

DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

MAY MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

27 April – 30 May 2023

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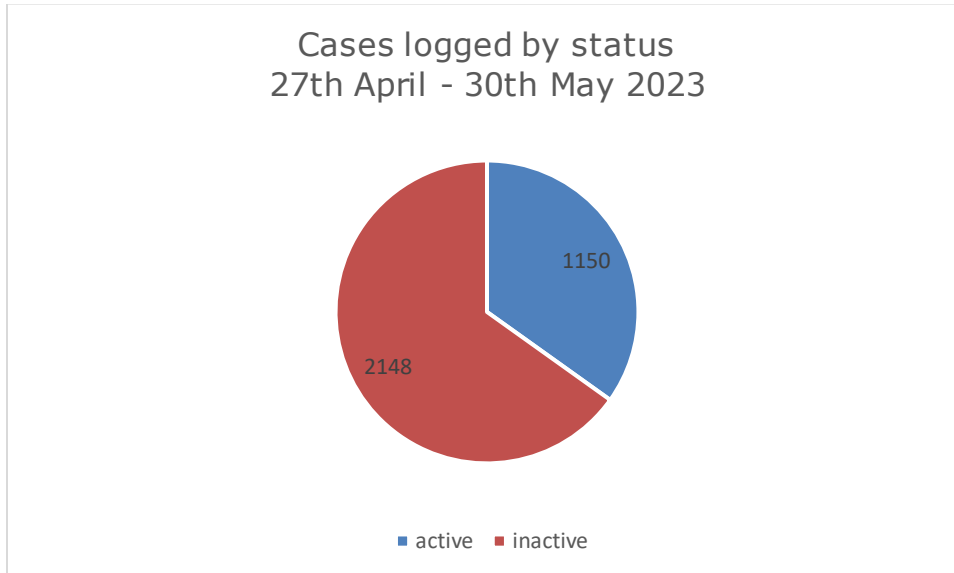
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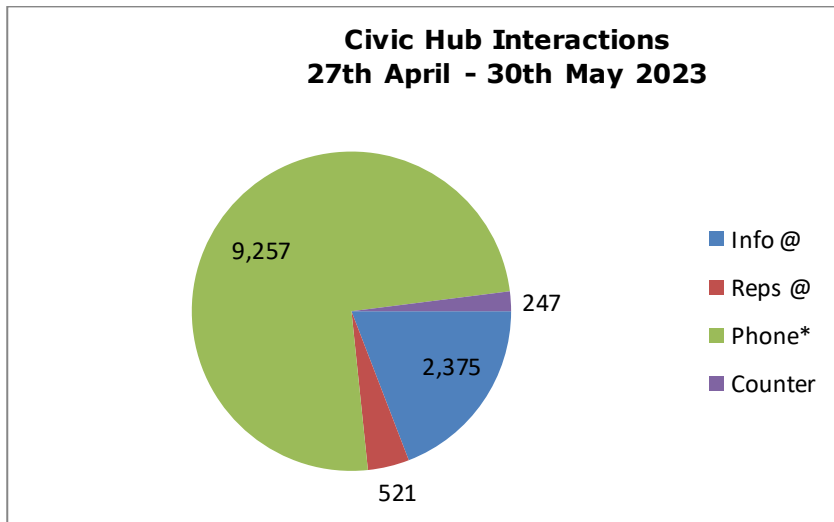
Cases logged from 27th April – 30th May 2023

Open	1150
Closed	2148

Cases Logged from 27th April – 30th May 2023, by Section:

Section/Dept	Open	Closed	Total
Architects	1	4	5
Arts	1		1
Comms & Civic Hub	23	394	417
Community	4	3	7
Corporate Services	4		4
DEACTIVATED USERS	4	2	6
dlrcoco	5		5
Environment	217	433	650
Finance	18	280	298
Housing	50	134	184
Libraries	1	3	4
Parks	381	254	635
Planning	10	20	30
Property	10	11	21
Transportation	397	538	935
Waste Enforcement	20	52	72
Water Services	4	20	24
Grand Total	1150	2148	3298

* Pie chart excludes abandoned calls



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Civic Hub Activities:

Cases logged from

Phone Statistics	Answered Directly	Transferred to overflow
	8076	1181

Emails received	Info@	Reps@	Total Emails
	2375	521	2896

Counter Interactions	Civic Hub	Appointments	Total
	203	44	247

Communications

Website Activity – page views

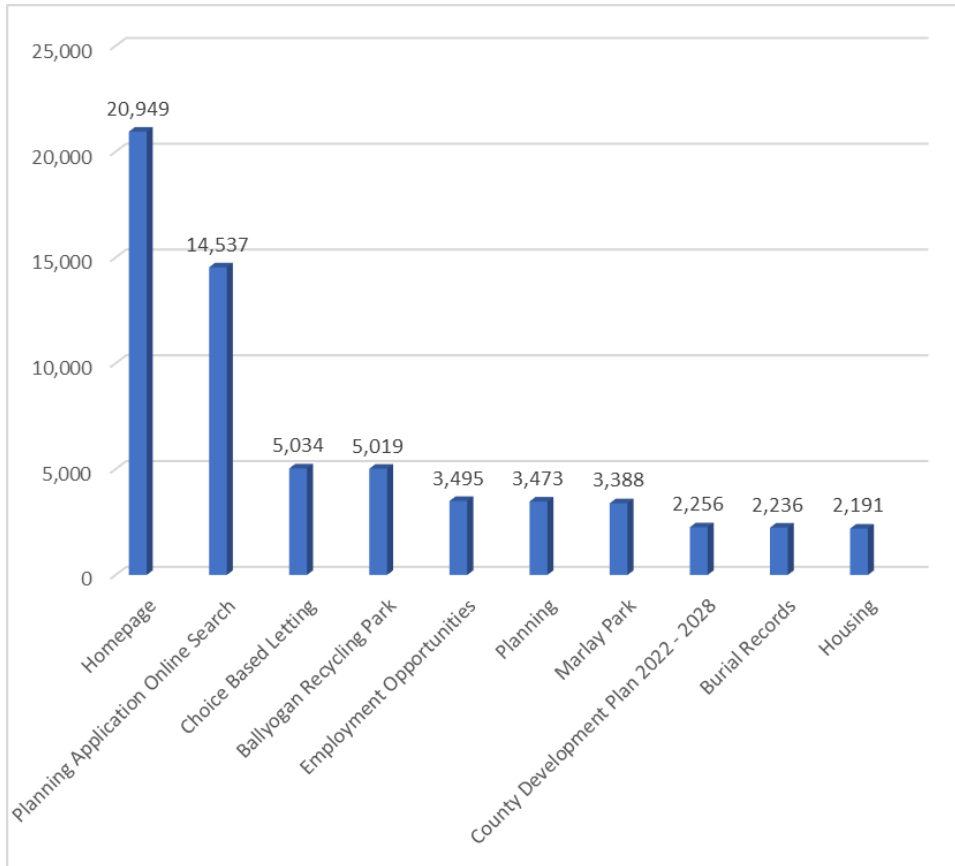
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Social Media Activity










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Profiles

Review your aggregate profile and page metrics from the reporting period.

Profile ▲	Audience	Net Audience Growth	Published Posts	Impressions	Engagements	Engagement Rate (per Impression)	Video Views
Reporting Period Apr 27, 2023 - May 30, 2023	78,512 ↗ 0.4%	288 ↗ 41.2%	958 ↗ 27.6%	1,020,639 ↗ 2.8%	29,177 ↘ 3.7%	2.9% ↘ 6.3%	8,547 ↘ 60.7%
Compare to Mar 24, 2023 - Apr 26, 2023	78,179	204	751	992,453	30,293	3.1%	21,721
 @DLR_Libraries	8,766	-3	38	20,036	482	2.4%	52
 @dlrArts	3,026	9	33	11,291	234	2.1%	131
 @dlrcc	19,762	77	249	327,806	6,028	1.8%	3,537
 @dlrheritevents	4,005	3	13	9,468	227	2.4%	383
 @leo_dlr	5,607	0	79	10,917	119	1.1%	0
 dlrcoco.ie	7,033	108	193	140,582	1,746	1.2%	634
 dlrevents	12,240	3	16	16,700	259	1.6%	9
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	14,795	60	263	432,810	14,518	3.4%	1,298
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership	3,278	31	74	51,029	5,564	10.9%	2,503

Press Queries

There was 18 Press Queries received during this period.

Freedom of Information

There was 14 Freedom of Information requests received during this period.



