

DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN LOCAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY PLAN

Annual Progress Report 2018





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Background

Following legislative changes in 2014 related to the local government strategy ‘Putting People First’, the remit of local authorities includes a renewed and clearer role in economic and community development. In this regard, each Local Authority is required to develop and make a Local Economic and Community Plan which is a statutory plan for the area.

Dún Laoghaire –Rathdown’s Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021 was developed throughout 2015 and adopted by the County Council on the 14th December 2015.

The LECP is structured around 8 high level goals, 21 thematic objectives and 156 individual actions which are aimed at supporting community development, enhancing quality of life and driving economic development for the County.

Monitoring of the progress and implementation of the Community Objectives and relevant shared Community and Economic Development Objectives is undertaken by the Local Community and Development Committee during the year with reports, presentations and updates to the LCDC which includes this Annual Report.

This Report tracks overall progress during 2018 with implementation of the LECP Objectives that come under the remit of the LCDC for oversight. It also highlights issues which may require further consideration or may need review.

The Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee monitor progress and implementation of the economic development and enterprise objectives and related shared economic and community objectives for which the SPC is responsible for.

Progress on the LECP is dependent on the County Council and Lead Partners supporting implementation of key objectives for which the LCDC has oversight. These include shared Community Objectives numbers 7 to 14 as well as Community Objectives numbers 15 to 21 inclusive. These are the community and shared community and economic development objectives.

Partners who have directly supported implementation and in many cases, delivery of key objectives during the past 3 years include; all departments of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, Southside Partnership DLR, An Garda Síochána, County Childcare Committee, Health Service Executive, Crosscare, Children’s and Young



People's Services Committee, Tusla, Comhairle Na nÓg, DLR Volunteer Centre, Drugs and Alcohol Task Force, DSP, PPN, IADT and DDETB. The on-going support and engagement of partners is much appreciated and is vital in helping the LCDC in achieving the LECP goals and objectives which were developed and agreed by the LCDC in 2015.

There have now been 3 full years of implementation since the adoption of the Strategy and good progress is being made overall. It is timely now for the LCDC to review overall progress for 2018 and to consider areas for potential focus or greater collaboration going forward. The LCDC held two Workshops in 2018 in order to assess key priorities for 2018. The workshops explored issues highlighted in the LECP 2017 Annual Report for planned 2018 community and shared community actions and looked at identifying areas of collaboration between agencies where the LCDC can be most effective. The workshops held on 14th March and 3rd May were considered to be a worthwhile exercise in establishing areas for particular focus in 2018 and the benefits of interagency collaboration for achieving progress.

The following report clarifies key achievements made on implementation during 2018 and highlights some of the key issues to be considered by LCDC.

Actions are wide and varied in terms of scope, definition, responsibility and level of stakeholder engagement. An owner, lead departments, support departments, and timelines have been assigned to each action. Action owners were requested to provide updated information on their actions for 2018.

The current status of each action has been assessed and highlighted using a traffic-light system. This system assists with reporting and monitoring progress and in identifying actions that require attention or review.

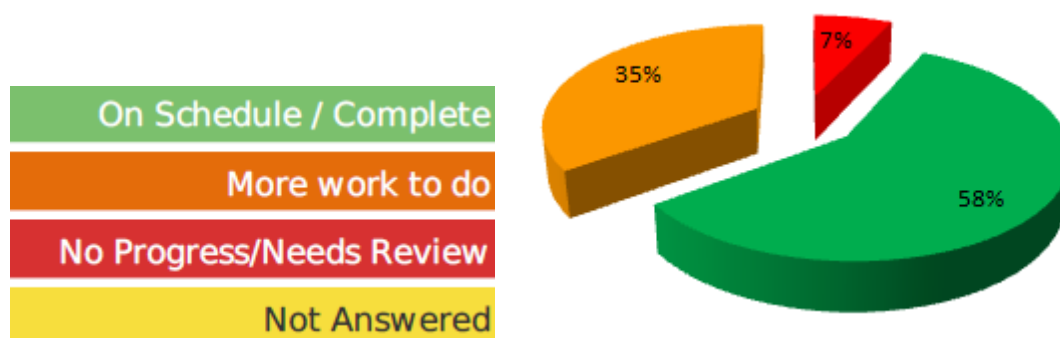
Green	• Action on schedule / completed
Orange	• Action is on schedule / but more work to do
Red	• Action needs further development / Review

An online reporting system 'Viclicity' was developed to aid monitoring and tracking progress and reporting of LECP. This requires each action owner to update their actions once and enables reports to be generated regarding specific objectives or overall analyses. This aids with collection of data, analysis, reporting and implementation



Overview of DLR LECP actions by Objective

The pie charts below gives the breakdown of progress being made on both Community and shared Community actions (shared Economic and Community Actions) under 15 of the LECP objectives. The Plan is in place to 2021, and to date some 58% of Actions have been completed, with a mix of on-going activities and other areas where more work is needed or in some cases, there may be Actions that require further consideration or review, and these will be raised under each of the relevant objectives in the following sections of the report.

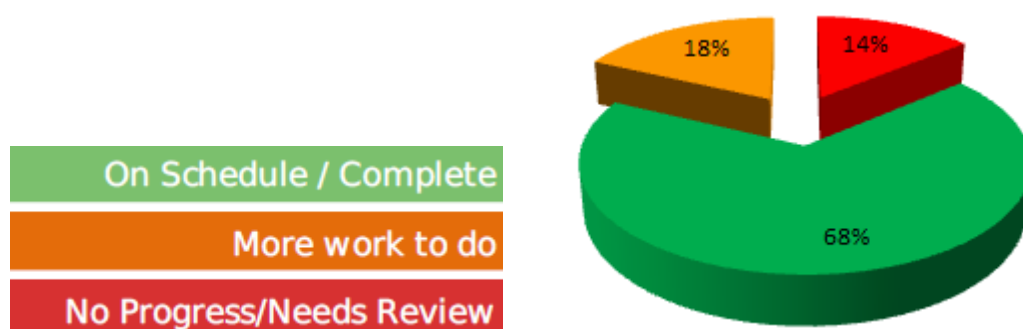




Community Objectives

Community Objective 15: Develop a Supportive Environment and Promote Healthy Lifestyle Choices so that Everyone, Regardless of Ability, Education or Income, has the Opportunity for Better Physical and Mental Health and Well-Being, through access to Community Services, Amenities, Sports, Recreation and a High Quality Public Realm

9 Actions, of which 9 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 15 include;

- HSE with other public and private partners continued working in collaboration with DLR LCDC and DLR CYPSC to implement actions for Healthy Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown.
- Round 1 Healthy Ireland Actions completed and report presented to LCDC on 19th September <http://www.healthyireland.ie/>
- Round 1 Healthy Ireland Actions had a direct impact on 1,970 individuals across a range of target groups in the county.
- Joint application for round 2 Strand 1 submitted by DLR LCDC/CYPSC for maximum funding of €112,100. The application contained 12 separate actions impacting on the health of a broad range of citizens in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown area.
- Inter-agency development of a Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Healthy Ireland Strategy continued as part of the Healthy Ireland Programme.
- DLR Libraries supported wellbeing through a diverse cultural and community development programme across the 8 branches. This has included Library



