



DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

OCTOBER MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

30 September – 31 October 2022

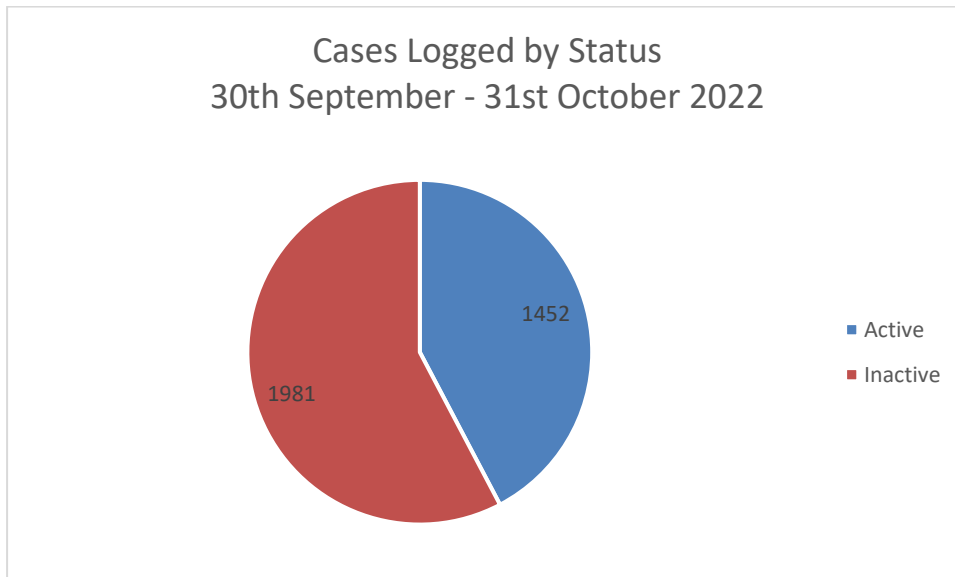


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Civic Hub Stats

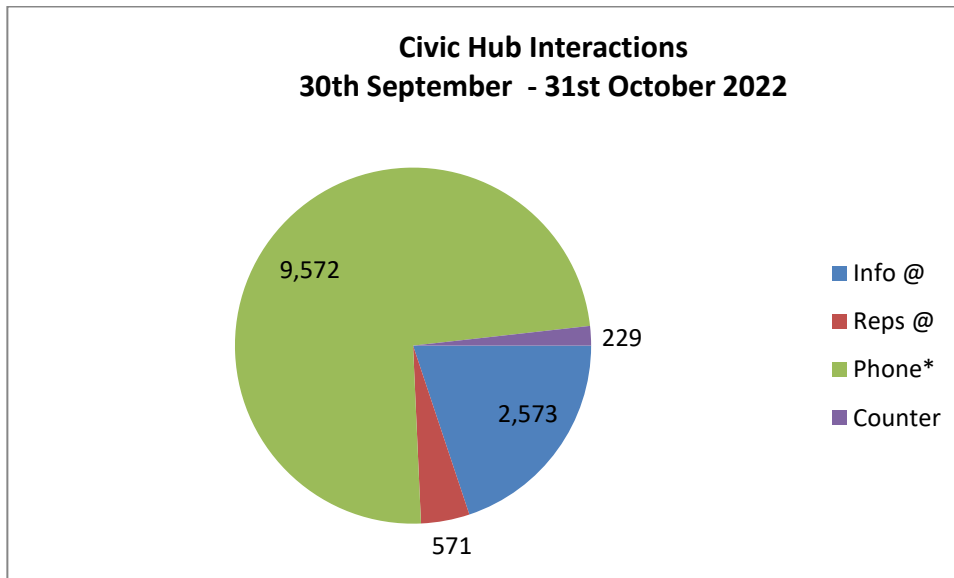


Cases logged from 30th September – 31st October 2022.

Open	1452
Closed	1981

Cases Logged from 30th September – 31st October 2022, by Section:

Section/Dept	Open	Closed	Total
Architects		14	14
Ballyogan Depot	1		1
CoCo		1	1
Comms & Civic Hub	29	365	394
Community	4	3	7
Corporate Services	2		2
dIrcoco	2	2	4
Enterprise		2	2
Environment	233	370	603
Finance	22	292	314
Housing	85	80	165
Libraries	2	1	3
Parks	194	337	531
Planning	4	25	29
Property	6	1	7
Transportation	858	379	1237
Waste Enforcement	9	94	103
Water Services	1	14	15
Grand Total	1452	1981	3433



* Pie chart excludes abandoned calls

Civic Hub Activities:

Cases logged from 30th September – 31st October 2022

Phone Statistics	Answered Directly	Transferred to overflow
	8202	1370

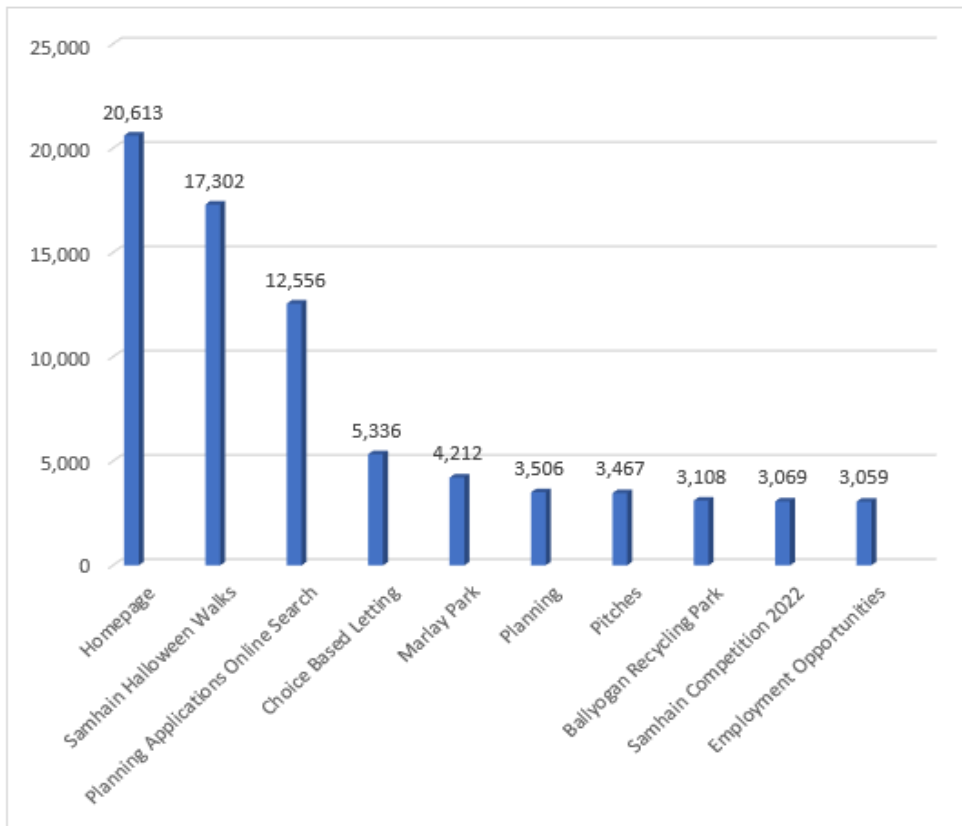
Emails received	Info@	Reps@	Total Emails
	2573	571	3144

Counter Interactions	Civic Hub	Appointments	Total
	160	69	229

Website Activity – page views

Website	Page Views
Dlrcoco.ie	206,340
Dlrevents.ie	44,363
dlrLibraries	34,745










Top Pages



Social Media Activity

Profiles

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

Profile [▲]	Audience	Net Audience Growth	Published Posts	Impressions	Engagements	Engagement Rate (per Impression)	Video Views
Reporting Period Sep 30, 2022 - Oct 31, 2022	76,493 ↗ 1%	582 ↘ 15.2%	1,685 ↘ 9%	1,534,579 ↘ 12.7%	102,792 ↗ 95.2%	6.7% ↗ 123.6%	17,036 ↘ 30.9%
Compare to Aug 29, 2022 - Sep 29, 2022	75,722	686	1,852	1,758,471	52,671	3%	24,649
 @DLR_Libraries	8,807	22	92	47,302	1,107	2.3%	291
 @dlrArts	2,988	12	85	23,979	747	3.1%	109
 @dlrcc	19,411	87	474	477,619	9,915	2.1%	9,146
 @dlrheritevents	4,015	1	7	3,697	202	5.5%	16
 @leo_dlr	5,629	-6	104	21,682	746	3.4%	136
 dlrcoco.ie	6,389	119	400	186,291	1,548	0.8%	1,238
 dlrevents	12,057	232	17	185,130	43,010	23.2%	30
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	14,135	99	438	496,661	41,961	8.4%	5,791
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership	3,062	16	68	92,218	3,556	3.9%	279

Press Queries

28 press queries were received between the 30th September – 31st October 2022

Freedom of Information

9 Freedom of Information requests were received between 30 September – 31st October 2022.

The Ballyogan Regional Temporary Rest Centre opened its doors to Ukrainian nationals on 28 April. The Rest Centre continues to accommodate up to 300 displaced Ukrainian nationals for short periods. Over 2,100 people have stayed at the centre for short periods.

As part of a comprehensive wrap around service, accommodation services at the Centre are being supported by HSE staff including Environmental Health, Public Health and COVID-19 services. The HSE is providing onsite support to meet the healthcare needs of Ukrainian residents, and residents also have access to an offsite GP service 7 days a week.

Among the facilities available in the temporary rest centre is separate laundry and sanitary facilities, internet access, television spaces, games consoles, games room, chessboards, use of bikes and scooters, libraries of Ukrainian books for children and adults, translation services, as well as online access to Ukrainian newspapers and magazines.