Comhairle Contae County Council
Finance and Water Services

DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/04/2023				
SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2023 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/04/2023 €
1 Total Housing & Building	19,396,542	49,206,541	47,769,769	17,959,771
2 Total Road Transport & Safety	7,132,720	9,814,126	8,301,828	5,620,421
3 Total Water Services	2,106,576	339,672		1,766,904
4 Total Development Management	190,242,443	15,323,362	2,273,408	177,192,489
5 Total Environmental Services	2,177,644		149,000	2,326,644
6 Total Recreation & Amenity	13,896,870	3,449,384	1,237,476	11,684,962
7 Total Agriculture, Education, Health & Safety	4,040,386	281,731		3,758,655
8 Total Miscellaneous Services	40,954,458	620,734	504,217	40,837,941
Grand Total	279,947,639	79,035,550	60,235,698	261,147,786

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 30/04/23						
	Balance at 01/01/2023 €		Balance at 30/04/2023		Current year debit €	Arrears >1 year
RATES	25,264,293		87,683,105		66,113,882	21,569,223

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/04/2023

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SERVICE DIVISION		EXPENDITURE		
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	21,448,306	72,721,224	29.49%
B	Road Transport & Safety	10,361,098	35,181,888	29.45%
C	Water Services	4,171,361	12,568,752	33.19%
D	Development Management	12,512,415	28,095,012	44.54%
E	Environmental Services	11,667,765	36,294,420	32.15%
F	Recreation & Amenity	13,386,240	37,496,868	35.70%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	2,355,652	4,792,800	49.15%
H	Miscellaneous Services	3,309,543	9,364,272	35.34%
Total Expenditure		79,212,380	236,515,236	33.49%

SERVICE DIVISION		INCOME		
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	17,682,140	64,175,328	27.55%
B	Road Transport & Safety	4,216,328	13,012,752	32.40%
C	Water Services	2,705,635	8,420,220	32.13%
D	Development Management	6,250,251	6,560,712	95.27%
E	Environmental Services	2,326,516	7,498,392	31.03%
F	Recreation & Amenity	2,432,874	5,699,244	42.69%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	993,796	3,369,900	29.49%
H	Miscellaneous Services	5,985,296	17,213,376	34.77%
Sub Total		42,592,835	125,949,924	33.82%

LPT	Local Property Tax	4,188,868	97,998,804	4.27%
RA	Rates	32,927,691	12,566,604	262.03%
Total Income		79,709,393	236,515,332	33.70%

Balance as at 30/04/2023	€497,013	Surplus
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Drainage and Flood Alleviation

Engineering and Environmental Consultants were appointed in December 2019 for Flood Risk Management works on the Deansgrange Stream. This is a 4-to-5-year project. Activities completed to date include additional survey work, CCTV surveys, a Constraints Study, Hydrological analysis, and hydraulic modelling. Optioneering, environmental surveys and engagement with key stakeholders continue. A Ground Investigation Contract is complete. We have received preliminary approval from Irish Rail to tunnel under the rail line. Public Consultation on the preferred option took place on the 13th December. The environmental impacts review is almost completed. The scheme is due to be presented to Councillors prior to Part 8 submission.

Engineering and Environmental Consultants have also been appointed for Flood Risk Management Works on the Carrickmines/Shanganagh Rivers. This is a 5+ year project. Data gathering is underway. A Flow/Rainfall Survey is complete. Further topographical survey work has been done. Early damage/benefits assessments are underway to ensure a cost-beneficial scheme is achievable. An initial public engagement is complete following short briefing sessions with Area Councillors. The on-site Site Investigation work is largely completed. The options for the project are being considered. Interim technical reports have been developed for some option locations due to the complexity. Initial discussion has begun with a small number of landowners.

The Monkstown environs flood risk mapping project is substantially completed, and final draft mapping and draft options have been submitted for review.



Comhairle Contae County Council

Planning and Economic Development

Planning Applications – monthly statistics 27th April – 30th May 2023

	Outline Permission	Permission	Total
New application Received*	0	148	148
Decision Deferred	0	20	20
Decision to Grant**	0	121	121
Decision to Refuse**	0	10	10
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	106	106
Invalid Applications	0	15	15

*Includes 18 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".

3 no. Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse).

Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) Applications

Planning Applications received under Section 5 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) (Large-scale Residential Development) Act 2021.

Case No	Applicant's Name & Brief Description of Development	Date Application Received	Last Day for Submissions/Observations	Application Website	Decision due date by DLR
LRD23A/0303	<p>Red Rock Glenageary Ltd. Lands at junction of Sallynoggin Road & Glenageary Avenue & Glenageary Roundabout, Glenageary, Co. Dublin.</p> <p>The proposed development will consist of a new neighbourhood centre to include apartments, commercial & retail units, public plaza, childcare facility & all associated residential amenity spaces.</p> <p>The proposed development includes:</p> <p>a) Construction of 140 no. residential apartment units (41 no. 1-bedroom units, 74 no. 2-bedroom (4 person units) 8 no. 2-bedroom (3 person units) & 17 no. 3- bedroom units) in 2 no. interlinked blocks at third to fifth floor level (ranging in height from four to seven storeys over basement level) consisting of:</p> <p>i. Block A (5-6 storeys) comprising 43 no. apartments (10 no. 1-bedroom units, 21 no. 2-bedroom (4 person) units, 4 no. 2-bedroom (3 person) units & 8 no. 3-bedroom units).</p> <p>ii. Block B (4-7 storeys) containing 97 no. apartments (31 no. 1-bedroom units, 53 no. 2-bedroom (4 person) units, 4 no. 2-bedroom (3 person) units & 9 no. 3-bedroom units).</p> <p>Each residential unit has associated private open space in the form of a balcony/terrace.</p> <p>b) Residential amenity areas of approx. 342 sqm are proposed in the form of resident support services, concierge services, co-working space, social/activity spaces & gym at the ground floor of Blocks A & B.</p>	10/05/2023	13/06/2023	www.glenagearygateir.d.ie	04/07/2023

<https://planning.agileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/96061>

Planning Counter Figures: 27th April 2023 to 30th May 2023

Customers Served	337
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RZLT update

- A total of 82 submissions on the draft RZLT map were received by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.
- There were no third-party submissions seeking the inclusion of additional lands.
- DLR had until 1st April 2023 to make a determination on submissions.
- A Supplemental Map, showing new sites only has been published, submissions on this were open from 1st May 2023 to 1st June 2023.

Building Control: 27th April 2023 to 30th May 2023

Fire Safety Certs applications received*	16
Fire Safety Certs applications Granted *	24
Fire Safety Certs applications Refused/Withdrawn/Invalid *	1/0/0
Disability Access Cert Applications Received**	12
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted / Refused**	6/0
Commencement Notices Validated	62
7 Day Notices received	2
Completion Certs Validated	30

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

**Includes DACs, Dispensation/ Relaxation

Local Enterprise Office & Economic Development

Approvals for Financial Assistance Year to Date

	Total approved May 2023	Enterprise Ireland target May 2023
Feasibility Study	5	20
Business Priming	4	
Business Expansion	7	
Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters	5	
Trading Online Vouchers	56	18
Other Grant Applications (Green, Agile, IP etc.)	5	8
Microfinance Ireland *	5	5
Total Approvals	87	51

*Number of clients supported to submit MFI application for approval by MFI

Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance

	May 2023
No of jobs created	16

Clients assisted in LEO activities Year to Date for 2023	Total May 2023
Number of applications for Financial Assistance	87
Clients attending Networking Events	194

Clients commencing training and attending workshops or seminars	665
Clients commencing mentoring assignments	111
Clients attending Business Advice clinics	197
Total No of Clients Assisted	1254

DLR Economic Development Supports	Total May 2023
Vacant Commercial Premises Scheme	0
Shop Front Improvement Scheme	0
Business Promotion Grants	0
Street Furniture Grants	0

Enterprise Promotion activities in May 2023

DLR Enterprise News	<p><u>Ascend to New Heights</u> (Sent 27/04/23) Open rate 55%, 3331 recipients</p> <p><u>Small Business Sustainability Workshop</u> (Sent 02/05/23) Open rate 55%, 3325 recipients</p> <p><u>LEO DLR May Enterprise News</u> (Sent 05/05/23) Open rate 56%, 3324 recipients</p> <p><u>New Grant Scheme for Businesses Impacted by Spiralling Energy Costs</u> (Sent 08/05/23) Open rate 64%, 117 (M1 Clients only) recipients</p> <p><u>Why your Competitors are Outpacing you</u> (Sent 09/05/23) Open rate 52%, 3498 recipients</p> <p><u>LEO DLR - Upcoming Training</u> (Sent 18/05/23) Open rate 54%, 3493 recipients</p> <p><u>Expand your Business Borders and Skyrocket Revenue</u> (Sent 24/05/23) Open rate 50%, 3492 recipients</p>
Business Advice Sessions	Business Advice Sessions throughout May
Make Instagram Reels like a Pro (Using Capcut)	4th May

Trading Online Voucher Webinar	8th May
Ascend: Executive Leadership & Business Growth Masterclass Series	9th May
Content Creation & Copywriting	10th May
8 Week Start Your Own Business Course	11th May
Small Business Sustainability Workshop	12th May
8 Week Online Marketing & Social Media Course	17th May
Financial Projections for Funding Applications	22nd May
Sales & Marketing Strategy	31st May

LEO dlr Social Media Analysis: 26th April – 30th May 2023				
	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
Facebook	2,162	1	74	4,145
Twitter	5,606	-1	74	10,800
Instagram	1,621	37	74	5,619
LinkedIn	909	22	74	2,764

Tourism Development

Tourism Strategy 2023 – 2028.

The process for developing the new Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Tourism Strategy has begun. As part of the strategy process, we have opened an online survey to the public via Citizen Space on 16th May and is open until June 9th. The survey was promoted via all dlr Tourism and dlrcoco channels. The Tourism section is organising an in-person tourism stakeholder consultation workshop on June 20th, invites for this event have gone out this month.

Festivals & Events.

Two new events took place this month with the support of the `Tourism Festival & Events grants 2023. The Stand up for Climate Change Festival at the Mill Theatre & the Dun Laoghaire Storytelling festival.

James Joyce Tower & Museum.

Consultation continues with James Joyce Tower & Museum & Shaffrey Architects for a report on the 1st floor access issues.