Voices, Mountains to Sea, Lexlcon Lab Programme, engaged NALA initiative for literature, Summer Stars Reading, People on the Pier, Family Days, STEM Bootcamp for 8 secondary schools and Mind reading Mental Health Conference as well as the annual Bealtaine Festival

- DLR events programme spread throughout the county with events in all areas dlr headline events included in 2018;
 - Mad Hatters Tea-Party
 - How?
 - Bike Fest
 - Teddy Bears Picnic
 - Atmosphere
 - Outdoor Movies at Marlay
 - Cabinteely Carnival
 - Samhain

<http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/parks-outdoors/sport-recreation>

- County Sports Participation Strategy 2018-2022 – research, consultation and development of new 5 year strategic plan completed and launched
- The Sports Partnership delivered a range of training courses, workshops and targeted physical activity programmes for all ages, levels of ability. Some examples included:
 - dlr Community 5K, which attracted 1,000 people of all ages and abilities
 - The Daily Mile, at which 700 children from 9 schools participated in as part of Active Schools Week
 - Active Dance programme rolled out in four additional schools
 - Woodlands for Health 12 week project targeting participants with poor mental health using weekly guided walks to manage symptoms rolled out a second programme
 - Junior Parkrun established two new runs in Deerpark (average of 50 children) & Marlay Park (average of 180 children).
 - Operation transformation walk with 180 participants
 - Daily mile on-going in 25 primary schools
 - Disability Sports Inclusion – new multi-sport activity club for children with a physical disability in Loughlinstown, Inclusive Cycling programme for children with additional needs, Inclusive GAA programme being progressed in local clubs, Disability Sport Open Evening for children with a disability and their families, dance based activities for adults with disabilities
 - Athletics for primary schools event with 320 participants



- 2 Autism physical activity programmes completed
 - Volunteer training in child protection in sport, coaching children, youth sports leadership – 215 participants
 - On- going activities in 2018 include Disability Sport – School Sports Hall Athletics, NRH Spinal Championships, Inclusive Gym, Enjoy Tennis, Choices for Health, Disability Inclusion Seminar, Disability Inclusion Open Evening, Cycling Skills Training, Vision Impaired Exercise Classes, I <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/parks-outdoors/sports-recreation/dlr-sports-facilities-strategyOn>
- HSE will continue to develop on line e-learning programmes for front line staff- Making Every Contact Count (MECC) was developed in 2018 and is due to be rolled out on phased based-this system will improve the delivery of patient care and help achieve improved health outcomes.
 - On-going consultation with HSE with regard to provision of primary care centre.

Overview of Progress with Objective 15:

The following actions were identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018

Significant progress and activity underway in relation to the Actions for this Objective, which includes the continued development of a Healthy Ireland Strategy for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown in 2018 under Healthy Ireland Strand I funding that was received in 2017

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

15.1 - Implement the Healthy Ireland Strategy within the context of dlr and monitor its impact

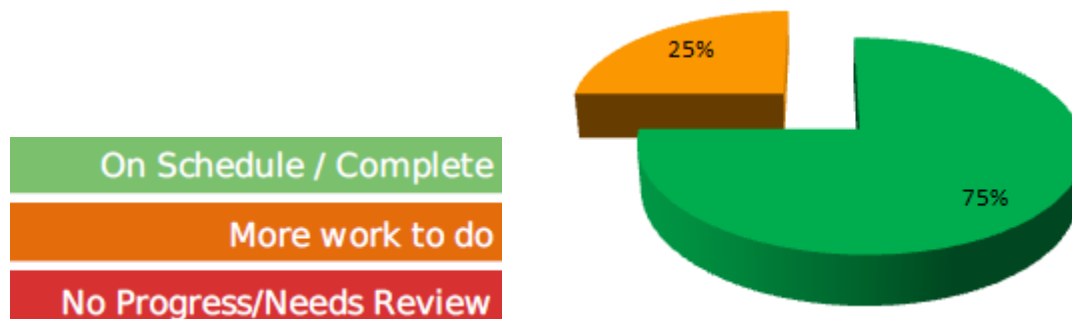
15.2 - Develop a range of data sets and accessible web based dashboard to support effective planning and resource allocation (to be delivered by HSE)

15.9 - Provide and promote programmes and events that are inclusive for people with disabilities



Community Objective 16: Support Families within the County

4 Actions, of which 4 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 16 include;

- DLR CYPSC has continued to make good progress with interagency work to develop a Plan for Children and Young People in dlr.
- Focus groups have been established including health and mental health, and Safety, and opportunities and priorities are being identified. Needs analysis and countywide demographic analysis completed which will help to inform a CYPSC 3-year plan currently under development.
- Consultation by DLRCC was held with children and young people during November to hear their views on dlr Council services. A total of 137 children and young people from dlr participated in the workshop or completed the survey, with ages ranging from 5 to 18 years old.
- Southside Partnership continued to support and make progress including;
 - DLR Youth at Risk Network offering information, support and training and a space to reflect on practice and plan collaboratively for frontline staff.
 - Continue to convene the 0 – 3 Interagency/Community Parenting Support Initiative. Funding application submitted to Tusla QCBI innovation fund to sustain and grow the work with 0 – 3 in the county
 - Continue to provide Domestic Violence supports, with SAVE, to targeted women in DRL through FREDDA and SAVE Counselling Service.
 - Through the Southside Community Training Network continue to work with Stakeholders in providing training, information and supports to targeted communities
 - Continue to host the DLR HFME, DLR DATF, DLR PPN, LWwD, DLR Healthy Ireland and SAVE Forum,



- Ongoing supports for people with dementia to remain active in the local community through the hosting and support of the LWwD Volunteer Project. 7 community based activities in 5 locations each week.
- In partnership with DLR Healthy Ireland (hosting of project and line management of development worker) successfully completed a series of actions targeting young people, adults and seniors in DLR. Southside Partnership also continued to link with schools and relevant agencies to support after-schools and out of school clubs in Mounttown and Loughlinstown, to support families within the County
- Exit 15 Programme – Exit 15 is delivering within the Ballyogan and surrounding area and is significantly increasing community input
A film entitled ‘A Bird in the House, God Bless Her’ was launched in the Samuel Beckett Civic Campus on the 7 March, and is available to view at: <http://exit15.ie/portfolio/michaelfortune/> and <https://www.rte.ie/culture/2018/0314/947314-celebrating-traveller-customs-and-folklore-a-bird-in-the-house/>
- Open art studios in dlr LexIcon and Ballyogan, and Day of Dance in Cabinteely engage families. Canvas at the Grainstore – Long Road to Longitude with MCD delivered
- A comprehensive programme of Library events took place, including Silver Screen Cinema Club, Will You Remember?, Tai Chi for Arthritis, Local History Societies' Day, Wonderful Weeds, Moving Skirts Dance Performance, Fuss on the Bus with Carnation Theatre, Intergenerational Lego Workshop, HOME: A film poem, Creating a Sensory Garden, Mandala Art Workshop, Dowries: a Walk and Talk Through Central Asia, Mindful Chair Yoga, Knitting for Health and Happiness Invest in your Mental Health, Herbs and Hanging Baskets, Magic of Watercolours Workshop <http://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/event-calendar>



