

# **MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Report Period from 1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

## ***CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH***



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

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

## **Plans and Policies**

### **1. Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP)**

Work continues in the progression of the implementation of the Local Economic and Community Plan <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/dlr-local-economic-and-community-plan-2016-2021>. This is a key statutory plan to support and promote economic growth and enhance the quality of life and well-being of our communities in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The LECP Advisory Implementation Group met on May 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 to consider 2017 outputs and progress. Progress will be presented to the Local Community Development Committee on June 28<sup>th</sup> and the Economic & Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee on June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017.

### **Relevant Statistics**

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

**Clients assisted in LEO activities for May 2017**

	No of applications for financial assistance	No of clients attending networking events	No of clients commencing training/attending workshops or seminars	No of clients commencing mentoring assignments	No of clients attending business advice clinics	Total no of clients assisted
May 2017	13	34	71	17	34	169
May 2016	3	64	89	14	17	187

#### Financial assistance approved in May 2017

	No of feasibility study approvals	No of business priming approvals	No of business expansion approvals	No of Trading Online Vouchers approved	No of Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters approvals	Total no of applications approved
May 2017	1	3	1	6	1	12
May 2016	1	2	0	0	0	3

	No of applications processed for Microfinance Ireland
May 2017	1
May 2016	2

	Vacant Commercial Premises Scheme	Shop Front Improvement Scheme	Business Promotion Grants
May 2017	0	1	8
May 2016	0	1	12

#### Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance for May 2017

May 2017 – Total number of jobs created	8
May 2016 – Total number of jobs created	7

## RETURN OF PLANNING STATISTICS

1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016

	Outline Permission		Approval		Permission		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
<b>New applications received*</b>	3	<b>2</b>			619	<b>762</b>	622	<b>764</b>
<b>Decisions Deferred</b>	2	<b>2</b>			173	<b>144</b>	175	<b>146</b>
<b>Decisions to Grant**</b>	1	<b>0</b>			481	<b>518</b>	482	<b>518</b>
<b>Decisions to Refuse**</b>	0	<b>1</b>			78	<b>71</b>	78	<b>72</b>
<b>Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks</b>	1	<b>1</b>			553	<b>583</b>	554	<b>584</b>
<b>Invalid Applications</b>	0	<b>1</b>			81	<b>130</b>	81	<b>131</b>

**Notes:**

\* Includes **50** Applications for Retention (**2016**), Includes **83** Applications for Retention (**2017**)

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

(**6** Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse) in **2016** and **6** Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse) in **2017**)



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## **Plans and Policies**

### **Service Provision**

#### **1. Road Restoration Programme**

##### **Procurement/Tender Process underway :- 2017 Jobs**

- Loughlinstown Drive
- Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock
- Merville Avenue, Stillorgan
- Seafield Road, Booterstown (Part of)
- North Avenue (Part of)
- Barton Road East
- Slate Cabin Lane (Part of)

##### **Tender documents issued :-**

- Avoca Avenue, Blackrock
- Stillorgan Laneways – Proposed upgrading works

##### **Tenders accepted/Works on site :- 2017 Jobs**

- **Sycamore Road, Mount Merrion**  
Tender accepted in respect of road restoration and re-surfacing works.  
Works completed satisfactorily.
- **Nutgrove Way, Rathfarnham**  
Tender accepted in relation to road restoration and re-surfacing works.  
Contractor to commence works on site on 12/06/2017.
- **Kilgobbin Road, Sandyford**  
Tender accepted in respect of road restoration and re-surfacing works.  
Works progressing satisfactorily.

- **Annaville Avenue, Blackrock (2016 Job)**  
Works completed satisfactorily

### Works on site :-

#### **2016 Jobs ongoing in May 2017**

- **Desmond Avenue, Dun Laoghaire**  
ESB and Public Lighting upgrade works taking place on site.  
Works progressing satisfactorily.

## 2. Road Patching Programme

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

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

- Cross Avenue, Blackrock
- Eden Road Upper near Harold Boys School
- Mutton Lane, Kilmashogue – (up to entrance to Larch Hill)
- Coliemore Road, Dalkey
- Frascati Park, Blackrock – (Traffic Calming ramp)
- Wyckham Park Road, Ballinteer

## 3. Footpath Programme

- **Tivoli Terrace East, Dun Laoghaire**  
Footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily.
- **Grange Court / Marley Estate**  
Footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily.
- **Broadford Rise - Ballinteer Drive/Close/Grove and Crescent**  
Footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily.
- **Balally Estate, Ballinteer** – Hill, Grove & Avenue (various locations)  
Footpath restoration works completed satisfactorily.

## 4. Roads Control & Reinstatements Office

- On-going works by Contractor to permanently reinstate roads & footpaths Resulting from Water & Drainage operations.
- **Cherrywood SDZ (Strategic Development Zone)**

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

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

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

- Routine maintenance works on roads are carried out by direct labour crews in response to complaints – i.e pothole repair etc.

