

DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

JULY TO SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

23 June - 28 September 2023

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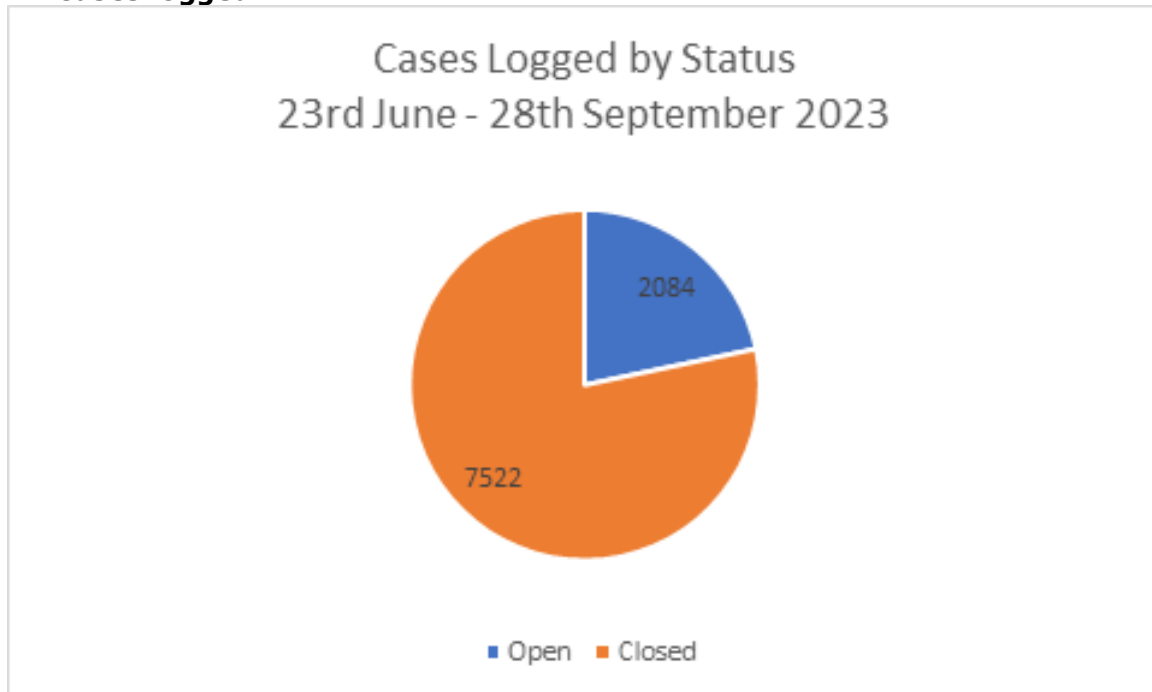
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Corporate Affairs

CRM Statistics

Cases logged



Open	2084
Closed	7522

Cases logged by section

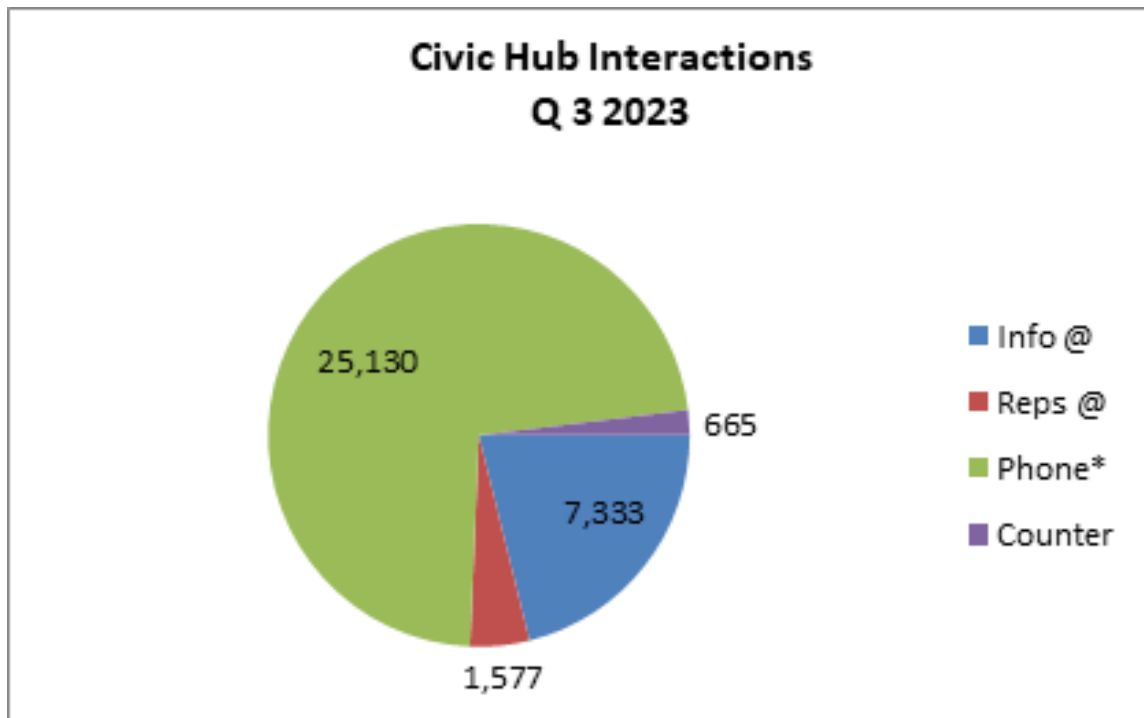
Section/Dept	Active	Inactive	Total
Architects		27	27
Arts	2		2
Communications	66	1085	1151
Community	5	6	11
Corporate Services	8	174	182
DEACTIVATED USERS	3	1	4
dlrcoco	20	3	23
Enterprise	1	6	7
Environment	189	667	856
Finance	45	738	783
Forward Planning Infrastructure		4	4

Harbour	6	28	34
Housing	85	443	528
IT	4	3	7
Law	2		2
Libraries	1	11	12
Municipal Services	186	729	915
Parks	773	1316	2089
Planning	28	63	91
Property	17	16	33
Transportation	589	1869	2458
Waste Enforcement	41	266	307
Water Services	13	64	77
Grand Total	2084	7522	9606

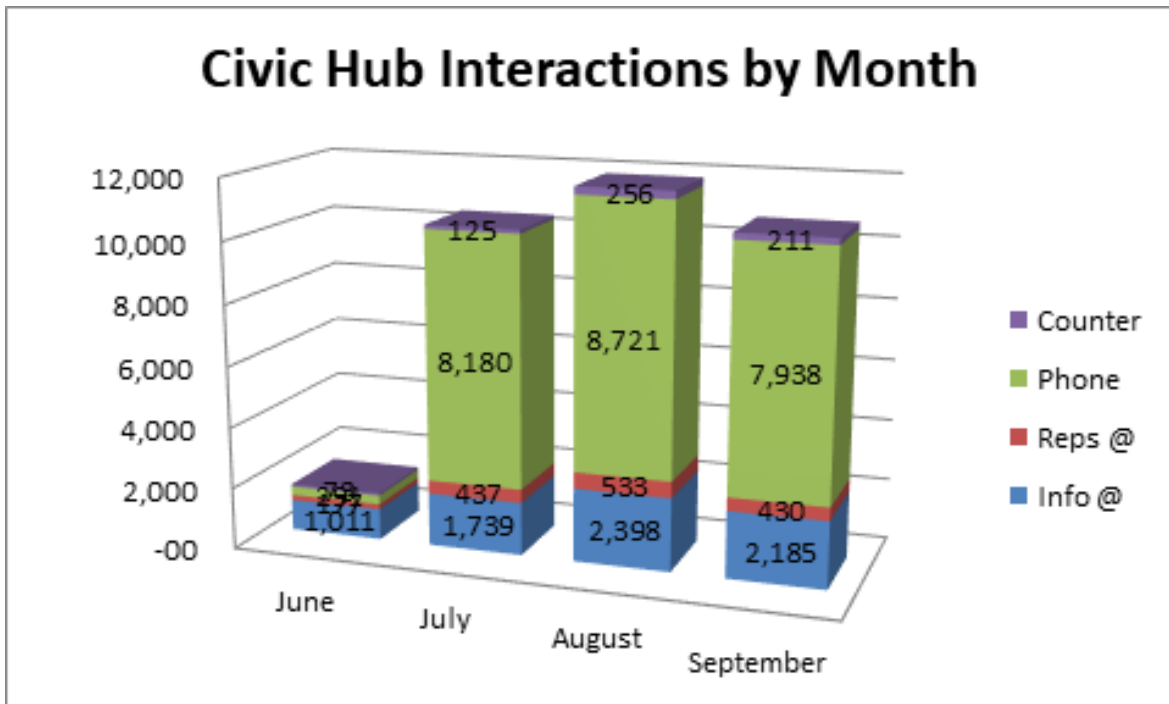
*This does not fully reflect the interaction of the Housing Department as they also directly deal with calls, emails and post.

Dlr Civic Hub:

In Quarter 3 of 2023, the Civic Hub has dealt with over 34,705 customer interactions.



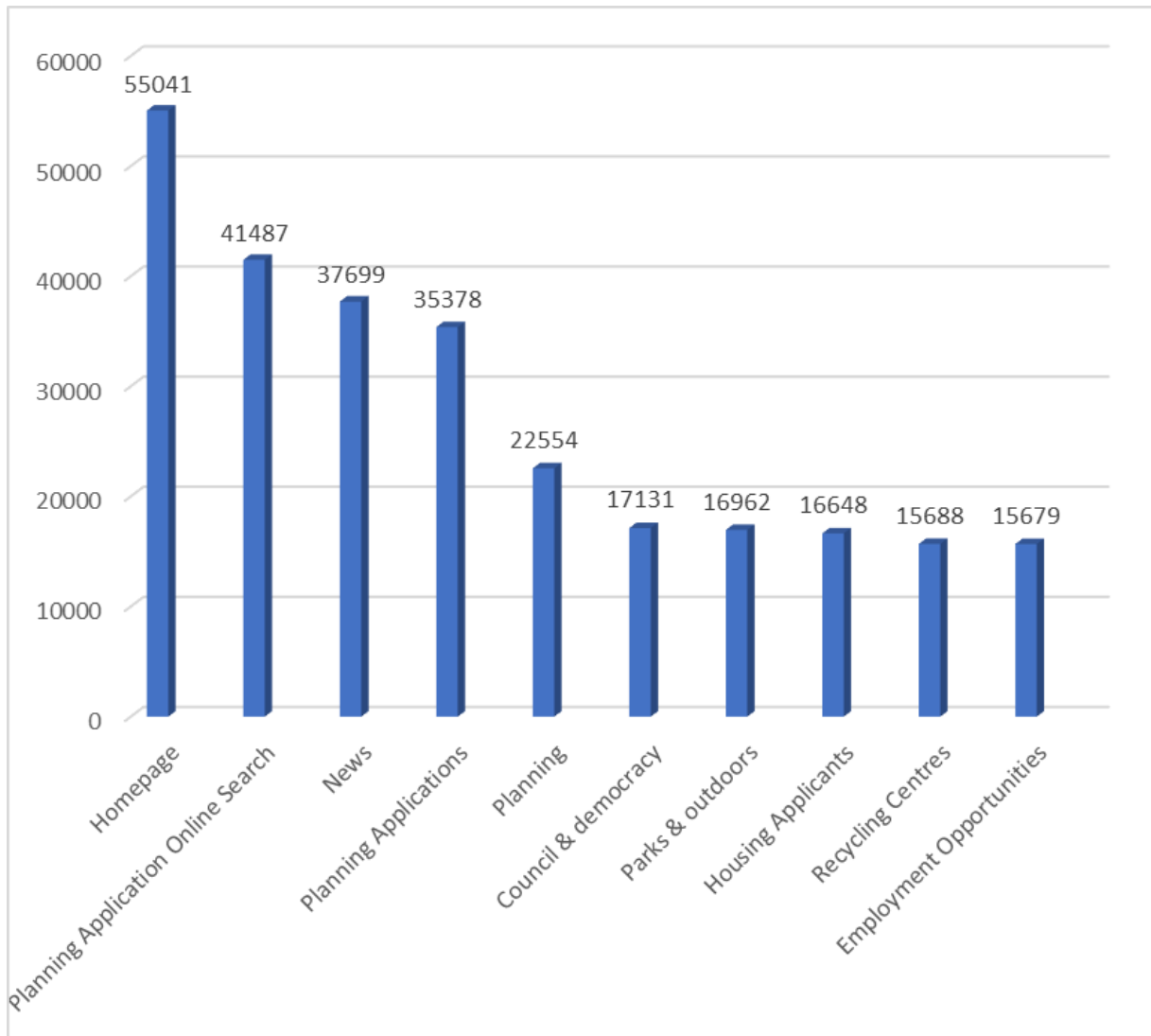
Over the past 3 months the figures break down monthly as follows:



Communications

Website Activity – page views

Website	Page Views
Dlrcoco.ie	601,854
dlrLibraries	76,541



Social Media Activity

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 Jun 23, 2023 - Sep 28, 2023	86,530 ↗ 3%	2,476 ↗ 84.9%	2,251 ↘ 13%	3,339,651 ↗ 3.2%	151,845 ↗ 34.6%	4.5% ↗ 30.4%	31,130 ↘ 33.6%
Compare to Mar 17, 2023 - Jun 22, 2023	84,033	1,339	2,588	3,235,632	112,808	3.5%	46,895
 @DLR_Libraries	8,783	9	98	70,059	1,870	2.7%	254
 @dlrArts	3,056	27	134	54,001	1,356	2.5%	271
 @dlrcc	20,350	519	531	854,945	29,743	3.5%	13,819
 @dlrheritevents	4,012	11	105	64,782	1,624	2.5%	455
 @leo_dlr	5,582	-20	80	11,091	137	1.2%	0
 dlrcoco.ie	7,691	520	505	475,294	5,771	1.2%	4,900
 dlrevents	13,962	773	84	293,766	20,105	6.8%	811
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	18,662	351	498	1,167,310	74,895	6.4%	6,750
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership	4,432	286	216	348,403	16,344	4.7%	3,870

Press Queries

There were 35 press queries received during this period.