Overview of Progress with Objective 16:

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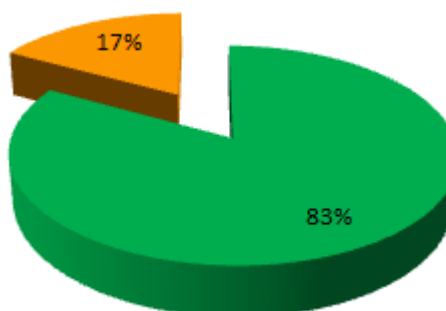
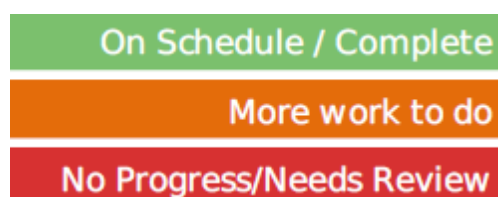
Significant progress and activity with most Actions in this objective underway and Dlr CYPSC is established and is making good progress through collaboration between services to develop a Plan for Children and Young People in DLR:

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 16.2 - *Establish a Children's Services Committee and develop a children's services action plan*

Community Objective 17: Support an Age-Friendly County

4 Actions, of which 4 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 17 include;

- Implementation of the dlr Age Friendly Strategy 2016 - 2020 is on-going
<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/dlr-age-friendly-county>

Notable progress made in 2018 included;

- Touchstone programme (Civic Engagement)
- Magic Table (Award winning interactive approach to dementia care) – at dlr Lexicon and Deansgrange Library
- Age Friendly Quarterly Ezine <http://eepurl.com/dHaZCz>
- Valentines Tea Dances (Killiney Castle / Nursing Homes)
- Well Dance for Seniors (Dance Theatre of Ireland)
- Azure Tours (Dementia Friendly tours of Lexlcon Gallery exhibitions)
- Continued to support the dlr Network for Older People
- Continued to support the Living Well with Dementia Consortium
- Age Friendly Community Grant Scheme



- Network of Older People Transport Grant Scheme
 - Intergenerational Digital Skills Coaching (Dalkey Library)
 - Age Friendly dlr Twitter Account created
 - A Connected County: Conversations on tackling loneliness in DLR (dlr Public Participation Network)
 - Age Friendly events held during the Festival of Inclusion including;
 - *Well Dance for Seniors (Dance Theatre of Ireland)*
 - *Safety & Security of Older People Workshops*
 - *Dementia Awareness Event Talk/Training*
 - *Sharing Culture and Traditions (Dún Laoghaire Active Retirement Association)*
 - *Age Friendly Afternoon Tea (Cois Cairn Estate Management Forum)*
 - *Picture That (Kilcross Resource Centre - An intergenerational event: Older people from the community passing on their knitting skills to children in the area)*
 - *Dementia Information Sessions (St. Michael's, St. Vincent's and Loughlinstown Hospitals)*
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- Petal Project continued in 2018 - showing locations for accessible toilet facilities
 - Age Friendly Alliance provided support with achievement of the aims of the dlr Age Friendly Strategy 2016-2020. The Alliance met four times to progress actions in the Strategy.
 - Support Co-ordination and Befriending Service provided by Alone to older people, with the support of dlrcoco
 - Befriending service provided to older people by Making Connections with support from dlrcoco
 - Homelink provided support to older people through telephone calls, slow walks and social events, with support from dlrcoco



Overview of Progress with Objective 17:

The following actions were identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018

Good progress being made on the Actions in this Objective, with support from Age Friendly Alliance partners, in progressing implementation of dlr's Age Friendly Strategy, continue looking at ways to improve communications regarding activities, and explore opportunities for further inter-generational engagement.

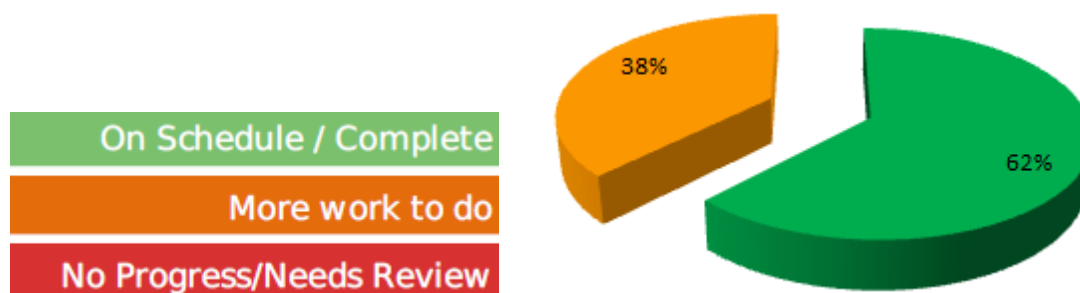
Action for Consideration/Progression for 2019

Action 17.3 - *Develop an Age Friendly Service Providers Forum to support coordination and communication*

Action 17.4 - *Arrange opportunities for intergenerational engagement*

Community Objective 18: Support a Safe and Secure County

5 Actions, of which 5 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 18 include;

- The Joint Policing Committee and Local Policing Fora provide a forum for identifying and discussing appropriate responses to issues relating to public safety and policing. A 6 year JPC action plan has been developed and is being implemented <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/joint-policing-committee-local-policing-forums>
- The JPC Strategic Plan 2016-2021 contains 18 individual actions across three strategic Goals:
 1. Supporting and promoting Crime Prevention in DLR
 2. Enhancing Community Safety & Security in DLR
 3. Facilitating Community Engagement and Collaboration on Safety Issues
- An annual Implementation plan for 2018 was developed with progress achieved against objectives related to the 3 goals. There was ongoing



engagement with Policing Authority regarding Policing Priorities and input to a workshop.

- JPC annual public meeting was held in November and highlighted key safety and crime statistics for the County and addressed any issues of concern or query.
- There was attendance and input to a refresher workshop in February by Local Policing Forum Committee members regarding the recommendations arising from the Review of Local Policing Forums.
- A meeting of LPF chairs was held in October, at which agreements were made on all key recommendations, including: Working group has been established, Key Principles Document under development, Annual Work Plans prepared
- Three Local Policing forums are in place and meet regularly for
 - (1) Loughlinstown / Shankill / Ballybrack,
 - (2) Sandyford / Stepside and
 - (3) Central Dún Laoghaire.

