

FEBRUARY MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT **FOR COUNTY COUNCIL**

CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH



The monthly and quarterly Management Reports have been evolving in recent months and the quarterly report will in future include a progress report on capital projects, in addition to the Social Housing Progress Report.

The monthly management report will concentrate on service provision information, relevant statistics and monthly financial income and expenditure reports for Revenue and Capital accounts

Plans and Policies

1. Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP)

Work continues to progress the implementation of the Local Economic and Community Plan www.dlrcoco.ie. This is a key statutory plan to support and promote economic growth and enhance the quality of life and well-being of our communities in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The LECP Implementation Advisory Group met on March 1st to discuss the 2016 Annual Report and work plan for 2017. The 2016 Annual Report will be presented to the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC at their March 21st meeting and will be included in the Annual Report which goes to Council in April.

2. Tourism

A Tourism Working Group was established to support the development of a Tourism Strategy & Marketing Plan for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. A number of consultation events and focus group meetings have taken place as part of the process of developing the new Tourism Strategy and Marketing Plan. A significant Tourism Stakeholders consultation event took place on Feb 1st in the assembly Room with up to 60 representatives of the Tourism Sector. An outcomes report from this event has been shared.

Plans for a new Tourism Information Centre and ancillary services in a Kiosk on the Metals are progressing.

A public procurement process is underway to contract a provider of tourism information services in Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown for 2017 to 2019.

Relevant Statistics

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Performance of the LEO (number of clients; grants given; number of companies assisted; number of jobs created, enterprise promotion initiatives).

Clients assisted in LEO activities for February 2017

	No of applications for financial assistance	No of clients attending networking events	No of clients commencing training/attending workshops, seminars	No of clients commencing mentoring assignments	No of clients attending business advice clinics	Total no of clients assisted
February 2017	4	29	190	15	36	274
February 2016	5	59	42	11	28	145

Financial assistance approved in February 2017

	No of feasibility study approvals	No of business priming approvals	No of business expansion approvals	No of Trading Online Vouchers approved	Total no of applications approved
February 2017	2	1	0	0	3
February 2016	2	2	1	0	5

	No of applications processed for Microfinance Ireland
February 2017	1
February 2016	0

	Vacant Premises Applications	Shop Front Improvement Applications	Business Promotion Grants Applications
February 2017	1	3	0
February 2016	1	0	0

Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance for February 2017

February 2017 – Total number of jobs created	1
February 2016 – Total number of jobs created	7

RETURN OF PLANNING STATISTICS

1st January 2017 – 28th February 2017

1st January 2016 – 29th February 2016

	Outline Permission		Approval		Permission		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
New applications received*	1	1	-	-	207	272	208	273
Decisions Deferred	1	1	-	-	69	61	70	62
Decisions to Grant**	0	0	-	-	195	176	195	176
Decisions to Refuse**	0	0	-	-	40	21	40	21
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	0	-	-	233	196	233	196
Invalid Applications	0	0	-	-	17	46	17	46

Notes:

* Includes **18** Applications for Retention (**2016**), Includes **33** Applications for Retention (**2017**)

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

(**2** Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse) in **2016** and **1** Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse) in **2017**)

DRIVING QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL



Plans and Policies

1. Creative Ireland Programme

A cross DLR Culture team is being established to progress the Government's Creative Ireland Programme within DLR. Local Authorities have a key role to play in terms of community engagement and programming cultural activity. The primary role of the Culture Team will be to develop a Culture and Creativity Plan and drive public participation in creative cultural activity within the County. The work will also be undertaken in consultation with the Community Development, Ageing and Heritage SPC.

Service Provision

1. Road Restoration Programme

Roads & Footpath Programme noted by the Dundrum Area Committee at meeting on 6th February, 2017 (Minute No. DDMUN/422/17).

Roads & Footpath Programme noted by the Dun Laoghaire Area Committee at meeting on 27th February, 2017.

Survey work underway on some roads in preparation for procurement and tendering processes.

