governance, Values, Culture & Meaning, Health (Physical and Mental), Work, Economy & Resources and Environment & Sustainability.
- A Joint Policing Committee meeting took place on 23rd November on MS Teams. It included a presentation by Chief Superintendent Nyland on current policing issues. An update was provided by Cllr Hanafin on the study commissioned by DLRCC into Assessment of Need for Provision of Domestic Violence Refuge in the DLR area.
- There were 6 Local Policing Fora meetings in this quarter. The Sandyford Stepside Local Policing Forum met twice on the 26th October and the 14th December. The Loughlinstown Ballybrack Shankill Local Policing Forum meeting took place on the 16th November, the Central Dun Laoghaire Local Policing Forum meeting took place on the 5th November and the newly formed Dundrum/Stillorgan Local Policing Forum met twice, on the 12th October and the 7th December. These meetings were held online via MS Teams.
- A Rural Task Force Meeting was held on 7th December.
- 1 Network of Facilities Meeting took place on 16th November
- Comhairle na nÓg AGM took place on the 10th of November. 55 young people from 12 secondary schools across the county attended.

Age Friendly Programme & Social Inclusion Unit:

- Friday the 1st of October marked **UN International Day of Older Persons** and in 2021 the theme of the day was 'Digital Equity for all Ages'. Events were coordinated by the dlr Age Friendly Programme and took place across the county, free of charge, in person and online, to celebrate ageing and to promote and support digital access for all. Almost 20 events took place organised by various community organisations and groups as well as the County Council Community Section and Arts Office. dlr Libraries launched the Age Friendly ACORN tablet lending scheme and the PPN provided digital training workshops with hundreds participating in the various events that took place during the day.

- **dlr Festival of Inclusion took place from Thursday 14th October – Monday 18th October 2021** and the theme for the festival was 'Going Forward Together' to highlight social inclusion initiatives and to celebrate and promote activities of community groups and volunteers in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

An array of events were organised including Music in the Parks, Dance Theatre Ireland performances and workshops, various Seminars and Workshops, transition year students integration training, Traveller culture celebration; Health & Wellbeing classes and talks, Neighbour Day, LGBT Ireland older persons webinar, Women4Women Breakfast, Men's Shed activities, launch of dlr Libraries Sensory Wall & Equipment in Deansgrange Library, the Community Time Capsule Project and Parlour Songs launches and much more!

All events were organised free of charge and over 25 organisations and groups organised events that showcased and highlighted projects and activities celebrating social inclusion, diversity and equality across Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

- The **Stirring Memories Project**, a collaboration between the Library Service and the dlr Age Friendly Programme connected with 6 Daycare Centres from across the County to engage service users and help them tell their stories and reminiscences of their favourite daytrips or nights out at well-known landmarks and venues across Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and old Dublin County. An audio visual exhibition of all images, photographs and memories from Stirring Memories will be held in the LexIcon in 2022.

"Parlour Songs" part of the Stirring Memories project, is a video collection of top singers performing all the favourite old songs we used to sing in the 'good room' or 'parlour', presented by RTE's Helen Curran. Ten 45-minute shows have been produced and all the Parlour Songs videos have been provided to all the nursing homes and day care centres in the county.

- The **2022 dlr Age Friendly Magazine** has been published. The 84 page full-colour free magazine is packed with information, short stories, poems, recipes, lyrics, puzzles, exercises and guidance on the Age Friendly services and activities provided by dlr County Council and Age Friendly organisations and groups operating across Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The 2022 dlr Age Friendly magazine is produced by the dlr Age Friendly Programme, the Community Section of dlr County Council and dlr Libraries and is funded by Creative Ireland, Healthy Ireland and the dlr County Council Library Services, Age Friendly Programme and Community section. Essential information on the services and assistance provided by many dlr County Council Sections as well as Age Friendly support organisations and groups working in the county are included in the magazine on keeping active, safe, connected, assisting with wellbeing, mental health as well as guidance on getting started with digital and staying active online.

Hard copies of the magazine are available from all dlr Libraries and County Council offices as well as churches, community centres and shops and is available to view online at <https://bit.ly/dlrAgeFriendly22>. For further information on receiving copies, contact the Community Section, dlr County Council at 01 2054893 / community@dlrcoco.ie.

- Consultations on the drafting of the **dlr Age Friendly Strategy 2022-2026** have continued with many workshops and meetings taking place with various DLRCC departments and Age Friendly organisations and groups working in the county, following public consultation earlier in the year. Actions for inclusion in the strategy

are currently being agreed by all stakeholders and the strategy will be completed by Q1 2022.