These LPF meet every two months. Local programmes are developed for each LPF based on the JPC Annual Plan. Progress reports were presented at JPC meetings

- Operation Crossover is in place to ensure maximum high visibility beats and patrols by An Garda Síochána across the County. All personnel (uniform, plain clothes etc.) are made available for the Operation
- Operation Tombola is implemented throughout the DMR East during the Halloween festivities. High visibility patrols are deployed to diminish anti-social behaviour and ensure an enjoyable and safe holiday can be observed throughout the Community
- Operation Irene operated very effectively with very positive feedback received through the Central Dún Laoghaire Local Policing Forum
<http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news-public-notice/launch-operation-irene-2018>
- There are now 157 Neighbourhood Watch schemes (an increase of 16) being supported by the AGS and Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, together with 14 Business Watch schemes
- Safety and Security Workshops for Older People delivered at two events in Ballinteer (April) and Loughlinstown (June) with presentations on;
 - Crime Prevention Focusing on Home Security
 - Safety and protection of the Older Person Falls Prevention
<https://www.garda.ie/en/Crime-Prevention/-Streetwise-.pdf>
- Three Youth Diversion Projects currently exist in dlr
 - Castle Project – Ballyogan
 - LAB (Loughlinstown & Ballybrack)



- SAY – Sandyford Area Youth Project
- An analysis of Domestic Violence incidents, for the years 2016—2018 has been conducted by An Garda Síochána. The Inter-Agency ‘Safe Homes’ Project continues to be run by Sonas in conjunction with An Garda Síochána, providing support for victims of Domestic Violence
- A number of text alert projects are in place in some parts of the county. Dún Laoghaire Garda Superintendent is exploring further avenues for development.
- <https://www.garda.ie/en/Crime-Prevention/Text-Alert-Guidelines-.pdf>

Overview of Progress with Objective 18:

Good progress continues in line with JPC Action Plan and with support of Local Policing Fora.

Action 18.2 and 18.5 were identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 18.2 Support the development of the Local Policing Fora across the county as a mechanism to address local issues in a co-ordinated and effective way

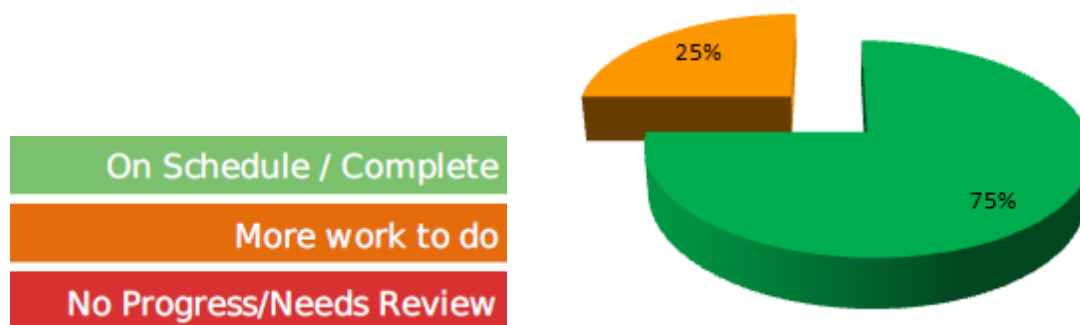
Action 18.4 Investigate the role of technology in improving safety through creating enhanced connectivity

Action 18.5 Investigate the preferred future approach to delivery of domestic violence response services



Community Objective 19: Develop Capacity Building within Communities to create improved support for Individuals and Community Organisations, enabling them to meet the needs of their areas more effectively

4 Actions, of which 4 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 19 include;

- 75 “Street Feasts” took place throughout dlr in June 2018 <http://streetfeast.ie/> across the County with financial assistance from dlr Community Development Department
- Support is provided on an on-going basis to Communities, Residents Associations, Clubs and other organisations in the development and use of their public open spaces within Estates and in the Public Parks
- Capacity Building Training Programme developed rolled and out to management committees of all Community Facilities and community groups by the Council
- The Community Development Team held 8 information sessions in September providing advice and guidance to help groups to maximise their chances of securing funding with the Councils new online grant system.
- During 2018 the Volunteer Centre saw the further development of the DLR Volunteer Corps supported by DLRC <http://dlrvolunteercorps.ie/>

2018 Events and Highlights

Five events supported in 2018, including:

- DLR Community 5k
- Fashion Show
- Big Sing



- RMS Leinster Centenary
- Museum of Childhood Event Day
- DLR Corps actively promoted on social media accounts both have growing followings. Twitter (599) Facebook (468)
- 132 new sign ups managed in 2018. Total membership 249
- New induction video developed and shared with volunteers
- 100% of volunteers who fed back post event, felt supported by the Centre
- A total of 12 Estate Management areas within the County are engaged in the Estate Management Programme
- Each Estate Management Forum submitted 2 Service Plans for 2018. Service Plan 1 detailed the works that would be carried out/overseen by the group with financial assistance from the Council while Service Plan 2 detailed the works to be undertaken by Council Departments
- Re-establishment of an Internal Management Implementation Team (MIT) to progress specific actions as identified in Services Plans 2
- Support for Estate Management Forum was provided during 2018 including training in December 2018 in conjunction with the DLR County Estate Management Fora on the theme of “Raising awareness of environmental issues” with representatives from all 12 Estate Management Fora in attendance
- The Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) was announced by the Department of Rural and Community Development in May 2018 and replaced two previous grants schemes that were administered by the LCDC, the Community Facilities Scheme and the RAPID grants scheme
<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/community-funding-support/community-enhancement-programme>
 - The CEP sub-group made recommendations to the LCDC at meetings on the 19th of September and the 28th of November and the LCDC approved 42 separate grants to a total of €252,935.90



Overview of Progress with Objective 19:

Significant progress and activity has been completed and is on-going with the Actions in this Objective related to building community capacity, volunteerism and estate management.

The following action was identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018

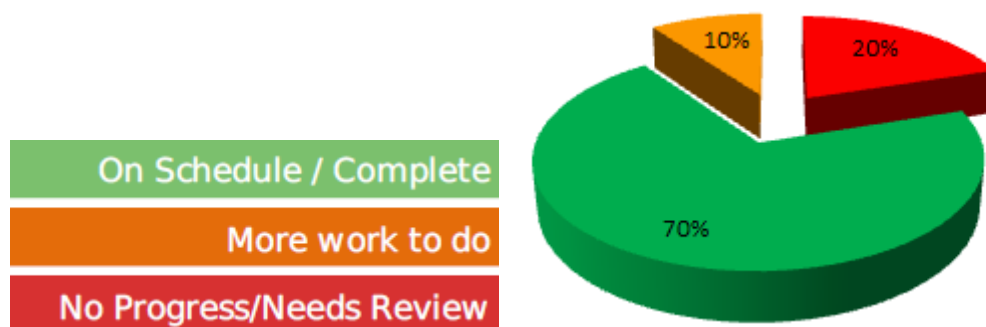
Action 19.3 – *Aligning the skills of volunteers with the needs of the communities and enterprises and increase the visibility of Volunteering in the county*

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 19.1 - *Develop a DLR Place making programme promoting active community participation of local communities in the design and use of public spaces*

Community Objective 20: Support Marginalised Communities through Collaboration with Local Communities and Agencies to Reduce Social Exclusion and Poverty, and Value Cultural Diversity, to include Individuals, Members of the Travelling Community, and Other Target Groups

10 Actions, of which 10 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 20 include;

- The 2018 annual Festival of Inclusion which was themed "Where the past meets the future" took place from the 5th-13th of October, with over 70 events taking place throughout the week an increase of 30 events on last year <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news-press-releases/dlr-gets-ready-annual-festival-inclusion>



Key events included;

- The Diversity Fashion Show with an audience of approximately 200 people
- The Big Sing which involved a combination of memory, active retirement association and musical drama society choirs and a live orchestra attracted approximately 300 people
- The 'dlr Community 5k' took place in Kilbogget Park which drew large numbers of participants for its 10th anniversary, all ages and abilities took part.
- Autism Awareness Talk by Adam Harris (AsIAm) with an audience of approximately 150 people
- Rehabcare (dlr Pop Up Shop)
- Men's Shed Open Days
- Primary Schools Drawing Competition and Awards Event
- Traveller History and Cultural event (Studio at the LexIcon)
- International Women's Breakfast
- Intercultural Tea Party
- Islamic Cultural Centre held a Neighbourhood Week
- DLR County Council approved grants supports through 320 community grants to a value of €263,300 in 2018

Grant Category	2018
Community Facilities Grant	7
Equipment Grant	85
Activities Grant	50
Community Development Grant	107
Estate Enhancement Grant	16
Small Arts Grant	15
Summer Projects	27
Age Friendly	13
Total	320

- Crosscare Community Café in Dún Laoghaire continued to open five days per week for lunch in addition to hosting age friendly coffee mornings.