Works on site :-

- **Tivoli Terrace South, Dun Laoghaire** (2016 Job)

Road restoration/re-surfacing and footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily

- **Desmond Avenue, Dun Laoghaire** (2016 Job)

Road restoration/re-surfacing, footpath restoration and public realm works ongoing

- **Annville Avenue, Blackrock** (2016 Job)

Road restoration/re-surfacing and footpath restoration works progressing satisfactorily.

- **Pearse Villas, Sallynoggin**

Snagging works being carried out in connection with road and footpath restoration

2. Road Patching Programme

- List of locations being considered for patching in 2017 included in report on Roads & Footpath Programme 2017 noted by Area Committees.

Road patching repair works carried out and completed satisfactorily at the following locations :-

- **Sloperton, The Slopes, Monkstown**
- **Thomond, off Corbawn Lane, Shankill**
- **Barnaslingan Lane, Kiltiernan**

3. Footpath Programme

Works on site and works completed :-

- **Shanganagh Road, Shankill** (2016 Job)

(From Broomfield Court/Texaco Garage to Beechfield Manor)

Footpath restoration works progressing satisfactorily.

- **Lynwood Estate, Ballinteer** (2016 Job)

Footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily.

- **Beaumont Drive, Churchtown** (2016 Job)

Footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily.

Procurement/Tender Process :-

The closing date for the receipt of tenders for Footpath Restoration works at the following locations was the 17th February, 2017. The tenders are being assessed to facilitate the appointment of a Contractor to carry out the proposed works :-

- **Marley Grange Estate, Rathfarnham**
- **Grange Road – Grange Cottages to Pine Valley Estate**

4. Roads Control & Reinstatements Office

- On-going works by Contractor to permanently reinstate roads & footpaths as a result of water & drainage operations.
- **Cherrywood SDZ (Strategic Development Zone)**

The delivery of the Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone will involve significant construction works over the next 18 months in the Cherrywood area. The first phase of infrastructure provision for the Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone will be delivered by JCL, the joint venture between John Cradock Ltd./Jons Civil Engineering.

The Roads Control Unit has been engaged in considerable consultation with Consultants & Contractors regarding the Licencing of works commenced in connection with developments at Cherrywood SDZ. This liaison will continue as work progresses and periodic inspections will be carried out in conjunction with Council's Site Representatives.

- **Mount Anville Road**

Works ongoing in relation to the installation of a water main between Goatstown Road junction and Mount Anville Park (Road Opening Licence to Developer)

5. **Road Maintenance & Footpath Works – Direct Labour Workforce**

- Crash barriers erected at “The Cottage”, Kellystown Road
- Drainage repair works carried out at Old Dunleary Road
- Routine maintenance works on roads are carried out by direct labour crews in response to complaints – i.e pothole repair etc.
- Routine maintenance works on footpaths are carried out by Direct Labour crews in response to complaints via CRM

6. **Traffic & Road Safety**

Public Consultations

- Review of Cycle Parking Standards for New Developments went out to non-statutory public Consultation on the 5th of January 2017. Closing date February 17th, 2017 on Citizen Space. There were seven submissions. The report on the submissions will go the Strategic Policy Committee In March 2017.
- The Draft Road Traffic Special Speed limit Bye-laws were adopted at the February 2017 Council meeting.

Scheme updates:

- Monkstown Village Road Safety Improvement Scheme: Construction expected to commence in April 2017
- N11/Johnstown Road Junction Improvement scheme –Final resurfacing is scheduled for March 2017 when temperatures are more suitable for the works
- Cross Avenue and Environs (Dún Laoghaire) Road Safety Improvement Scheme: This scheme has been separated into two phases. The works on Cross Avenue have been merged with Desmond Avenue and are approximately 75% completed. Construction of Phase 2 (all of the works outside of Cross Avenue) is underway and expected to be completed in April
- Wyattville Road Cycle and Pedestrian Improvement Scheme – Construction expected to commence in April 2017
- Killiney Road / Ballinlea Road AIP – Construction completed
- Commons Road – Road Safety Improvement Scheme – Tenders have been issued for a contractor
- Harold’s Glasthule School Safety Improvement Scheme- Bollards and railings have been installed and lining renewed – Raised platforms will follow at Easter 2017.
- Moreen Road Pedestrian Improvement Scheme-Tenders have been received.
- Dom Marmion Car Park Improvements, Dundrum: Design issued to roads marking contractor, liaising with Parking section to finalise, (line marking) works predominantly weather dependent.
- Parking bays for 11 vehicles marked for pilot Car Club scheme.