Freedom of Information

There were 60 FOI requests received during this period.

Finance and Water Services

Rates

The Council continues to facilitate businesses who are experiencing difficulty paying their rates and where possible payment plans are entered into which are mutually acceptable to the business and the Council. There has been a continued increase in the number of accounts paying monthly instalments by direct debit.

We have increased enforcement including the use of a Debt Collection Agency, who have issued reminders to Commercial Rates customers who are in arrears.

The vacancy rate for 2023 remains at 35%.

Rates Revaluation

Tailte Éireann, formerly Valuation Office, is conducting a revaluation of all commercial and industrial properties in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council's administrative area. Valuation Certificates for circa 5,078 Commercial Rates customers were issued on the 15th September 2023. The Certificate states the valuation of the commercial property and will be used to calculate the property's rates liability from 1st January 2024 onwards. Walk in Clinics were held in our offices in Dun Laoghaire and Dundrum from 2nd October to 5th October 2023. Further details are included on our website. The deadline for submitting an appeal to the Valuation Tribunal must be made no later than 19th October – please see www.valuationtribunal.ie for full details.

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable continue to work to ensure suppliers are paid as quickly as possible to assist with their cash flow requirements. Invoices from over 3,000 suppliers, totalling €224m, have been processed to date in 2023.

Financial Management

Budgets and cash flow continue to be monitored closely. Work is progressing on the preparation of the draft 2024 Revenue Budget and the Report on the Capital Programme 2024 – 2026.

Overdraft Facility

The Council agreed a resolution at the Council meeting held on 11th September to keep the overdraft facility in place for 2024 with a limit of €10m. Sanction to do so will now be applied for to the Minister.

Annual Financial Statement 2022

The Local Government Auditor completed the audit of the accounts for the financial year ended 31st December 2022 on 31/08/2023.

Local Property Tax

The provisional LPT allocation for 2024 was notified by the Department on 06/09/2023 and indicates an increase of €2.1m in the amount of discretionary and baseline LPT income, pre-variation.

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/08/2023

66.67%

		EXPENDITURE		
SERVICE DIVISION		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	41,032,853	72,721,224	56.42%
B	Road Transport & Safety	22,526,171	35,181,888	64.03%
C	Water Services	8,468,647	12,568,752	67.38%
D	Development Management	26,176,114	28,095,012	93.17%
E	Environmental Services	24,137,274	36,294,420	66.50%
F	Recreation & Amenity	26,177,243	37,496,868	69.81%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	4,165,405	4,792,800	86.91%
H	Miscellaneous Services	6,312,277	9,364,272	67.41%
Total Expenditure		158,995,984	236,515,236	67.22%

		INCOME		
SERVICE DIVISION		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	34,335,261	64,175,328	53.50%
B	Road Transport & Safety	8,708,260	13,012,752	66.92%
C	Water Services	5,725,699	8,420,220	68.00%
D	Development Management	12,467,121	6,560,712	190.03%
E	Environmental Services	5,419,060	7,498,392	72.27%
F	Recreation & Amenity	3,493,416	5,699,244	61.30%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,225,382	3,369,900	95.71%
H	Miscellaneous Services	12,066,516	17,213,376	70.10%
Sub Total		85,440,714	125,949,924	67.84%

LPT	Local Property Tax	8,205,145	12,566,604	65.29%
RA	Rates	65,615,248	97,998,804	66.96%
Total Income		159,261,108	236,515,332	67.34%

Balance as at 31/08/2023	€265,123	Surplus
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DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/08/2023				
SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2023 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 31/08/2023 €
1 Total Housing & Building	19,396,542	92,751,802	97,621,810	24,266,549
2 Total Road Transport & Safety	7,132,720	19,124,325	19,555,549	7,563,943
3 Total Water Services	2,106,576	456,974	258,920	1,908,523
4 Total Development Management	190,242,443	26,383,041	4,085,048	167,944,449
5 Total Environmental Services	2,177,644	26,105	250,000	2,401,539
6 Total Recreation & Amenity	13,896,870	7,279,667	6,356,513	12,973,716
7 Total Agriculture, Education, Health & Safety	4,040,386	2,025,433	168,500	2,183,453
8 Total Miscellaneous Services	40,954,458	866,157	1,195,082	41,283,382
Grand Total	279,947,639	148,913,505	129,491,421	260,525,554

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 31/08/23						
	Balance at 01/01/2023 €		Balance at 31/08/2023		Current year debit €	Arrears >1 year
RATES	25,264,293		51,030,825		32,597,194	18,433,631

Housing Progress Report Q3/2023

1. Executive Summary

1.1 Overview

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

The data included in this Report covers Q1, Q2 and Q3 of 2023. The period covered by Q1 is 1st January to 24th March inclusive, Q2 is 25th March to 16th June inclusive and Q3 is 17th June to 15th September inclusive. The data regarding the activity of this department prior to this report can be found on our website at <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/housing/housing-statistics>.

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

This Report considers the following areas:

Housing Delivery

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

Support

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

2. Housing Delivery

2.1 Overview

The Social Housing Target 2022-2026 for delivery by this Council is 1,994 homes.

Table 1: Homes Delivered per Quarter

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total	2023 Target
DLR Build	0	67	0	67	364
DLR Part V	13	27	58	98	
AHB Build	0	0	0	0	
AHB Part V	0	0	0	0	
DLR Acquisitions (includes Tenant-in-Situ)	0	0	1	1	
AHB Acquisition	0	1	0	4*	-
Total Build & Acquisition	13	95	59	167	414
Leasing					
DLR Lease	144	0	0	144	39
AHB Lease	0	0	0	0	
RAS	11**	13	7	31	
HAP - Standard	29	28	23	80	
HAP - Homeless	20	18	17	55	
Total RAS & HAP & Leasing	204	60	48	310	
Total Delivery – all social housing delivery streams excluding bad relets	217	155	107	477	

* Includes 3 b/f from 2022

**The 2 previously reported for Quarter 1 was incorrect and has been amended to 11

Table 2: Tenant in Situ Acquisitions

	Total to date	Approved for 50 acquisitions
Expressions of Interest Received	128	
Purchased	4	
Sale Agreed	35	
Under Negotiation/Inspection	33	
Under Consideration	53	
Not proceeding	77	

Table 3: Traveller Specific Accommodation

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Refurbishment Works and New Sites	0	0	1	1
Casual Vacancies/Relets	0	2	1	3
Standard Housing	0	0	3	3

2.2 Housing Construction

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

DLRCC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME 2022 – 2026

Includes SHIP, Major Refurbishments and AHB New Build

The following tables provide an overview of the different schemes under the Housing Construction Capital Programme, their current status and estimated completion date. It should be noted that dates indicated for handover are estimates and are subject to change. In some cases the figure includes social and affordable housing. Schemes being delivered under the Planning and Development (S.179a) Regulations 2023 are identified.

Table 4: Schemes on Site

Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Rockville Green	13	Stage 3 approval received. Tender issued.	Q4 2023	TBC
Coastguard Cottages	4	Substantial Completion Due Q3 2023	Q2 2022	Q3 2023
Park House	4	Construction in progress	Q3 2022	Q2 2024
Shanganagh Residential Lands	597 (200 social)	Construction in progress	Q3 2022	Phased delivery from Q3 2024
Moyola Court (infill)	4	Construction in progress	Q3 2022	Q4 2023
5 Corrig Road, Dalkey (Regeneration)	2	On-Site	Q4 2022	Q3 2023
37A Rollins Villas (infill)	1	On-Site	Q1 2023	Q1 2024
Loughlinstown View (AHB)	42 (34 social)	On-Site	Q1 2023	Phased delivery from Q2 2024
Total	667			

Table 5: Schemes with Part 8 Planning Approval

Site Name	No. Units (estimated)	Status Detail	On Site Date estimated	Handover estimated
Ballyogan Rise (Phase 2)	52	Phase 2 Tender being progressed	Q4 2023	TBC
St. Laurence's Park	88	Due on Site Q4 2023 – building contracts signed.	Q4 2023	Q4 2025
Roebuck Road Infill	4	Due on Site Q4 2023 – Contract awarded	Q4 2023	Q4 2024
Woodpark TAU	3	Part 8 approved at June 2022 Council Meeting. Tender documents being progressed. Stage 3 approval received.	Q4 2023	Q4 2024
Total	147			

Table 6: Schemes at Design/Tender Stage

Site Name	No. Units estimated	Status Detail	On Site Date estimated	Handover estimated
Infill Site at Rockville Drive	1	Stage 2 approved. (Due to go out to display under S179a)	Q1 2024	Q4 2024
27 Patrick Street Infill (Formerly Cross Ave)	4	Stage 2 approved. Site investigation work to begin soon. S179a	Q2 2024	Q3 2025
St Michaels TAU	3	Part 8 Approved February 2023 Council Meeting. Tender documents being progressed.	Q4 2023	Q1 2025
Old Connaught TAU	6	Stage 2 approved. Due to go out to consultation under S179a	Q4 2024	Q2 2026
Blackglan Road Phase1	125	Stage 1 Approved. Preliminary Design stage. To go out to public display S179a	Q4 2024	Q4 2026
Balally PPP – Bundle 5	52	Being developed under S85 Agreement.	TBC	TBC
Lambs Cross PPP – Bundle 5	25	Being developed under S85 Agreement.	TBC	TBC
Ballyman	300 (includes 150 for Affordable)	Accelerated Delivery Site Stage 1 Approved. S179a	Q4 2024	TBC

Lehaunstown	80	Accelerated Delivery Site Stage 1 Approved. S179a	Q4 2024	TBC
Old Connaught Avenue Housing site	60	Accelerated Delivery Site Stage 1 Approved. S179a	Q4 2024	TBC
Mount Anville	25 (Affordable)	At design stage. S.179a	TBC	TBC
Total	681			
OVERALL TOTAL	1,495			

3. Housing Support

3.1 Management, Maintenance and Improvement of Housing Stock

Table 7: Re-Lets and Retrofits

Re-Lets & Retrofits	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Non-Standard Voids	0	0	0	0
Relets	34	20	18	72
Retrofits - Energy Upgrade Works	0	0	45	45

Table 8: Maintenance Requests

Routine Maintenance	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Requests received	1,925	1,768	1,807	5,500
Requests in progress	618	616	550	550*
Requests completed	1,925	1,768	1,257	4,950

* This figure is the total number of maintenance requests outstanding when the Q3 report was produced. All other maintenance requests received in 2023 have been resolved and closed.

Table 9: Disabled Persons Alteration Scheme

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Works on hand at beginning	173	179	174	-
Works Requests Received	31	27	25	83
Works Completed/Closed	34	32	48	114
Works on hand at closing	170	174	151	-

3.2 Allocations

Table 10: Allocations

Allocations	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Social Housing List	60	100	58	218
Transfer List	12	50	61	123
Total Allocations	72	150	119	341

3.3 Choice Based Letting (CBL)

Table 11: CBL Adverts by Area of Choice

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Area 1 (South West of M50)	7	3	22	32
Area 2 (Between M50 & N11)	9	0	13	22
Area 3 (North West of N11)	33	6	14	53
Total	49	9	49	107

Note: Figures shown are for adverts which may represent multiple properties. Under the new Allocation Scheme there are now three areas of preference as shown above.

3.4 Homeless Services

Table 12: Homeless Services

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3
No. of Homeless Families	77	81	81
No. of Homeless Individuals	156	157	150
No. of Allocations to homeless individuals/families*	15	27	53
No. of SHS offers currently accepted by homeless individuals/families	7	13	13*
No. of Housing First Tenancies	4	8	13

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

3.5 Housing and Disability Steering Group

A meeting of the Steering Group was held on the 6th September 2023. Up to the end of August 2023, 22% of all housing allocations were made to Disabled People. The steering group are continuing to progress the Local Plan for Disabled People. This Plan can be found [here](#). An update from the steering group was given to the Housing SPC on the 27th September 2023.

3.6 Grant Assistance to Older Persons and Disabled People

Table 13: Breakdown of Grant Assistance to Older Persons and Disabled People

Housing Adaptation Grant for Disabled People

Housing Adaptation Grant for Disabled People	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
No. of Applications received	32	43	58	133
Provisional approvals issued	26	38	37	101
Grants paid	38	36	28	102
Value of Grants paid	€395,078	€338,884	344,790	1,078,752

Housing Aid for Older Persons

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
No. of Applications received	19	23	15	57
Provisional approvals issued	6	10	32	48
Grants paid	9	9	13	31
Value of Grants paid	€35,674	€38,088	52,262	126,024

Mobility Aids Grant

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
No. of Applications received	6	7	14	27
Provisional approvals issued	7	1	5	13
Grants paid	3	4	2	9
Value of Grants paid	€11,374	€14,270	8,300	33,944

2023 Budget

Budget Provision (3 Schemes)	€2,570,504
Budget Spent	€1,238,720
Budget % Spent	48.19%

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

3.7 Rent Arrears

Table 14: Rents

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Rent Charged	€3,766,145	€4,461,200	€4,136,023	€12,363,368
Rent Payments Received	€3,715,661	€4,112,649	€4,473,051	€12,301,361

Accrued Rent Arrears	€9,307	€98,365	€176,096	€283,768
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3.8 Private Rented Housing Standards

Table 15: Private Rented Housing Standards

Private Rental Inspections	2023 Q1*	2023 Q2*	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Inspections carried out	688	828	1,412	2,928
Dwellings Inspected	636	549	853	2,038
Dwellings Inspected Compliant with Housing Regulations	105	154	264	523
Dwellings Inspected non-Compliant with Regulations (this may include more than one inspection)	531	395	589	1,515

*Figures previously reported in Q1 and Q2 have been amended due to late return of inspection reports

Note: Dwellings deemed compliant in a quarter are only deemed compliant with the Regulations at a particular point in time.