Overview of Progress with Objective 20:

Good and on-going progress achieved during 2018 to support marginalised communities, reduce social exclusion and poverty and value cultural diversity. The SICAP programme achieved its headline targets, and there is on-going support from a range of partners to reduce social exclusion and value cultural diversity in dlr

The following actions were identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018

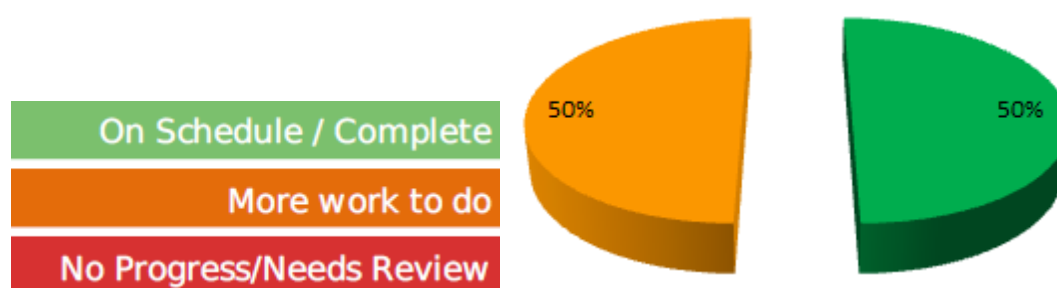
Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 20.6 - Carry out an analysis of the pattern of long term unemployment within the county to improve employment opportunities for unemployed people within key target groups and communities

Action 20.7 - Carry out research to allow for greater evaluation of marginalisation and bias for groups such as women, those with a disability, older people, young people, ethnic minorities, travellers, religious minorities or LGBT

Community Objective 21: Develop and Encourage Community Spirit, Public Participation and Volunteering which Allow Greater Community Development for All within the County

8 Actions, of which 8 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 21 include;

- 494 groups were registered with the PPN at the end of 2018, an increase of 94 groups compared to 2017 - <http://dlrppn.ie/> - this includes 392 Community & Voluntary, 88 Social Inclusion and 14 Environmental groups
- The PPN Steering Committee met on a monthly basis to plan and organise the 2018 programme of work.



- Two (2) plenary meetings of members were held in 2018 on April 25th and November 7th 2018
- 23 nominees represented the PPN on six Strategic Policy Committees
The PPN was also represented on the Local Community Development Committee, Joint Policing Committee, Rural Taskforce, and the Smart Dublin Advisory Group
- DLR PPN and Dublin South FM piloted two radio programmes based on PPN monthly ezine. The programme, 'Community Connections' was aired in December and will be available as a podcast on dublinsouthfm.ie and dlrppn.ie
- The PPN delivered 8 training sessions for members in October, November and December 2018
- Community & Cultural Development Department have engaged an external contractor to design and build a web based-directory of community services for children & families in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown area and to deliver an online booking facility for the community facilities in the greater DLR area
 - This site will rationalise the operations of each community facility leading to a consistency in terms of quality and presentation of relevant community information and lend itself to be an information sharing tool as well as a support system for our community
- DL RCC supported the URBACT III network called CHANGE project. The URBACT City festival took place in Lisbon, Portugal on September 13th & 14th 2018. CHANGE Project finished in September 2018 - All project commitments completed.
- dlr Comhairle na nÓg continued to progress their work plan under the theme of Youth Mental Health. dlr Comhairle na nÓg produced a booklet called 'Comhairle Tips for Positive Mental Health for Young People' which was distributed to all young people in attendance at 2018 AGM, this booklet will be distributed to all secondary schools and was showcased at the National Showcase held in Croke Park in November 2018
- During 2018 Comhairle members met with and presented to both the LCDC and Council Elected members. Comhairle members were included in



consultations with DLR CYPSC, Healthy Dun Laoghaire Strategic Plan and County Council CYP Plan <https://www.comhairlenanog.ie/local-comhairle/dun-laoghaire-rathdown/>

- dlr Comhairle na nÓg held their AGM in November – 97 young people attended representing 21 secondary schools.

Overview of Progress with Objective 21:

Progress is on-going with activity progressing well under the objective to develop and encourage community spirit, public participation and volunteering within the county.

The following actions were identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 21.1 – *Establish the DLR Public Participation Network as the county register of Community groups and organisations in the county*

Action 21.2 - *Explore the potential of a new web based community maps service on community services and activities in dlr*

Action 21.6 - *Develop a Community Garden programme*

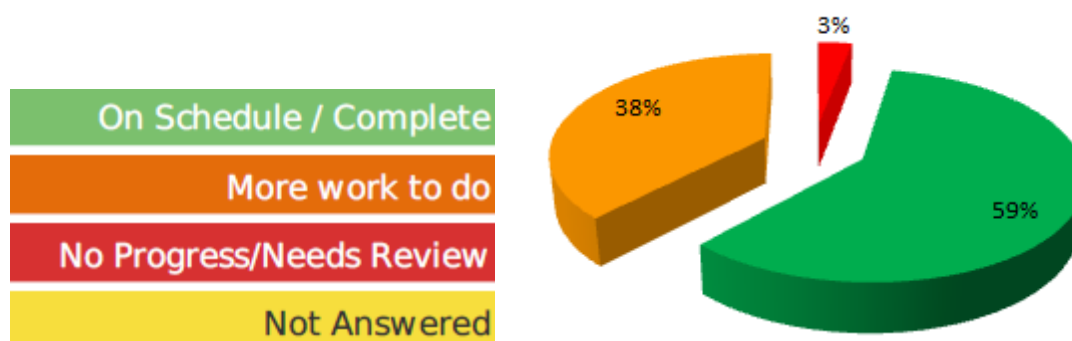
Action 21.7 - *investigate what groups are not engaged in the community and promote actions to increase their participation*



Shared Economic and Community Objectives

Shared Objective 7: Access to a range of services and amenities, including good quality housing at affordable levels, suited to needs, and as far as possible, at the tenure of choice

13 actions, of which 12 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievement for Objective 7 includes