- Variable Message Signage (VMS) Project –Waiting for electricity power to install the displays.

Road Safety

- Refresher training of School Wardens has begun with the initial intake of 15 school wardens.

7. Water Services & Drainage

Dargle View Screen Upgrade works are now complete.
The Old Dublin Road Screen upgrade project is now complete.

Detailed design of the Kilbogget Park Flood Storage project is underway. It is planned to progress to Part 8 Consultation in Q2 2017

Glenavon Park Flood Storage Assessment is ongoing. Flow monitors and rain gauges have been installed at the start of January and will remain in place for a minimum of a further 1 month. After that time the results can be analysed and will inform the more detailed assessment.

Cabinteely Park Flood Storage assessment study is ongoing. A draft copy of the assessment report is due in March.

Water Services continues to liaise with the Office of Public Works and provide input into the development of options in the Flood Risk Management Plans (FRMP).

Ardglas Screen upgrade and flood management modelling has been completed. Tenders have now been received for detailed design of the new screen and flood storage area and are currently being evaluated

Watsons Estate SW remedial works contract Phase I is now complete.
Loreto Park minor flood storage area works are complete.

Sandyford Park Flood Storage Feasibility assessment commenced in in January 2017. An initial report is due in May.

Marlay Park Flood Storage Optimisation Study is now complete. The study confirmed that there is potential to store additional large volumes of surface water run-off from upland areas. Further studies will now be undertaken to assess potential impact on ecology and assist with a cost benefit determination.

A study commenced in January to assess the feasibility of constructing a flood storage pond/wetland in Fernhill Park. This will be a collaborative project with Parks Section. This study is ongoing with preliminary results due in April.

A study is nearing completion to assess the impact on the Carysfort Maretime Stream of constructing the Bracken Road extension directly on top of it. If required the Bracken Road scheme design will incorporate an attenuation feature. This is a collaborative project with the Infrastructure and Climate Change Department.

Watermain Removal from Old Dublin Road Culvert: Ground investigation work is complete. Consulting Engineers have been appointed and a design is completed for the new watermain which will be constructed under the existing culvert. Liaison is ongoing with Irish Water. It is planned that this project will go to Tender in Q1 2017.

Tenders have now been received from Engineering Consultancies for a definitive report on coastal protection options for the cliffs at the old landfill North of Bray. These are currently being assessed.

Detailed design is underway for the Corbawn Access Rehabilitation and Coastal Protection Project. Liaison is ongoing with affected landowners. It is planned to seek Tenders in Q3 2017.

Greygates SW Repair work Phase II is underway. This phase is due for completion in Q2/Q3 2017.

Johnstown Road Environs Flood Alleviation works Phase I (twin culvert removal) is complete. The Design of Phase II works (New Screen and Channel re-alignment) is complete. Tenders will be received in March with construction to follow in April/May.

8. **Parks**

Parks & Landscaping Service:

- Landscape Maintenance Contract on going
- Tree Care Programme on going.
- Hudson Road Part 8, out on public consultation.
- Fernhill Park and Garden Masterplan – ongoing
- Fernhill –tree works phase 2 tendered
- Marlay substation works ongoing
- Summer bedding plants ordered

Sports Services:

Sports Development:

- 138 participant's took part in the DRAFTS Afterschool programme
- 160 participants took part Mini-Movers Fundamental Movement Programme
- 218 participants took part in a wide range of activities from Archery – Golf per week
- 205 participants were facilitated in the 10@10 activity in Good Shepherd
- Positive Play Schools Football Programme caters for 150 primary school children
- Walking football with Loughlinstown Men's Shed: 10 participants
- Currently 50 girls are involved in the emerging talent programme running in Marlay Park in partnership with the FAI.
- Coach education programme – FAI - 2 kick start, 4 club workshops,
- Primary school Tag Rugby 350 participant's
- Secondary school Tag Rugby : 75 participant's
- Secondary school Contact Rugby Junior & Senior : 120 Boys