Additionally, orientation and information sessions, basic English language lessons and an arts and music entertainment programme is being developed both onsite and nearby offsite.

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

Work is now underway to provide extra facilities, including a homework club room for children, and adults workspace, and a new improved space for teenagers.

1. Road Maintenance Management Report - October 2022

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
RRP Major	Road Resurfacing Programme - Major Works					
1	Meadowmount Estate				✓	
2	Roebuck Road				✓	
3	The Park Estate Cabinteely	✓				
4	Mulvey Park		✓			
5	Kilgobbin Lane				✓	
6	Sweetmount Estate (part of)			✓		
7	Ballinlea Road				✓	additional resurfacing works included
8	Ashlawn Estate	✓				Tender to issue in Oct
9	Glenageary Road Upper		✓			Tender assessment & NTA Gateway Report WIP
10	Barnhill Road	✓				
11	Library Road			✓		
RRP Minor	Road Resurfacing Programme - Minor Works ('Patching')					
1	Old Clonkeen Road		✓			developer to complete road reinstatement
2	Clonskeagh Road			✓		resurfacing works included in as part of the Active travel Sandyford Cycle Route
3	Woodside Road				✓	
4	Trisillian, Foxrock	✓				
5	Brehon Field Road / Kingston Estate			✓		
6	Olivemount Grove / Road	✓				
7	Grange Wood	✓				
8	DLR Leisure Centre Meadowbrook				✓	Additional item to published Programme
9	Monkstown Farm				✓	
10	Georges Street Lower				✓	
11	Barnaslingan Lane		✓			
12	Idrone Lane	✓				Tender issued
13	Pearse Gardens				✓	
14	Avondale Road drive way				✓	
15	Bellevue Road				✓	Additional item to published Programme
16	St Helens Road				✓	Additional item to published Programme
17	DLR Leisure Centre Monkstown Blue Pool				✓	Additional item to published Programme

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
FP	Footpath Upgrade Programme					
1	Pine Valley (part of)				✓	
2	Sandyford Business District (part of)				✓	
3	Kerrymount Avenue (part of)	✓				consultation with Parks required
4	The Park, Cabinteely (part of)				✓	
5	Mount Anville Road (part of)	✓				Tender WIP
6	Dún Laoghaire Town		✓			
7	Wynberg Park (Part of)				✓	
8	Watsons Estate (Part of)	✓				Tender WIP
9	Glenavon Park	✓				Tender WIP
BSP	Bridges & Structures Programme					
1	Woodside Road Retaining Wall	✓				
2	Shanganagh Road Retaining Wall				✓	
3	Category 3 Bridges	✓				
DGRP	Drainage / Gully Repair Programme					
1	Whitethorn Road, Clonskeagh				✓	
2	Woodside Road				✓	
3	N11 at The Rise & Trees Road Lower				✓	
4	Stillorgan Wood				✓	
5	Ballinteer Road at Lynwood	✓				Tender WIP
6	Westminster Lawns				✓	
7	Frankfort Park				✓	
8	Dundrum Road				✓	
9	Kellystown Road				✓	
10	Quinns Road	✓				in conflict with IW works
11	Mounttown Park	✓				Tender WIP
12	Pearse Street Parking Bay	✓				Tender WIP
13	Newtown Ave Blackrock	✓				Tender WIP
NRP	National Roads Programme					
1	N31 (Coast Road, funding dependent)	✓				
2	N11-N31, 3-Year Resurfacing Programme				✓	
AWP	Accessibility Works Programme					
1	Loreto Park (part of)	✓				
2	Mulvey Park (part of)		✓			on site mid-November

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
3	Marine Road Pedestrian crossings		✓			
4	Clifton Park, Rathsallagh Grove				✓	
5	Laneways from Gleann na Smól to Queens Park (subject to agreement)		✓			
CMP	Cycleway Maintenance Programme					
1	Blackthorn Drive				✓	
2	Kilgobbin Road				✓	
3	Village Road in Aiken's Village				✓	
4	Dublin Road (Quinn's Rd junction)		✓			on site mid-November
EMP	Estate Management Programme					
1	Kilcross Estate				✓	
2	Rathsallagh Estate				✓	
TICP	Taking in Charge Programme*					
1	The Rise Mount Merrion				✓	
2	Foxrock Wood - Beech Park Laneway		✓			
*Subject to investigation and clarification of ownership, assessment of works and costs needed to bring these roads/laneways up to taking in charge standard, and no commitment can be made at this stage as completing such works would be dependent on available funding and resources.						