- 239 units delivered through Construction, Part V, CAS, leasing and acquisition Strategy for period Jan to Dec 2018.
- 405 units were provided under RAS, HAP and Homeless HAP under re-building Ireland Delivered 72 allocations to homeless households
- 19 persons downsized during 2018
- Choice Based Letting (CBL) was rolled out fully in 2018 to contribute to a decrease in refusals and contribute to a faster allocation of vacant properties -76 Choice Based Lettings (CBL) offered in 2018
- 1,541 total inspections carried out in 2018. The Joint Regional Tender with Fingal County Council for the Provision of Rental Property Inspections 2019-2023 has been completed



- A new Supported Temporary Accommodation (STA) was delivered in Q4 2018 with 10 beds for homeless single
- Cherrywood Town Centre planning application which includes provision for a new library/exhibition space of c1,500sqm received its grant of permission in May 2018. Works commenced on site at the end of Q4 2018

Overview of Progress with Objective 7:

The majority of actions under this objective relates to access to housing and related services. There has been a significant focus of activity and resources, particularly by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, to help ensure that targets for social housing in 2018 have been achieved, and that good progress is made on developing a pipeline for the future to support with increasing availability of social and affordable housing across the country. Good progress has been achieved and the actions here are significant and on-going to maintain progress. ***The following action was identified at the Workshops to be given particular focus in 2018***

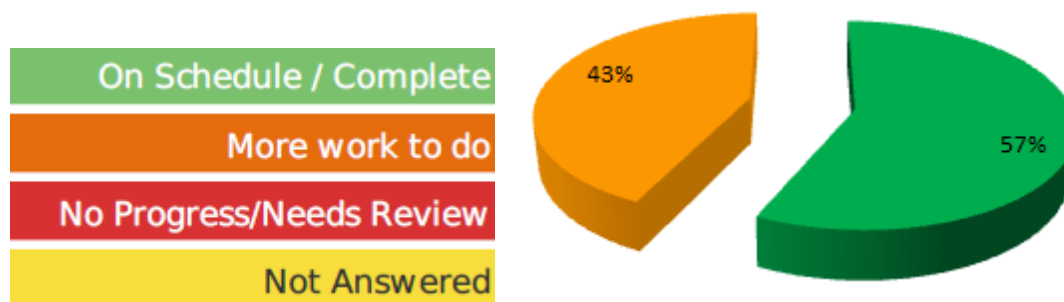
Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 7.10 – Explore Models of Community Energy Schemes in the County



Shared Objective 8: Support life-long learning, enterprise development and strengthen employment in local communities

13 Actions, of which 8 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievement for Objective 8 includes;

- The Dlr Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP) implemented by Southside Partnership provided assistance to support community and enterprise development and supports with access to employment and learning for individuals during 2018 – achievements include;
 - 712 were assisted on a one-to-one basis
 - 45 Community Groups received advice and support
 - 564 children received advice and development support
 - 714 individuals received employment support
 - 122 individuals were supported into self-employment
 - 212 training places were filled on enterprise/small business related workshops
 - 42 young people not in education, training or employment received one to one supports
- A 6-week 'Introduction to Social Enterprise' training course was facilitated
- The DLR Student Enterprise Awards were held on 23rd March 2017 with 33 School Teams representing 15 schools in attendance
- 'Exploring Social Enterprise' event took place on 11th October in Blackrock Education Centre. The event formed part of the DLR Festival of Inclusion 2018. The aim was to raise awareness and understanding of social enterprise while providing networking opportunities for social enterprises, community groups, and local and national support services.
- In partnership with DDL ETB the successful completion of two Major Awards for 11 local women and the ongoing support for an additional 19 women to



- complete their Major Award in Care of the Older Person and/or Community Childcare in the Ballybrack area
- On-going engagement and collaborative work with the DDL ETB on the planning and delivery of accredited QQI modules in Ballybrack. 80 course participants were facilitated to complete five QQI L5 minor modules. 11 participants graduated with a Major Award
 - New European Funded Integration Project, WEMIN funded by the AMIF funds underway. WEMIN focuses on the social, educational and professional aspects of inclusion for targeted women, migrant and Irish, in DLR and in the other EU countries involved
 - Engagement with European partners through the AMIF fund to support the integration of migrant women. Completion of a Level 5 Major Award for local women in the RAPID area
 - 18+ individuals, interested in developing social enterprises, have received one-to-one supports and/or attended social enterprise related training workshops

Overview of Progress with Objective 8:

Good Progress has been made through the SICAP Programme with most headline targets achieved for 2018, through Southside Partnership providing assistance to support community and enterprise development and access to employment and learning in partnership with DDLETB during 2018.

Actions are on-going and progressing well within this objective, however there are areas for consideration/focus for 2018. The following actions were identified at the Workshops for particular focus:

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 8.4 – *Build an environment that makes it easier for people to start enterprises to address social issues and build a network for collaboration*

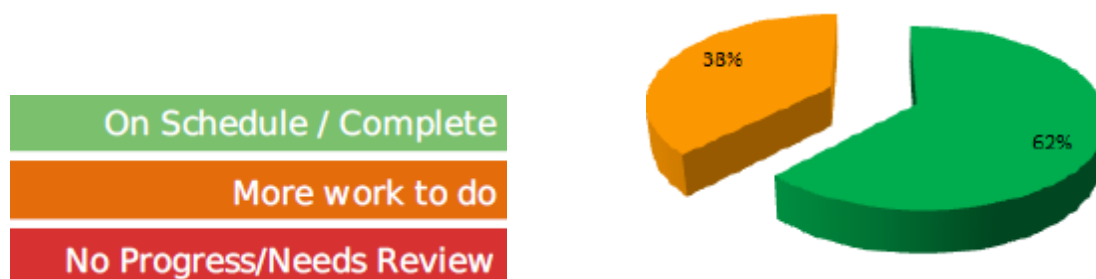
Action 8.6 – *Collaborate with Higher and Further Education and Training Providers in dlr to promote education access programmes for disadvantaged communities including unemployed residents*



Shared Objective 9: Support locally-based creative and knowledge enterprises, and strengthen up-skilling within the County, including support for start-ups and for business incubation facilities

This Objective includes Actions to support locally based creative and knowledge enterprises and strengthen up-skilling within the County. Oversight of the implementation of three of the four Actions under this Objective comes under the remit of the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC.

4 Actions, of which 1 is for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievement for Objective 9 includes;

- DLR LCDC Promoted the Social Enterprise Development Fund with all its stakeholders and on dlr social media platforms. The fund is a €1.6 million fund which will be delivered over two years; 2018 – 2020. The fund was created by Social Innovation Fund Ireland (SIFI) in partnership with Local Authorities Ireland and is funded by IPB Insurance and the Department of Rural and Community Development <http://www.socialinnovation.ie/social-enterprise-development/>
- SSP and DLR LEO collaborating to explore Social Innovation supports
- Work is on-going with an individual social entrepreneur from our 'Introduction to Social Enterprise' courses who has expressed an interest in possibly exploring ideas around development of a local Social Enterprise Hub. 2 potential sites in the Dún Laoghaire area are currently under consideration and it is hoped that, with continued support, this project will progress to implementation stage in 2019.
- Office space in Southside Partnership Blackrock has been identified as a potential 'Innovation Centre' to support groups, including Social Enterprises, and this is to be explored further and developed.