Presentation to Minister Neale Richmond.

A presentation was made by the Economic Development Department to Minister Neale Richmond in Sandyford on 15th May setting out the priorities for 2023. This included a section on Tourism development and key issues.

Coastival Nights.

The Tourism section continues to collaborate with the economic development section on the development of the "Coastival Nights" programme of events – www.coastalights.ie

Cruise Programme 2023.

20 Cruise ships visited Dun Laoghaire this May with 16 of them receiving welcome support from DLR tourism to assist with orientation and tourist information.

DLBA are setting up a volunteer programme of Welcome Ambassadors to support the Cruise programme. The Tourism Section provided a short training / induction for the volunteer initial welcome ambassadors.

Dublin LEADER

DLR Tourism participated in the consultation with Dublin Leader on their 3-year strategy with a priority to focus on rural tourism.

Social Media Analysis May 2023

	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
Facebook	8,842	46	14	17,985
Twitter	3,855	5	14	7,386
Instagram	3,193	18	14	3,900

Enterprise Hub by Quarterdeck in the Ferry Terminal

It was agreed at the Dun Laoghaire Area Committee meeting held in May 2023 to bring an update on the Ferry Terminal to future meetings.

The members agreed to a S183 leasehold disposal of the terminal building to Quarterdeck at the Council meeting held on 13 June 2022 to operate an Enterprise Hub. Quarterdeck had indicated that they expected to incur expenditure of c€4m and began the process of seeking tenders for the necessary works after the lease became effective in July 2022. Widespread tender price inflation meant that the tenders obtained by Quarterdeck came in significantly higher than expected, resulting in a delay to the commencement of the works as Quarterdeck sought to get the project to a position where it was financially viable, based on the relatively short-term lease.

In the interim the following conditions of the lease have been satisfied:

- Insurance paid 30/09/22 which was confirmed to be in order
- Deposit of €200,000 lodged 13/12/22
- A photographic survey was provided on the 16/09/22 as required by the contract
- 20-day notice re commencement of works was provided 23/12/22
- Stena Line Offices - Fit out works substantially completed Confirmation of existing fire doors certification is required.
- Ground Floor Office Space - Works expected to commence during week beginning June 2023
- Food Hall and Ground Floor Co-working space - Works expected to commence during week beginning June 2023
- External Signage - Design completed and submitted to planning control.
- Office Occupation - Commitments and interest have been received for 102 desks before marketing. Currently working through building Control Compliances.

Environmental Enforcement:

DATE 27 th April to 30 th May	Number	Comment
Enforcement Complaints – Opened	35	Air/Noise/Waste
Enforcement Complaints – Closed	31	Air/Noise/Waste
Environment Cases – Opened (Dumping/Litter)	97	Litter Section
Environment Cases – Closed (Dumping/Litter)	97	Litter Section
Litter Fines issued	25	Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-laws
Waste Fines issued	1	Waste Bye-laws
Legal Proceedings initiated	3	Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-laws/Waste Bye-laws

Dog Statistics	
No of dogs on hand on 1 st May	4
No of dogs entering the shelter	7
No of dogs rehomed	2
No of dogs reclaimed	3
No of dogs sent to rescue	2
No of dogs put to sleep	0
No of dogs remaining in the pound on 30 th May	4
Dog attacks in this period	3 – none on people

1. Road Maintenance Management Report - May 2023

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
RRP Major	Road Resurfacing Programme - Major Works					
1	The Park Estate Cabinteely (part of)			✓		
2	Mulvey Park (part of)				✓	Works Completed
3	Barrack Road, Glencullen (part of)			✓		Works commencing on site on 15th May
4	Meadowmount (part of)		✓			Contractor currently being appointed
5	College Road / Killmashogue (part of)		✓			Contractor currently being appointed
6	Ballinaclea Road (part of)			✓		Work commenced in May 2023
7	Ashlawn Estate (part of)	✓				Councillor meeting held in March 2023 and letter to be issued to residents on the scheme with scheme details

8	Glenageary Road Upper		✓			Contractor to commence works in June 2023
9	Barnhill Road (part of)	✓				Design nearly complete
10	Dalkey Avenue (part of)		✓			Scheme has been tendered
11	Monkstown Crescent (part of)	✓				Site investigations have been carried out
RRP Minor	Road Resurfacing Programme - Minor Works ('Patching')					
1	Old Clonkeen Road	✓				
2	Trisilian, Foxrock	✓				
3	Olivemount Grove / Road		✓			Contractor currently being appointed
4	Prospect Lawn			✓		
5	Brennanstown Road					
6	Grange Wood	✓				
7	Idrone Lane				✓	Works completed
8	Pucks Castle Lane	✓				
9	Sallynoggin Road		✓			Contractor has been appointed
10	Avondale Road (driveways)		✓			Contractor has been appointed
11	Rock Road (Boosterstown to Blackrock)	✓				
12	Foxrock Court	✓				
13	Dundela estate (parts of)	✓				
FP	Footpath Upgrade Programme					
1	Pine Valley (part of)			✓		
2	Sandyford Business District (part of)		✓			Contractor currently being appointed
3	Kerrymount Avenue (part of)	✓				
4	The Park, Cabinteely (part of)			✓		Works currently on site
5	Mount Anville Road (part of)		✓			
6	Dún Laoghaire Town (part of Northumberland Avenue)		✓			Phase 2 Project has been tendered
7	Watsons Estate (part of)	✓				A survey has been carried out.
8	Thornhill Road (part of)	✓				A survey has been carried out.
9	Trafalgar Terrace		✓			Contractor has been appointed
BSP	Bridges & Structures Programme		✓			Tender to assess bridges in the County has been issued
2	Dublin Road Shankill Bridge	✓				
3	Category 3 Bridges - Bridge assessment	✓				
DGRP	Drainage / Gully Repair Programme					
1	Ballinteer Road at Lynwood			✓		
2	Mount Albion Road Churchtown	✓				
3	Brighton Road Foxrock.	✓				
4	Cherrywood Road/Bray Road junction	✓				

5	Castlebyrne Park	✓				
6	Priory Avenue	✓				
7	Mounttown Road Upper				✓	
8	Silchester Park/Adelaide Road junction	✓				
NRP	National Roads Programme					
1	N11-N31, 3-Year Resurfacing			✓		On Site - Currently Working between Newtownpark Avenue and Cornelscourt
AWP	Accessibility Works Programme					
1	Loreto Park (part of)	✓				
2	Mulvey Park (part of)				✓	
3	Marine Road Pedestrian crossings				✓	Works are completed
3	Laneway Between Seaview Park and Shanganagh Road (near Texaco Garage)	✓				
CMP	Cycleway Maintenance Programme					
1	Wyckham Bypass	✓				
2	N11 3-Year Resurfacing Programme			✓		Cycle lanes currently being upgraded as part of the N11 Pavement Renewal Project
3	Sallyglen Road (part of)	✓				Cycle track lining has been renewed each side of Sallyglen Road
EMP	Estate Management Programme					
1	Moreen/Blackthorn	✓				
2	Rathsallagh Estate	✓				Scheme to be tendered in May 2023
TICP	Taking in Charge Programme*					
1	Redesdale estate - certain laneways	✓				
2	Foxrock Wood - Beech Park Laneway	✓				
	<i>*Subject to investigation and clarification of ownership, assessment of works and costs needed to bring these roads/laneways up to taking in charge standard, and no commitment can be made at this stage as completing such works would be dependent on available funding and resources.</i>					
RCRP	Roads Control Reinstatement Programme					
1	Cherrygarth, Stillorgan	✓				
2	Stonebridge Lane, Shankill	✓				
	Other Notable Minor Works Schemes					
1	St. Johns Park resurfacing	✓				Works to be tendered in June 2023
2	Pakenham Road Longford Place junction resurfacing		✓			Works to take place in June

2. Roads Control Unit

Irish Water Reinstatement IWR Works 2023

Roads Control Unit is continuing to carry out the permanent reinstatement works throughout the administration area of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council (DLRCC) according to the current service level agreement (SLA) between Irish Water and DLRCC.

Roads Control Restoration Works RCRW 2023

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS
RCRP	Roads Control Restoration Programme 2023	
1	Cherrygarth (Part off) off Trees Road Lower, Stillorgan	Pending completion of testing private surface water & drainage infrastructure, installation of fibre infrastructure, and remedial works required for public roads.

Section 254's

Local Authorities, in their capacity as planning authorities, are tasked with the issuing of licenses for the placement of appliances, cables, signs, and/or other items on public roads under Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000. The Road Maintenance Section are the area responsible for the issuing of such licenses for above ground telecommunications infrastructure.

Section 254 – Above Ground Telecommunications Infrastructure	
1 st Jan 2023 – up to date	
Applications	
Received	5
Granted	1
Withdrawn	0
Refused	1

The Section 254 webpage is now live on dlrcoco.ie

Please follow the below link for details of Section 254 applications which have been processed: <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/information-technology/section-254-above-ground-telecommunications-infrastructure>

3. Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Section Statistics

Cleansing & Beaches Stats	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023
Weight of Rubbish Collected from Streets/Beaches (tonnes)	538	325	280	244	290	238
Clean-Ups Assisted	67	30	70	58	67	81
Animal Removals from Public Spaces	23	7	19	22	16	14
Bathing Water Samples Taken	18	18	18	18	18	18
Gullies Cleaned	792	690	1210	961	1391	829
Dumping Incidents Managed	32	65	44	35	34	37
Bathing Water Pollution Incidents Detected	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reported Overflows from Drainage Network to Bathing	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Water						
Street Bin Collections	4620	4670	5103	4847	4905	5118

* Statistics available up to the end of April 2023.

Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Updates – May 2023

- Quinns Road Beach Access Repair Project – Main Contractor started on the 8th of May, the project will run for approximately 8 weeks and access to the beach will be prohibited during this timeline.
- 40 Foot Remedial Repairs – The final ladder and handrail element have been installed and a snagging report is being developed.
- Kavanaghs Corner (adjacent to the 40 Foot) – Storm damage occurred to the bathing area on the 9th of March. Drawings are under preparation by an external consultant for tender purposes.
- Killiney Beach – Protective fencing works are complete on a previously fenced off area prone to cliff face coastal erosion.
- Marker Buoys – Sanction approval has been granted by the Board of Irish Lights for the installation of 2No. Marker Buoys at the 40 Foot water front and 3No. Marker Buoys at the DLR Baths water front. Installation of the marker buoys is scheduled for June.
- Public Realm cleaning is on-going presently with power washing and furniture cleaning.
- DLR Baths – Maintenance crews are in place at the Baths and daily cleaning is underway to remove washed up seaweed, stones, sand etc. whilst also emptying bins.
- The Road and Cycle Lane Sweeping is on-going as per the schedules and also as per CRM requests.
- Gully Cleaning operations and early morning works are on-going.
- Beach Lifeguard interviews (two competitions) were held. Seapoint, Sandycove and Killiney beaches will be manned from the 1st of June, subject to Lifeguard availability and resourcing. A limited lifeguard service may be offered until a full complement of lifeguards become available.
- Bathing water sampling is on-going at our 9 locations every fortnight as scheduled and we will be sampling every week from the 1st of June until the Bathing Season finishes in mid-September.
- A weeding contractor has been appointed and crews are working at various locations within the county.
- The Bin review was presented as a headed item at the Dundrum and Dún Laoghaire Area Committees.

4. Road Restoration Programme

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 May 2023:	375
Percentage of lights out at the end of May 2023:	1.0%
Pole replacement carried out in May 2023:	7
Bracket replacements:	75

Tree trimming:	0
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	13
LED Upgrades	84
Total lights upgraded to LED	21,055
Total percentage (%) of lights as LED	86.5%

LED Upgrading Program

BELLEVUE PARK	3
BROOKFIELD PLACE (PLUS NEW SECTION)	2
CLONSKEAGH ROAD	2
COLUMBANUS AVENUE	2
COLUMBANUS ROAD	6
CONVENT ROAD (DALKEY)	1
CORRIG ROAD (DALKEY)	2
EAST PIER	45
ELTON PARK	1
FARRENBOLEY PARK	1
FRANKFORT PARK	5
GLEDWOOD PARK	1
HIGHFIELD PARK	1
LONGFORD PLACE	1
MARLBOROUGH ROAD	2
MOUNTTOWN PARK	1
NUTGROVE PARK	1
PATRICK DOYLE ROAD	3
SEAFIELD CLOSE	1
SWEETMAN,S AVENUE	1
TRIMLESTON PARK	1
WESTBROOK ROAD	1

Planning and Building Control

Applications analysed	23
Inspections completed	1

Requests

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	7
Alterations:	3
Legal requests:	3

5. Traffic & Road Safety

	Preliminary Design Stage	Public Consultation	Detailed Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	Comment
NTA STMG Schemes 2023 – Schemes being progressed by Traffic & Road Safety Section							
Stillorgan Park Road to Carysfort Ave				✓			Due to issue with the Tender Documents, it was decided to re-tender
Sandyford Business					✓		Construction progressing well on

District Cycle Routes							permeability links
Sandyford Cycle Route (Roebuck Road to UCD)			✓				Progressing slowly due to lack of internal resources
Cycle Parking Development					✓		Cycle parking roll-out continuing. A tender is being prepared for the purchase of new cycle stands.
Rapid deployment Cycle schemes						✓	Cycle Protection works are complete on Avondale Road and Newtownpark Avenue
Stepaside Village and Cycle Scheme		✓					A non-statutory public consultation process has begun
Sandyford Village and Cycle Scheme	✓						A preliminary design is ongoing
Clarinda Park East-pedestrian improvements				✓			Contractor re-appointed. Construction to begin in next month

Public Consultations-

Stepaside Village and Cycle Scheme

The Council are seeking views from the public to help inform the scheme design. A non-statutory public consultation is being held on the scheme from 28th April 2023 to 26th May 2023 (till 12 noon). See link below

Traffic and Road Safety: Stepaside Improvement Scheme - Phase 1 - Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council - Citizen Space

Ballybrack Underpass Churchview Road

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Connect the Dots would like to invite the local Ballybrack community to share their insights on the underpass on Churchview Road. The views you submit will help inform the Council on how the local community feels about the underpass and its future, on closing the underpass or keeping it open. Survey submissions open until 21 June 2023.

Visit bit.ly/DLRBallybrackUnderpass

Stillorgan Village Movement Framework Plan

Phase 3 – Preliminary redesign almost complete.

Speed Limit Review

Consultation with neighboring local authorities continued in May 2023

Traffic Advisory Group (TAG)

A TAG meeting for Area 1 (Dun Laoghaire) took place on 22nd of May and 18 items were dealt with. There was also a meeting on the Area 2 side (Dundrum) on the 8th of May and 18 Items were dealt with.

Road Safety

A Council School Warden conducted a road safety talk with students of kindergarten attached to Scoil Naithi, Ballinteer on Tuesday 30th of May 2023.

Deputations

Council staff met with the following residents on 10th of May 2023:

Roebuck estate residents, Clonskeagh

Ballally estate residents, Sandyford

Bus Connects

The Traffic Section, with cross departmental input, made a submission to ABP with respect to the proposed Blackrock to City Centre CBC. ABP has advised that the decision due date for this planning application, has been put back with no new determination date

provided. Regarding the Bray to City Centre CBC planning application, the submission of this application to ABP is now envisaged in Q3, 2023.

Bus Interchanges at Dundrum, Dun Laoghaire & Blackrock

Discussions are ongoing with the NTA regarding bus interchange improvements at these locations. The improvements are needed to cater for the planned service increases under the BusConnects’ programme.

Area Based Transport Assessments (ABTAs)

Dundrum ABTA - Work on this project is progressing and the ABTAs Stages 1, 2 & 3 are now complete with work on Stage 4 - Preparation of a draft ABTA Recommendations Report, at an advanced stage which feeds into the draft LAP being progressed by the Planning Section.

Racecourse South lands & Kilternan - Glenamuck– The Council, in conjunction with the NTA, is progressing Area Based Transport Assessments (ABTAs) for the Racecourse South lands at Carrickmines, in accordance with the requirements of SLO 143 in the current County Development Plan, and also for the Kilternan – Glenamuck area in order to support the preparation of a Local Area Plan to replace the current Kilternan - Glenamuck Local Area Plan, due to expire later this year. The Council is aiming to have a consultant appointed in Q2 to commence the studies.

Road Closures, Filming Locations and Event Signage

In May 2023 there were:

- 4 applications for road closure
- 2 applications for film locations
- 3 applications for event signage

6. Relevant Statistics

There were 2535 Fixed charge notices/fines issued between 30th April and 30th May 2023 breakdown of which is as follows:

<u>Violation</u>	<u>No. tickets issued</u>
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display/Permit Parking Area Regulations	1051
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display Parking Regulations	446
Parking a non-goods vehicle in a goods vehicle loading bay	344
Parking a vehicle on a footway	179
Parking a vehicle on a double yellow line	85
Parking a vehicle on a roadway with less than 3 lanes where there is a continuous white line	78
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display / Permit Parking Area Regulations	72
Parking a vehicle in a taxi stand	54

Overstaying 3-hour parking limit	45
Parking or stopping a vehicle in a disabled person`s parking bay	37
Parking a vehicle on a median strip	31
Parking a goods vehicle in a loading bay for over 30mins	28
Parking a vehicle within a stopping place or stand or bus stop	18
Parking a vehicle at a no parking sign at a time prohibited	11
OVERSTAYING 1 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	7
OVERSTAYING 2 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	6
Parking Electric Vehicle Only Bay	6
Parking a vehicle on a grass margin	5
Parking or stopping a vehicle on a clearway	5
Parking a vehicle on a cycle track	5
Not parking a vehicle within the limits of a parking bay	5
Parking a vehicle obstructing other traffic	4
Parking a vehicle on a single yellow line during a prohibited time	3
Electric vehicle in an electric vehicle bay but not charging	2
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of a road junction	2
Parking a vehicle within 15 meters approach side of traffic lights	1
Parking in a bay reserved for Car Club Vehicles	1
Parking or stopping a vehicle at a school entrance	1
Parking a vehicle within 15 meters of pedestrian crossing (approach side) or 5 meters on the other side	1
Parking a vehicle in such a position that interferes with other car park users or obstructing the entrance	1
Parking a vehicle in a prohibited place	1
Total no. of tickets issued between 30th April and 30th May 2023	2535

There were 29 convictions secured in the District Court in May 2023.