2. Traffic & Road Safety

	Preliminary Design Stage	Public Consultation	Detailed Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	Comment
NTA STMG Schemes 2022 – Schemes being progressed by Traffic & Road Safety Section							
Brewery Road Junction (Brewery Road/St Brigid's, Church Road)				✓			Works to take place on the St. Brigid's Church Road junction in Q4 2022. Tender documents have been returned and a contractor is due to be appointed in November.
Sandyford to Clonskeagh (UCD to Ashtons)					✓		Works are ongoing by SIAC Construction
Stillorgan Park Road to Carysfort Ave			✓				The tender documents to appoint a contractor have been placed on eTenders with a contractor to be appointed in the coming weeks
Sandyford Business District Cycle Routes			✓				Detailed design is progressing on all the routes in the Sandyford Business District. Tenders have been received for the construction of the Ballymoss Road and Arkle Road public realm schemes.
Sandyford Cycle Route (Roebuck Road to UCD)			✓				Detailed design is progressing on the scheme and tender documents will be

	Preliminary Design Stage	Public Consultation	Detailed Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	Comment
							prepared by the end of December.
Nutgrove Avenue - Phase 3	✓						Minor works will be carried out on junctions with designs to be prepared in Q1 2023
Cycle Parking Development					✓		132 cycle parking stands (264 spaces) and 9 cargo bike stands (15 spaces) installed. 33 Toaster cycle parking stands (330 spaces) and 26 scooter stands (260 spaces) supplied to 11 schools
Protected Cycle Facilities			✓				Work is due to commence soon on three schemes; Newtownpark Avenue, Avondale Road and Blackthorn Avenue.
Pedestrian Improvements							Works are substantially complete on installation of a new pedestrian crossing on Johnstown Road and on pedestrian improvements on Clarinda Park
Churchtown Road Lower (pedestrian improvements)					✓		Construction is ongoing
Stepside Village and Cycle Scheme	✓						A preliminary design is ongoing
Churchtown Road Upper		✓					Consultation report being compiled
Public Consultations							
None by Roads and Traffic Section at present							

Stillorgan Village Movement Framework Plan

Phase 3 – Finalising design and hope to go to non-statutory public consultation in Q1, 2023

Road Safety, Cycling and Sustainable Travel

The Road Safety Plan 2022 to 2030 was adopted at the County Council meeting on September 12th, 2022 and also presented to the Transportation and Marine SPC and the Joint Policing Committee the same week.

A temporary licence and the suspension of the licence fee and permit fees for Bleeperbike, Moby Bikes and Zipp Mobility has been issued up to the end of December 2022

Speed Limit Review

A Consultant has been appointed for carrying out a countywide speed limit review and briefing sessions were held for Councillors in the six Electoral areas in October. A Draft set of Byelaws is currently being prepared.

A number of staff members attended the Road Safety Authority Annual Conference in Croke Park on October 26th. This focussed mainly on 'Tackling Speeding'.

Deputations

Traffic staff met with Roebuck Residents, Woodlawn Residents and Ailesbury Residents on the 12th October 2022

Traffic Advisory Group (TAG)

A TAG meeting took place in Area 1 (Dun Laoghaire) on 25th of October and 26 items were dealt with.

Bus Connects

The Core Bus Corridors Schemes' (CBCs) statutory applications are now being progressed by the NTA for formal submission to An Bord Pleanála for planning permission. The Blackrock to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme (CBC 15) was the second application to ABP and the 8-week statutory public consultation period for this development closed on Tuesday July 12th, 2022. All planning documentation is available at: <https://belfieldblackrockscheme.ie/> The Traffic Section, with cross departmental input, made a submission to ABP with respect to the proposed CBC. The NTA have advised that the submission of the Bray to City Centre CBC planning application to ABP is planned for Q4 of this year (2022).

Bus Interchanges at Dundrum, Dun Laoghaire & Blackrock

Discussions are ongoing with the NTA regarding bus interchange improvements at both Dundrum and Dun Laoghaire. The improvements are needed to cater for the planned service increases under the BusConnects' programme. Meetings/workshops are ongoing to progress this work and a multi-disciplinary group from the Council is in place to assist. In addition, discussions are also ongoing with the NTA regarding potential public realm improvements in Blackrock and the impact on the existing bus interchange and bus services.

Area Based Transport Assessments (ABTAs)

Dundrum ABTA - Work on this project is progressing and the ABTAs Stages 1 & 2 now completed with work on Stage 3 – Options Assessment & Development and Stage 4 - Preparation of a draft Local Transport Plan, now at an advanced stage.

Racecourse South ABTA – Discussions have commenced with the Land Development Agency, the NTA and TII on the preparation of an ABTA for the Racecourse South lands at Carrickmines, in accordance with the requirements of SLO 143 in the current County Development Plan.

New Development Areas – Kilternan – Glenamuck, Old Connaught – Rathmichael, – Following discussions with the NTA, it has been agreed that the Old Conna ABTA study, commenced in 2019 and on hold since 2020, should not be completed due to outdated policy and context. It is anticipated that new ABTA studies based on updated policy and strategic context will be required for new development areas in the southeast of the county.