Sports Partnership:

- New Sports Inclusion Disability Officer is now in place working on participation projects such as Enjoy Tennis, Inclusive Gym and Swim for All
- The Daily Mile initiative is continuing with 30 Primary schools involved
- Activity Programmes – Ballyogan Buggy Brigade, mental health intervention projects, Weekly Walking Programme, Sports Leader for TY students in 2 schools
- 7 child protection in sport workshops covering 90 volunteers
- Seminar on Sports Psychology and Nutrition in UCD
- Work on second draft of Councils Sports Facilities Policy document

9. **Dún Laoghaire Harbour**

A meeting was held with the Harbour Company on 27 February to determine how best to progress the recommendations of the Due Diligence Report in the light of the Harbour Company requiring a Non-Disclosure Agreement. Following the meeting the Council's Risk Assessor was requested to outline the information he will require to conclude the assessment. This will be used as the basis of a final attempt to secure the information required to enable a recommendation by the Council.

10. LEO Enterprise Events & Activities

Enterprise promotion activities in February 2017

DLR Enterprise News	February Newsletter: http://leodlr.newsweaver.com/Newsletter3/54wkdg8qlgqqm7os4rp42l?email=true&a=11&p=51405934 Local Enterprise Week Newsletter http://leodlr.newsweaver.com/Newsletter3/1pqjw27wxzpqm7os4rp42l?email=true&a=11&p=51464609
One-to-One Business Advice Sessions	1 st , 2 nd , 8 th , 15 th , 16 th , 22 nd February
Group Business Information Sessions	2 nd & 23 rd February
Small Business Accounting Course	4 Week Course – Started 1 st February
Trading Online Information Seminar	½ Day Seminar – Thursday 2 nd February
Online Marketing & Social Media	8 Week Course – Started 2 nd February
Student Workshop	½ Day Workshop for Students on the Student Enterprise Programme – Friday 3 rd February.
Enterprising Women Network Meeting	Tuesday 7 th February
Start Network	Tuesday 14 th February
Time Management Workshop – Control the Clock	½ Day Workshop – Wednesday 22 nd February
Build your Business for Brexit Event	Evening event – Tuesday 28 th February

- **Trading Online Voucher (TOV) Seminar – Thursday 2nd February –Dún Laoghaire**

LEO Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown organized a free 3-hour morning digital marketing workshop for local entrepreneurs and micro-enterprise owners. The training provided guidance to 58 attendees who had expressed an interest in applying for up to €2,500 in grant aid to support the development of their business' online presence.

www.localenterprise.ie/DLR/Financial-Supports/Types-of-Funding/Trading-Online-Vouchers/

- **Evening Event 'Build your Business for Brexit' – Tuesday, 28th February – Haddington Hotel, Dún Laoghaire**

Local Enterprise Office Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown hosted a free Brexit Information event for local businesses. Expert speakers from Enterprise Ireland, Retail Excellence & AIB spoke about how the United Kingdom's prospective withdrawal from the European Union could potentially affect business and identified potential implications of Brexit in order to for businesses to plan and prepare for unpredictability, take advantage of opportunities and build a Brexit Strategy.

11. Community Development and Social Inclusion

Comhairle na nÓg

Comhairle na nÓg continues to meet on a monthly basis, supported by the Community Development and Social Inclusion Section. Work continues on the development of a work plan as well as identifying specific projects, long and short-term, which the Comhairle wishes to undertake. In February the Comhairle visited Dun Laoghaire Youth Service, run by Crosscare, with a view to understanding the facilities and programmes Crosscare has to offer to young people in Dún Laoghaire Rathdown.

The Comhairle na nÓg Steering Committee, which includes representatives of Dublin and Dún Laoghaire Education and Training Board, Department of Children and Youth Affairs, Foróige, Southside Travellers, An Garda Síochána, St. John of God Services, DLR Public Participation Network as well as Community Development staff, held their third meeting in February.