- Routine maintenance works on footpaths are carried out by Direct Labour crews in response to complaints via CRM

## **6. Traffic & Road Safety**

### **Scheme updates**

- ❖ Monkstown Village Road Safety Improvement Scheme: Construction commenced on Monday, 24th April, Works have been ongoing around the Church of Ireland and the ducting and footpath works are progressing
- ❖ N11/Johnstown Road Junction Improvement scheme –Scheme is substantially completed– Final resurfacing of the N11 completed in May 2017
- ❖ Cross Avenue and Environs (Dún Laoghaire) Road Safety Improvement Scheme: This scheme has been separated into two phases. The works on Cross Avenue have been merged with Desmond Avenue and the scheme is completed with the exception of the track blasting of the surface to bring out the yellow colour. Construction of Phase 2 (all of the works outside of Cross Avenue) is completed with the exception of some signing and lining.
- ❖ Wyattville Road Cycle and Pedestrian Improvement Scheme – Construction has commenced and is ongoing between Wyattville Close and Old Wyattville Road
- ❖ Cruagh Wood to Ballyogan Road Greenway Link -Preliminary design being prepared
- ❖ Installation of Variable Messaging Signage to be completed in June 2017
- ❖ Pedestrian and Cycle entrance at Belfield on N11 at Nova: Consultant has been appointed for the design of a new pedestrian and cycle entrance on Stillorgan Road at UCD and the upgrade of the Fosters Avenue junction
- ❖ Sandyford Cycle Route: Cycle design options being examined for the Drummartin link road through the M50 Rotary. Preliminary design being prepared for Clonskeagh Road for improved access to UCD.
- ❖ Upper Churchtown Road/ Taney Road /Dundrum Road junction: Preliminary design being prepared
- ❖ Moreen Road Footpath Upgrade Scheme has been completed.
- ❖ Ludford/Meadowbrook/Meadow Grove Traffic Survey: Traffic survey complete and awaiting final consultant's report.

### **Road Safety**

- ❖ 30 kph Speed Limit Implementation - Tender for the installation of signage and poles has been awarded. Work has commenced on the project.
- ❖ Supported Carysfort National School Road Safety Walk for Walking to School week 2017 on 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2017
- ❖ Supported An Garda Síochána National Slow Down Day on 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2017
- ❖ Supported Shankill Cycle for Suicide Day on 27<sup>th</sup> of May 2017
- ❖ Advertised for Temporary Reserve School Wardens. 15 no. applications received.

- ❖ There were 53 items dealt with at the Dún Laoghaire TAG meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2017 and 27 items dealt with at the Dundrum meeting on the 2nd of May 2017.

## **Deputations.**

- ❖ Meeting with Beaufield Park Residents Associations was held on 10th of May 2017

## **7. Water Services & Drainage**

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

Detailed design of the Kilbogget Park Flood Storage project is underway. A ground investigation has now been completed. It is planned to progress to Part 8 Consultation in Q3 2017

Glenavon Park Flood Storage Assessment is ongoing. Flow monitors and rain gauges have been installed at the start of January and the results are currently being analysed. The information will inform the detailed assessment.

Cabinteely Park Flood Storage assessment study is ongoing. A draft copy of the assessment report is due at end May

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

Ardglas Screen upgrade and flood management modelling has been completed. Tenders have now been received and commission awarded for the design of the works.

Watsons Estate SW remedial works contract Phase I is now complete.

Loreto Park minor flood storage area works are complete.

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

Marlay Park Flood Storage Optimisation Study is now complete. The study confirmed that there is potential to store additional large volumes of surface water run-off from upland areas. An Ecological Impact Assessment has been commissioned.

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

Bracken Road Extension Flood Risk Assessment: The study is now complete to assess the impact on the Carysfort Maretimo Stream of constructing the Bracken Road extension directly on top of it and this will inform the Flood Risk Assessment which will accompany the Part Eight. This is a collaborative project with the Infrastructure and Climate Change Department.

Watermain Removal from Old Dublin Road Culvert: Ground investigation work is complete. Consulting Engineers have been appointed and a design is completed for the new watermain which will be constructed under the existing culvert. Liaison is ongoing with Irish Water. An advance contract is now complete. The main works are programmed to commence at the end of July 2017

Bray Landfill: Tenders have now been received from Engineering Consultancies for a definitive report on coastal protection options for the cliffs at the old landfill North of Bray. A draft report has been received and is currently being reviewed.

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

Greygates SW Repair work Phase II is complete.

Johnstown Road Environs Flood Alleviation works Phase I (twin culvert removal) is complete. The channel re-alignment is complete. The screen upgrade contract has been awarded and is due to commence in June 2017.