- A meeting was held in 2018 with the DLR LEO Manager to discuss possible collaborations on Social Enterprise including a 'Hub'

Overview of Progress with Objective 9:

Progress is on-going in relation to supporting economic development and enterprise. The Economic Development and Enterprise SPC has oversight in relation to monitoring implementation of the majority of actions under this Objective.

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019 –identified at Workshop for particular focus in 2018

Action 9.1 - *Investigate potential for development of social innovation centre to support social enterprise within the county*

Shared Objective 10: Facilitate access to affordable, quality early-childhood care and education

4 Actions, of which 3 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievement for Objective 10 includes;

- Roll out of the national childcare schemes to all services on behalf of the DCYA continued
- The Learner Fund, a subsidised fund toward training childcare practitioners to level 5 or 6 was also provided, along with Learner Fund bursary for childcare practitioners who had completed recognised 3rd level courses. Capital grants, School-age Childcare grants, Parent & Toddler grants and Child-minder grants.
- Training delivered includes: Children First training to childcare practitioners, Equality & Diversity training under the Access and Inclusion Model (AIM)



- Continued to facilitate the Southside Childcare Action Network (SCAN) along with the Southside Partnership and Barnardos
- Equality & Diversity training provided under the Access and Inclusion Model (AIM), programmes designed to assist children with disabilities in the childcare setting. Update of website and distribution of information as necessary

Overview of Progress with Objective 10:

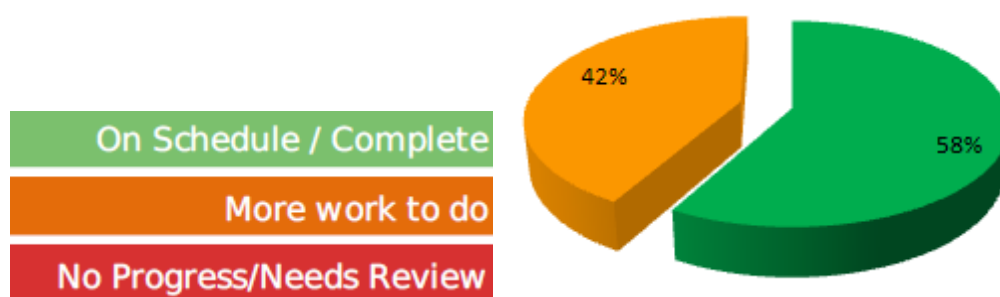
Good progress has been made with a focus on training and support for Childcare workers, and roll out of national policy requirements. However challenges remain, particularly with high costs of childcare and availability of carers in the County.

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019 –identified at Workshop for particular focus in 2018

Action 10.1 - *Continue to assess demand for childcare and supply of childcare facilities in dlr (last survey done 2016)*

Shared Objective 11: Facilitate the delivery of transportation, enhanced connectivity and other infrastructure in the County

10 Actions, of which 4 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievement for Objective 11 includes;

- 2018 AXA Roadsafe Roadshow took place in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire on the 8th/9th October with 2094 students from 28 schools in the greater Dublin region in attendance
- A walkability audit for Central Dún Laoghaire (Town) was completed



- Council Travel Plan and Walking Bus Guide issued to schools in the County <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/travel-transport/traffic-management/travel-planning>
- Further development of the Leopardstown Valley to Cruach Woods Greenway
- dlr is worked with NTA to identify bus priority measures helping deliver better bus routing in the County and assisted in developing Bus Connects
- Introduction of improved bus infrastructure along existing and new bus routes - new bus stops were provided on Stillorgan Road at Greenfield Road and along Fosters Avenue
- Development of a network of greenways adjacent to and within the Cherrywood SDZ
- Walkability studies took place in 2018, three of which in dlr estate management areas
- Cycling activities were held during Bike Week in 2018 including the Cabinteely Bike Fest, a novelty Street Velodrome event in Dundrum Town Centre, Public Bike Clinics in Dún Laoghaire and Sandyford and a schools art competition. <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news-press-releases/wheely-good-fun-national-bike-week-9th-17th-june-2018>
- Work closely with the National Transport Authority to developed two routes under Bus Connects
- Locations identified for bus stop enhancement and the installation of real time information
- Bleeperbike Pilot on station-less bikes is on-going. Byelaws on the regulation of stationless bikes were presented to the May Dundrum Area Committee meeting <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news-press-releases/bleeperbike-station-less-bike-sharing-comes-dlr-area>
- Assisted the DTTAS in the delivery of school cycle training (www.cyclerright.ie) to 1200+ pupils.
- Four Cycle Forum meetings held in 2018 to provide a focus on cycling issue
- Delivered cycle parking to 4 schools in the County following a competition where schools could apply
- Report presented to the Transportation and County Wide Movement SPC on cycling activities
- Noise Mapping Report and Draft Noise Action Plan presented to the Dundrum and Dún Laoghaire Area Committees and public consultation held



- LED bike lights distributed in conjunction with an Gardaí Siochána
- Continued participation on the board of ACTS providing transport solutions for people with mobility issues <http://www.actsltd.ie/>

Overview of Progress with Objective 11:

Good progress is being made on transport and enhancing connectivity and particularly for cycling as a means of active healthy and sustainable travel in dlr. Road safety has continued as a priority activity particularly with schools and students. The redesign of the Dublin Bus Network continues to present opportunities to consider better east west connectivity across dlr

The following action was identified at Workshop for particular focus in 2018

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 11.1 - *Promote community awareness of sustainable transport across all communities*

Shared Objective 12: Promote and improve the prosperity and sustainable development of Town, District and Neighbourhood Centres

9 Actions, of which 6 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievement for Objective 11 includes;

- dlr had four entries submitted into 2018 Irish Public Bodies (IPB) Pride of Place competition for which the judging took place in August
 1. Creative Place Initiative – Exit 15
 2. Community Wellbeing Initiative – Marlay Junior Park Run
 3. Community Tourism Initiative – Friends of Joyce Tower



4. Housing Estates – dlr Estate Management

The gala awards ceremony took place in November in Cork City Hall.

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Estate Management Fora won runners up in the Housing Estate Category.

- On-going support of CoCo Markets in Marlay and Peoples Parks. Marlay Courtyard recently refurbished <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/parks-outdoors/markets>
- Town and Village Scheme announced by Department of Rural and Community Development in April 2018. The Scheme is administered by Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council. Selection of projects under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme for 2018 was by means of a competitive process. In this area, Expressions of Interest from rural Towns and Villages were sought from the villages of Kiltarnan, Glencullen, Stepside, and Sandyford Village Centre. <https://drcd.gov.ie/subheader1/town-village-renewal-scheme/>
- On-going progress with highway maintenance and improvement works countywide
- Tidy Districts, Tidy Towns and Pride of Place competitions continue to be promoted with resident groups and the wider public. Tidy Districts awards Held in September 2018
- Village Audits have been completed - Actions and funding required

Overview of Progress with Objective 12:

Good progress in relation to supporting Markets, Tidy Towns and Estate Management and with planning for the future development and on-going enhancement of towns and villages across the County.