- The **High Security Locks Scheme** for people aged 65+, funded under 2021 LPT initiatives was completed in November. 581 valid applications were received, and 184 homes received security upgrades with 298 high security anti-snap locks fitted by Locksafe Locksmiths during October and November. Total budget spent: €25,000.
- **Age Friendly Ireland, Housing & Public Realm Training** for DLR County Council staff took place online on the 16th November with 43 staff members participating. The course aimed to equip participants with essential knowledge and skills to maximise the age friendliness of the environment. It was also provided to local authority staff to ensure effective planning for older people is adequately considered and addressed in housing and public realm policy formulation and implementation, and the participating departments are engaging in the drafting of the dlr Age Friendly Strategy 2022-2026.
- The **dlr Age Friendly Alliance** continues to meet quarterly and the Alliance met on the 8th December with a presentation and discussion on the drafting of the 2022-2026 dlr Age Friendly Strategy as well as updates from all the participating member organisations and groups.
- The **dlr Integration Forum** organise, run and co-ordinate ethnic minority activities in the community. The aim of dlr Integration Forum is to help develop an inclusive, supportive, secure and intercultural community that is based on the principles of equality, diversity, healthy communication, social justice and mutual respect. The dlr Integration Forum are supported by the Social Inclusion Unit and continue to meet online and are seeking new members.
- The **dlr Older Peoples Council** have received training on using digital devices by the Age Friendly Digital Ambassadors from dlr Libraries and members of the OPC recently participated in a promotional digital literacy video produced by dlr Libraries. The OPC had hoped to meet in person in November but due to Covid 19 restrictions will now reconvene in January 2022. The OPC wish to attract new members to its Executive and reinvigorate the OPC and agree a plan for the coming years.
- **Promotional Videos** were filmed, directed, edited and produced by **IADT students from the National Film School** in partnership with the dlr Age Friendly & Social Inclusion Unit who filmed participants from 6 of the dlr Men's Sheds to promote the work of the Men's Sheds in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. A video with top tips by An Garda Síochána on how to prevent crime during the winter months, aimed at older people within the community and presented by Sergeant James Malone, Crime Prevention Officer for Dún Laoghaire was also produced. The videos are available to view at: <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/dlr-age-friendly-county>
- The **Community Time Machine Project**, funded by Age Friendly Ireland and Creative Ireland and organised by the Neighbourhood Network is taking place currently in dlr. Five older and 5 younger groups are meeting online to learn and create an artistic piece of work together – poetry, story, art, photography etc. and will create a time capsule for their community - <https://neighbourhoodnetwork.ie/time-machine/>

Cultural Development

DLR Libraries, Music Generation, Arts and cultural programming is ongoing in support of delivering on the objectives in the Dlr Council approved plans (below) which support cultural development, connect, empower and support community potential in dlr.

- DLR Libraries Library Development Plan 2016-2020
<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/sites/default/files/files/using-your-library/Library%20Development%20Plan%20English%20version%20Final.pdf>
- DLR Arts Development Plan 2016 -22
https://www.dlrcoco.ie/sites/default/files/atoms/files/arts_development_plan_eng_.pdf
- DLR Cultural and Creative Strategy 2018 – 22
<https://www.creativeireland.gov.ie/en/creative-communities/dun-laoghaire-rathdown>
- **Dormant Account Funding**
dlr Libraries successfully received funding to progress 4 projects under the Dormant Account Funding, provided by Department Rural and Community Development.

Projects include further development of the following projects – It’s Lit!(erary), Collins Big Cat Complete e-book Library Licences, ASC Project and a new project on Advocating for Gender Balance in STEAM 2021.

Community Facilities

Community Facilities across the County have continued to operate for essential services. From the 20th September activities were permitted to move indoors and facilities have continued to work closely with groups who provide leisure, educational, sports and cultural services to return safely to indoor settings.

COVID-19 Community Response

The Community response to Covid-19 is being led and co-ordinated by **Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council** in collaboration with a wide-range of stakeholders in the Community Response Forum, supported by a wide range of community and volunteer groups.

Community Response to Covid 19:

- Data for the community call helpline ceased being collected at the end of October. The service had dealt with in excess of 4,500 calls since its inception
- 1 stakeholder meeting was held on 27 October. The forum now meets every two months
- Health & Wellbeing Initiatives:
 - Against the background of the Covid Restrictions, a range of initiatives have been developed to support health and wellbeing in our communities. The priority is to encourage communities to keep fit and active, stay connected and support them in looking after their mental health.
 - Initiatives were rolled out across Libraries, Sports and Physical Fitness, Arts, Heritage and Biodiversity.
 - The Council also partnered with Making Connections, that primarily looks after the elderly, in delivering a range of individual initiatives, in the community to help isolated individuals to connect with their neighbours.
- To view dlr’s health and wellbeing initiatives page under the ‘Keep Well’ Campaign see <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/keep-well-campaign-2020>

Keep Well Campaign 2021

The Keep Well campaign was a national campaign which the government was promoting to help people stay well during the pandemic. The Campaign was focused on 5 themes: Staying Connected, Switching Off and Being Creative, Managing your Mood, Keeping Active and Eating Well.

The campaign is now being wound down, as restrictions ease.

COCO Markets

During the month of October, we received 6 market applications. These applications fell under the following categories:

- 3 Christmas market for Marlay Park Saturday and Marlay Sunday (Non-food/craft)
- 1 Permanent for Dun Laoghaire Sunday (Non-food/Craft)
- 1 Seasonal for Dún Laoghaire Sunday (Artist)
- 1 Seasonal for Marlay and Dún Laoghaire (food)

During the month of November, we received 8 market applications. These applications fell under the following categories:

- 6 Christmas market for Dún Laoghaire Saturday and Sunday (Non-food/craft)
- 1 Permanent for Dun Laoghaire Sunday (Non-food/Craft)
- 1 Seasonal for Dún Laoghaire Sunday (Artist)

During the month of December, we received 5 market applications. These applications fell under the following categories:

- 2 Christmas Market for Dún Laoghaire and Marlay (Non-Food Craft)
- 3 Seasonal Trading for Dún Laoghaire (Craft)