3. Water & Drainage

Drainage and Flood Alleviation

Engineering and Environmental Consultants were appointed in December 2019 for Flood Risk Management works on the **Deansgrange Stream**. This is a 4-to-5-year project. Activities completed to date include additional survey work, CCTV surveys, a Constraints Study, Hydrological analysis, and hydraulic modelling. Initial Public Consultation is now complete. Optioneering, environmental surveys and engagement with key stakeholders are underway. A Ground Investigation Contract is complete, and the report is awaited. Work has begun to review possible sites for environmental impacts. We have received preliminary approval from Irish Rail to tunnel under the rail line and can now progress to

public consultation for the scheme.

Engineering and Environmental Consultants have also been appointed for Flood Risk Management Works on the **Carrickmines/Shanganagh Rivers**. This is a 5+ year project. Data gathering is underway. A Flow/Rainfall Survey is complete. Further topographical survey work has been done. Early damage/benefits assessments are underway to ensure a cost-beneficial scheme is achievable. An initial public engagement is complete following short briefing sessions with Area Councillors. The Hydrology/Hydraulic report is now complete and initial options are being developed. A Contractor has been appointed for the Site Investigation. This work is due to begin next week.

The Monkstown environs flood risk mapping project is underway. The topographical survey is now largely completed. The flow/rainfall survey is now completed, and the CCTV survey is well underway. Draft flood maps have been produced and reviewed.

4. Roads Control Unit

Irish Water Reinstatement IWR Works 2022

Roads Control Unit is continuing to carry out the permanent reinstatement works throughout the administration area of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council (DLRCC) according to the current service level agreement (SLA) between Irish Water and DLRCC. In 2022, 564 no. locations have been received and 509 no. fully reinstated.

Roads Control Restoration Works RCRW 2022

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS
RCRP	Roads Control Restoration Programme 2022	
1	Cherrygarth (Part off) off Trees Road Lower, Stillorgan	Pending the completion of drainage works by a developer
2	Silchester Park (Part off), Glenageary	Fully completed
3	Stonebridge Lane, Shankill	In conjunction with IW/private contractor – Design to be reviewed before commencement

Section 254's

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

Section 254 – Above Ground Telecommunications Infrastructure	
Up to 31 st October, 2022	
Applications	No. 15
Processing	5
Granted	3
Withdrawn	3
Refused	4

The Section 254 webpage is now live on dlrcoco.ie

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

5. Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Section Statistics

Cleansing & Beaches Stats	April 2022	May 2022	June 2022	July 2022	August 2022	September 2022
Weight of Rubbish Collected from Streets/Beaches (tonnes)	232	230	253	227	251	242
Clean-Ups Assisted	70	81	63	56	61	50
Animal Removals from Public Spaces	16	30	16	27	1	26
Bathing Water Samples Taken	18	27	38	37	42	37
Gullies Cleaned	801	755	896	1,470	1,305	711
Dumping Incidents Managed	29	31	29	30	46	26
Bathing Water Pollution Incidents Detected	0	0	1	0	0	7
Reported Overflows from Drainage Network to Bathing Water	0	0	0	1	0	0
Street Bin Collections	5,957	5,737	5,405	6,246	6,012	5,214

* Statistics available up to the end of September 2022.

Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Updates – October 2022

- Coliemore Harbour: An Bord Pleanála (ABP) Part 10 Planning approval was expected by the 19th October, however a decision has not been issued as of yet by ABP. The on-site works may not progress until early 2023 due to weather constraints and this pending ABP planning decision.
- Quinns Road – The beach access repair works were tendered and a contractor has been selected. A prestart meeting has been held with the contractor and access and programme items are being addressed presently. It is expected that the on-site works will start in January 2023.
- 40 Foot Remedial Repairs – Material and fabrication lead times have delayed the project and it is currently expected that the project will be completed in late 2022 or early 2023.
- Redlough Landscapes Ltd are progressing as our weeding contractor, however, the contract is to come to an end on the 4th of November.
- Public Realm cleaning is on-going presently with power washing and furniture cleaning.
- DLR Baths – maintenance equipment has been ordered for the future handover of this space to the Cleansing team. On site Risk Assessments and adverse weather procedures need to be developed and agreed.
- Gully Cleaning and Road Sweeping overtime has occurred due to the recent wet weather.
- The Road Sweeping and Cycle Lane Sweeping schedules have been temporarily suspended since the 27th of October due to the leaf fall season. The sweeping schedules will be reinstated in early 2023.
- 8 No. Recycling Bins have been scheduled to be installed before the end of October.