3.9 Tenancy Management and Anti-social Behaviour

Table 16: Estate Management

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Pre-tenancy courses	0	2	1	3

Table 17: Anti-social Behaviour

Anti-social cases	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Received	38	28	46	112
Completed	27	25	44	96
Ongoing	10	12	16	16*
Tenancy Warning	4	3	2	9
Tenancy Notification	2	3	2	7
Verbal Warning	4	1	4	9
Advice Given	15	12	29	56
Refer to Other Depts	3	2	4	9
No Further Action	1	3	1	5
Successful Possession Proceedings	1	1	0	2
Ongoing Possession Proceedings	-	-	3	3
Successful Exclusion Order Proceedings	0	0	1	1
Ongoing Exclusion Order Proceedings	0	0	1	1

* these cases are ongoing and carried over each quarter giving total of 16 cases to date

Table 18: Tenancy Management Interviews

	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Tenancy Management Interviews	18	14	8	40

3.10 Loans

Table 19: Local Authority Home Loan Scheme

Local Authority Home Loans (including Rebuilding Ireland Home Loans)	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Total
Applications received	9	13	16	38
Applications approved in principle	3	3	7	13
Loan Drawdowns	0	3	3	6

Planning & Economic Development

Section 48 and Glenamuck Scheme:

Section 48

23/6/2023 – 28/9/2023	Invoiced= €13,393,336.27	Received = €2,725,712.55
23/6/2022 – 28/9/2022	Invoiced= €18,523,599.12	Received = €4,537,973.82
23/6/2021 – 28/9/2021	Invoiced= €20,865,435.01	Received = €6,009,354.15

Glenamuck

23/6/2023 – 28/9/2023	Invoiced = €30,326.86	Received = €3,739,329.29
23/6/2022 – 28/9/2022	Invoiced = €5,918,182.11	Received = €7,296,467.91
23/6/2021 – 28/9/2021	Invoiced = €3,709,554.19	Received = €10,456,731.18

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/0505	<p>Dante Property Company Ltd. The Sentinel, Block C at the former Allegro Site, Blackthorn Drive, Sandyford Business Estate, Sandyford, Dublin 18. The development will comprise of the completion of the Sentinel Building to provide for 110no. apartments.</p> <p>Particulars of the development will comprise as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of 22 no. 1 bed units, 60 no. 2bed units & 28 no. 3 bed units along with provision of associated residential communal spaces both at terrace roof level & within the building. Ancillary communal spaces at ground level within the building will include for a resident's gym & resident's lounge. • Provision of 2 no. additional floors on the existing 6 storey section of the existing Sentinel building. • Provision of associated internal works & elevational works to complete the building. • Provision of associated car parking & motorcycle parking at basement level. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of electric vehicle charge points with associated site infrastructure ducting to provide charge points. • Provision of associated bicycle storage facilities at basement level & bin storage • Provision of associated bicycle storage facilities at ground level. 	27/07/2023	30/08/2023	https://www.thesentinelldr.com	19/09/2023 Permission granted by DLR County Council.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of existing access from Blackthorn Drive. • Provision of an ESB substation at ground floor level. 				
LRD23A/0557	<p>Expert Eye Property Company Ltd. Lands forming part of development generally known as Rockbrook located at the junction of Blackthorn Drive and Carmanhall Road, Rockbrook Estate, Sandyford Business District, Dublin 18.</p> <p>Permission for a Large-scale Residential development. The development will comprise minor amendments to the permitted development as per Strategic Housing Development (SHD) permission reference 304405-19 which comprises 428no. apartments, a creche, 4no. local/neighbourhood retail units and associated site works.</p> <p>The proposed development incorporates the following amendments:</p> <p>(I) Reconfiguration of cores, reconfiguration of the basement and associated amendments to the building.</p> <p>(II) Amendments to the external facades and balconies.</p> <p>(III) Amendments to the unit mix which consists of 32no. studio apartments, 122no. 1bed apartments, 251 2bed apartments and 23no. 3bed apartments to provide for 19no. studio apartments, 135no. 1bed apartments, 249 2bed apartments and 25no. 3bed apartments.</p> <p>There will be no change to the overall number of units provided with total units remaining at 428 apartments.</p>	25/08/2023	28/09/2023	https://rbce ntrallrd.com/	19/10/2023
LRD23A/0566	<p>Shankill Property Investments Ltd. Former Bray Golf Club Lands, Off Ravenswell Road & Dublin Road, Bray, Co. Dublin.</p> <p>The Large-scale Residential Development application consists of amendments to a permitted Strategic Housing Development (permitted under ABP-311181).</p> <p>The amendments comprise of 4 No. additional in-curtilage car parking spaces (2 No. car parking spaces within each of the curtilages of a permitted house and a permitted duplex unit (3 bed duplex over 2 bed apartment)); extensions to the permitted length of adjacent public roadway in two areas to facilitate</p>	30/08/2023	03/10/2023	https://coastalquartershd rev1.com/	24/10/2023

	vehicular access to the proposed additional car parking spaces; and associated local revisions to permitted storm sewer network, public lighting and landscaping.				
LRD23A/ 0615	<p>Tetrarch Residential Ltd. Mount Anville Lands, Lower Kilmacud Road, Dublin 14, D14 KX80.</p> <p>Development consists of: demolition of existing dwelling & outbuildings known as the 'Old Farm' & construction of 114 no. residential units comprising of 100 no. apartments & 14 no. houses (74 no. 1-bed & 40 no. 2-bed units) to form an Assisted Living development, solely for persons 65 & over, consistent with the definitions of Assisted Living/Retirement Homes & Sustainable Neighbourhood Infrastructure Zoning Objective & Specific Local Objective attached to the site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Block A will range 2-3 storeys in height & will provide 12 no. apartments. (Supporting amenities located on ground floor include a prayer room, communal area & library) • Blocks B, C & D will range 2-3 storeys in height & will provide 7 no. apartments each. (Blocks A-D are situated along the west of the site). • Block E will be 5 storeys in height & will provide 19 no. apartments. (Supporting communal residential amenities at ground floor include a communal social room with Barista bar, library & reading room, gym area, small cinema, pre kitchen area, indoor & outdoor café for residents and their visitors, consulting rooms for medical, wellness & personal supports, & administration/reception area with staff facilities) • Block F will be 3 storeys in height & will provide 24 no. apartments. • Block G will be 5 storeys in height & will provide 24 no. apartments. (Blocks E-G are situated in the lower walled garden & are organised around a central communal courtyard with resident facilities). • The proposed 14 no. houses will range in height from 1.5-2 storeys. These are situated along the east of the site. The residential development is organised outside & around the upper walled garden which contains the protected Glasshouse (Protected Structure RPS. 2100) which will not be altered other than maintenance & will continue its existing horticultural use. The upper walled garden will be 	28/09/2023	01/11/2023	https://mountanvillelrda.ie/	22/11/2023

organised to contain open lawn, a sensory garden, reflective orchard, beehives & food production garden & will contain an outdoor community cafe space served from a 12 sq.m cafe structure at the north east corner.				
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<https://planning.agileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/97167>

Planning Statistics: 23rd June 2023 – 28th September 2023

	Outline Permission	Full Permission
New application Received*	0	331
Decision Deferred	0	60
Decisions to Grant**	0	313
Decision to Refuse**	0	44
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	299
Invalid Applications	0	41

*Includes 36 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".

4 Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse).

Building Control	23rd June 2023 – 28th September 2023
Fire Safety Certs applications received *	77
Fire Safety Certs Applications Granted *	39
Fire Safety Certs Applications Refused/Invalid	0/2
Disability Access Cert Applications Received **	48
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted/Refused **	40/0
Commencement Notices Validated ***	219
7 Day Notices received	24
Completion Certs Validated	76

*Includes FSCs, Reg Certs & Rev Fire Certs

**Includes DACs, Dispensation/ Relaxation

*** Includes 7 Day Notices

Taking in Charge

Taking in Charge requests are submitted under Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

TIC Applications Received:	Planning References:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Oaklands Hall, Mount Merrion, Blackrock Beechpark, Cabinteely, Co Dublin 	D16A/0465 D15A/0385

Customers to Planning Counter: 23rd June to 28th September, 2023	Customers 885
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The Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2018 (Commencement) Order 2021 (SI 714 of 2021), provides that points of detail relating to a grant of permission be agreed between the planning authority and the person carrying out the development and, accordingly— (a) where for that purpose that person has submitted to the planning authority concerned such points of detail, then that authority shall, within 8 weeks of those points being so submitted, or such longer period as may be agreed between them in writing either-

- (i) reach agreement with that person on those points, or
- (ii) where that authority and that person cannot so agree on those points, that authority may—
 - (I) Advise that person accordingly in writing, or
 - (II) refer the matter to the Board for its determination,

This came into effect on 17th December 2021.

The following number of compliance submissions have been received in the last quarter:

Month	No. of submissions
July	141
August	52
September	83

Local Area Plans

Since the adoption of the dlr County Development Plan 2022-2028, the Council have been progressing three separate LAPs, as part of the overall six-year programme for the County.

Dundrum Local Area Plan

The Draft Dundrum LAP was placed on public display from 8th June 2023 to 21st July 2023. There was a very high level of interest and engagement with nearly 900 submissions received.

The Council prepared a Report on all submissions received during the public display period, which summarises the issues raised and sets out the Chief Executive’s recommendation in response. This Report has been circulated to the Elected Members for their consideration. A Special Council Meeting with respect to the Draft Dundrum LAP is scheduled for the 10th October 2023.

Old Connaught Local Area Plan

Pre-Draft public consultation for the Old Connaught Local Area Plan finished on the 6th June 2023 and 38 submissions were received. A Chief Executive’s Report on the submissions

made to the Pre-Draft public consultation stage was prepared and issued to the Elected Members on 4th September 2023.

The Council have now commenced the preparation of a Draft LAP for Old Connaught, taking into consideration the submissions made during the Pre-Draft public consultation stage. Once prepared, the Draft LAP will be placed on public display for a further period of public consultation.

Kiltiernan/Glenamuck Local Area Plan

The Council has commenced the Pre-Draft public consultation stage for the preparation of a new Local Area Plan for Kiltiernan/Glenamuck. The pre-draft public consultation period runs from 12th September 2023 to 17th October 2023.

Active Land Management

Housing Task Force

The Housing Supply Coordination Task Force, established by the DHLGH, tracks the quantum of residential development in the four Dublin Local Authorities on a quarterly basis for residential schemes consisting of 10 or more homes. The data has been collected since 2016 and provides detailed insight into planning and construction activity in the residential sector. The Housing Returns exclude all Part 8 planning applications.

Dublin Local Authorities 'Tier 1' Housing Task Force Returns – Q1 2023

The most up-to-date data available for the 4 no. Dublin Local Authorities relates to Q1 2023. The Table below details the Q1 2023 Returns for the four Dublin Local Authorities as published by the DHLGH. The data comprises residential developments (schemes consisting of 10 or more homes) where a final grant of planning permission has been obtained from the Local Authority or An Bord Pleanála. The data includes schemes that are both commenced and uncommenced but does not include schemes that have been completed.

The data indicates comparatively high levels of construction activity in DLR. At Q1 2023, there were 5,047 homes under construction in DLR which comprised c. 29% of all homes under construction across the four Dublin Local Authorities.

	Total Number of Permitted Units		Total Number of Units Built to Date		Total Number of Units Under Construction		Total Permitted but not Commenced	
	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.
DCC	489	28,691	198	1,005	134	5,205	157	22,481
DLR	2,027	14,630	507	1,018	692	4,355	828	9,257
SDCC	5,094	10,015	1,817	1,322	786	3,501	2,491	5,192
FCC	7,577	13,789	2,538	842	1,062	1,748	3,977	11,199
Total	15,187	67,125	5,060	4,187	2,674	14,809	7,453	48,129

* 2,575 of the 10,085 units in DLR classified as 'Permitted but not Commenced' at Q4 2022 are currently caught up in Judicial Review proceedings.

DLR Provisional 'Tier 1' Housing Task Force Returns – Q2 2023

The following Table details the provisional Housing Task Force Returns for DLR at Q2 2023.

	Total Number of Permitted Units		Total Number of Units Built to Date		Total Number of Units Under Construction		Total Permitted but not Commenced	
	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.
DLR	2,030	15,632	580	1,183	743	3,656	707	10,793
Total	17,662		1,763		4,399		11,500	

* 2,575 of the 11,500 units in DLR classified as 'Permitted but not Commenced' at Q2 2023 are currently caught up in Judicial Review proceedings

DLR Provisional 'Tier 2A' Housing Task Force Returns – Q2 2023

The following Table details the provisional data relating to sites in DLR which were subject to a 'live' planning application for residential development at Q2 2023. The data relates to sites where: a planning application was lodged with the Planning Authority (Local Authority or ABP); or was within the appeal period of 4 weeks of the date of the decision of the Local Authority; or was the subject of an appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

At Q2 2023, there were planning applications in the system for 9,421 potential new homes. 4,665 of the units in the planning system at Q2 2023 were for Build-to-Rent residential schemes. The ratio of houses to apartments for units in the planning system was 1:17.