## 8. Parks

Parks & Landscaping Service:

Landscape Maintenance Contract on going  
Tree Care Programme on going  
Hanging Baskets and Tubs being put in place countywide  
Fernhill Park and Garden Masterplan – ongoing  
Fernhill –tree works phase 2 in progress  
Fernhill – Part 8 being prepared  
Marlay - College Rd car-park under construction (16 week project –commenced 17<sup>th</sup> May)  
Collection of data for Ezytreev ongoing  
West County – Tree Works tendered  
Hudson Road Part 8 – Managers Report pending  
Alternative weed control trial set up– on-going

Sports Services:

*Sports Development:*

- 171 participants took part Mini-Movers Fundamental Movement Programme
- 278 participants took part in a wide range of activities from Archery – Golf per week
- Active school visits 191 participants
- Positive Play Schools Football Programme caters for 212 primary school children
- Community Youth Football – 10 participants
- FAI Late Night league in Monkstown & Meadowbrook – 55 participants
- Community football drop ins Meadowbrook & Ballyogan - 48 participants
- School football sessions 187 participants
- Coach education programme – FAI – 2 kickstarts, 1 4x4 workshop
- Primary school Cricket: 160 participant's
- Leprechaun Cup Cricket Matches from weekly visits to schools: 35 boys, 15 girls
- Secondary school Community Cricket : 15 participant's
- Club engagement : FAI: Girls coaching sessions 40 girls, Leinster Cricket weekly coaches sessions DL Cricket Club

*Sports Partnership:*

- Participation Programmes – Woodlands for Health (walking programme focusing on mental health), The Daily Mile continuing in 30 schools, Try Sailing (introductory sessions for school children), disability sports (Inclusive GAA, Enjoy Tennis, Inclusive Cycling, Swim 4 All)
- Go For Life Blitz - activity day for 80 older adults in dlr Leisure Loughlinstown on 24<sup>th</sup> May
- Disability Inclusion Seminar – information and networking session on the 11th May for clubs, leisure centres and services with nearly 30 attendees across a range of partners
- Supporting IADT around promoting sports/activity among their student population
- Healthy Ireland Network – signed up to new network being established to coordinate and increase communication amongst relevant agencies

## 9. DLR Events Highlights

The How? Science & Technology event took place in Shanganagh Park on 21 May. This is the fourth year of this event.

## 10 LEO Enterprise Events & Activities

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#### Enterprise promotion activities in May 2017

<b>DLR Enterprise News</b>	<a href="http://leodlr.newsweaver.com/Newsletter3/fggsseujptyqm7os4rp42l?email=true&amp;a=11&amp;p=51799327">http://leodlr.newsweaver.com/Newsletter3/fggsseujptyqm7os4rp42l?email=true&amp;a=11&amp;p=51799327</a>
<b>One-to-One Business Advice Sessions</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> , 31 <sup>st</sup> May
<b>Group Business Information Session</b>	Morning Sessions – 4 <sup>th</sup> May & 25 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Enterprising Women Network Meeting</b>	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Online Marketing &amp; Social Media</b>	8 Week course – Started 4 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Start Network Meeting</b>	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Start Your Own Business Course</b>	8 week course – started 16 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Trading Online Voucher Information Seminar</b>	½ Day Seminar – Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May

- **National Enterprise Awards Final – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

The National Enterprise Awards Final took place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in the Mansion House. Sean Greif founder of business 'Moontour' and County Final winner, represented Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown at this event.

Sean founded Moontour in 2015 as an Irish Language Camp that focuses on teaching Irish through Adventure.

The Dún Laoghaire based business has a mission to encourage as many people as possible to start speaking and enjoying Irish. Moontour do this by having a huge range of activities, so that now you can enjoy all your favourite hobbies through Irish. Activities include watersports, yoga, computer games, photography and much more. With over 800 students to date, Moontour offers a unique, enjoyable, engaging learning experience.

## 11. Community Development & Social Inclusion Events & Activities

- **Age Friendly Programme**

Work on implementing the Age Friendly Strategy (AFS) continues apace. A Directory of Activities and Services for Older People living in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County has been compiled and is being printed. It is proposed to distribute this Directory to older people via the Network for Older People, Garda Stations, Community Gardaí, Public Participation Network, Post Offices, Community Facilities, dlr library branches, Parish Centres and HSE Primary Care Centres.

The Petal Project, a simple inexpensive initiative, has been designed to address a perceived inaccessibility to toilet facilities identified by older people as a barrier to going out and about in the County. The display of a small sticker with the Age Friendly Petal logo provides a discreet message to older people that clean and accessible facilities are available without fuss. The project is initially focused on Council-owned community facilities and libraries, with efforts to engage the business community following in the coming months.