6. Relevant Statistics

There were 2,898 Fixed charge notices/fines issued between 30th September and 31st October 2022 a breakdown of which is as follows:

Violation	No. of tickets issued
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display/Permit Parking Area Regulations	1,393
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display Parking Regulations	429
Parking a non-goods vehicle in a goods vehicle loading bay	328
Parking a vehicle on a footway	204
Parking a vehicle on a double yellow line	110
Parking a vehicle in a taxi stand	83
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display / Permit Parking Area Regulations	81
Parking a vehicle on a roadway with less than 3 lanes where there is a continuous white line	76
Parking or stopping a vehicle in a disabled person`s parking bay	59
OVERSTAYING 3 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	33
Parking a goods vehicle in a loading bay for over 30mins	22
Parking a vehicle within a stopping place or stand or bus stop	17
Parking a vehicle on a grass margin	8
Parking a vehicle on a single yellow line during a prohibited time	8
Not parking a vehicle within the limits of a parking bay	7
OVERSTAYING 1 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	4
Parking a vehicle at a no parking sign at a time prohibited	4
Parking a vehicle on a cycle track	4
Parking Electric Vehicle Only Bay	4
Parking in a bay reserved for Car Club Vehicles	4
OVERSTAYING 2 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	3
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of a road junction	3
Parking or stopping a vehicle at a school entrance	3
Parking or stopping a vehicle on a clearway	3
Parking a vehicle interfering with other traffic	2
Parking a vehicle obstructing other traffic	2
Parking a vehicle on a median strip	2
Parking a vehicle in such a position that interferes with other car park users or obstructing the entrance	1
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of exit side of traffic lights	1
Total of tickets issued between 30th September and 31st October 2022	2,898

There were 64 convictions secured in the District Court in October 2022.

Public Lighting

Work continues on the replacement of the old lights with LED lighting which is more energy efficient, gives less maintenance and improved service. General maintenance

including upgrading of brackets, columns and Networks is also on-going.

Public Lighting Maintenance

Number of repairs carried out in Oct 2022:	439
Percentage of lights out at the end of Oct 2022:	1.7%
Pole replacement carried out in Oct 2022:	20
Bracket replacements:	188
Tree trimming:	2
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	8
LED Upgrades	107
Total lights upgraded to LED	20,640
Total percentage (%) of lights as LED	85.3%

Planning and Building Control

Applications analysed	31
Inspections completed	2

Requests

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	0
Alterations:	5
Legal requests:	2

Road Opening Licences (30th September – 31st October 2022)

National Maproad Roadworks Licensing MRL System	
Applications Received	177
Applications Not Processed	61
Applications Refused/Withdrawn	2
Valid Licences Issued	97
Licensed Works Completed	17

Road Closures and Street Furniture, Filming Locations and Event Signage

In October 2022 there were:

- 1 application for road closure.
- 5 applications for film locations

7. Dún Laoghaire Harbour

Cruise Ship Business

We had approximately 72 Cruise Ships booked into the Harbour in 2022. 3 ships cancelled due to weather. Overall, the Harbour was being well received by ship management, cruise guests and the crew who come ashore. We are now doing a full review of the 2022 season with our various stakeholders and beginning to plan for a busier 2023 season with 90+ ships booked at present.

Grant Funding

The Brexit Adjustment: Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme 2022 – 2023 from

the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine has launched a Second Tranche call for applications. Dun Laoghaire Harbour received over €3 million in grant funding from the first tranche. We have submitted 5 grant applications to this scheme by the deadline of 30th September 2022. We await the outcome of the grant process.

Projects:

National Watersports Campus

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

DLRCC and Irish Sailing are developing a brochure/prospectus for the project to detail the project vision and scope. It is hoped that this initiative will assist in building momentum and support for the project.

Berth 2 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)

A project to replace the Berth 2 fenders has been given approval to proceed to procurement stage. RPS Group have been appointed to carry out the design and procurement for this project. This project was tendered, and Sorensen Construction have been appointed to deliver the project. We are awaiting Foreshore consent to proceed to works on site.

Grant funding has recently been secured for the installation phase of this project from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme.

Berth 3 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to replace the Berth 3 fenders from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. The project has been given approval to proceed to procurement stage. RPS Group have been appointed to carry out the design and procurement for this project as it is a mirror image of the Berth 2 fender project.

East Pier Revetment Repairs

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to repair the sloping revetment at the back (east side) of the East Pier from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. This revertant provides the primary protection for the East Pier and has suffered some damage over recent years from the larger storms. Punch Consulting Engineers have been appointed to design and manage the project which is likely to be on site during the summer of 2023. Initial surveys are now complete, and we await the final survey reports. Thereafter design work will commence on the repair project.

Ferry Terminal

Planning permission was granted for the ferry terminal project on 7th February 2020. A planning appeal was lodged to An Bord Pleanála. An Bord Pleanála have now granted permission for the development.

A business briefing on the ferry terminal proposal was delivered to the elected members by Hilary Haydon on 25th February 2020. An agreement to lease the building (subject to Foreshore and Section 183 consent) was signed in December 2021, and the Foreshore Lease has been agreed with the Dept.



This matter was brought to the full June Council Meeting and the Section 183 Disposal passed. The Legal Department is now dealing with closing the lease process so the new tenant can begin occupation.

Dublin Array Windfarm

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

Regatta Festival 2023

The Biennial Dun Laoghaire Regatta is due to take place in July 2023. We are working with several DLRCC departments to expand this into a week-long festival for the Dun Laoghaire Town and Harbour areas.