An invitation has been extended to the Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach of Comhairle na Nóg to attend the Council meeting to be held in May.

Estate Management Programme

Site visits continued in each of the twelve Estate Management Areas in conjunction with the local Estate Management Forums, to review progress to date and identify priorities for 2017. All 2017 Service Plans have been submitted and are being reviewed and agreed with the Community Development Team.

Community Development staff continue to meet with the Estate Management County Fora, with work on-going on the development of a 2017 Work Plan including signing up to the Governance Code which is a code of practice for Good Governance of Community, Voluntary and Charitable Organisations in Ireland.

Local Policing Fora

The County's Local Policing Fora - Dún Laoghaire, Ballybrack, Loughlinstown and Shankill and Sandyford and Stepside meet regularly to consider concerns or issues relating to public safety in the local community. Each Fora holds one public meeting annually to afford the local community an opportunity to air concerns. Sandyford and Stepside Public Meeting met 1st March in Kiltarnan.

A sub-group of the Dún Laoghaire Local Policing Forum has been established with representatives of An Garda Síochána, Crosscare, Park House Management Committee, Council Members and staff. This sub-group was formed with the specific purpose of establishing an intervention programme for young people to combat anti-social behaviour in Dún Laoghaire.

Street Feast

Street Feast, an annual day of celebration within local communities, was started in 2010 with the aim of reducing isolation and strengthening community cohesiveness. It provides an opportunity for neighbours to get to know each other and to celebrate multi-culturalism and diversity in local communities. Community Development staff recently met with the founders of Street Feast with a view to increasing on the 87 street feasts which took place in the County in 2016.

12.Arts and Culture

Arts Office

Municipal Gallery Programme

The two exhibitions *Then Again*, an installation by Catherine Delaney & *Mausoleums of Precious Belongings*, photographs by Fiona Hackett, continued in the Municipal Gallery, dlr LexIcon. Over 5,200 people visited the exhibitions. 7 events were held as part of the Programme, including 2 Azure Tours, Artists in Conversation, and workshops. <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/municipal-gallery-dlr-lexicon/current-exhibition>

Public Art Literature Commission, Blackrock

Writer and poet David Butler spoke about his public art commission in the Reading Room in Blackrock Library on Saturday 11th February. The Blackrock Sequence is a special commission to produce a sequence of poems examining the history, culture and memory of the coastal area from Booterstown to Dun Laoghaire, centering on Blackrock. He presented work in progress, followed by a Q&A.

Grainstore, dlr's Youth Arts Facility

During the period there were 3906 visits to the Grainstore, dlr's Youth Arts Facility. <http://www.dlrgainstore.ie>

Mountains to Sea dlr Book Festival

Mountains to Sea tickets went on sale in mid-February and sales have been strong so far with a number of events selling out including Caitlin Moran and Judith Kerr. The first pre-festival event, Mohsin Hamid (author of *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*) in conversation with Hugh Linehan will take place on the 28th of February to an audience of over 200 in the Pavilion Theatre. <http://www.mountaintosea.ie/>

Music Development

The Arts Office has begun a process of consultation through public meetings and online surveys to inform the development of music in the County. Taking place over February and March, and forming part of the implementation of dlr's Arts Development Plan 2016 – 2022, the research will inform our approach to supports for professional, community and amateur musicians and music education.