Conservation

Planning Applications (inc.FI & comp reports)	22
Section 5 Declarations	5
Built Heritage Investment Scheme (BHIS) 2023 & Historic Structures Fund (HSF) 2023 Grant Scheme	Pre-commencement site visits for a number of projects

Dangerous Buildings

Dangerous	0
Potentially Dangerous	6
Not Dangerous	0
Total	6

Community Response Forum

The Ballyogan Regional Temporary Rest Centre opened its doors to Ukrainian nationals on 28th April 2022. The Centre continues to accommodate up to 392 displaced Ukrainian nationals for short periods. Over 6,000 people have stayed at the centre during this time. Among the facilities available in Ballyogan are separate laundry, sanitary facilities, internet access, television spaces, games consoles, games room, chessboards, use of bikes and scooters, libraries of Ukrainian books for children and adults, translation services, as well as online access to Ukrainian newspapers and magazines.

As part of the comprehensive wrap around service, accommodation services at the Centre are being supported by HSE staff providing onsite support to meet the healthcare needs of Ukrainian residents, and residents also have access to an offsite GP service 7 days a week

The Community response to the crisis in Ukraine and the influx of Ukrainian nationals into the county is being led and coordinated by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council in collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders through the Community Response Forum, supported by a wide range of community and volunteer groups.

The Community Response Forum has been meeting since 28 March 2022 and met 3 times in May 2023. Support services are being provided to those Ukrainian nationals who are being accommodated in the Ballyogan Regional Temporary Rest Centre and Larch Hill Scout Centre as well as in hotels and in private accommodation within the County.

Local coordination efforts continue to provide comprehensive support services from Southside Partnership, HSE, An Garda Síochána, Department of Social Protection, dlr Education and Training Board, TUSLA, Community and Family Resource Centres, dlr Volunteers Centre and a number of other community and voluntary groups.

English classes and other activities continue to be provided in Ballyogan, Sandyford, Dundrum and Loughlinstown. English classes are also being provided in libraries. Employment support services have been organised by Southside Partnership.

Joint Policing Committee (JPC) & Local Policing Fora (LPF)

Public consultation on the Draft Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan 2023-2028 closed on the 19th of May.

A meeting of the Central Dun Laoghaire LPF took place on 10th May 2023.

A meeting of the Dundrum/Stillorgan LPF took place on 11th May 2023.

A Joint Policing Committee (JPC) meeting took place on the 30th May. This was followed by the annual JPC public meeting. Both meetings took place in the Talbot Hotel Stillorgan.

LECP

Public consultation for the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Economic and Community Plan 2023-2028 which took place between from April – May 2023 has included written submissions, surveys, interviews and workshops. Views, ideas and feedback were invited from the public, businesses and other key stakeholders for the new LECP. The deadline for submissions was extended and closed on Friday 19th May 2023.

Age-Friendly & Social Inclusion Programme, May 2023:

Planning for the dlr Age Well Expo, to be held on Sunday 11th June 2023 in the Leopardstown Racecourse Pavilion from 10a.m – 4p.m continued. Further information and registration available at dlrevents.eventbrite.ie

Autism Awareness Training for staff was held on 16 May.

The Integration Forum and the dlr Older Persons Council held 1 meeting each during May.

The second Garda Older Persons Association (GOPA) Safety & Security Workshop was held in County Hall on 3 May.

Audit of Community and Cultural Facilities

Public consultation on the Audit of Community and Cultural Facilities took place during May. The online consultation opened from 26th April until 19th May and 1,051 completed surveys were submitted. In addition to the online survey 6 focus group sessions took place covering each LEA. The consultations process included consulting with Children and Young People via dlr Comhairle na nÓg and Crosscare Youth Services.

Community Recognition Fund

The award of the Community Recognition Fund by the Dept of Rural and Community Development was announced with €697,000 being awarded to 23 projects within the County.

Estate Management

All Estate Management Forums have received their annual funding for the year and are working on progressing actions within their plans. Progress has been made with departments on the internal MIT programme.

Comhairle na nÓg

DLR Comhairle members were invited by An Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Mary Hanafin, to present their work at the Council meeting on the 8th May. DLR Comhairle na nÓg members appreciated this opportunity. They have been encouraged by the outcomes, comments and questions by the Elected Members on the evening.

Dlr Comhairle took part in two dlr consultations this month, 1) The new LECP plan and 2) The Audit of Community and Cultural Facilities. In addition, the Comhairle took part in a focus group with the dlr Arts Office on the development of a survey for consulting with children and young people.

Comhairle members have been busy recording two of their podcasts (vaping and exam stress) in the past 10 days. Currently these episodes are being edited with the release date for the vaping episode set for the 30th May

Pride of Place

Dlrcoco have submitted the following entries and categories for the Pride of Place 2023 awards:

Community Group	Category
Ballybrack Climate Action	Climate Action and Biodiversity
Blackrock Mens-Shed	Community Wellbeing Initiative
Hillview Estate	Population - 0-500
Ukrainian dlr community hub	Communities Welcoming New

Mens Sheds

A new Men's Shed in Kilmacud has been set up with support from Community Section staff and is a very welcome addition to the local Men's Shed network.

Contact has been made with IMSA (Irish Men's-Sheds Association) with a view to their updating details of dlr Mens Sheds on the national IMSA website.

The www.dlrcommunity.ie webpage has been updated and now includes a tab for Men's Sheds in the dlr area. Each of the Men's-Sheds in dlr will be provided with training in using this webpage to promote activities and events in their respective areas.

There will be representatives from respective sheds present at the Age Well Expo being held on 11th June at Leopardstown.

Network of Community Facilities

The Network of Community Facilities attended a training session on managing their respective portals on the www.dlrcommunity.ie webpage. Ongoing support and training will be provided to Community Facilities to ensure the webpage can be developed as a one stop shop for each facility to promote the services and activities taking place within the County.

Helping Irish Hosts

Helping Irish Hosts held one of their 'roadshow events' in County Hall on 24th May. Helping Irish Hosts arose in direct response to the humanitarian crisis that has arisen as a consequence of the war in Ukraine. Their purpose is to empower and support individuals and communities in Ireland to host Ukrainians in their homes, safely and sustainably. The event in County Hall included interviews with local hosts and guests, panel discussion and Q & A with Helping Irish Hosts and partners from The Irish Red Cross and The Irish Refugee Council.

Residents Associations

Community Section staff continue to provide information and support to requests from local communities seeking support in setting up resident's associations.

Smart Villages

Smart Villages Training Programme for Rural Dublin continued during May. The Smart Villages Training Programme for Rural Dublin is a pilot initiative led by Fingal LEADER Partnership in association with KPMG Future Analytics. The aim of this pilot Programme, which is running between April and June, is to assist local communities in developing the knowledge and skills needed to produce local Smart Village Action Plans.

Dublin Rural LEADER

Dublin Rural LEADER are now preparing the Local Development Strategy for Rural Dublin 2023-2027. A public consultation event was held in Stars of Erin on 11th May. dlr Community Staff also participated in a workshop on the development of the new Strategy which was held on 26th May. The LEADER Rural Development Programme supports the development of Rural areas through investment in economic, social, and environmental initiatives.

Arts

Municipal Art Gallery, dlr LexIcon

- The exhibition of a selection of artworks from the County Collection continued in the

Gallery; this includes some recent acquisitions.

- The Open Submission exhibition call for entries was launched; the theme is Chaos/Order and exhibition will be selected by Ann Mulrooney of Cartoon Saloon. The deadline for entries is 1 June.
- Over 90 submissions were received for the Open Call for the 2024-2026 visual art exhibition programme for the Municipal Gallery. A minimum of three separate exhibitions will be programmed from this call out and the assessment process is currently taking place.
- The Open Art Studio for Adults takes place on the last Friday of each month between 11am and 1pm in the Project Room, beside the Municipal Gallery. This is free and open to all with no booking required.

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/municipal-gallery-dlr-lexicon/chaosorder-dlr-open-exhibition-2023>

Workshops & Events

- Paper Marbling Art for Neurodivergent Adults: this was a group workshop for adults who identify as neurodivergent, taking inspiration from the artworks on display in the Gallery.
- Bealtaine Festival Events: Dance and movement workshops for older persons took place on 11 and 15 May; these were guided by dance artist Olwyn Lyons.

Creative Ireland: Creativity in Older Age funding

Working together with colleagues in Library Culture and Age Friendly/Social Inclusion, the Arts Office has been awarded funding of €20,000 for 'Creative Brainwaves'. This is a multifaceted programme, designed to include a wide range of participants living with dementia (living both at home and in residential care settings) and will include: Peer mentoring and support for artists; a Creative Brain Awareness Talk Series; One to One Series of Creative Workshops in people's homes; a Multisensory Arts Programme in 2 residential care settings.

Music

- The Emerging Musician in Residence, Chris Comhaill, played a lunchtime concert on 9 May in the Municipal Gallery, dlr LexIcon. He presented some of the music under development, a repertoire of Celtic music for guitar. His Residency will continue into June and will feature an evening concert in the Studio in dlr LexIcon.

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/music-development/chris-comhaill-2023-emerging-musician-residence>

Libraries

Staff Presentations at the LAI/CILIP Ireland Joint Annual Conference, 26 April

Library Staff presented new initiatives to library professionals from across Ireland at the Library Association of Ireland (LAI)/CILIP Ireland Joint Annual Conference. These included the dlr Lexicon programme for children and families living with neurodivergence and the TY work experience programme.

dlr Libraries Online

Online Resources

We have a vast selection of resources/services available on our website here

<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/online-library>

All you need is your dlr Library card.