Finance and Economic Development

Local Enterprise Office and Economic Development Unit

Approvals for Financial Assistance Year to Date		
	Total approved Jan-Oct 2022	Enterprise Ireland target Jan-Oct 2022
Feasibility Study	12	13
Business Priming	11	10
Business Expansion	12	8
Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters	14	8
Trading Online Vouchers	93	37
Microfinance Ireland *	9	16
Total Approvals	151	

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

Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance	
	January - October 2022
No of jobs created	49

Clients assisted in LEO activities Year to Date for 2022	Total Jan - Oct 2022
Number of applications for Financial Assistance	15
Clients attending Networking Events	670
Clients commencing training and attending workshops or seminars	1103
Clients commencing mentoring assignments	182
Clients attending Business Advice clinics	187
Total No of Clients Assisted	2,157

DLR Economic Development Supports	Total Jan-Oct 2022
Vacant Commercial Premises Scheme	11
Shop Front Improvement Scheme	14
Business Promotion Grants	16
Street Furniture Grants	2

Enterprise Promotion activities in October 2022

DLR Enterprise News	<p>LEODLR – NWED Dublin 2022 Panel Speakers (sent 29/09/22) Open rate 58.3%, 2717 recipients</p> <p>LEODLR – NWED Dublin 2022 Overview (sent 06/10/22) Open rate 49.4%, 2719 recipients</p>
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	<p><u>LEODLR – NWED Dublin 2022 Final Call to Register</u> (sent 10/10/22) Open rate 54.5%, 2722 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – October Enterprise News</u> (sent 03/10/22) Open rate 58.8%, 2722 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – Collaborate DLR Panel Speakers</u> (sent 12/10/22) Open rate 50.1%, 2723 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – Overview of Collaborate DLR</u> (sent 19/10/22) Open rate 48.7%, 2723 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – Collaborate DLR Final Call to Register</u> (sent 24/10/22) Open rate 27.2%, 2727 recipients</p> <p><u>Open rate Industry average 11%</u></p>
One-to-One Business Advice Sessions	Remote Sessions throughout October
Targeting Your Target Audience	30 th September
How to Advertise Online with Impact	3 rd October
Managing Your Business During High Inflation	5 th October
Start Your Own Business for Film, Television and Animation	5 th October
Smart Digital Tools for SMEs	11 th October
Managing Your Business During High Inflation	12 th October
National Women’s Enterprise Day – Dublin Region Event	13 th October
Be a Better Leader	14 th October
How to Create Christmas Marketing Videos	19 th October
Pricing Your Product or Service	21 st October
8 Week Start Your Own Business Course	25 th October
Collaborate DLR – Inaugural Event	26 th October
8 Week Online Marketing & Social Media Course	26 th October
Sport to Start-up Ideation Bootcamp	28 th October

DLR Tourism Information Services

The Tourism Information Kiosk operated a seven-day service during October. The cruise tourism information service finished on October 13th for the season.

Joyce Tower & Museum

In collaboration with the Joyce Tower & Museum CLG, a process commenced to recruit a new Curator /Manager for the Tower. A new Manager is expected to be in place by December.

“ECOES” Maeve Binchy and Irish Writers festival

The ECHOES festival took place in Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre On October 1st & 2nd. This event was supported through the DLRCC /Fáilte Ireland Regional Festivals Grant 2022.

Fáilte Ireland Dublin Coastal Trail Activation Workshop

Fáilte Ireland held a Dublin Coastal Trail Activation Workshop 6th October. Following the successful implementation and launch of the Dublin Coastal Trail earlier this year, Fáilte Ireland brought the coastal industry together to continue to build strong partnerships.

Food on the Edge Festival

The Food on the Edge International is a two-day symposium took place on October 17th & 18th in Airfield Estate, Dundrum, with over 300 chefs & food enthusiasts from all around the world. This event was supported through the Tourism Footfall Initiatives budget.

Dun Laoghaire Comedy Festival

Working in collaboration with our colleagues in Economic Development Unit the development of the new Dun Laoghaire Comedy Festival is well under way. Various meetings with venue owners and managers have taken place and there is a lot of positive interest in this new festival.

Development of new Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2023-2028

The Tourism Office is working with the Economic Development Unit and the Community Department as part of a cross-departmental working group to develop a new LECP which will cover the six year period from 2023 to 2028.

On-line Tourism Promotion

Online tourism promotion campaigns continued throughout October, and advertising and promotion of events and tourism products will continue.