<http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/music-development-0>

Libraries: Major Events/Announcements/Launches during February

- **“Strolling through Ulysses” with Robert Gogan.** 02 February, dlr LexIcon Studio.
- **“When are you going to write a proper book”, a seminar for children’s writers and illustrators.** 04 February, dlr LexIcon Studio. Organised by dlr Writer in Residence Sarah Webb, in association with Children’s Books Ireland and supported by Words Ireland. There was a full house for information sessions with writers, illustrators, publishers, agents and booksellers. Podcast available.
- **Launch of exhibition “A world of colour: the art of Beatrice Alemagna and Chris Haughton”.** 04 February, dlr LexIcon. Launched by dlr Writer in Residence Sarah Webb. An exhibition of the work of two of the most exciting illustrators working in children’s books today.
- **On/Off jazz quartet with guests from Czech Republic and UK.** 24 February, dlr LexIcon Studio.
- **Mohsin Hamid in conversation with Hugh Linehan.** 28 February, Pavilion Theatre, a Mountains to Sea dlr Book Festival presentation.
- **UCD adult education courses.** dlr LexIcon Studio. Two courses on offer for Spring 2017 – “Germany: a history, 1618-1914” and “The birth of democracy”.
- **Graphic novel project with children from Southside Travellers Action Group (STAG).** Facilitated by artist Natascha Fischell and author and illustrator Alan Nolan.

Other Library Events

• Adult Events

- **Creative photography course.** With award-winning photographer, Gerry Blake. dlr LexIcon.
- **Writing course with Leo Cullen.** 4-week course. dlr LexIcon.
- **No such thing as a silly question!** Three week course in using your tablet. dlr LexIcon, Dalkey Library, Stillorgan Library
- **Weekly Smartphone Classes with Vodafone Ireland.** In dlr LexIcon throughout February.
- **Tai Chi for arthritis with osteopath Marion O’Connor and physiotherapist Barbara Mullan.** Course of 6 weeks in dlr LexIcon.
- **Carnegie cinema club.** The second film in Blackrock Library’s new cinema club programme was shown in February - “His girl Friday”.
- **Tea and teach digital academy with Bank of Ireland.** Basic computer use classes in Cabinteely Library and Deansgrange Library.
- **Fáilte isteach.** Regular English language classes in dlr LexIcon every Monday evening.
- **Coffee morning as Gaeilge.** Informal conversational Irish language sessions in dlr LexIcon every Tuesday morning.
- **Language exchange sessions in Irish, French, German, Italian and Spanish.** Weekly sessions in Deansgrange Library.
- **Mindfulness and wellbeing.** A talk with psychotherapist Stella O’Malley in Dalkey Library.
- **Creative writing course.** With author Lucinda Jacob in Deansgrange Library.
- **St. Brigid’s Day craft workshop.** With artist Brigid O’Brien in Dundrum Library.
- **Composting workshop.** Shankill and Stillorgan Library. With Maria Kennedy, Onja Van Dorsleer and Margaret Quirke.
- **Book club meetings.** Monthly meetings held in all branches.

• Children’s Events

- **About architecture.** Talk with architect Bláithín Quinn for secondary school classes in dlr LexIcon.
- **The little book of bad endings.** Book-making workshop with artist Declan Hurley. dlr LexIcon.
- **Storytime sessions in Blackrock, Dalkey, Dundrum, Stillorgan and dlr LexIcon.**
- **Baby book clubs held in Blackrock, Stillorgan, Shankill and dlr LexIcon.**
- **Sarah Webb, Writer in Residence 2016-2017.** Series of book clubs, writing clubs, videos, promotions and drop-in sessions continued throughout February.

- **Musical movements for toddlers.** With Carla Fazio. Blackrock Library.
- **Parent and toddler group sessions.** Weekly in Blackrock, Dalkey, Dundrum and Shankill Library.
- **Junior book clubs.** Monthly meetings in Blackrock and Stillorgan Library and dlr LexIcon.

• **LexIcon Lab**

- The popular series of weekly events for adults and children continued during February in dlr LexIcon. They included coding classes for children, introduction to 3D printing for adults, maker evenings and introduction to Raspberry Pi classes.