Action 12.4 was identified at Workshop for particular focus in 2018 to explore potential for community projects under Town & Village Renewal & explore and promote funding opportunities for potential community based projects across DLR

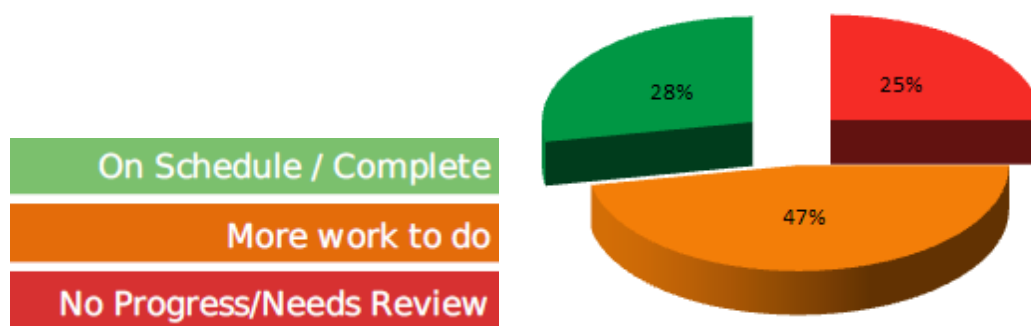
Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 12.4 – Develop a collaborative approach to identify the key economic and community needs for each village centre in the county



Shared Objective 13: To increase the level of philanthropy in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and to expand the community of engaged donors who are regular, strategic, long-term contributors to good causes

6 Actions, of which all are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 13 include;

- The Volunteer Centre is continuing to work collaboratively with local stakeholders to further encourage the spirit and practice of volunteering by all. <http://www.volunteerdlr.ie/>
- Five events supported in 2018, including:
 - DLR Community 5k
 - Fashion Show
 - Big Sing
 - RMS Leinster Centenary
 - Museum of Childhood Event Day
- DLR Corps actively promoted on social media accounts both have growing followings. Twitter (599) Facebook (468)
- 132 new sign ups managed in 2018. Total membership 249
- New induction video developed and shared with volunteers
- 100% of volunteers who fed back post event, felt supported by the Centre



- DLR CoCo continues to support Volunteer Corps in 2018
<http://dlrvolunteercorps.ie/>
- The Dun Laoghaire Volunteer Centre and DLRC ran a pilot, called TrustIE with a goal to support local groups to involve new trustees and encourage local people to volunteer for these roles
- An exhibition was held in County Hall, with judging for the dlr Community and Volunteer Awards. The awards ceremony took place on 29th November. The awards ceremony is our way of recognising and celebrating the work of community groups and volunteers in dlr. This year 25 volunteers along with 51 community groups have been recognised for their valuable contributions to their communities.
- Music Generation dlr launched its Summer programme in June and held 3 workshops in the Grainstore, Lexicon and the dlr Mill. Significant philanthropic funding was received from Music Generation, Ireland's national music education programme initiated by Music Network and co-funded by U2, The Ireland Funds and the Department of Education and Skills. Locally, Music Generation dlr is managed by dlr Music Education Partnership, led by dlr County Council in partnership with Dublin and Dún Laoghaire Education and Training Board, TUSLA, Southside Partnership dlr, Blackrock Education Centre, IADT, UCD and Crosscare.
<http://www.musicgeneration.ie/programmes/details/music-generation-dun-laoghaire-rathdown/>

Overview of Progress with Objective 13:

Main focus for activity under this objective during 2018 was supporting community participation and volunteerism, through supports for the dlr Volunteer Corps and a dlr event to recognise and celebrate the efforts of volunteers to support their communities across dlr

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019 - There are a number of related actions being considered for progression in this objective.

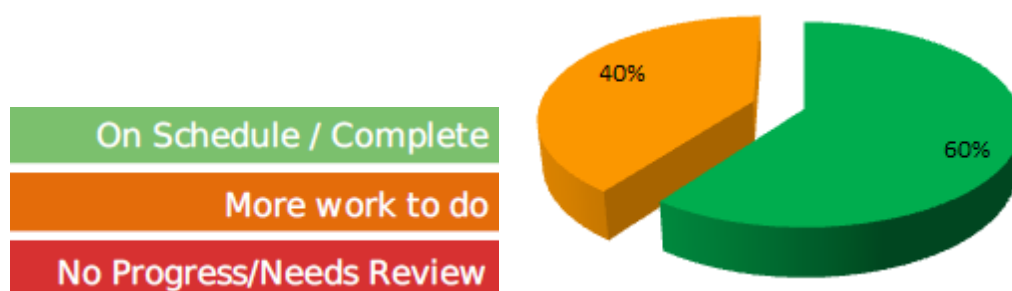
Actions 13.2, 13.3, 13.4, 13.5 - *which include Develop and Implement a Philanthropy Strategy, Explore and develop mechanisms to attract prospective donors to select and contribute to such good causes, Establish a Community Foundation to support*



appropriate facilities or services and Explore how Businesses are using Corporate Social Responsibility to examine how it can benefit the local community

Shared Objective 14: Protect the natural and built environment

8 Actions, of which 5 are for LCDC oversight



2018 Achievements for Objective 14 include;

- Summer of Heritage initiative launched to leverage prior success of winter of Heritage programme. Visitor numbers increasing year on year.
<http://events.dlrcoco.ie/event/summer-heritage-2018>
- The DLR Biodiversity Plan is currently undergoing review by DLR's Biodiversity Officer and a new Plan is currently underway. The objectives and actions of the existing DLR Biodiversity Plan are being implemented and a number of projects, workshops and events have been undertaken including the dissemination across communities and businesses within the county
<http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/heritage/biodiversity/biodiversity-plan>
- Dublin Mountains Partnership have developed a 5-year strategic plan to include recreation and events <https://www.dublinmountains.ie/home/>
- Regional Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Strategy actions identified under National Adaption Framework
- “March for the Oceans” event took place in June, raising awareness of litter damage in our oceans .<http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news/flossies-march-ocean>
- ECO-UNESCO Young Environmentalist awards were hosted at the Lexicon in 2018 <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news/newpark-school-wins-young-environmentalists-year>

Overview of Progress with Objective 14:



Good and on-going progress in relation to public realm and enhancing access to our natural environment in dlr

Action for Consideration/ Progression for 2019

Action 14.8 – Ensure Co-ordinated implementation of the DLR Biodiversity Plan

Conclusion:

Overall good progress has been made in 2018 in relation to the implementation of the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP), and achievement of objectives. It would be important to acknowledge the considerable contributions made by key partner organisations and departments of DLRCC who are leading and supporting the implementation of actions. In particular, the action owners play a key role in driving implementation and progress in relation to their actions and providing updates, which is appreciated. The successful implementation of the LECP is dependent on support and collaborative actions from partners. It is important to acknowledge the commitment and participation of all to support with implementing the LECP and helping to achieve the overall goals.

Under each objective, there are actions which have been highlighted for consideration, and in some cases these now require review or further consideration to determine whether the actions are relevant and can be progressed during 2019. It will also be important to consider actions where partners can collaborate to support with delivering the overall objective. The LCDC will be asked to consider progress to date and areas for focus during 2019 at a forthcoming meeting.