	Houses	Apartments	Total
DLR Q2 2023	538	8,883	9,421
(% mix)	(5.7%)	(94.3%)	(100%)

Based on the provisional Q2 2023 Housing Task Force Returns for DLR, the following is noted:

- There were 885 residential units completed in DLR, in schemes of 10 units or more, in Q2 2023. A total of 3 residential schemes were recorded as fully completed in Q2 and there were residential completions recorded in 8 other schemes that remain under construction.
- Compared to the year previous, there was a 4% decrease in the number of sites with planning permission from 123 in Q2 2022 to 118 in Q2 2023. In terms of the total number of units with planning permission, there was an 5% decrease from 18,601 in Q2 2022 to 17,662 units in Q2 2023. These decreases reflect both high levels of residential completions in DLR from Q3 2022 to Q2 2023 (a total of 17 no. schemes were fully completed and removed from monitoring) and an increasing backlog of planning applications pending decision with An Bord Pleanála (see chart below).
- Compared to the year previous, there was a 9.4% decrease in the number of active sites from 53 sites in Q2 2022 to 48 sites in Q2 2023, and a 24.7% decrease in the

number of units under construction from 5,844 in Q2 2022 to 4,399 in Q2 2023. These decreases reflect both recent high levels of residential completions in DLR and a moderation in residential commencement levels (see chart below).

- At Q2 2023, there were 8,925 homes that had the benefit of planning permission which were uncommenced and could be progressed to implementation stage. This figure excludes residential schemes subject to Judicial Review proceedings.
- At Q2 2023, there were planning applications in the system for c. 9,400 potential new homes. This represents a 17% increase from the 8,053 units that were in the system at Q2 2022. The increasing quantum of planning applications in the system pending decision reflects the backlog of cases with An Bord Pleanála.
- In terms of housing mix, the ratio of houses to apartments for permitted units at Q1 2023 was approximately 1:8. The ratio of houses to apartments for units in the planning system was 1:17.

Housing Trends

The following section illustrates housing trends in DLR using data from a range of data sources. Each data source is referenced and is based on its own methodology.

Residential Completions in DLR

The following chart details new housing completions in DLR for the period Q1 2018 to Q2 2023. The data is sourced from the CSOs 'New Dwelling Completions' database which comprises a comprehensive data set which captures all completions in the County.

In Q2 2023, there were 809 residential completions recorded in DLR (11% of the national total). 69% of the completions in Q2 were apartments (555 units). DLR has had the highest number of completions - of all Local Authorities in the State - in each of the last three Quarters.

There were 3,146 residential completions in DLR in the last 12 months (Q3 2022 to Q2 2023). This comprises 10.3% of the national total over the same period.

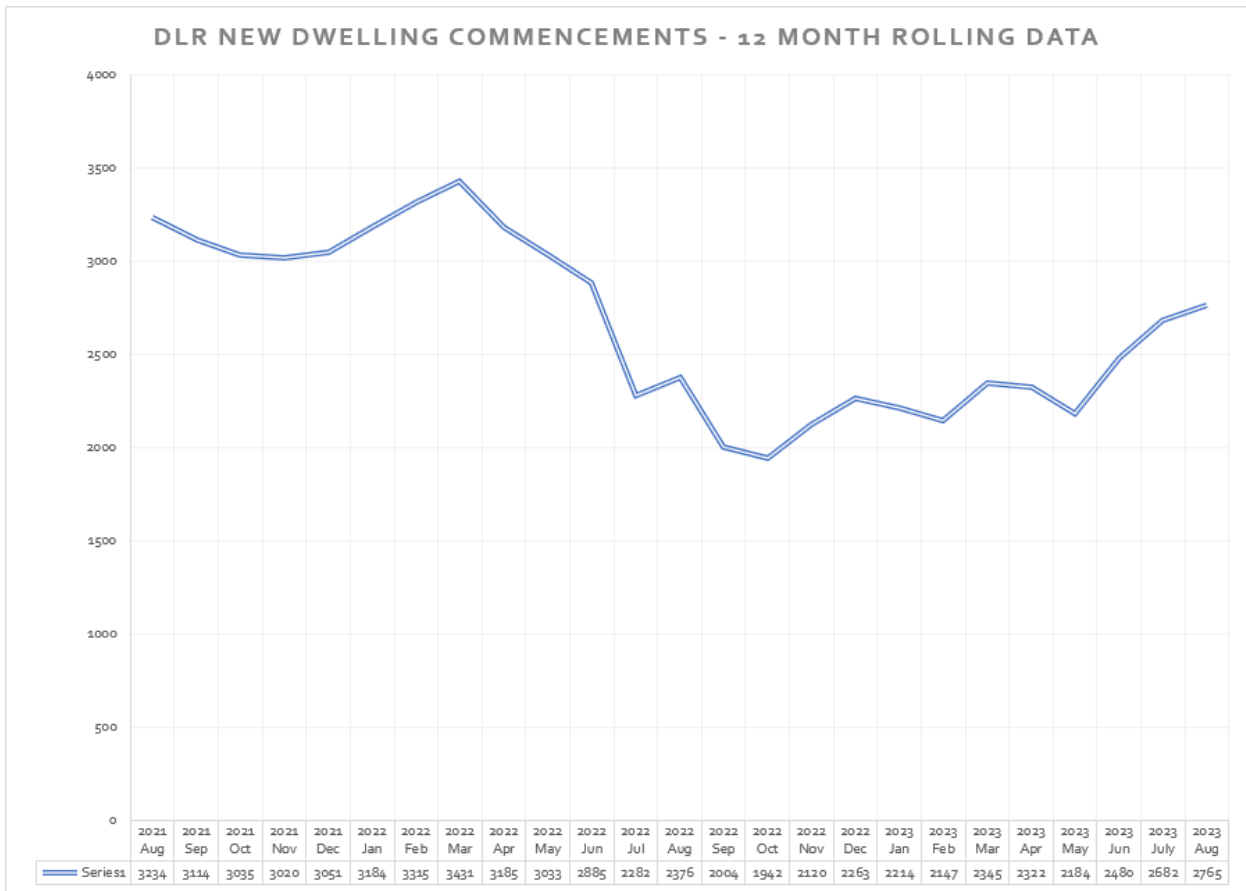


Source: CSO New Dwelling Completions (Table NDQ06: <https://data.cso.ie/table/NDQ06>)

Residential Commencements

The following data comes from the Building Control Management System and is based on Commencement Notices recorded on a rolling 12 month average basis.

The chart illustrates an increase in commencement levels in DLR post pandemic with a high of over 3,400 commencements recorded in the 12 month period up to March 2022. More recently, the level of commencements has moderated but remained robust with 2,765 commencements recorded in the 12 month period up to August 2023. This comprises 9.4% of the national total, over the 12 month period, and is 2nd highest of all Local Authorities in the State.

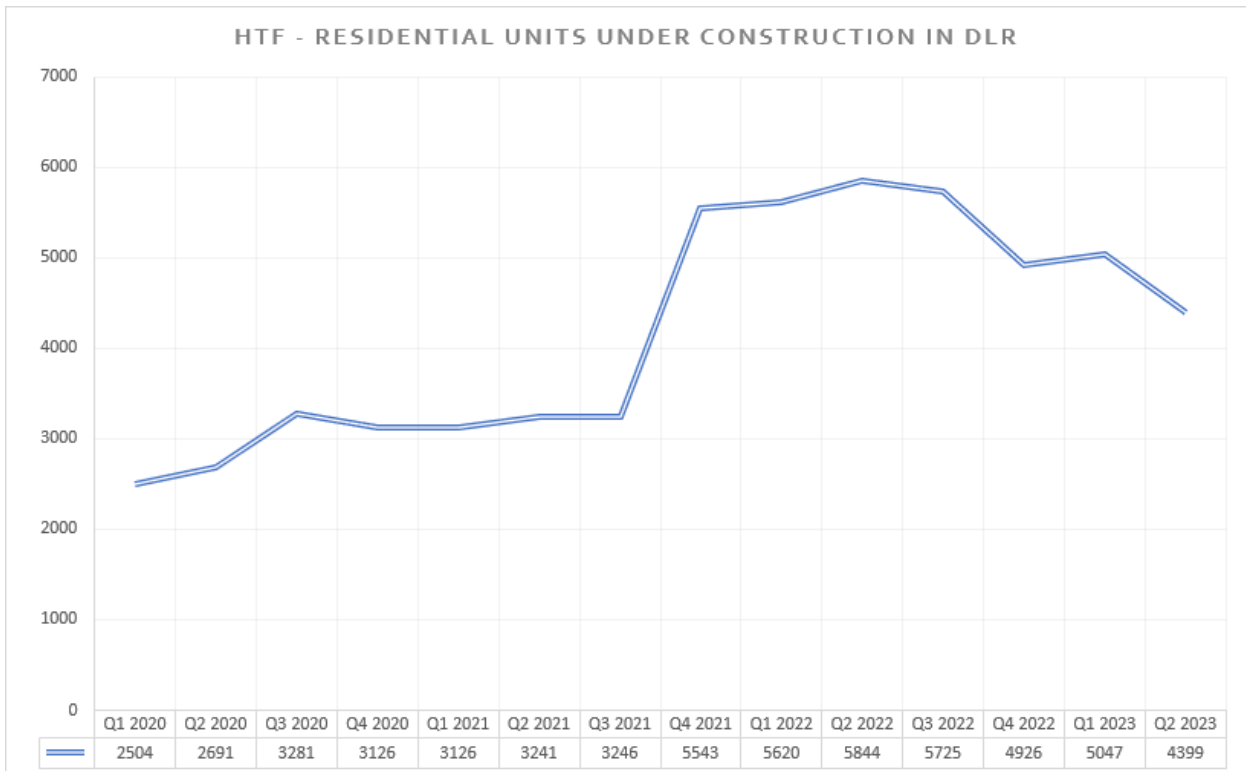


Source: CSO – Commencement Notices (Table HSM13: <https://data.cso.ie/table/HSM13>)

Residential Construction Activity

The data in the following chart is taken from DLR’s provisional Housing Task Force Returns for Q2 2023 and illustrates the number of homes under construction in the County at each Quarter from Q1 2020 to Q2 2023.

The graph illustrates an upward trend in the number of homes under construction in DLR from c. 2,500 at Q1 2020 to c. 5,850 at Q2 2022. At Q2 2023, c. 4,400 homes were under construction. The slight decrease in the number of units under construction in DLR between Q2 2022 and Q2 2023 reflects the high number of residential completions recorded over the same period.

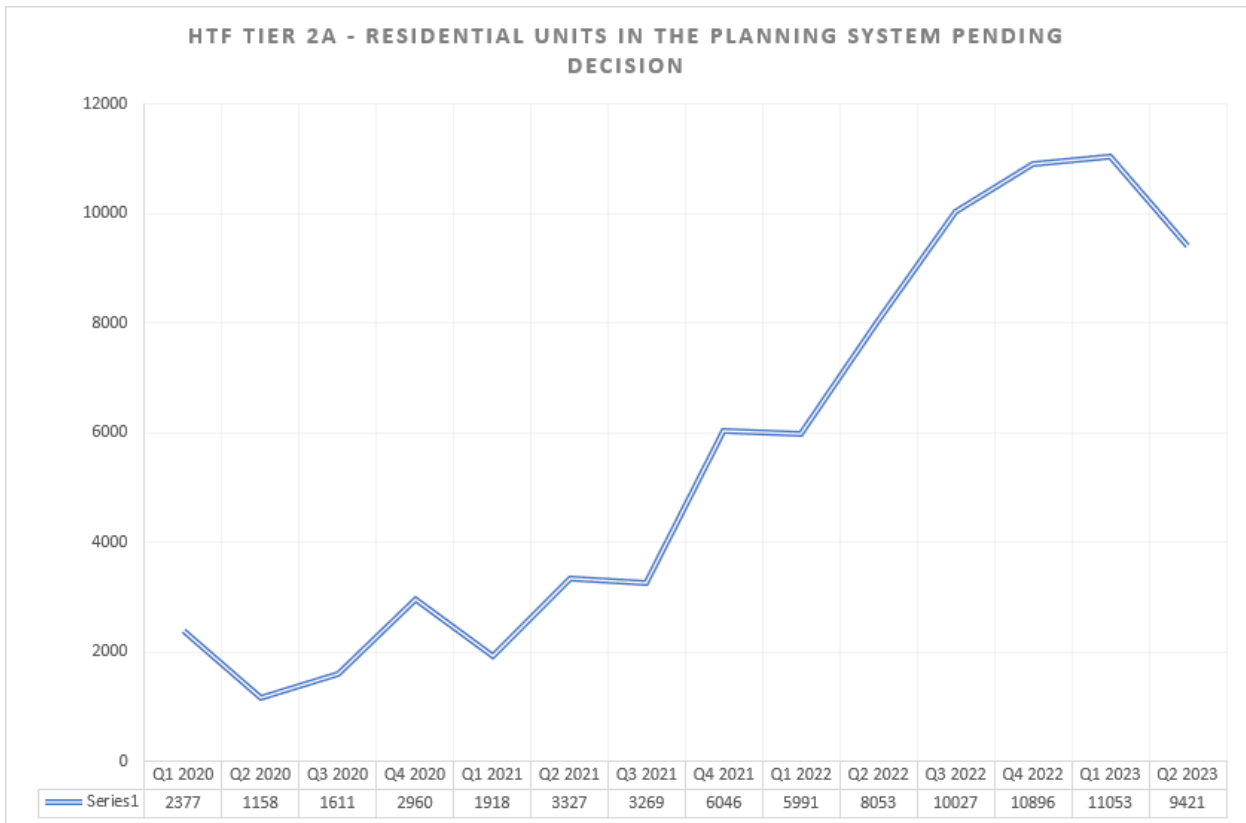


Source: DLR Housing Task Force Returns

Planning Applications in the System Pending Decision

The data in the following chart is taken from DLR’s provisional Housing Task Force Returns (HTF Tier 2A) and illustrates the number of residential units in the planning system pending decision from Q1 2020 to Q2 2023. The graph indicates a high number of units in the planning system with c. 9,400 units awaiting decision at Q2 2023.