- **Kanopy** film streaming service that provides instant access to thousands of critically-acclaimed movies, documentaries and shows for children
- **Moshi** well-being app for kids, with hundreds of original and inspiring audio stories, music and mindful meditations

- **TumbleBooks** streaming website of e-books for children
- **LOTE** online database of digital books in World Languages, created for children to enjoy books and learn language through storytelling.
- **Who Next? and Who else Writes like?** Online Guides for adults and children to find other similar authors
- **Medici.tv** video streaming service in classical music, opera, dance, and jazz.

dlr Libraries' resources for Ukrainian guests in the County

A snapshot of our list of resources is here: <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/library-news/dlr-libraries-resources-ukrainian-nationals> and at: <https://padlet.com/dlrLibraries/vlqvsj8lxav4ukf0>. As with all DLR websites, content on <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/> can be accessed in multiple languages, including Ukrainian and Russian, by using the Accessibility button at the top of the webpage. Online platforms with Ukrainian and Russian resources include: [LOTE Online, PressReader and Borrowbox](#)

Yoga for Adults

Yoga classes with Sally Dunne continue every Friday in dlr LexIcon. Half the available spaces are reserved for Ukrainian nationals living nearby, with many regular participants.

Sensory programming

Continuing our programming of inclusive events for the neurodiverse, we held ***This Is Me- Art and Creativity with White Doodle Art*** on 20 May. We had an area with sensory toys and equipment set up for participants to use if they needed to self-regulate during the sessions. This series continues to be very popular and welcomed by parents of children with additional needs, and feedback has been extremely positive.

Our Magic Tables in dlr LexIcon, Deansgrange and Dalkey Libraries continue to be booked for use by individuals and groups, and requests to borrow items from our Accessible Services Collection [ASC] of sensory toys and equipment, are ongoing. We continue with designated *Quiet Evenings* in some branches where lighting is dimmed, and phones and IT equipment are silenced to make our spaces more welcoming for the neurodiverse.

Digital programming

TY Tech sessions

Students from local Transition Year classes were available in Dalkey Library on 3 and 17 May to help older library visitors with any tech queries they had about their smart phone, tablet or laptop. These sessions will continue in May as part of our Bealtaine Festival programming.

Launch of Library Development Plan 2022-2026

On Monday 15 May, An Cathaoirleach Cllr Mary Hanafin, in the company of the Chief Executive Frank Curran and senior management staff, launched *Beyond Our Walls: Library Development Plan 2022-2026*. The Plan sets out the priorities for the development of the Library Service over the next few years.

Events for Adults

Bealtaine Festival

A host of events were held across our libraries and online to celebrate Bealtaine Festival-Celebrating creativity as we age. Participants took part in a series of Creative Writing workshops, Somatic Movement and Healing Yoga sessions in dlr LexIcon. Artists

Way workshops in Dalkey and Shankill Libraries, Knitting classes in Blackrock Library and an all-day Sewing workshop in Dundrum. Other art and craft workshops included Wire Tree Sculpture, Healing through Art and Meditation, Crochet for beginners and acrylic painting. A popular Bridge for Beginners group also started in May and will run until the end of June.

Basic and intermediate level ranganna Gaeilge 6 wk courses began.

Curlew Theatre Joyce Play May 4th to coincide with the publication of Finnegan's Wake.

Poetry Events include readings by Mark Wormald on May 4th and Gerald Dawe and guests on May 9th, and poetry workshop and panel discussion on May 13th.

Arlen House Poetry book launch 'Washing Windows 111' May 6th

Frascati Singers and French choir recital May 13th

Martina Devlin 'Edith' presentation and discussion with dlr Book Clubs May 11th

JCSP Librarians – presentation and LexIcon tour by library staff to peers from second-level schools around the country May 19th

Rotary Club tour May 28th

Musical Memories Choir

The Musical Memories Choir for adults with dementia has resumed in Deansgrange Library, facilitated by Newpark Academy of Music. The Choir gives people an opportunity to come together in a relaxed environment and reconnect through music. Music and singing helps lift mood, provides cognitive stimulation and supports social interaction. The group meet weekly on Thursdays.

dlr Yarnspinners

Our well-attended dlr Yarnspinners Storytelling Circle took place on 17 May, with guest storyteller **Jack Lynch**.

Library Clubs & Groups for adults

A wide variety of clubs and groups continue to use our library spaces to meet. These include the Language Exchanges and the Scrabble Club in Deansgrange Library, the Craft Circle in Shankill Library, the Knit Club in Cabinteely Library, and the Family Lego Club in Blackrock Library. The staff-led Film Club in Blackrock continues along with the Ciorcal Comhrá, the informal Irish conversation group which takes place in the LexIcon Café every Tuesday morning, and the popular English in the Library group which now meets two evenings a week in dlr LexIcon.

Each of the 8 branches have in-person book clubs, including the Audio Book Club in Dundrum Library with some also continuing with their online book clubs, due to ongoing demand. The very popular online monthly Book Club with Mary Burnham continues to meet online. **Housekeeping by Marilynne Robinson** was discussed at the May meeting.

As part of its centenary year celebrations, the *Ulysses* book Club for adults is winding down in Dundrum Library, as Bloomsday 2023 approaches.

Exhibition Programme

Sporting History

Level 5, dlr LexIcon

A curated display of books and memorabilia relating to sports in the dlr area. This exhibition showcases local sports clubs and societies across the county

Cultural Belongings: The poetry of Gerald Dawe

Level 3, dlr LexIcon

Until 29 May 2023

Gerald Dawe celebrates the art of living in places. Whether the Belfast of the 1960s, the anxious territories of the 1970s and 1980s, or the emergent 'new' Ireland including Dun Laoghaire where he has lived for the past thirty years, his writing expresses the potency of memory to shape and sustain. One of the country's most distinctive living writers, his poetry and memoirs stand as powerful testimonies to the energy, movement and possibility of the homes and cities in which he resides. This exhibition, curated by Dr Frank Ferguson (Ulster University) in collaboration with the John J. Burns Library, Boston College, charts the places, people and moments that have shaped Dawe's life and his sense of cultural belonging.

Blot's Most Marvellous Historical Guide to Printing Books

Level 4, dlr LexIcon

13 May–20 June 2023

The National Print Museum's exhibition and book project introduces young (and not so young) audiences to the history of bookmaking and a story of printing in Ireland. The affable George Thomas 'Blot' Dickson, an eighteenth-century printer's apprentice, brings the visitor on a colourful journey, describing the evolution of bookmaking, its processes and its impacts. Dr Angela Griffith of Trinity College Dublin, an expert in the history of the Irish printed image, is the author and curator. One of the most country's exciting illustrators, Jennifer Farley, has visualised George's story for the page and for the exhibition space. The creative and symbiotic partnerships between writer, illustrator and printer will be traced in a dynamic way for the reader and the visitor

Press Photographer of the Year 2023 Exhibition

Level 4, dlr LexIcon

11 April-11 May 2023

The **Press Photographer of the Year 2023** title was awarded to **Mark Condren** of Irish Independent/Sunday Independent for a record sixth time. The judges commented: "*The photographer did not just manage to cover the main events of the year, at home and abroad, but they brought to their assignments an unerring ability to come away with remarkable images. Their sense of news value, sense of timing, ability to choose original angles and creativity all came to the fore and they are an absolutely deserving winner of this award.*" To view the full portfolio of entries visit <https://ppai.ie/year/2023/#photoarea>

Línte na Farraiqe

Moran Park, dlr LexIcon

Until 31 May 2023

Línte na Farraiqe is an outdoor bilingual exhibition on the subject of a series of LED light installations across Irish coastal sites, designed by Finnish artists Timo Aho and Pekka Niittyvirta. The installations show the risks of rising seas and storm surges and demonstrate the need to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions and adapt together to protect our coastlines, communities and infrastructure from the effects of climate change. More information at www.lintenafarraige.com

The Sea, an exhibition by David Branigan
Deansgrange Library
Until 31 May 2023

During Covid, local photographer David Branigan received an Arts Council grant to produce a book of his work. The book is A3 in size, hardback and features 21 images in black and white. The theme is how we use our connections with the sea to find our resilience, especially in times of crisis. It was intended that the work would be photographed around Ireland, but the regional lockdowns prevented that. The result is that most of the images were taken in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and are both land-based and afloat. These beautiful images have been made into this breathtaking exhibition.

For information on all our onsite and online exhibitions, please visit
<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/exhibitions>

Rapid Reads

On Monday 15 May, An Cathaoirleach Cllr Mary Hanafin launched *Rapid Reads*, our pilot short loan collection for children. The aim of the collection is to ensure popular children's titles are more readily available on library shelves, with multiple copies of the same titles available for a shorter 10 day loan period, in the pilot branches Deansgrange and Dundrum Libraries. The collection includes 53 titles, including 4 in Irish.

New! Fact Factory Audio Magazine

The Fact Factory Audio Magazine is now available for loan from dlr Libraries and also from Library Culture Team as part of our ASC (Accessible Services Collection). The Fact Factory is an audio magazine with assistive technology that aims to benefit children aged 7 - 11yrs with reading difficulties, vision problems, dyslexia, English as an additional language and other marginalised readers. Children can listen to the text in the magazine using the reader pen provided in the pack, to create an immersive and accessible reading experience. A new issue is available each month.

Events for Children

IMRAM na nÓg 2nd-5th May
Dún Laoghaire Comedy Club Event May 12th

National Biodiversity Week [26-28 May]

In the lead up to National Biodiversity Week, local school children attended workshops with Seashore Kids in dlr LexIcon Lab on Life in Our Oceans and Squid Investigations and talks about bees and bee habitats with BeeWise.

