

## Project: Proposed Development of Shanganagh Park Masterplan – Phase 1, Shankill, Co. Dublin Information: Consultation & Engagement to Date

## Shanganagh Park & Cemetery Masterplan:

- A site analysis and draft masterplan was developed in the first half of 2019 with early consultation taking place with local Councillors and sports clubs.
- The aim of the masterplan was to set out a strategic vision for the park which creates a framework within which individual projects can take place. It was to maximise potential for the park and prevent a piecemeal approach to any future developments. The long term goal is to be upgrade the park to regional status.
- A wider consultation opened on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 and closed on the 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019. A draft masterplan, comprehensive site analysis and masterplan explanation report was published to guide submissions and observations.
- As part of this process, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council undertook a presentation followed by questions and answers in St. Anne's Church Community Centre on the 18th July 2019 from 19:30-21:30. A second public information session took place on the 29th August 2019 from 17:00-21:30. The first 2.5 hours of this session consisted of a drop-in service where interested parties could discuss the plan directly with DLRCC Parks staff. All stakeholders were encouraged to provide submissions and observations through the online portal.
- The submissions and observations from the Shanganagh Park & Cemetery Masterplan demonstrated a high level of support with in excess of 350 submissions and observations being received.
- Some significant improvements took place as a result of the public consultation and engagement with changes including increasing the meadow areas on the castle land and in linear configurations around the perimeter of the open spaces in the park and the removal of the pedestrian access point between Shanganagh Grove and the park.

## Shanganagh Park - Phase 1:

- Early consultation for phase 1 took place with the local Councillors and sports clubs. Contact was made with the local residents associations in November 2021 inviting them to a meeting to engage and consult on the plans for phase 1. A meeting date was set and interested parties were requested to email to confirm their attendance and could be invited to the meeting. No emails were received.
- The public consultation opened on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and closed on the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022. There was little opportunity to extend the timeframe as timelines are restricted in the Planning & Development Act.
- A total of 393 submissions/observations were received which demonstrated a low level of support for the project. However, sports clubs were requested to put in one submission only because of the risk of major duplication and this is likely to have skewed the process slightly.
- Some improvements took place as a result of the public consultation and engagement with changes including; alternative design of the ramp at the DART crossing to protect habitat and



biodiversity, the addition of a basketball area, the removal of the canopy above the sprint track to reduce the likelihood of anti-social behaviour and the provision of temporary car parking at Shanganagh carpark.

• There is also a proposal to engage with the local residents to set up a group for sharing information and for reporting and resolving any issues that may arise. This will include members from the sports clubs, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and the local residents.