This trend reflects both the high number of planning applications submitted before the ending of the SHD process - and also a backlog of cases awaiting decision with An Bord Pleanála. At Q2 2023, there were SHD planning applications for c. 6,000 homes with An Bord Pleanála. While the Board has a statutory objective to try to decide cases within 18 weeks, all SHD planning applications in DLR currently with ABP have exceeded this timeframe.



Source: DLR Housing Task Force Returns

Residential Zoned Land Tax

Under the Finance Act 2021 the Planning Authority have a statutory requirement to prepare a map identifying lands that will be subject to the new residential zoned land tax. A Draft Map was completed and placed on display from 1st November 2022 to 1st January 2023. A total of 82 valid submission were made. The Planning Authority made a determination on the submissions received by 1st April 2023, as required under the legislation. 32 appeals against dlr’s determinations were subsequently lodged with An Bord Pleanála, with 13 decisions received at the time of writing. The Residential Zoned land Tax Supplemental Map which included 2 additional land parcels was then placed on display for a month from 1st May to 1st June 2023. A total of 8 submission were received. No appeals were subsequently lodged with the Board. Local authorities have until 1st December 2023 to publish their final map, with the tax to become effective from 1st February 2024.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Anseo

DLR’s programme of street art extended across the county for the first time this year. John Brady’s piece in Deansgrange, and Claire Prouvost’s beautiful tribute to Lily and Lolly Yeats and Dun Emer Industries, have been extremely well received. Urban artist Peachzz produced a fabulous piece for Sallynoggin. By the end of the year, DLR Anseo will have seen further artworks installed in Dún Laoghaire and Sandyford.



Lily and Lolly Yeats by Claire Prouvost

Dublin Canvas

The Dublin Canvas project continued over summer with traffic boxes across the county sporting some fantastic new designs.



2023,

Student Enterprise Programme LEO – Visit to National Ploughing Championship 2023

Last week, as part of the Student Enterprise Programme, LEO Dún Laoghaire had the opportunity to send 87 students over 2 days from 3 schools to the ploughing championships. Despite some challenging weather conditions, the schools had a wonderful time at the ploughing and seeing the various businesses on show.

The Student Enterprise Programme empowers students with innovative business ideas and provides them with valuable guidance to refine and develop their concepts. It is open to 1st - 6th years and entries to the mini-business competition are sought in the junior, intermediate and senior categories. In addition, there are the theoretical competitions - "My Entrepreneurial Journey" and the "Folens Smart Business Award." There are also Social Media and Intellectual Property awards at national level as well as many category prizes at county level. These efforts culminate in the county awards on February 28th 2024, and the National Finals on May 9th 2024 in Croke Park.

DLR Tourism Development

Tourism Strategy 2023 – 2028

Work continues the development the new Tourism Strategy. Various meetings and consultations have taken place. It is hoped that this strategy will be completed by the end of the year.

Tourism Information Services

The tourism Information kiosk reported a very bust quarter 3 period. The number of international visitors was defiantly up on last year. This was because of the thousands of cruise visitor exploring Dun Laoghaire.

Festivals and Events

Several significant Festivals & Events were held in quarter 3. These included:

- Coastival & Coastival Nights ran over the 1st two weeks of July.
- The Dargan Festival
- The Glencullen Adventure Park Downhill Series Competition”
- Ukulele Hooley Festival
- Dalkey Lobster Festival
- “Live in the Harbour “concert.

Cruise Programme Support

Visitor information services provided to a total of 46 cruise calls to the harbour in Quarter 3, with 116,000 Passengers and Crew combined.

In August the 100,000th cruise passenger was welcomed to Dun Laoghaire.

A Study Visit to Cobh Co Cork was organised in conjunction with the DLBA team. Met with the town council and members of the chamber of commerce to hear their experience of Cruise Tourism.

Dun Laoghaire Welcome Ambassadors programme supported by the DLBA. The Tourism Section met new additions to the Dun Laoghaire Welcome Ambassadors group to provide some basic information / training and brief them on the operations of a cruise visit day.

New Harbour Trail Launched.

On September 5th, An Cathaoirleach launched the new Harbour Trail funded by Fáilte Ireland as part of the Destination Towns Programme. The trail seeks to bring to life the stories of Dún Laoghaire and the iconic East Pier.

Social Media Analysis: Quarter 3 2023				
Facebook	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
dIrl Tourism	9.2K	358	41	166,107
Twitter	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
dIrl Tourism	3,914	59	34	18,612

Instagram	No of Followers	No of new followers	No of Posts	Impressi ons
dlr Tourism	3,385	192	41	89,205

Dún Laoghaire Harbour

Cruise Ship Business

The Cruise Ship Season is almost complete now with over 80 ship visits. Bookings for 2024 are strong with 95+ vessels currently booked into Dun Laoghaire Harbour. We are working with the Tourism Department, the Dun Laoghaire Business Association and the Dun Laoghaire Chamber of Commerce to maximise the local benefits of the cruise visitors.



A Cruise Tender arriving into Dun Laoghaire Town

Projects:

National Watersports Campus

DLRCC in partnership with Irish Sailing and the Irish Underwater Council have been approved in principle for Stream 1 Grant funding for the development of a National Watersports Campus. We have responded to requests for additional information and are now finalising the grant process and agreements with the project partners. An MOU has been signed with Irish Sailing and Diving Ireland in order to set out and agree the objectives of the project.

A concept brochure was presented to the Elected Members during the February council meeting and has since been published. It is hoped that this initiative will assist in building

momentum and support for the project. This document was presented to Councillors in February 2023.

A scheme to apply for additional “top-up” funding was announced in July and DLRC have submitted an application for increased funding to assist with the impacts of inflation etc.

Berth 2 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)

A project to replace the Berth 2 fenders has been given approval to proceed to procurement stage. RPS Group have been appointed to carry out the design and procurement for this project. This project was tendered, and Sorensen Construction have been appointed to deliver the project. The project is now on site and the Carlisle Pier will close to shipping for 2-3 months to facilitate the new fender installation.

Berth 3 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to replace the Berth 3 fenders from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. This project was tendered, and Sorensen Construction have been appointed to deliver the project. The project is now on site and the Carlisle Pier will close to shipping for 2-3 months to facilitate the new fender installation.

East Pier Revetment Repairs

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to repair the sloping revetment at the back (east side) of the East Pier from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. This revertant provides the primary protection for the East Pier and has suffered some damage over recent years from the larger storms. Punch Consulting Engineers have been appointed to design and manage the project which is likely to be on site during the summer of 2023. Cunningham Civil & Marine have been appointed to carry out the works on this project and have commenced on site. The project is progressing well and is due to complete late September. As this project is being delivered “by sea” there is little, if any disruption to the East Pier users.



A “landing craft” delivering concrete to the back of the East Pier.

Dublin Array Windfarm

The developers of the Dublin Array Windfarm have approached the Harbour about the possibility of establishing an Operations and Maintenance Base for the windfarm. It is hoped that there might be synergies with the Ferry Terminal project. Early engagement is ongoing with the developer's team to establish the exact requirements.

Skate Park

Due to delays with Irish Water in the original location, a temporary BMX Pump is under construction in the car-park in Apna Park, behind the West Pier. The track is due to open mid October.



The Pump Track under construction in Apna Park

Ice Rink

An Ice Rink will be installed in the Harbour for the months of November, December, and January. This will be one of the largest Ice Rinks in Ireland and tickets are now on sale.

Forward Planning Infrastructure

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

LIHAF

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

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

As previously advised to the Members, there is 1 remaining active LIHAF project in DLR, an overview of which is as follows;

Project Name	Detail of Infrastructure	Total LIHAF allocation €M	Amount to be funded by DHLGH €M (75%)	Amount to be funded by DLR (S48 Cherrywood specific dev contributions) €M (25%)
Cherrywood	Druid's Glen Road (road only); Druid's Glen bridge - (short bridge structure traversing valley); New N11 junction 'Q' at Druid Glen Road; Druid's Glen Road (bridge feature)	€15.19	€11.39	€3.80

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

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

A status of the Cherrywood LIHAF project is as follows:

➤ **Phase 1 – Complete**

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

➤ **Phase 2 – (P* - P3) – at Construction Stage**

The next section of road comprises of circa 315m of road and a 40m short bridge spanning the Cabinteely Stream. The tender evaluation is complete, and the project was recently awarded to the preferred contractor. Mobilization is expected by the end of September 2023.

The requisite land transfers are being progressed. The construction programme is circa 12 months.

Dlr has had extensive discussions with the Cherrywood landowners and the DHLGH in relation to landowner commitment to LIHAF given the passage of time and expiration of the original landowner affordability proposal. A revised landowner affordability proposal is required and currently DLR awaits formal notification from the Cherrywood landowners on their decision to renew their commitment.

➤ **Phase 3 – Tender for Consultant Stage**

The final section of the road comprises c. 55m of road and a 120m significant bridge feature.

Dlr has completed the tender documentation for the appointment of a consultant to bring the final Phase of the Druids Glen Road infrastructure project to completion. This is currently the subject of a live tender and consultant appointment (subject to necessary approvals being in place) is anticipated in Q4 of 2023.

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

Within Cherrywood SDZ, grants of planning, further information stage, commencements and residential completion stats are all highlighted in the Planning update below.

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

Cherrywood URDF Infrastructure

The URDF 2018 (first call) was established to support more compact and sustainable development, through the regeneration and rejuvenation of Ireland's five cities and other large towns, in line with the objectives of the National Planning Framework and National Development Plan (NDP). This is to enable a greater proportion of residential and mixed-use development to be delivered within the existing built-up footprints of our cities and towns and to ensure that more parts of our urban areas can become attractive and vibrant places in which people choose to live and work, as well as to invest and to visit.

DLR was successful in obtaining funding under the URDF in respect of the Category A Cherrywood Parks, Greenways and Attenuation Project, the total cost of which is estimated at €17.8M and for which formal approval of the total project was received in June 2020. Funding is by way of 75% direct government funding and 25% funded by the separate Section 48 Cherrywood Development Contributions.

This will see the development of 4 distinct sub-projects comprising the Linear Park, surface water attenuation ponds 2a and 5a and completion of Tully Park Phase 2.

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

➤ **Linear Park – Part 8 Planning secured**

The statutory Part 8 was approved by the Elected Members on the 13th of June 2022. Tender documentation underway to appoint a multi-disciplinary design team to advance. This project is being delivered in collaboration with the NTA.

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

Statutory Part 8 stage is complete. Site clearance for ground investigations, ground penetrating radar and topographical surveys complete. The Contractor has completed Phase 2 site investigations. Findings will inform the detailed design and tender documents. Tender documents to issue in Q4 2023.

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

Ground penetrating radar and topographical surveys are complete. Phase 1 of the site investigations are complete and draft tender documents are prepared. ESB diversion details are agreed with the ESB. Tender documents issued in Q2 2023. It is intended to commence construction in Q4 2023.

➤ **Tully Park Phase 2 – Project substantially complete**

Construction commenced on site on the 24th June 2021 and has now been completed, with the whole of the Tully Park area (Phase 1 and Phase 2) opened to the public on 31st May 2023.

Urban Regeneration & Development Fund (URDF) Call 2

A second call for proposals under the URDF 2020 was advertised in January 2020. DLR submitted 5 applications for consideration under this Call 2 process on 29 May 2020.

These 5 applications are listed in their ranked order as follows:

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

In addition, a standalone request to initiate a study for Blackrock Village was also submitted. On the 5 March 2021, DLR was notified by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, that two of the applications submitted by the Council for funding, under Call 2, were successful. The DHLGH formally confirmed preliminary approval of the €44,361,115 funding on the 25 of August 2021 for the Dundrum and Cherrywood projects for the inclusion in the URDF supported capital programme and approval to move to the next stage of the project lifecycle, the preliminary business case stage.

Information in relation to the national announcement may be found via the following link:

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/56ef8-urban-regeneration-and-development-fund-urdf/>

Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity €40,361,115
The infrastructure being provided under 'Call 2' consists of the following:

- **Castle Street Link** - Completion of Cherrywood's bus priority route to connect it to the existing Park & Ride facility at Carrickmines Luas stop. The appointment of a consultant to advance a flood mitigation review to inform the Castle Street Link project is expected in early Q4 2023.
- **Ticknick Park – Ballycorus Access** – development of cycle, pedestrian and vehicular access to Ticknick Park, which opened to the public on 31st May 2023.

A report on this project was brought to the April 2023 Council Meeting and DLR is now progressing to preliminary design stage of the project. Engagement with landowners is ongoing with regards to the acquisition of lands. A brief is being developed to appoint a consultant to progress this project. The scope of the brief will include the consideration of a number of options as part of the initial preliminary design stage to ensure the optimum option is progressed to preliminary design.

- **Town Centre Pedestrian & Cycle Link** – development of an elevated pedestrian and cycle bridge within the Cherrywood Town Centre.

This project is at concept design stage.