Libraries' Exhibition Programme

- **A world of colour: the art of Beatrice Alemagna and Chris Haughton** – Curated by dlr Writer in Residence Sarah Webb (dlr LexIcon, 04 February - 31 March)
- **Gateway to Ireland** - Curated by Local Studies Librarian Nigel Curtin (dlr LexIcon, February – 31 March)
- **Remembered, a Bray man in the Great War** (Stillorgan Library, 01 February – 31 March, curated by dlr Libraries staff member, Seán Downes)
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13. Environment

Litter Control

Litter Fines

Month	Total
January	22
February	98

Graffiti Removal

Month	Total
January	400 Sqm
February	350 Sqm

Environmental Awareness

- Continued management of Councils Green Schools programme.
- Continued support for Tidy Towns, Residents Associations, Community Groups and Schools.
- Sustainable Gardening workshops organised.
- Ongoing management of LA21 LEPF and Anti Litter and Anti Graffiti grants.
- Green Schools assessments organised.
- Preparations ongoing for National Spring Clean, Tidy Districts and Tidy Schools competitions.

Environmental Monitoring

Former Bray Landfill.

On foot of this instruction proposals were sought by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Council from qualified consultants and Fehily Timoney & Company were appointed to carry out the necessary work. The Tier 2 technical environmental assessment report has been submitted to the EPA. A Tier 3 report which identifies remedial measures that may be required to protect the environment has been submitted to the EPA for their consideration.

In addition Engineering Consultants, experienced in Coastal Engineering, have been appointed to review the key reports on coastal erosion issues in the area and to advise DLRCC on the optimal way forward, to identify risks to the beaches/environment in the area and to adjoining lands.

Heritage/Biodiversity

- Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council scooped the Sustainable Environment Award at the recent Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards for its *Biodiversity in Action* programme.

Relevant Statistics

1. Libraries:

- Registered Patrons: 74,648
- Issues: 125,329
- Footfall: 94,038
- Self Service: 73% usage across the 8 branches
- Internet & WiFi Usage: 18,139 Sessions

2. Dangerous Buildings

There were 10 dangerous buildings reported in February, 2017. 3 were categorised as potentially dangerous; 7 were categorised as not dangerous.

3. Parking Unit

- There were 2,176 fixed charge notices/fines issued during February 2017.
- There were 96 successful convictions secured during February 2017, relating to unpaid parking fines.

4. 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 Jan 2017:	507
Percentage of lights out at the end of Jan 2017:	0.5%
Pole replacement carried out in Jan 2017:	12
Bracket replacements:	204
Tree trimming:	12
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	18

LED Upgrading Program

Enniskerry Road	72
FRASCATI ROAD	19
ROCK ROAD	56
GROVE LAWN	5
KNOCKNASHEE	1
LANEWAY WILSON RD TO DEERPARK	1

LEOPARDSTOWN PARK	1
TEMPLE HILL	3
THE RISE(MOUNT MERRION)	1
WALKWAY B/T DALE RD & HIGHRIDGE	1
Bridges Glen Luas	28
ABBAY COURT	1
CARYSFORT WOODS	1
Manor Marley Grange	1
RATHSALLAGH PARK	1

Planning and Building Control

Applications analysed	19
Inspections completed	1

Requests

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	1
Alterations:	0
Legal requests:	0

TRANSFORMING HOW WE WORK



Plans and Policies

Payroll Shared Services Project

Work on this project by the Council's Project Team continues with regular engagement with the Local Government Management Agency and the Council's service provider CoreHr. The envisaged date for participation in the national payroll shared service centre has been revised to September 2017

Service Provision

1. CoCo Markets

14 applications for stalls in CoCo Markets received, 12 offers made. One, Inspire & Grow (the joint initiative between LEO and CoCo Markets) will start in Marlay Park on 4th March 2017.

2. Road Closures and Street Furniture Applications

There were 4 Road Closures and 3 Street Furniture Applications in the Month of February 2017

Relevant Statistics

1. CRM Statistics

Corporate CRM Cases logged in February 2017:

Department	Active	Closed	Grand Total
Environment	82	571	653
Finance	42	288	330
Housing	64	236	300
Transportation	169	95	264
Parks	163	75	238
Planning	14	21	35
Waste			
Enforcement	7	14	21
Communications	2	16	18
Water & Drainage	4	5	9
Property	3	3	6
Co Co Markets		6	6
Corporate	1	4	5

Services			
Enterprise	1		1
Architects		1	1
Community	1		1
Ballyogan Depot	1		1
Grand Total	554	1335	1889

Finance

Making of Rate 2017:

Rates were made on the 3rd of February on rateable properties within the County of Dún Laoghaire–Rathdown and public notice of the making of the rate was given by advertisement placed in press on same day. The Annual Rate on Valuation (ARV) for 2017 is €0.1648.