In line with Action 1.1 of the AFS, the first Walkability Audit took place in Dún Laoghaire in late April and May. The audit was conducted by a team of people ranging from older people, disability organisations, the retail sector and relevant Council officials. Results will be analysed and used to help inform future design considerations for this area. Further Walkability Audits will take place across the County over the summer months.

dlr County Council recently became a member of the Ireland Smart Ageing Exchange, an independent network working to provide a 'joined up approach' to the issues presented by an ageing population for both central and local government by providing opportunities to pioneer and trial solutions while presenting opportunities for businesses.

Accessibility and Universal Design Training was delivered during May to Professional/Technical dlr staff. The purpose of this training is to ensure that universal design, accessibility and age friendly criteria are routinely incorporated into new capital projects and schemes.

Dementia Awareness training has been organised for dlr frontline staff and is scheduled to take place on 8<sup>th</sup> June in County Hall.

The Community Development Team is currently working to ensure that residents of Rochestown House maximise use of their community room. Following a successful first consultation coffee morning in April, a follow up consultation with the residents will be held on the evening of 9<sup>th</sup> June to progress plans for the community room.

- **Events in the Community**

The Community Development Team has worked closely with the Management Committee of Shanganagh Park House to organise the visit of the President of Ireland, Michael D Higgins on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017, to help celebrate the operation of this beautiful old house as a community facility for the past forty (40) years. In addition the development of a Part 8 proposal for a long-awaited extension is to be presented for consideration soon by the Elected Members prior to going to public consultation.

- **Community Grants**

A total of 194 applications for financial assistance under Round Two of the community grants scheme were received. These applications have been assessed to ensure compliance with the criteria. Due to the competitive nature of this category, it will be necessary to prioritise based on the most worthy and strongest applications. Recommendations will be presented to the July Meeting of the County Council.

An improvement in the quality of the applications was noted which can be attributed to the Information Sessions provided by the Community Development Team across the County in April.

- **Comhairle na nÓg**

Elected Officers of Comhairle na nÓg attended the May Meeting of the County Council, presenting a report on the role of dlr Comhairle and progress to date on their 2017 Work Plan.

Community Development and Social Inclusion staff, along with the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown CYPSC Co-ordinator and the PPN Manager, attended the Annual Information and Networking Event for Comhairle na nÓg, organised by the Department of Children and Youth Affairs, which was held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

- **Estate Management Programme**

Two of the twelve Estate Management areas have been entered into the Annual Pride of Place competition. Sallynoggin will compete in the *Urban Neighbourhoods* category while Hillview has been entered in the *Housing Estates* category. A lot of hard work and preparation will take place in advance of judging, which will take place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017 for both areas.

## **12. Arts & Culture Events**

- **Municipal Gallery Programme**

*Song of the Sea-The Exhibition* closed on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017. A total of 7,336 people visited the exhibition over the course of the run from 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017. The current exhibition *SurprEYES! Works from the Arts Council Collection* opened to the public on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017. This is an exhibition of nearly 50 works from the Arts Council selected and presented to appeal to children in particular. It is curated by Martin Drury. 6 schools from the dlr Primary Arts Programme had a special preview of the exhibition before it opened to the public. <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/municipal-gallery-dlr-lexicon/current-exhibition>

- **Launch of Public Art Literature Commission**

Blackrock Sequence, a specially commissioned series of new poems by David Butler, was officially launched in Blackrock Library on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 and attended by about 40 people. David Butler was awarded this literature commission focusing on the Blackrock area as part of the public art

programme, which linked with dlr Library Service. He was based in the area from October last and has written 11 new poems in response to the area. <http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/public-art-art-collections/current-public-art-programme/blackrock-sequence-literature>

- **Exit 15 - Ballyogan Community Arts Project**

dlr Arts Office, in partnership with Voluntary Arts Ireland, with support from the Community Development Section has been awarded significant project funding of €63,638 from the Arts Council's Invitation to Collaboration Scheme 2017. This will support and further develop the on-going work that dlr Arts Office is investing in the Ballyogan area.

- **Grainstore, dlr's Youth Arts Facility**

During the period 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017 to 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 there were 4,440 visits to the Grainstore, dlr's Youth Arts Facility. This included attendance at some of the heats for the Long Road to Longitude. This is organised by the Canvas Youth Arts Committee and is their annual Battle of the Bands. It involves showcasing the best young bands from the county as they choose the winners who will play at this year's Longitude in Marlay Park in July.

<http://www.dlrgrainstore.ie>

- **Inspired By Sound**

Following a period of collaboration, the artist, musician and award-winning arts and music facilitator, Jonathan Reynolds, and six young people with intellectual disabilities from St. John of God's Service, presented their work at a sold out performance in the Studio, dlr LexIcon on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017. This project was funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's All Aboard commission.