Book and Exhibition Launches

Three book launches were held in dlr LexIcon in May, with events for children as part of the launch. May 4th TY X 8 schools invited to Gill/Sam Blake's teenage book launch. On Saturday 12 May, Blot's exhibition launch had a printmaking and illustration workshop. On Wednesday 17 May, Futa Fata held a book launch for 2 new Irish language titles; *Amuigh Faoin Spéir*, written by Sadhbh Devlin, illustrated by Brian Fitzgerald, and *Púcaí Schmúcaí*, written by Gabriel Rosenstock and illustrated by Tarsila Krüse and Úna Woods. There was poetry, music and stories by the authors and drawing with the illustrators.

Library Clubs & Groups for children

Blackrock, Dalkey, Dundrum & Shankill Library all run weekly Parent and Toddler groups, as well as Baby Book Clubs in Dalkey, Cabinteely, dlr LexIcon once a week. Shankill Library run a monthly Junior bookclub and Dalkey have recently started a new family

book club. Deansgrange Library have started a new baby/parent group who meet weekly. Storytimes for children take place across our libraries weekly. For full details visit: <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/library-services-for-the-young/storytime>

Statistics

Social media (as of 18 May)

Facebook	7,971
Twitter	8,769
Instagram	3,808
TikTok	426
dlr Libraries e-bulletin	10,861

Online resources (As of 20 May)

Resource	Description	Prelim stats (as at 20 May 2023)
Overdrive	ebooks	1344
	eaudio	1044
	Magazines	2699
	Comics	7
Borrowbox	eaudio	6344
	ebook	3493
Freegal	Streaming and downloads	5403
Pressreader	Offsite and onsite Newspapers	356113
Tumblebooks	Streaming e-books	11
Lote4Kids	logins	5
Who else writes	logins	3
Who next guide	logins	1
Medici	Videos Viewed	n/a
Moshi	Accounts	n/a
Kanopy	Visits	1691

Parks

- Landscape Maintenance ongoing in Public Open Spaces/Parks/Sports Pitches/Playgrounds/Cemeteries/Housing sites/Halting Site/Senior Citizens residence/ Reservoirs & Pumping Stations/Sandyford Industrial Estate/Road Reservations/Margins, roundabouts, medians & embankments (Grass cutting/litter picking etc), ongoing by Landscape Maintenance Contractors and Parks Staff
- Tree watering works continuing countywide and notices on newly planted street trees advising the residents to water their new trees
- Shared cycle/pedestrian routes constructed on open space at Sweetmount Open Space
- Ticknick Park (Cherrywood) implementing maintenance programme and play

facilities put in place and pitches open

- Tully and Beckett Parks transferred over to dlr parks in May and were officially opened to the public on 31st May and maintenance programme commenced
- Contractor working on upgrade work to pitches and running track in Kilbogget Park
- Herbaceous border in the People's Park extended
- Path improvement works undertaken in Marlay
- Myrtle Square & Convent Lane Greening - construction on-going for completion in September 2023
- Meadowbrook Pitches, Courts & Teenage Play - construction on-going for completion in September 2023
- Grass Pitch Refurbishments Projects - construction on-going for completion in September 2024
- Blackrock Park Phase 2 - Contract for the refurbishment of the steps has been awarded, natural play area to commence in July 2023.
- Fernhill Park & Gardens Phase 3 - sports pavilion works for completion in June 2023
- All Weather Pitch at Oatlands - Part 8 to be brought to the June 2023 Council meeting
- Shanganagh Park Phase 1 - Part 8 has been appealed to An Bord Pleanála for an EIA determination so it will cause some delay to the process
- Mounttown Boxing Facility - to be tendered in June 2023
- Stonebridge Skills Wall - contract for works to be awarded in June 2023
- Multi-Sport Campus at St. Thomas Estate Phase 2 - Architect led design team to be appointed in June 2023 (subject to internal approval)

Heritage

- Creative Ireland heritage projects 2023: Archaeology for kids workshops and mock excavations at Samuel Beckett Civic Campus and dlr Lexicon (Cruinniú na nÓg June 10), *Of a Mind* harbour audio walking tour/Dún Laoghaire Street Art tours (Coastival, July 2-9), *Know Your Locality* online course (Autumn '23),
- Launch of *Dealbh Chuimhneacháin Mhic Easmainn* by an Leas-Cathaoirleach and President of Conradh na Gaeilge
- Decade of Centenaries 2023 approved projects; A Permanent Memory of the dlrc Decade of Centenaries 2014-2023 (archive and website); Artefacts of the DoC (community gathering in and public advice days, Autumn '23), Balally Players production of 1920s play, *Juggernaut*; co-funding of Mincéirí Cabaret; digitising of Joseph McGrath papers
- Dublin Mountains Community Archaeologist 2023 procurement process/meeting with Fáilte Ireland
- Liaison with Dept of Taoiseach re. invitations for relatives of people impacted by Civil War to Garden of Remembrance ceremony
- Heritage Officer chaired session on early 20th century pioneering women publishers and writers as part of Roger Casement Summer School
- Dlr Climate Action Plan workshops/meetings
- Collaboration with Cemeteries/Architects/Infrastructure sections on various projects
- Progression of memorials approved by Memorials Committee, liaising with proposers re. additional information required
- James Joyce Tower and Museum Board and consultant meetings
- Irish Language Advisory Committee meeting
- Local Economic and Community Plan workshop
- Tidy Towns Pollinator Award steering group meeting
- Summer of Heritage 2023 in preparation - heritage property guided tours, neighborhood walking tours, free Dalkey Castle/Maritime Museum tours (July-August)
- Input to new dlr Tourism Strategy
- Planning for National Heritage Week 2023 (August 12 to 20)

- Naming and numbering planning compliance reports
- Ongoing liaison and advice to internal dlr sections, citizens, and community groups

Biodiversity

- Biodiversity Week events including wildlife ponds for gardens, pond dipping in Cabinteely Park and Kilbogget Park, Invasive species stand at Farmers market People's Park and Check, Clean, Dry demonstration
- Active Retirement Biodiversity talk
- Invasive species and biosecurity talk to DLR staff
- Biodiversity Officer presentation on National Biodiversity Assembly report and EU Nature Restoration Law to DLR Staff as part of the Town Hall talks
- Meeting with community section and Shanganagh Community Garden to develop biodiversity area
- Meeting with WFD officer, DLR staff and community regarding brewery stream
- New Climate action plan meetings
- Biosphere Partnership Meeting Dublin Port
- Biosphere Conservation Group Meeting
- Development of Marine Biodiversity Officer job specification with FCC and DCC for Biosphere approval
- National IAS meeting re: Soils and Stones pathways
- Meeting with BWI and development of Dalkey Island Tern project programme for 2023
- Gull tagging project commenced
- Tenders out for Dalkey Island terns and human impacts assessment
- Meeting with CIEEM regarding development of Biodiversity Net Gain or Biodiversity Enhancement guidance
- Development of Biodiversity and Greenways guidance ongoing
- Review and input to the AIPP guide on Meadows for communities (now published)
- Review and input to the AIPP draft for Solar Farms
- Killiney and Roches Hill Fire strategy ongoing
- Killiney Hill habitat and species surveys ongoing
- Development of wildlife ponds project ongoing
- Various DLR projects/plans input

Sports Development

Dlr Leisure set up the following activities in May 2023

Schools (Drafts after school programme)

- Colmcille's, Ballybrack 2 group sessions (10-12 age)
- Good Shepard, Dundrum (10-12 age)

After school sailing programme in Royal St. George Yacht Club

- St Joseph's Dun Laoghaire (10-12 age)
- Gaelscoil Phadraig, Ballybrack (10-12 age)
- St. Columbanus, Loughlinstown (10-12 age)
- St John's, Ballybrack (10-12 age)
- Dominican School, Dun Laoghaire (10-12 age)
- St Kevin's, Sallynoggin (10-12 age)
- Holy Family, Monkstown (10-12 age)

Overall total of students that attended: 116.

Youth groups

- Rosemount Family Resource Centre - mixed group (10-14 age)
- Ballyogan Family Resource Centre - mixed group (10-12 age)

- Dún Laoghaire Crosscare – mixed group (15-17 age)
- Dún Laoghaire Crosscare - girls group (10-12 age)
- Sallynoggin Crosscare – boys group (10-14 age)
- Whitehouse Crosscare - boys group (10-12 age)
- Youth Diversion Ballyogan - mixed group (15-17 age)
- Ballybrack Crosscare - boys group (10-14 age)
- Carmona Special Needs Group - mixed group (18-24 age)
- Strive Disability Group - mixed group (18-24 age)
- Nutgrove Crosscare - mixed group (10-14 age)
- Ballaly Family Resource Centre (10-12 age)
- Hollyhouse Southside Partnership - girls' group (13-14 age)
- Hollyhouse Southside Partnership - mixed group (15-17 age)

Other activities

- Met with Colin Barry, school completion officer for Cabinteely, and currently in the process of arranging activities for summer (update to follow).
- Met with Dun Laoghaire Crosscare and have arranged a football blitz for Saturday 3rd June for the Mounttown residents and youth service Dun Laoghaire (update to follow).
- Assisted St. Lawrence's College with their community sports day.
- Assisted dlr Sports Partnership with their Men on the Move programme.
- Met with Aine Ó' Gorman from Sallynoggin Youth Reach and are in the process of arranging a healthy Eating programme as part of their academic programme in September.
- Met with Helena O'Brien from Children and Young People's Services and are in the process of working with **PMVTRUST (Peter McVerry trust which is a national homeless charity, catering for individuals with complex needs and social disadvantage)** in arranging a 4-week block of programmes and a summer sports day.
- Arranged with Leinster Rugby and UCD to organise coaches to assist with our summer camp programmes.
- Assisted Leinster Rugby with their school blitz on 19th May.