- 3 Public Parks – creation of centrally located, multi-functional spaces providing a focal area for each of the associated village communities.
 - **Lehaunstown Park** – Planning Permission in place
 - **Priorsland Park** – To be progressed in line with Castle Street Link project
 - **Parade Green** – To develop concept and commence preliminary design stage
- **Smart Parking Study** – research and application of measures to create efficiencies in Cherrywood's required parking provision.
- **Beckett Link (& Barrington Rd Connection)** – development of pedestrian, cycle and vehicle link from the Kiltarnan Link to the Cherrywood Town Centre, to include the uncompleted portion of Barrington's Road.

It is envisaged this project will be delivered in 2 Phases - The landowner secured planning permission for Phase 1 of this project on 14th November 2022 and DLR has engaged a consultant to progress Phase 1 through detailed design, tender, construction and handover and final close out. DLR is currently progressing with the Detailed Design stage for this project.

DLR met with the DHLGH on the 13th June 2023 as part of DLR's URDF project review meeting and site visit. Updated budget estimates were presented for each project.

Following submission of the preliminary business case by DLR to the DHLGH on the 8th of June 2022, DLR received confirmation on 14th of March 2023, that 5 URDF Call 2 projects will be approved to proceed to Decision Gate 2 of the Public Spending Code subject to further information being provided by DLR. This information was issued through an addendum to the Department on the 3rd of May 2023. The final URDF 2 project 'Beckett Link' was determined to require a standalone Preliminary Business Case, given the scale of the project, which was subsequently approved by the Department on the 24th of July 2023.

Cherrywood SDZ – Progress Report.

The **current Main Work Streams** include:

- Cherrywood LIHAF - as reported above;
- URDF Call 1 Projects (2018) - Cherrywood Parks, Greenways and Attenuation – as reported above;
- URDF Call 2 Project (2020) – Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity application submitted to DHLGH on 29 May 2020 which received funding approval in the order of c.€40M - as reported above;
- The Cherrywood Steering Group, comprising the Chief Executive and Directors of Services in key service departments met 20 times since it was established in 2017. The Steering Group has been convened to provide oversight in all key aspects of the delivery of the Cherrywood SDZ that cover multi – disciplinary themes;
- Progressing the required Common Infrastructure Agreement for the provision of the common infrastructure in the build out of Cherrywood;
- Proposed Amendment No. 8: Building Height and Density Review: - This proposed amendment came into effect following the withdrawal of a third party appeal on 31st May 2023;
- Proposed Amendment No. 9: Car Parking Standards Review – DLR as Development Agency for Cherrywood submitted this proposed amendment to An Bord Pleanála on 31st May 2023 under Section 170a of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended). The purpose of this review was to update the approved Planning Scheme 2014 (as amended) to align with National, Regional and Local policy, promote sustainable public and active travel modes and address Climate change mitigation measures. This is now with an Bord Pleanála for determination as the competent authority, and there is an indicative determination date of 3rd October 2023.
- DLR has commenced a plan-led review of the Cherrywood Town Centre and Environs, the purpose of which is to ensure an appropriate mix, quantum and phasing of uses in this area to secure a balance of employment, commercial, retail, residential, community and social uses.
- The DAPT has established a cycling review group to draw from the expertise of the NTA and the dlr Sustainable Mobility Group to scope out enhancements to what has been provided in the area and explore new experiences in cycling (including technology). It is intended to bring a Report on findings and recommendations of this group to a future meeting.

Planning Applications – FOR NOTING

The Status of applications from 21st June 2023 to 25th September 2023 inclusive is as follows:

- DZ22A/1021 - 283 Residential units, Cherrywood – Decision to Grant issued 27/06/2023.
- DZ22A/0681 - 70 Residential Units, Cherrywood – Decision to Grant issued 28/06/2023.
- DZ22A/1025 - 44 Residential Units, Cherrywood – Request for Clarification of Further Information issued 30/06/2023.
- DZ23A/0359 - Windyridge works to protected structure/Garden center – Request for further information issued 24/07/2023.
- DZ23A/0005 - 89 Residential Units, Cherrywood – Decision to Grant issued 07/07/2023.
- DZ23A/0423 - TC1 Amendment (mezzanine level + 2 Residential units) - Decision to Grant issued 10/08/2023.
- DZ23A/0283 - Building 8, Change of Use, office to medical – Decision to Grant issued 11/08/2023.
- DZ23A/0443 - Plot M4 Amendment (condition 5) - Request for further information issued 25/08/2023.
- DZ23A/0455 - 5 Residential Units, Cherrywood – Request for further information issued 31/08/2023.
- DZ23A/0468 - Plot L1/L2 Amendment - Request for further information issued 06/09/2023.
- DZ17A/0714/E - Domville – Extension of Duration - Decision to Grant issued 06/09/2023.
- DZ23A/0508 - Change of Use, Unit 3 & Unit 1, Building 5, Cherrywood Business Park – Decision to Grant issued 22/09/2023.
- DZ23A/0106 - Mixed use Commercial and Build to Rent apartment development (139 BTR Units), Cherrywood – Decision to grant issued 22/09/2023.
- DZ22A/0729 - 59 Residential units, Cherrywood – Decision to Grant issued 25/09/2023.

There is currently 1 live SDZ application for which a report is being prepared.

To date, the total no. of residential units permitted is 4,935 (this figure includes the application that was previously subject to Judicial Review which is now resolved). An additional 792 units are at Further Information Stage. There are 967 homes under construction and 1015 units completed. The Tully primary school is well advanced on site also with permission granted for the first post primary school also.

The total amount of non-residential development permitted is circa 113,794 sq.m of Town Centre Mixed use (retail/non-retail/commercial including HIE) including circa 35,340 sq.m of High Intensity Employment (HIE).

Stakeholder Engagement

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

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

Funding

DLR has progressed the review of the current Cherrywood Planning Scheme Development Contribution Scheme 2017-2020 ('the 2017 Scheme') and has recently concluded the statutory public consultation process of the new Draft Development Contribution Scheme in respect of development in the Cherrywood Planning Scheme Area 2023-2028 in accordance with Section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. This review has been conducted in tandem with the review of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Development Contribution Scheme 2016-2020. The public consultation period for both draft Schemes went from 30th June 2023 until 14th August 2023 at 5pm.

The Chief Executive's Reports in relation to both draft Schemes are Headed Items on the Agenda for the upcoming monthly Council Meeting on 9th October 2023.

In addition to the 2017 Scheme, government funding, LIHAF and URDF (Call 1 and Call 2) have been secured and contribute to the funding of internal common infrastructure. However, there still remains a funding gap in relation to the provision of the entire common infrastructure (i.e., the projects that are not LIHAF and URDF funded). The Report indicating the current Programme of Capital Projects 2023 – 2025 presented at the December 2022 Council Meeting provides further detail. It is intended that the new Draft Development Contribution Scheme in respect of development in the Cherrywood Planning Scheme Area 2023-2028, if approved, will address and bridge the residual funding shortfall.

The application for Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Access under the URDF Call 2 made by DLR to the Department on 29th May 2020 received preliminary approval in respect of six of the seven sub-projects covered in the application in March 2021. Formal preliminary approval of the funding issued on the 25th of August 2021 for these projects to be included in the URDF supported capital programme and DLR submitted the Preliminary Business Case to the Department in June 2022.

Following this, DLR received confirmation on 14th of March 2023, that 5 URDF Call 2 projects will be approved to proceed to Decision Gate 2 of the Public Spending Code subject to further information being provided by DLR. This information was issued through an addendum to the Department on the 3rd of May 2023. The final URDF 2 project 'Beckett Link' was determined to require a standalone Preliminary Business Case, given the scale of the project, which DLR issued to the Department on the 21st of April 2023 and subsequently approved by the Department on the 24th of July 2023.

Infrastructure and Climate Change

Capital Projects

Blackglen Road/ Grange Road Improvement Scheme – Progress on the construction of the scheme has been affected by difficulties in procuring Utility Service site crews to carry out diversions. A milestone was reached on the 21st of June 2023 with the removal of all overhead ESB cables and poles at Lamb’s Cross junction, which have been replaced by underground cables. The poles were causing restrictions for major works to take place at Lamb’s Cross and along sections of Blackglen Road, Sandyford Road and Enniskerry Road. Uisce Éireann requested that a new larger sized foul sewer pipe be installed along Sandyford Road and at the junction to cater for the considerable number of adjacent new housing developments including the proposed Council Housing on Hillcrest Road at the junction. The new foul sewer was not included in the contract and its installation will make the construction works and traffic management more complex. Completion date for the scheme Q4 2023

Glenamuck District Roads Scheme (GDRS) including the Enniskerry Road/Glenamuck Road Junction Upgrade (Golden Ball) – Invite to Tender for the construction of both schemes was issued and have been returned.

During tender assessment, it transpired that one of the tenderers had submitted a variant tender which resulted in elimination from the competition. This was legally challenged by that tenderer and in the interest of maintaining control of the process and a timely outcome, dlr (Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council) decided to collapse the competition and commence a new tender competition. Invite to tender was issued at the end of June 2023 and tenders were returned in late August. The tender assessment process is currently underway with a view to have a contractor identified in Q4 2023. Subject to governance, budgetary approvals, and staff availability the contractor is likely to commence on site in Q1 2024. Estimated construction period is 2 years.

Druids Glen Road Phase 2 - Judicial Review is now resolved and detailed design completed. Tenders have been returned for construction of the scheme and the contractor has been appointed. Contractor started works end of September 23 and estimated construction period is 1 year.

M50 Junction 14 Link Road – Consultants have been appointed to review / update the design and progress the scheme to completion. Current date for construction start is January 2024. Estimated construction period is 18 months.

Dublin Bay Trail / S2S – The scheme now focuses on the link between Blackrock Park and Blackrock Dart station (Blackrock Link). Surveys have been completed and route options have been developed. Multi-criteria analysis has been carried out and preferred design has been developed to Preliminary Design Report for internal circulation and start of Statutory Consultation Process. A Part 8 Report following internal discussions, incorporating Bat Survey and Architectural Conservation Reports is being finalised. Discussions with affected landowners is ongoing.

Bray Woodbrook Landfill Remediation Project - Bray Woodbrook Landfill Remediation Project - The Contractor has completed the revetment which stabilises the landfill from sea erosion. Final top soiling of the embankment, constructing the access route and fencing to be completed by end Q4 2023

Blackrock Link (Old Dublin Bay Trail / S2S) – The scheme now focuses on the link between Blackrock Park and Blackrock Dart station (Blackrock Link). Surveys have been completed and route options been developed. Multi-criteria analysis has been carried out and preferred design has been developed to Preliminary Design Report for internal circulation and start of Statutory Consultation Process. Part 8 documentation is being finalised and discussions with private landowners have started.

Hillcrest Road Improvement Scheme – Surveys and options report have been concluded. Preliminary design has started.

Cherrywood Road Improvement Scheme – Request for Tender to appoint consultant has been delayed due to change in ETenders system and set up of Frameworks and Call for Tender. Starting the tendering process as soon as possible.

Special Projects

Lehaunstown Neighbourhood Road & Plot A Access – Projects Office is assisting the Client Dept – Housing for this project. SYSTRA have been engaged to carry out preliminary design (to Part 8/179A stage) of the neighbourhood road which connects Grand Parade to Lehaunstown Lane as per the Cherrywood Planning Scheme (CPS). Their brief also includes the preliminary design of an access point into dlr Housing Plot A. Murphys have completed a topo survey for the scheme. GII have been engaged to carry out site investigations – reports pending.

Infrastructure Capacity Assessment Study for Old Connaught and Rathmichael LAPs – Projects office is assisting forward planning with this project. ARUP have been engaged to carry out the study. Project expected to be completed January 2024.

Dundrum Community, Cultural and Civic Hub (DCCCH) -An Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) Call 2 project application was provisionally allocated funding support (up to max of 75% of eligible costs) for advance Public Realm works. Architects Department is developing a project brief. Feasibility of emerging preferred site is under investigation. Indecon Consultants have completed the Strategic Assessment Review (SAR). Preliminary Business Case is currently being prepared.

Dún Laoghaire Baths - Dún Laoghaire Baths were opened on the 13th of December 2022. A report on Phase 2 was brought to the area committee meetings earlier this year. Accessibility ramp works are due to commence in the coming weeks.

Samuel Beckett Phase 2 -Sports Campus and Swimming Pool. Indecon have been appointed to prepare the Preliminary Business Case.

URDF Call 3 – dlr have been allocated €6M in funding under URDF Call 3 for an initial approved programme of 24 properties. Call 3 is designed to address long term vacancy and dereliction across URDF cities and towns and the acceleration of the provision of residential

accommodation. A working group is being set up for this project and an exercise to identify property owners is underway.

Shanganagh Castle Buildings and Grounds - Design layouts were received for the dormitory building (Building 'B') and sports hall (Building 'C') resulting in potentially 100 bed spaces for emergency Ukrainian accommodation. The Council is liaising with the *Local Government Management Agency (LGMA)* and the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage (DHLGH) for this emergency accommodation.

For Building 'A' (Castle – a Protected Structure, RPS No. 1845 refers) the contractor has completed all propping works for immediate works for safe access to the to the building. A Shanganagh Castle feasibility report prepared by conservation consultants 7L Architects with assistance from CORA Consulting Engineers has been received. This informs on the condition of the existing buildings and challenges and opportunities with refurbishment of Building A and feasibility for reuse in respect of building B. Conservation Architects recommendation is to restore original roof features and remove later flat roofs shared with Building B. The next steps will be an outline brief for roof repairs and review of priority works identified prior to preparation for tender.