<http://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts/learning/engagement-programmes/arts-and-disability>

- **Creative Ireland**

A Creative Ireland Public Consultation Workshop was held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April. Over 100 people attended. On the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017, members of the dlr Creative Ireland team attended the launch of the Creative Ireland local authority plans in Dublin Castle including a photo call with An Taoiseach Enda Kenny.

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/dlr-creative-ireland-tickets-33576657687#>

- **Music Generation**

dlr's Music Education Partnership, led by dlr County Council, completed both an audit of music activity in the County and public and stakeholder engagement process. Based on the findings, a Countywide performance music education programme for 0- 18 year olds was designed and submitted to Music Generation for consideration under their Phase 2 call for 3 year seed funding. Successful applicants will be informed in July.

## **Libraries: Major Events/Announcements/Launches during May 2017**

### **Major Author Events**

- **Julie Parsons in conversation** with Declan Hughes and launch of her new book *The Therapy House* 2 May, dlr LexIcon Studio.
- **American author Ann Patchett in conversation with Edel Coffey.** dlr Library Voices event. 22 May, dlr LexIcon.
- **Australian author Tim Winton in conversation with Paula Shields.** dlr Library Voices event. 29 May, dlr LexIcon.
- **BOOKWORMS for BUMBLEance.** 19 May, dlr LexIcon. (School groups visit national children's ambulance at dlr LexIcon. Talk with former Laureate na nÓg, author Siobhán Parkinson.)

### **The Silent Books' Exhibition Events**

- **During May** a series of associated events included: **Nation Creation workshops** x 7 with 7 local schools facilitated by Debbie Thomas and Tatyana Feeney, **launch event with 3 local schools with Laureate na nÓg PJ Lynch** (chalk and charcoal workshop), **Baby Book Club special event**, workshops x 2 as Gaeilge with Sadhbh Devlin, author visit with Jane Mitchell x 2, **Draw-A-Long sessions** x 2 with Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick, **young family workshops** x 3 with

Helen Barry, **vlogs, blogs and social media** 'book-of-the-day' with Sarah Webb and Vita Coleman and Activity Sheet by Debbie Thomas.

- **When are you going to write a proper book?** 27 May, dlr LexIcon Studio. A day for picturebook writers and illustrators.

### Music Events

- **A musical voyage with Katerina García, Síle Denvir, Robert Harvey and Peter Moc.** 16 May, dlr LexIcon Studio. Organised by the Embassy of the Czech Republic in Dublin in association with dlr Libraries.
- **Melodies in May.** Four consecutive Tuesday evening performances by local choirs in Dalkey Library as part of Bealtaine.
- **Monday morning music,** a six week course (3 in May, 3 in June) on the history of jazz with clips, DVDs etc with Tim Thurston. dlr LexIcon Studio.

### Launches

- **Offshoot Photography Club exhibition launch.** 2 May, Deansgrange Library.
- **The Silent books exhibition:** From the world to Lampedusa and back. 8 May, dlr LexIcon, launched by Laureate na nÓg, PJ Lynch.
- **Bicentenary of the Harbour.** Colin and Anna Scudds of Dún Laoghaire Borough Historical Society and dlr LexIcon. 18 May, dlr LexIcon.
- **Blackrock Sequence, an illustrated poem-journey.** 23 May, Blackrock Library. Launch. The culmination of David's Literary Commission for the Blackrock area, part of dlr Arts Office's Public Arts Programme.
- **Graphic novel project with children from Southside Travellers Action Group.** 25 May, dlr LexIcon Studio, launch of book "Prince" by an Cathaoirleach.

### Theatre Events

- **Hello Delia Murphy, a one-woman show with Carmen Cullen.** 2 May, dlr LexIcon Studio.
- **Noah's wife missed the boat – she left the washing out!** 17 May, dlr LexIcon Studio. A show from Carnation Theatre.

### Health Education and Libraries (HEAL) Survey

- **Public survey hosted by 4 Dublin library authorities from 8th-19th May** – over 1,000 responses to online version. Analysis/collation of responses underway at present.

### Other Library Events

#### Adult Events

#### Bealtaine Events for May

- **Drama for adults with autism with Gillian McCarthy.** 6 week course, dlr LexIcon.
- **Draw! With professional illustrator Fintan Taite.** Stillorgan Library.
- **Starting to write for adults with Leo Cullen.** Stillorgan Library.
- **Tai chi for arthritis with osteopath Marion O'Connor** and physiotherapist Barbara Mullan. dlr LexIcon.
- **Creative journaling course with Liz Rackard.** dlr LexIcon.
- **Money and budget concerns,** talks with Joe O'Callaghan from MABS. 3 and 10 May, dlr LexIcon.
- **Mindfulness course with psychotherapist and author Stella O'Malley.** dlr LexIcon.
- **Knitting for health and happiness with Pauline Gallagher.** Blackrock Library.
- **Poetry workshops with Edwin Kelly.** Blackrock Library.
- **Everyday mindfulness, a talk with Angelika Renger.** 13 May, Blackrock Library.
- **Talk on playing bridge with Blathnaid Trayer.** 2 May, Cabinteely Library.
- **Gardening talks and demos with horticulturist Aoife Munn.** Dalkey, Shankill and Stillorgan Libraries.
- **Creative writing course with Lucinda Jacob.** Deansgrange Library.
- **Brick flicks:** stop motion workshops with mini-figures and handmade sets. Sessions for adults with autism. dlr LexIcon.
- **Creative writing course with Dave Lordan.** Dundrum Library.
- **Mindfulness talks.** Dundrum Library.