Leinster Rugby May 2023 Report

Jonathan Sharkey (Leinster Rugby CRO)

Primary Schools = 7

Males = 473

Females = 266

Secondary Schools = 1

Males = 9

Females = 1

Emily McKeown (Leinster Rugby WDO)

Primary Schools = 6

Males = 264

Females = 388

Secondary Schools = 3

Males = 12

Females = 131

Andrew Egan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Old Wesley RFC)

Primary Schools = 9

Males = 200

Females = 105

Secondary Schools =

Males =

Females =

Luke Sloyan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Seapoint RC) – Luke’s contract finished at the end of March 2023. his final numbers and breakdown are below.

Seapoint RC CCRO	Boys	Girls	
U7	54	60	
U8	117	58	
U9	125	48	
U10	140	105	
U11	145	116	
U12	159	111	
U13	147	121	
U14	15	13	
U15	173	63	
U16	109	0	
U17	0	0	
U18	0	0	
U19	0	0	
	1184	695	1879

dlr rugby clubs sessions, workshops or AOB (please include numbers and breakdown male/female)

Leinster Rugby dlr region touch rugby event for primary schools (4th, 5th and 6th classes), 11 schools attended – 488 males and 375 females – JS

St Brigid’s RFC end of season event – 6th of May 2023 – JS

De La Salle College special needs event run by the students – DLSP FC Eagles and the Seapoint RC Dragons attended – 20th of May 2023 – JS

St Laurence’s College community day primary school event run by the 4th year students - 300 5th and 6th class students attended – EMcK

dlr female club rugby

St Marys RFC mini female rugby event – 1 dlr region club attended, Blackrock College RFC U8s, U10s and U12s – EMcK

dlr rugby development schools (male/female)

Newpark Comprehensive School junior training female rugby – 18 females – EMcK

Rockford Manor active school day – 104 females – EMcK

South Dublin 7s or female tournaments 1st year touch or X7s (dlr only)

Metro female 1st year touch rugby – Old Belvedere RFC – 1 dlr school attended – EMcK

School Year 2022/23 (May 2023)	Boys	Girls	Totals
U7	257	254	511
U8	573	424	997
U9	593	429	1022
U10	660	617	1277

U11	715	613	1328
U12	756	653	1409
U13	752	690	1442
U14	15	144	159
U15	212	169	381
U16	109	40	149
U17	12	47	59
U18	0	26	26
U19	9	12	21
Grand totals	4663	4118	8781

FAI:

- **Administration** - Planning work for all programmes in 2023 on a continual basis. Regional and national staff meetings and training days on-going on a weekly and monthly basis.
- **FFA** – Planning DLR programmes with FFA Development Officer and DLR Sports.
- **Club Mark**: On-going contact meetings with other registered clubs to achieve award. Rosemount Mulvey achieved the One Star Award.
- **Safeguarding/Child Welfare** – Safeguarding 1 delivered for Park Celtic FC. Twenty coaches achieved the award.

Schools

Futsal in The Yard – 300 boys and girls took part, participants from 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Class.

Primary 5s – 4 DLR schools competed in the Dublin finals. Taney National School won both the boys and girls Dublin finals in their respective section and went on to represent Dublin in the Leinster finals.

Coach Ed

PDP 1 delivered in Granada FC – 20 participants.

PDP 2 completed in Rosemount/Mulvey.

9v9 Workshop delivered for all clubs in Leicester Celtic – 30 participants.

Girls ETP

Ongoing weekly High Performance sessions for 26 U-13 girls in Stepside.

Disney Playmakers

Three Clubs enlisted for 5-8 year old girls' programme. Leicester Celtic, Rosemount/Mulvey FC and United Girls signed up, over 100+ girls enrolled.

Future Stars

Link between St Joseph's AFC and St Kevin's NS Sallynoggin developed through 9-12 yr programme. 25 girls take part weekly.

Leinster Cricket:

- On-going planning for future school yard sessions.
- Planning for area blitz competitions are nearing completion with 4th and 5th class blitzes taking part in both Shanganagh and Marlay parks.
- Sessions for Taney National School in Marlay Park have been completed, with double

stream classes in 4th, 5th and sixth classes, over 100 children attended each weekly session

- To date we have run 3 blitz's in Marley Park comprising of 14 different schools with the final blitz in Shanganagh Park with 5 schools partaking. A total of over 400 children will have taken part in blitz's by the end of the month.
- Introduction to cricket sessions have been delivered to Mount Anvil girls 2nd class and Holy Trinity NS, Leopardstown. To date we have delivered 12 sessions with another 6 to come as it is a huge primary school.
- St. Mary's, Booterstown 4th, 5th and 6th class sessions have started.
- Continued liaison with both Sandyford and DLR cricket clubs regarding on-going works at both Marlay and Shanganagh parks.

Sports Partnership

- Irish Sport Industry Awards 2023 – won an award for our Inclusive Cycling For All project under Best Initiative to Promote Inclusivity in Sport & Activity.
- Women In Sport Leadership – 3rd cycle of this peer training and support programme for females in sport now complete with graduation event held for the 20 participants.
- Review of County Sports Participation Strategy 2018-2022 – detailed actions review carried out to show the work and impact across each of the target groups/areas.
- Dormant Accounts Fund – application submitted for five strands of the 2023 scheme. Delivering 2022 funded projects across five action areas.
- Local Economic & Community Plan 2023-2028 – submission made by the DLRSP Chair on behalf of the Board to the development of this new county plan.
- Website – fully re-developed website now completed and good initial feedback.
- Social Media – Last 90 days, Facebook Reach 102,979 (Up 95%), Instagram Reach 14,502 (Up 351%), Twitter 100,007 Impressions.
- Try Track and Field – collaboration with Athletics Ireland to deliver this new physical literacy programme to 5 DEIS Primary Schools (370 children).
- Sofa To Saddle – completed delivery of this 5-week cycle programme for older adult novice cyclists with Age & Opportunity (10 participants).
- Cabinteely Cruisers Roller Skating Programme – 5-week TY programme in Cabinteely Community School with great feedback (30 participants).
- Get Going Get Rowing – participation programme with St. Tiernan's and St. Laurance's with blitz event held on the 4th May (60 participants).
- Bike Week – promotion of all things cycling during this national initiative from the 15th to 21st May including raising awareness of existing opportunities.
- Walking Football – linked in with 4 local Mens Sheds to deliver a new weekly programme that culminated in a blitz in Loughlistown (40 participants).
- Men On the Move – programme continuing in Dalkey aimed at adult men to support them to become active in a social group (31 participants).
- Walking For Health – programme delivered in Cabinteely Park with separate social and fitness walking sessions (42 participants).
- Over 55's Chair Aerobics – weekly programmes being delivered in Rochestown House, Loughlinstown and Ballyogan with local retirement groups (35 participants).
- Balance Bikes – loaning out our 10 balance bikes to schools to assist in junior and senior infant cycle skills.
- Yoga By the Sea – new adult beginners yoga programme in Dun Laoghaire started on 23rd May to improve strength, balance and energy (43 participants).
- Multi-Sports Club for Children on the Autism Spectrum – rolling out a new weekly activity session in Ballyogan with 2 separate sessions (24 children).
- Mayfest – supported Vision Sport Ireland to hold this annual national event in Dun Laoghaire on 27th May including kayaking, SUP and yoga.
- Mental Health & Wellbeing Programme - collaborating with Enable Ireland to create an inclusive 6-week programme around wellbeing and mental health.
- Inclusive Learn to Cycle – delivered two 6-week programmes in May for children

- with a disability to learn to cycle independently (29 children).
- Inclusive Bike Fleet – continuing to promote this free inclusive bike hire service for people with a disability along Dun Laoghaire Coastal Mobility Route.
- Inclusive Tennis – 10-week programme with St. Augustines Special School to introduce the sport to teens with an intellectual disability.
- Active Cities - Steering Group meeting held on 24th April. Committee of key local stakeholders established to drive the Active Dublin Cities initiative. Collaborating with the other Active City LSP's to deliver agreed actions and promotion.
- Boules Courts – new courts in Marlay Park Kilbogget park and Blackrock courts now complete and all are available to local clubs and the general public for free informal use.
- ExWell – 3rd of these 8-week programmes now complete for older adults with chronic illnesses. Supports in place to continue (Sandyford Community Centre).
- Ukraine Refugee Supports – part funding gym visits to the dlr Leisure Ballyogan centre for adults staying in the Rest Centre.
- Box Up – to be located in Marlay and Kilbogget parks to facilitate free access to and hire of sports equipment in a convenient and easy way.
- Safeguarding – 3 workshops delivered in May (38 attendees).
- Disability Awareness – designed to support volunteers/coaches in a sporting environment with online workshop delivered in May (18 attendees).
- Autism In Sport – delivered an online workshop that provides attendees with an understanding of Autism focusing on the delivery of sport (20 attendees).