Offshore Windfarms and onshore grid connection - Dublin Array (RWE) will be one of Ireland's first commercial offshore wind farms to be constructed, helping to meet the Government's target of 5GW of offshore wind energy being connected to the Irish national grid by 2030. The project intends to apply for planning consent later this year and, subject to this being secured, construction of Dublin Array Project could begin in 2026. RWE have advised two consent applications will be submitted to An Bord Pleanála (ABP); one under section 291 [offshore array & O&M Base) and the onshore transmission system under section 182a.

IB-Green Corrig Park Sandyford Business Estate - This Sandyford Green Infrastructure Project, a collaborative effort between Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Sandyford Business District, aims to transform 0.8 hectares of land into the Sandyford Business District Civic Park, strategically positioned at the junction of Corrig Road and Carmanhall Road. This undertaking not only seeks to enhance the overall quality of public spaces but also addresses heat stress within the business park area. This project is an integral part of the Interreg North-West Europe Programme (NWE) known as IB-Green.

The Council is 1 of the 11 project partners from 6 NWE countries representing local authorities, business park operators and managers, networks, sector organisations and science institutions in the field of climate adaptation who are joining forces to work on this challenge. Special focus lies on older industrial and business parks from the last century which are becoming less attractive. Here, the need for change is high but complex.

Active Travel Projects

Project Name	Project Description	Development update
Bride's Glen (Cherrywood-Shankill Bridge)	Pedestrian and cycle connection from Bride's Glen Luas Stop via St Colmcille's Hospital grounds and the old viaduct to the footbridge over the N11 north of the Loughlinstown roundabout.	The scheme is being reviewed to consider a quick build option that avoids CPO (Compulsory Purchase Order) and land acquisition using the N11
East Coast Trail - Merrion Gates to Seapoint Cycle Scheme	Development of the East Coast Trail cycle route from Merrion Gates to Seapoint and toward Dún Laoghaire	Rock Road construction completed
Clonskeagh Road Cycle Improvement Scheme (UCD to Ashtons)	Development of a cycle route between Sandyford and Dublin city centre, proposed in the GDA (Greater Dublin Area) Cycle Network Plan. This includes the provision of cycle facilities on Clonskeagh Road from UCD to Clonskeagh Bridge.	Contractor appointed following the liquidation of SIAC and works have recommenced.
Rochestown Avenue Multi-modal Transport Improvement Scheme	Design of walking and cycling facilities and bus routes along Rochestown Avenue.	Part 8 completed.
DLR Connector	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities east / west across the County	Stage 3 approval from NTA Board completed – Preliminary design ongoing.
Dun Laoghaire to N11 (Mounttown Road and Kill Avenue)	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities on Kill Avenue, Mounttown Road Upper / Lower, Glenageary Road Upper.	Detailed design ongoing. Tender for contractor in Q4 2023
Wyattville Road (Phase 2)	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities along Wyattville Road.	Construction to be completed in Sept. with planting to take place in October.
Taney Road to Stillorgan Road	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities on Taney Road, Mount Anville Road and Fosters Avenue.	Project awaiting feedback from NTA in relation to funding.

Cherrywood-Sandyford greenway	Design and implementation of a cycle route between Leopardstown Road and Ballyogan / Cabinteely area.	Revised options report received and being reviewed
Leopardstown Road Cycle Lane Improvements	Design and implementation of enhanced walking and cycling facilities along Leopardstown Road (N11 to Sandyford).	Scheme not being progressed at present. The resources are focused on progressing other projects first.
Park to Park and Mountains to Metals Routes	Active School Travel Route commencing in Loughlinstown and ending in Blackrock via Loughlinstown Linear Park - Kilbogget Park - Clonkeen Park - Deansgrange - Rockville Park.	Deansgrange Road construction commenced
Seafield Safe and Quiet Streets	Traffic calming and public realm enhancement scheme developed in conjunction with residents.	Preliminary design underway. Trial junction arrangements installed
Rapid Deployment Active Travel Measures	Introduction of various forms of cycle protection on roads around the County.	Scheme not being progressed at present. The resources are focused on progressing other projects first.
Love our Laneways	Upgrade of the existing laneways in Sallynoggin.	Preliminary design completed. Application for funding being prepared for NTA Submission.
Cabinteely Park Greenway	Cornelscourt Road to Cherrywood.	Review of previous part 8 underway, Engineering Consultancy Services appointed and data gathering underway.
Safe Routes to Schools	Carysfort NS, Holy Family, Holy Cross, St. Kevin's, St. Patricks, The Harold, Sion Hill	Lot 1 consultation completed and progressing to detailed design. Lot 2 design underway.
Living Streets: Dun Laoghaire	Pathfinder project	Part 8 to commence in Oct.
Living Streets: Blackrock	Permanent scheme for the village.	Detailed design underway
Living Streets: Coastal Mobility Route	Permanent scheme	Public consultation completed.
Deerpark Entrance Improvements	Accessibility improvements to the entrance off North Ave	Construction completed

Carrickbrennan Road	Scheme to connect Coastal Mobility Route to DLR Central and Connector	Scheme not being progressed at present. The resources are focused on progressing other projects first
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Climate Action

- As a requirement of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021, each local authority will prepare a Climate Action Plan in 2023/2024, addressing both climate mitigation and adaptation. The Council participated in national level workshops and meetings with the other Dublin local authorities, Dublin CARO (Climate Action Regional Office) and Codema, on the preparation of the draft Plan.
- On 20 September, the draft plan was launched for public consultation for a period of 6 weeks until 3 November. There a number of events planned throughout the consultation period to engage the community and help promote/encourage submission of the draft plan.
- Following the public consultation, the Climate Team will produce a Chief Executives report summarising the submissions on the draft Plan. The Plan will require approval by resolution with or without amendments by the Elected Members in February 2024.
- The Art installation Linte na Farraige has been extended to run through to the end of the public consultation period of the draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029.

Property Management

- **Former Carnegie Library and ground floor Carnegie Offices, Library Road, Dún Laoghaire:**
 - Disability Access Certification approved. Awaiting approval on application for Fire Safety Certification to facilitate the IADT (Institute of Art, Design and Technology);
 - New entranceway installed for the inter-connector linking both Carnegie Offices and former library building;
 - Construction of special needs toilet completed as per Fire Regulation requirements. Quotations received being for electrical and heating upgrade (in line with safety certification requirements) works to Carnegie Library. Restoration of library floor completed; cleaning of entranceway arranged. IADT to take up residence in early Q4, 2023.
- **9 Georges Place, Dún Laoghaire:**
 - Property is subject to active investigation for future use.
- **Wash House, Kelly's Avenue, Dún Laoghaire:**
 - Electrical, insulation and security alarm upgrade works completed which will enable the building, a Protected Structure, to be utilised.
- **Dún Laoghaire Baths:**
 - Café opened, July 2023. All four artists now working within their allocated studios. Phase II of seafront works adjoining the baths building commenced, September 2023.
- **Dalkey Garda Station Buildings:** dlr approached by LGMA/Dept of Children (DCEDIY) to project manage upgrade works to former Dalkey Garda Station buildings (currently in OPW ownership) for emergency Ukrainian Accommodation. Initial inspections carried out - September 2023.
- **Woodbrook DART Station:** Licence issued September 2023 for 3 separate plots of land to allow access to Iarnród Éireann over Council owned land in order to commence construction of their new DART Station (to commence Q4, 2023).

- **East Coast Railway Infrastructure Protection Projects (ECRIPP):** Assisting Iarnród Éireann and Jacobs Engineering with regard to site access for ground and coastal assessment works to safeguard the future of railway infrastructure along the east coast.
- **Glenamuck Road CPO:** Negotiations on-going between plot holders and our Valuers and negotiations are progressing.
- **Boylan Centre, Sussex Street, Dún Laoghaire:**
 - Terms and conditions negotiated for acquisition of centre for the provision of housing. Vacant possession of building attained, September 2023.
- **Mt. Anville (former) Depot site:** Provision of a new primary school, Gaelscoil Laighin, installation of a traffic junction, access road and associated works completed on time for September 2023 school year.

Derelict sites June 2023 - September 2023:

Number on register:	Number added:	Number removed:	Section 11's served:	Levies served:	Levies received:
9	0	1	1	6	0

- **Letters of consent 1st July 2023 – 29th September 2023**

- 9 Original Letters
- 5 Re-issues

- ***Sandyford Commercial consents 1st July 2023 – 29th September 2023**

- Four Sandyford Consents processed from July to date.
- There are two Sandyford Consents currently being processed by Property Management.

*The Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2020 (*Schedule 3, Prescribed Notices, Form No. 2, p426*) specifically states that "If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation."

Environmental Enforcement Section

Draft Litter Management Plan

The Draft Litter Management Plan 2024-2026 was presented to both Area Committees and the Environment & Climate Action SPC in September.

CCTV

Two DLR staff are members of the national Working group for the Development of the Code of Practice for the use of CCTV and Mobile Recording devices for use in the enforcement of the Waste Management Acts and the Litter Pollution Acts. This group met 4 times in Q3. The draft codes were prepared and submitted to the statutory consultees as set out in the Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 (CEMPA) on Friday 4th August -

the Minister for Environment, Climate Action and Communications, the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, the Minister for Justice, and the Data Protection Commission. The Working group is currently reviewing the responses from the statutory consultees.

Air Monitoring

The section has received grant funding to install air quality monitors in 5 strategic locations around the county from the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications. This will be undertaken between Q4 2023 and Q1 2024.

Checkpoints

Waste Enforcement checkpoints were undertaken with An Garda Síochána, in August 2023.

Waste Permit Monitoring

The enforcement section continues to validate data returns from waste collectors. Detailed audits are undertaken with certain waste collectors in our county with a focus on waste streams such as construction and demolition waste.

Noise Action Plan

The section is also making progress in the development of a new Noise Action Plan for the Dublin region and has participated in four workshops through this period to ensure that the priorities of dlr are incorporated successfully into the new Noise Action Plan. An update on the Noise Action Plan will be brought before the Environment and Climate SPC in December

Environmental Enforcement Complaints 23.6.23 – 28.9.23	
Complaints Received	132
Complaints Closed	139

Litter & Waste Fines DATE	Number
Litter Fines issued (Litter Pollution Act/Litter Byelaws)	73
Presentation of Waste (Waste Byelaws) fines	5
Legal proceedings initiated.	8
Cases opened (Dumping/Litter)	371
Cases closed (Dumping/Litter)	391

Routine Enforcement Section Inspections	Number completed
Air Incident/complaint related inspections	2
Ambient Air Monitoring Programme	0
Article 27 Inspections	6
Construction & Demolition handling at development sites	19
Commercial Food Waste	1

Deco Paints Regulations – Vehicle Refinishers	5
Hazardous waste (e.g., garages, mini-labs, C&D sites, industrial, healthcare & others)	3
Inspections (environmental) in advance of grant/refusal of planning permission	0
Inspections (environmental) of existing planning permissions	0
Mercury inspections	0
Noise / Vibration Incident/complaint related inspections	19
Solid fuel regulations	19
Solvents Regulations (e.g., Dry cleaners, surface cleaning etc.)	0
Tyres and End of Life Tyres	29
Vehicle Checkpoints	0

DOGS

Dog Statistics: 23 June – 28 September	
No. of dogs on hand on 23 rd June	3
No. of dogs entering the shelter	23
No. of dogs rehomed	4
No. of dogs reclaimed	7
No. of dogs sent to rescue	8
No. of dogs put to sleep	0
No. of dogs remaining in the pound on 28 th September	7
Dog attacks in this period*	17 – 6 on people

*Dog attacks include dog on dog attacks, dog on person attacks and dog attacks on sheep. Breed of dog not always provided.

DUBLIN WASTE TO ENERGY (D.W.T.E)

The Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) has issued their Preliminary Decision in respect of the increase in capacity at the D.W.T.E. facility to 690,000 tonnes per annum, granting the increased throughput. The decision is preliminary, and the process allows for observations from the applicant or the public up until the 19th of April. The final decision being granted thereafter, Dublin Waste to Energy Limited (D.W.T.E.L.) as the licence holder, submitted a number of observations in respect of the licence as drafted. The Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A) has four months, from the 19th of April to consider the submission and issue a final decision.

The E.P.A. has yet to issue their final decision. The facility is currently operating at the licenced capacity of 600,000 tonnes per annum.

Waste Management Section

We provide 3 Recycling Centres and 37 Bring Centres throughout the County which accept a total of approximately 15,000 tonnes of waste annually.

Ballyogan Recycling Park accepts a wide variety of waste types, Eden Park and Shanganagh Recycling Centres accept mixed dry recyclables and the Bring Centres accept glass bottles and aluminium/steel cans and textiles. Hard Plastics were accepted on a trial basis at Shanganagh and this service is continuing.

We participate in the Rediscovery Paint Re-Use Scheme and the Rotary Bikes to Africa Scheme at Ballyogan Recycling Park. So far this year we have received 5.4 tonnes of paint and 398 bikes.

The annual Mattress Amnesty Day and Household Hazardous Waste Collection which are both funded by the Anti-Dumping Initiative Grant. The 2023 Mattress Amnesty Day was held on Saturday 23rd September at Ballyogan Recycling Park and the 2023 Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on 7th October at Dun Laoghaire Harbour. At this year's Mattress Amnesty Day 733 mattresses with a total weight of 14.36 tonnes were collected.

Architects

Energy

The government's 'Reduce Your Use' campaign "expected to deliver **5-10% energy savings overall** across the public sector, and **up to 15% in buildings**" according to a Department of Environment, Climate and Communications letter. The monitoring period was from October 2022 to March 2023 inclusive, with savings measured against a baseline October 2019 to March 2020.