- **Craft talks and demos with Aoife Munn.** Shankill Library.

### Digital Classes for Adults

- **Weekly Smartphone Classes with Vodafone Ireland.** In dlr LexIcon throughout May.
- **Tea and teach digital academy with Bank of Ireland.** Basic computer use classes in Blackrock Library.
- **No such thing as a silly question, tablet classes with Createschool.ie.** dlr LexIcon, Dundrum and Stillorgan.
- **Computer classes for (near) beginners with Sabine McKenna.** Deansgrange Library.
- **Scratch coding with Sabine McKenna.** Deansgrange Library.

### Language Classes for Adults

- **Fáilte isteach. Regular English language classes in dlr LexIcon every Monday evening.**
- **Coffee morning as Gaeilge.** Informal conversational Irish language sessions in dlr LexIcon every Tuesday morning.
- **Language exchange sessions in Irish, French, German, Italian and Spanish.** Weekly sessions in Deansgrange Library.
- **Ciorcal comhrá. Weekly Irish language sessions.** Stillorgan Library.

### Regular Events for Adults

- **Carnegie cinema club.** 11 May, Blackrock Library. "The painting".
- **Book club meetings.** Monthly meetings held in all branches.

### Children's Events

- **Kids Create: children's writing workshop with Writer in Residence, Sarah Webb.** 4 May, Stillorgan Library.
- **Parent and toddler yoga with Yo-Yo Yoga.** Shankill Library.
- **Storytime sessions.** In Blackrock, Cabinteely, Dalkey, Deansgrange, Dundrum, Stillorgan and dlr LexIcon.
- **Baby book clubs.** In Blackrock, Dalkey, Deansgrange, Shankill, Stillorgan and dlr LexIcon.
- **Sarah Webb, Writer in Residence 2016-2017.** Series of book clubs, writing clubs, videos, promotions and drop-in sessions continued throughout May.
- **Parent and toddler group sessions.** Weekly in Blackrock, Dalkey, Dundrum and Shankill Library.
- **Junior book clubs.** Monthly meetings in Blackrock and Stillorgan Library and dlr LexIcon.
- **Summer Stars reading programme 2017 launch.** 31 May, Dalkey Library.

### LexIcon Lab

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

### Creative Ireland

- Creative Ireland hosted a public consultation meeting in the LexIcon on 26th of April. Over 100 people attended. Members of the dlr Creative Ireland team attended the launch of the Creative Ireland local authority plans 2017 in Dublin Castle on 25<sup>th</sup> May.

### Libraries' Exhibition Programme

- **Life and language in Georgia** (dlr LexIcon, 04 April – 29 May, organised by the Embassy of Georgia to Ireland).
- **The Silent books exhibition:** from the world to Lampedusa and back (dlr LexIcon, 2-29 May, courtesy of iBbY Ireland).
- **Bicentenary of the Harbour** (dlr LexIcon, 15 May – 30 June, researched by Colin and Anna Scudds of Dún Laoghaire Borough Historical Society).
- **Sightsavers: framing the future** (dlr LexIcon, 8 May – 30 June).
- **We are what we read.** Curated by Colm Keegan. Dundrum Library.
- **Offshoot Photography Club annual exhibition.** Deansgrange Library.

## 11 Environment

### Litter Control

#### Litter Fines

Month	Total
January	22
February	98
March	48
April	14
May	30

#### Graffiti Removal

Month	Total
January	400 Sqm
February	350 Sqm
March	275 Sqm
April	516 Sqm
May	868 Sqm

### Environmental Awareness

#### On-going

- Continued Management of Green Schools Programme
- Continued support for Tidy Towns, Resident Associations, Community Groups and Schools
- Management of LA21 EPF and Anti-Litter and Anti-Graffiti Fund.