Issuing of Rate Bills for 2017:

The 2017 Rates Bills issued on the 9th of February, 2017

Sandyford Business District Bids Scheme:

One of the functions of the Council in relation to a Bids Scheme is the determination of the Bid Multiplier, the bid multiplier is similar to the Council's ARV (Annual Rate on Valuation) and the bid multiplier multiplied by the valuation of an individual property gives the annual bid levy payable in respect of that property. The Sandyford BID Company Limited by Guarantee submitted their budget for the year 1-1-2017 to 31.12.2017 to the Council to enable the calculation of the bid multiplier. The budget amounts to €550,000 of which €520,000 is to be raised from bid contribution levies. The bid multiplier is calculated by dividing the amount to be raised from levies by the valuation of the bid scheme area giving a bid multiplier of €0.005.

Once the bid multiplier is determined the Council is responsible for calculating the bid levy payable by individual businesses within the bid scheme area and the issue of the bid levy bills. Bid levy bills issued on the 23rd February, 2017 to businesses within the bid scheme area.

In the case of the DunLaoghaire Town Bid Scheme as the financial year for that scheme runs from the 1st April bid invoices will not issue for that bid scheme until after that date.

Overdraft Facility

Overdraft facility of €5.5m in place but not availed of in 2017 to date.

Financial Reports

Revenue Account Income & Expenditure to 31st January 2017

Capital Account Income & Expenditure to 31st January 2017

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/01/2017

1 months = 8.33%

SERVICE DIVISION		EXPENDITURE		
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	2,936,900	41,086,800	7.15%
B	Road Transport & Safety	2,157,437	29,336,100	7.35%
C	Water Services	1,437,339	13,475,200	10.67%
D	Development Management	1,435,973	16,713,000	8.59%
E	Environmental Services	2,769,392	32,496,500	8.52%
F	Recreation & Amenity	2,461,570	29,340,600	8.39%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	49,577	519,100	9.55%
H	Miscellaneous Services	653,521	8,697,200	7.51%
Total Expenditure		13,901,709	171,664,500	8.10%

SERVICE DIVISION		INCOME		
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	3,024,687	36,066,700	8.39%
B	Road Transport & Safety	799,316	11,852,700	6.74%
C	Water Services	595,721	9,503,500	6.27%
D	Development Management	377,619	4,298,600	8.78%
E	Environmental Services	548,909	7,220,500	7.60%
F	Recreation & Amenity	266,966	4,842,300	5.51%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	4,800	181,900	2.64%
H	Miscellaneous Services	219,109	5,037,900	4.35%
Sub Total		5,837,128	79,004,100	7.39%

	Provision for Credit Balance	0	1,500,000	0%
LPT	Local Property Tax	904,458	10,853,500	8.33%
PRD	Pension Related Deduction	0	0	0%
RA	Rates	6,692,242	80,306,900	8.33%
Total Income		13,433,828	171,664,500	7.83%

Deficit at 31/01/2017	467,881
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**DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/01/2017**

SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2017 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 31/01/2017
A Total Housing & Building	-1,116,397	2,201,676	-1,809,232	-723,953
B Total Road Transport & Safety	-21,781,569	403,588	-26,411	-21,404,392
C Total Water Services	-4,106,372	23,045	0	-4,083,327
D Total Development Management	-28,150,503	46,813	-590,005	-28,693,695
E Total Environmental Services	-12,962,510	90,833	-362,317	-13,233,994
F Total Recreation & Amenity	11,954,132	114,470	-46,333	12,022,268
G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&Safety	-5,618,988	0	0	-5,618,988
H Total Miscellaneous Services	-5,299,751	0	-77,031	-5,376,782
Grand Total	<u>-67,081,960</u>	<u>2,880,425</u>	<u>-2,911,328</u>	<u>-67,112,863</u>