Following analysis undertaken by Codema, the results for DLR's performance over the course of the campaign show a total **energy saving across dlr buildings of 15.9%** during the monitoring period. The **total energy savings** across the organization, including fuel consumption by dlr Fleet, was **14.40%**. These results show that the initiatives implemented by the cross-departmental 'Reduce Your Use' Working Group, with support from the wider dlr Energy Team, were successful in more than achieving the targets set for Local Authorities. The engagement and participation of wider dlr staff in energy saving-saving activities, and energy awareness raising more generally, also contributed to these very positive results.

Dangerous Buildings

Dangerous	0
Potentially Dangerous	12
Not Dangerous	1
Total	13

Community, Cultural Services & Parks

Community Response Forum

The Community Response Forum met 5 times in relation to the Ukraine crisis. The focus of the Forum is on co-ordinating the response to the arrival of Ukrainian refugees in the County. The wide range of stakeholders in the Forum remains in place.

A range of supports and activities were in place, including English language classes and employment support classes. These are available to all displaced Ukrainians within the County.

Community Recognition Fund

Community Department continued to work with the successful applicants under the Community Recognition Fund to progress their projects.

LCDC

The LCDC held 2 meetings in this quarter – 28th June 2023 and 6th September 2023.

Local Economic & Community Plan (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.

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

A Joint Policing Committee meeting took place on the 13th of September 2023.

There were four Local Policing Fora meetings held in the quarter as follows.

A meeting of the Dundrum/Stillorgan LPF took place on 30th August 2023

A meeting of the Central Dún Laoghaire LPF took place on 5th September 2023.

A meeting of the Loughlinstown/Ballybrack/Shankill LPF took place on 6th September 2023.

A meeting of the Sandyford/Stepaside LPF took place on 19th September 2023.

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

At the committee meeting, The Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan 2023-2028 was presented and was agreed by the committee.

There were 5 Local Policing Fora meetings held in this quarter. The meetings took place on the following dates:

- Sandyford/Stepaside - 25th April
- Central Dun Laoghaire – 10th May
- Dundrum/Stillorgan – 11th May
- Ballybrack/Loughlinstown Shankill – 6th June
- Sandyford Stepside – 13th June

Operation Irene 2023 was launched in Kilbogget Park, Cabinteely on Thursday 15th June 2023.



This is a targeted multi-agency operation to combat underage alcohol consumption and consumption of alcohol in public places throughout the Dublin Metropolitan Region and specifically in the Dún Laoghaire area, through the enforcement of legislation regulating the sale, supply and consumption of alcohol as well as relevant public order legislation.



Community Support Fund under the Community Enhancement Programme

This DRCD grant fund closed for application in February with 70 applications received for funding support. €296,010 is available to community groups across three categories – capital projects, operating costs and ringfenced women’s shed funding.

Comhairle na nÓg

The Months of July and August were a time for dlr Comhairle members to get a chance to have some quality time spent doing fun youth focused activities after a busy few months spent on their work topic. Over the summer members enjoyed lunch in the DLRCC canteen, a treasure hunt, a BBQ, swimming and outdoor games. September saw the release of the 2nd episode in the Comhairle Cast Podcast series on Exam Stress and ongoing preparations for the Annual Youth Conference on the 8th November.

Pride of Place

Two former external Council Chief Executives were formally welcomed to Dlrcco by the Cathaoirleach and they proceeded to carrying out judging of the following groups/categories on Tuesday and Wednesday 22nd & 23rd August.

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 Communities

Estate Management

Method Consultants who are undertaking a review of the Estate Management Programme met with Estate Management Group representatives as part of the review process.

dlr Age-Friendly & Social Inclusion Programme, Q2: April - June 2023 Report:

The **dlr Age Well Expo** took place on Sunday 11th June in the Leopardstown Racecourse Pavilion from 10-4p.m. The EXPO was funded by DLRCC and organised in association with the dlr Age-Friendly Alliance.

dlr Social Inclusion Unit supported the **'ToGetHer in Politics' conference**, Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire, Saturday 20th May to support and encourage women from diverse backgrounds to participate in politics at a local level.

Members of the dlr Older People's Council and dlr Age-Friendly Programme Manager attended the **National Older People's Council Convention that took place in Tralee from the 10th – 12th May** and participated in a wide range of speakers and workshops. **The Garda Older Person's Association** held their second 'Safety & Security' seminar on the 3rd May in the Assembly Hall, County Hall, Dún Laoghaire and officially launched the FraudSmart Top Tips Leaflet aimed at older people. The 3rd of these seminars will take place early October in Dundrum.

The dlr Age Friendly Alliance held their quarterly meeting on the 12th September.

Cultural Development Capital Programme:

Ballyogan Library (Phase 2A) went to tender on 16 December 2022.

Stillorgan Library, as part of the St Laurence's development, also went to tender on 16 December.

Dormant Accounts Funding

dlr Libraries successfully received funding of €28,000 to progress 4 projects under Dormant Accounts Funding, provided by Department of Rural and Community Development.

- Event programming for Ukrainian families in the County
- Accessible Services – events and talks for those with additional needs and their families
- Sensory Equipment – including signage, sensory toys
- Literacy supports – LOTE (Languages other than English)

Creative Ireland Funding

2022 saw the completion of 50+ projects under the Creative Ireland Programme, with over an audience of 11,500 across the year.

Funding in the amount of €394,061 has been claimed by DLRCC in 2022 under the various funding strands including Creativity in Older Age, Social Prescribing, Cruinniú na nÓg and Economic Action Fund.

dlr Culture & Creativity Strategy 2023-2027

Draft document approved for the next 5 years of Creative Ireland.

Callout for event facilitators 2023-2025

68 successful applicants from 75 received.

Dún Laoghaire Baths Artists' Studios

Following the extensive redevelopment of Dún Laoghaire Baths, the Arts Office has advertised opportunities for artists to apply for new workspaces. Six awards are currently available to support local artists with rent free, purpose-built artist workspaces and project funding. Two studios are available to assist local artists to develop their practice in Dún Laoghaire. A Public Art commission will fund a studio and the creation of new work in response to the theme of Home. A fourth opportunity will allow artists to engage in a series of 3-month residencies in a new large workshop space that invites the public into the Baths to engage with the creative process. The studios are provided rent free with additional funding support to assist with the purchase of materials, the making of new work or the presentation of workshops, talks and performances.

These opportunities are funding by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office, the Arts Council, Creative Ireland and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/municipal-gallery-dlr-lexicon/d%C3%BAAn-laoghaire-baths-studios>

Libraries

Creative Ireland Programme update

Sat 16 September: Book launch of *Tearing Stripes off Zebras* by WEB Women's Writers' Group. Over 80 in attendance at this anthology dedicated to the memory of Eavan Boland.

Fri 29 & Sat 30 September: Commemorating Ireland's Decade of Centenaries, *Mincéirí Cabaret* is the first of its kind Irish Traveller cabaret show, produced by Mary Mc Productions in partnership with Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

Showing for 2 nights as part of the dlr Festival of Inclusion 2023 in the Studio, dlr Lexicon. The culmination of a Centenary participation project, the Cabaret saw seven Irish Traveller participants perform and re-interpret pieces of Irish literature, historical documents and music that influenced and arose from the centenary period of 1913-1923.

Capital Projects

Tenders have been received for Stillorgan Library, as part of the St Laurence's Development and Ballyogan Library, at the SBCC.

Work has recently begun to strip out the leisure centre facilities, including partitions, shower rooms and any extraneous plant equipment that will not be needed in the next phase of the development of the Samuel Beckett Civic Campus where a Library is due to be delivered for the community next year.

The two projects have also been submitted under the Libraries Capital Programme 2023-2027 Call Out.

DAF Funding

€5,700 spent on new additions to the ASC collection and programming for the neurodiverse with DRCD funding for 90% totalling €5,010.06. The ASC lending collection includes sensory/tactile toys and equipment; tools to help build motor skills and items that may help develop life skills and literacy.

Healthy Ireland Funding

Some sensory seating was purchased with the help of Healthy Ireland Grant funding and events and programming under wellbeing continues.

Capital Projects – Parks

Parks Capital Projects – Q3 2023 Progress							
	On Hold	(i) Preliminary	(ii) Design	(iii) Tender	(iv) Construction	(v) Complete	Comment
Greenways in Holly Park/Springhill/Rockfield						✓	Complete
Blackrock Park – Booterstown Entrance						✓	Complete
Rosemont School Pitches						✓	Complete in June 2022.
Killiney Hill Accessible Entrance						✓	Complete in May 2023.
Corke Abbey/Woodbrook Glen Improvements						✓	Playground to be opened in early May 2023.
Myrtle Square & Convent Lane Greening					✓		Works commenced in mid Sep 2022 for completion in Oct 2023.
Grass Pitch Refurbishments					✓		Works started in April 2023 for 6 grass pitches (+ running track at Kilbogget) – pitches out of use until Sep 2024.
Meadowbrook Pitches, Padel Courts & Teenage Play					✓		Works commenced in April 2023 – for completion in Oct 2023.
Oatlands All Weather Pitch					✓		Works commenced in Aug 2023 for completion in July 2024.
Fernhill Park & Gardens - Phase 3		✓				✓	Toilets, Seating and dogs-off-leash area, sports pavilion complete. Other elements to commence.
Blackrock Park - Phase 2			✓	✓	✓	✓	Teenage zone and boules court complete, play space commenced in July 2023 – for completion in Oct 2023, renovation of steps for completion in Q1 2024, seating and planting for completion in Q1 2024. Conservation Architect led team appointed for the kiosk building.

Parks Capital Projects – Q3 2023 Progress

	On Hold	(i) Preliminary	(ii) Design	(iii) Tender	(iv) Construction	(v) Complete	Comment
Pavement Improvement Programme				✓	✓		Works and procurements on-going.
Mounttown Boxing Facility				✓			Works to commence in Q4 2023 – for completion in Q4 2024 (subject to approval)
Hudson Road Park (Sports Pavilion)					✓		Works to commence in Q2 2024 – for completion in Q3 2024
Marlay Golf Redevelopment				✓			On-going.
Shanganagh Park Masterplan – Phase 1			✓				New Part 8 closed in late May 2023. EIA has been appealed to An Bord Pleanála.
Shankill Tennis Upgrade Works			✓				Works to commence in Q2 2024 – for completion in Q3 2024
Multi-Use Campus at St. Thomas Estate – Phase 2			✓				Works scheduled to commence in Q3 2024 for completion in Q4 2025.
New Play Spaces at Finsbury Park & Kilcross		✓					Works scheduled to commence in Q3 2024 for completion in Q4 2024.
Play Space Development (East & West)		✓					Priority projects for completion in Q4 2024.
Jamestown Park Masterplan		✓					Masterplan considerations on-going.
Parks Depots	✓						Initial stakeholder engagement is taking place.
Shanganagh Castle Sports Facilities	✓						Recent structural and renewable energy studies complete. Uncertainty on short term use – on hold.
Woodbrook College All-Weather Pitch	✓						Delay due to Dept. of Education review. On hold
Cabinteely Park Projects	✓						No progress
Dalkey Island (Upgrade Tower & Gun Battery)	✓						No progress

Parks Capital Projects – Q3 2023 Progress							
	On Hold	(i) Preliminary	(ii) Design	(iii) Tender	(iv) Construction	(v) Complete	Comment
Marlay Park Masterplan	✓						No progress. Recent pedestrian entrance constructed and putting green with Pdraig Harrington.
Wetlands & Attenuation (East & West)	✓						Recent work on Cabinteely pond. Other projects being identified.
Sandyford Urban Open Space	✓						Acquisition is being progressed.
Kilbogget Park Community Sports Centre	✓						No funding available. On hold.
Shanganagh Crematorium	✓						No funding available. On hold.
Stonebridge Road Changing Rooms	✓						No funding available. On hold.

CoCo Markets July, August, and September

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

11 in July 2023

- 1 Permanent Application for Marlay Park for Saturday and Sunday
- 5 Permanent Application for Dún Laoghaire Saturday (Non-Food/Other)
- 1 Permanent Applications for Marlay Saturday (Non-Food/Other)
- 1 Permanent Applications for Marlay Saturday (Craft)
- 1 Permanent Application for Dún Laoghaire (Hot food)
- 2 Artist space for Dun Laoghaire (Hanging space)

3 accepted- Vendor 30678 and 30679 & 30158

9 in August 2023

- 1 Permanent Application for Marlay Park for Saturday and Sunday
- 2 Permanent Application for Dún Laoghaire Saturday (Non-Food/Other)
- 1 Permanent Applications for Marlay Saturday (Non-Food/Other)
- 3 Permanent Applications for Marlay Saturday (Craft)
- 1 Permanent Application for Dún Laoghaire (Hot food)

- 1 Artist space for Dun Laoghaire (Hanging space)

1 accepted- Market Vendor 30680, 30681 & 30682

17 in September 2023

- 2 Permanent Application for Marlay Park for Saturday and Sunday
- 1 Permanent Application for Dún Laoghaire Saturday (Non-Food/Other)
- 1 Permanent Applications for Marlay Saturday (Non-Food/Other)
- 1 Permanent Applications for Marlay Saturday (Craft)
- 1 Permanent Application for Dún Laoghaire (Hot food)
- 11 Christmas application for Dun Laoghaire Rathdown

2 accepted- Market Vendor 30683 and 30383

Commemorative benches July, August and September

July in 8- Killiney Hill 3, Deerpark 2, Marlay 5

August in 5- Marlay 3, Rockfield 1, Saval park road 1

September in 9- Seafront Plaque request 2, Marlay 5, Dun Laoghaire 1, Clonmore 1

Total -24 Benches Request