#### Additional Activities

- Launched Gum Litter event with a parade through Dalkey village in partnership with Dalkey Tidy Towns and four local primary schools (featured on RTE News2day programme).
- Community based Stop Food Waste workshops organised in Blackrock, Cabinteely and Johnstown (Q2). Additional workshops TBC for Kiltarnan, Ballinteer and Churchtown (Q3).
- Stop Food Waste Facebook Posts highlighting the tips featured in the Stop Food Waste Calendars
- 24 schools awarded Green Flags at an An Taisce's Green Schools Award Ceremony held in the Helix Centre.
- Green Schools Picnic in recognition of the awarding of the 100<sup>th</sup> DLR Green School was held in The People's Park, Dún Laoghaire. The event was featured on the RTE2 News2day programme (Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May). 30 Schools and circa 250 students in attendance.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the Environment Grant (Universal Grant Scheme) promoted to Resident Groups. €2000 available and 4 minor projects to be supported.
- EAO assisted with the judging at the ECO-UNESCO Young Environmentalist Awards. Five DLR Schools made the showcase final and two DLR received All-Ireland awards for their projects.
  - 1) Newpark Comprehensive Best Senior Eco Enterprise (Received funding from DLRCC Environment Grant and Anti-Litter Grant)
  - 2) Kill O' The Grange NS Best Super Junior Project.
- Tidy Schools competition held in County Hall with St. Laurence's BNS crowned DLR's Tidiest School. Competition involves recognising efforts to support nature, community engagement curriculum links to litter and nature as well as general school cleanliness.
- Processing of Tidy District applications.
- Supported a sustainable communities seminar focussed on co-creation of community action projects.
- Fix-it workshops organised for staff to be held on Thursday lunchtimes and evenings throughout August and September. Community events planned for the New Year (dependant on staff feedback being positive).

# Relevant Statistics

## 1. Libraries:

### Libraries/April Statistics:

Registered Patrons: 73,286

Issues: 97,904

Footfall: 82,961

Self Service: 72% usage across the 8 branches

Internet & WiFi Usage: 15,391 Sessions

## 2. Dangerous Buildings

There were 3 dangerous buildings reported in May 2017. 2 were categorised as dangerous, 1 was categorised as potentially dangerous.

## 3. Parking Unit

- There were 3,050 fixed charge notices/fines issued during May 2017.
- There were 115 successful convictions secured in the District Court during May 2017 relating to unpaid parking fines.

## 4. Public Lighting

Work is continuing on the replacement of the old lights with LED lighting which is more energy efficient, gives less maintenance and improved service. General maintenance including upgrading of brackets, columns and Networks is also on-going.

### Public Lighting Maintenance

Number of repairs carried out in May 2017:	405
Percentage of lights out at the end of May 2017:	0.5%
Pole replacement carried out in May 2017:	25
Bracket replacements:	65
Tree trimming:	17
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	29

### LED Upgrading Program

ARDILEA DOWNS	5
ASHLAWN	5
Blackglen Road R113	1
BRENNANSTOWN VALE	9
BROADFORD ROAD	1
Cairnfort, Stepside	2
CHURCHTOWN ROAD UPPER (SIDE	2
Clarinda Park Walkway	2
Cruagh Wood and Manor	27
DUNDRUM ROAD	7
ENNISKERRY RD (Columns 3-29)	4
FRASCATI ROAD 1 TO 54	6
GLENCAR COURT	3
GOATSTOWN ROAD	1
GRANGE WOOD	5
HAZELWOOD	1
HILLCREST ROAD	1
HOLM WOOD (OFF LAMBOURNE	1

KILMACUD ROAD UPPER	16
LAMBS CROSS SANDYFORD	2
LANEWAYS B/T ARNOLD GROVE &	3
LYNWOOD	16
MAPLE MANOR CABINTEELY	2
MARLEY COURT NORTH AND SOUTH	1
MOREEN ESTATE	3
PATRICIAN VILLAS & GROVE	2
PINE VALLEY ESTATE	1
QUARRY ROAD	1
ROCK ROAD	5
ROEBUCK DOWNS	2

SEFTON ESTATE	10
Shanganagh Road Cromlech to Corbawn	5
SHEELIN AVENUE	1
SHEELIN GROVE	1
SHEELIN HILL	1
SOMERTON	4
STATION ROAD (KILLINEY)	1
STONEMASONS WAY EXTENSION	1
TANEY MANOR	1
TEMPLE HILL POLES (53 TO 76 )	3
THE METALS, (Athmospheric Rd), Dun	1
WALKWAY B/T AVONDALE RD &	3

### **Planning and Building Control**

Applications analysed	14
Inspections completed	0

### **Requests**

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	16
Alterations:	0
Legal requests:	1

# TRANSFORMING HOW WE WORK



## Plans and Policies

### Payroll Shared Services Project

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

## Service Provision

### 1. CoCo Markets

During May we received 15 applications - 8 for Marlay Park, 7 for Peoples Park

Products/Categories were: 8 for Non-Food/Craft, 7 for Other Food

No Inspire/Grow small businesses started during May.

### 2. Road Closures and Street Furniture.

There were 6 no. Road Closures received and 2 no. Street Furniture Applications received during the month of May 2017

## Relevant Statistics

### 1. CRM Statistics

Corporate CRM Cases logged in May 2017:

Department	Active	Inactive	Grand Total
Environment	134	524	658
Finance	68	421	489
Housing	251	153	404
Transportation	250	88	338
Parks	152	100	252
Waste Enforcement	13	28	41
Enterprise	12	23	35
Planning	15	19	34
Communications	4	28	32

Co Co Markets		12	12
Water & Drainage	12		12
Corporate Services	1	5	6
Libraries	4		4
Property	1	2	3
Architects	1	1	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>1404</b>	<b>2322</b>

## **Finance:**

### **Dún Laoghaire Bids Scheme:**

One of the functions of the Council in relation to the DunLaoghaire Bids Scheme is the determination of the Bid Multiplier, the bid multiplier is similar to the Council's ARV (Annual Rate on Valuation) and the bid multiplier multiplied by the valuation of an individual property gives the annual bid levy payable in respect of that property. BID DL Limited submitted their budget for the year 1-4-2017 to 31.3.2018 to the Council to enable the calculation of the bid multiplier. The budget amounts to €310,000 of which €215,000 is to be raised from bid contribution levies. The bid multiplier is calculated by dividing the amount to be raised from levies by the valuation of the bid scheme area, €215,000/€41,646,710, giving a bid multiplier of €0.0052, unchanged from the commencement of the bid scheme in 2014. Once the bid multiplier is determined the Council is responsible for calculating the bid levy payable by individual businesses within the bid scheme area and the issue of the bid levy bills. Bid levy bills for the year 1.4.2017 – 31.3.2018 issued on the 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 to businesses within the bid scheme area.

### **LPT Allocation Payment 2017:**

The Council's LPT allocation for 2017 is payable in 6 installments from the Department of Housing, Planning Community & Local Government, with the third instalment of €5,595,640 having been received on the 26/5/2017.

### **Overdraft Facility**

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

### **Financial Reports**

Revenue Account Income & Expenditure to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017  
 Capital Account Income & Expenditure to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017

## DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT

### INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/04/2017

4 months = 33.33%

SERVICE DIVISION		EXPENDITURE		
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	13,216,913	41,086,800	32.17%
B	Road Transport & Safety	8,242,102	29,336,100	28.10%
C	Water Services	4,293,266	13,475,200	31.86%
D	Development Management	5,203,702	16,713,000	31.14%
E	Environmental Services	10,741,081	32,496,500	33.05%
F	Recreation & Amenity	9,362,853	29,340,600	31.91%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	149,960	519,100	28.89%
H	Miscellaneous Services	2,915,366	8,697,200	33.52%
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>54,125,244</b>	<b>171,664,500</b>	<b>31.53%</b>

SERVICE DIVISION		INCOME		
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	11,423,300	36,066,700	31.67%
B	Road Transport & Safety	3,946,600	11,852,700	33.30%
C	Water Services	3,165,300	9,503,500	33.31%
D	Development Management	1,942,000	4,298,600	45.18%
E	Environmental Services	2,365,200	7,220,500	32.76%
F	Recreation & Amenity	1,433,700	4,842,300	29.61%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	62,900	181,900	34.58%
H	Miscellaneous Services	1,789,500	5,037,900	35.52%
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>26,128,500</b>	<b>79,004,100</b>	<b>33.07%</b>
	Provision for Credit Balance	0	1,500,000	0%
LPT	Local Property Tax	3,617,833	10,853,500	33.33%
PRD	Pension Related Deduction	0	0	0%
RA	Rates	26,633,665	80,306,900	33.16%
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>56,379,999</b>	<b>171,664,500</b>	<b>32.84%</b>

Surplus at 30.04.2017

**-2,254,755**

**DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/04/2017**

SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2017 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/04/2017
<b>A Total Housing &amp; Building</b>	-8,717,149	9,679,077	-9,225,908	-8,263,981
<b>B Total Road Transport &amp; Safety</b>	-29,028,148	1,826,880	-180,042	-27,381,311
<b>C Total Water Services</b>	-3,286,377	133,580	-62,904	-3,215,701
<b>D Total Development Management</b>	-28,168,715	-1,144,782	-2,898,591	-32,212,087
<b>E Total Environmental Services</b>	-13,032,434	434,274	-237,387	-12,835,547
<b>F Total Recreation &amp; Amenity</b>	11,275,442	733,878	-225,958	11,783,362
<b>G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&amp;Safety</b>	-5,618,988	2,838	0	-5,616,151
<b>H Total Miscellaneous Services</b>	-27,669,560	20,877	-310,523	-27,959,207
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>-104,245,929</b>	<b>11,686,621</b>	<b>-13,141,314</b>	<b>-105,700,622</b>