Social Media Analysis October 2022				
	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
Facebook	8,354	50	13	36,748
Twitter	3,836	5	14	17,700
Instagram	2,944	16	12	14,815

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/09/2022

75.00%

		EXPENDITURE		
SERVICE DIVISION	Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget	
A	Housing & Building	46,894,294	64,495,700	72.71%
B	Road Transport & Safety	20,481,480	30,916,000	66.25%
C	Water Services	8,953,736	12,483,600	71.72%
D	Development Management	24,871,210	24,816,800	100.22%
E	Environmental Services	24,899,282	33,025,100	75.40%
F	Recreation & Amenity	25,398,146	33,627,900	75.53%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,321,547	3,760,700	88.32%
H	Miscellaneous Services	10,662,983	10,673,200	99.90%
Total Expenditure		165,482,678	213,799,000	77.40%
		INCOME		
SERVICE DIVISION	Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget	
A	Housing & Building	40,021,602	57,510,900	69.59%
B	Road Transport & Safety	9,364,770	12,773,100	73.32%
C	Water Services	6,235,052	8,552,800	72.90%
D	Development Management	11,475,455	6,538,300	175.51%
E	Environmental Services	5,234,404	5,616,300	93.20%
F	Recreation & Amenity	4,464,220	5,664,900	78.80%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	2,879,430	2,817,600	102.19%
H	Miscellaneous Services	8,951,433	9,824,100	91.12%
Sub Total		88,626,366	109,298,000	81.09%
LPT	Local Property Tax	8,150,103	10,866,800	75.00%
RA	Rates	70,133,234	93,634,200	74.90%
Total Income		166,909,703	213,799,000	78.07%
Balance as at 30/09/2022		€1,427,025	Surplus	

DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/09/2022				
SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2022 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/09/2022 €
A Total Housing & Building	-15,421,669	33,806,733	-32,916,579	-14,531,515
B Total Road Transport & Safety	-8,174,111	19,219,579	-18,101,231	-7,055,763
C Total Water Services	-2,171,378	465,194	-148,712	-1,854,896
D Total Development Management	-147,508,338	24,154,963	-20,117,879	-143,471,254
E Total Environmental Services	-1,752,665	24,613	-426,968	-2,155,019
F Total Recreation & Amenity	-11,888,519	7,704,732	-7,983,215	-12,167,002
G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&Safety	-4,613,287	2,833,870	-1,781,073	-3,560,490
H Total Miscellaneous Services	-35,601,148	2,262,307	-2,834,613	-36,173,454
Grand Total	-227,131,114	90,471,991	-84,310,270	-220,969,393

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 30/09/22						
	Balance at 01/01/2022 €		Balance at 30/09/2022		Current year debit €	Arrears >1 year
RATES	21,425,164		41,735,780		30,023,345	11,712,435

Planning Applications – monthly statistics 30th September 2022 – 31st October 2022

	Outline Permission	Permission	Total
New application Received*	0	120	120
Decision Deferred	0	24	24
Decision to Grant**	0	100	100
Decision to Refuse**	0	18	18
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	88	88
Invalid Applications	0	14	14

*Includes 12 Applications for Retention

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

3 no. Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse)

Strategic Housing Development (SHD) Applications

Planning Applications received under section 4 of the P&D (Housing) & Residential Tenancies Act 2016

Case No	Applicant's Name & Brief Description of Development	Date Application Received	Last Day for Submissions/ Observations	Application Website	Due to be decided by ABP
N/A	No S.H.D. applications received.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<https://www.pleanala.ie/getmedia/fbddd473-fb89-4d06-b246-70057a28c163/Current-Applications-for-Website-Bilingual-28th-September-22.pdf>

Planning Counter Figures: 30th September to 31st October, 2022

Customers Served	237
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Building Control: 30th September 2022 – 31st October 2022

Fire Safety Certs applications received*	13
Fire Safety Certs applications Granted *	18
Fire Safety Certs applications Refused/Withdrawn/Invalid *	0/0/0
Disability Access Cert Applications Received **	13
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted / Refused**	11/0
Commencement Notices Validated	63
7 Day Notices received	1
Completion Certs Validated	25

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

**Includes DACs, Dispensation/ Relaxation

Infrastructure and Climate Change

Environmental Enforcement Section - Waste Enforcement, Air, Noise

Complaints received 40

Complaints closed 36

Litter and Waste Fines

30th September – 31st October 2022	Number	Comment
Litter Fines issued (Litter Pollution Act/Litter Byelaws)	32	
Presentation of Waste (Waste Byelaws) fines	8	
Legal proceedings initiated.	4	
Cases opened (Dumping/Litter)	179	Litter Section
Cases closed (Dumping/Litter)	154	Litter Section

Dog Stats for the period 30th Sept – 31st Oct:

- No of dogs on hand in shelter on 30th Sept - 4
- No of dogs entering the shelter - 3
- No of dogs rehomed – 1
- No of dogs reclaimed –1
- No of dogs sent to rescue -1
- No of dogs put to sleep – 0
- No of dogs remaining in the pound on 29th Sept - 4

Energy

The Energy Team's Home Energy Upgrade Event in County Hall, held as part of the Open House Dublin architecture festival, featured architects and energy experts including the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI). The event received over 200 attendees for the two-part event with presentations in the Council Chamber from a panel of 5 speakers and 13 exhibitors at the 'Meet the Experts' in the Assembly Room including SEAI, three One-Stop-Shops and two dlr library staff who demonstrated the Home Energy Saving Kit. The event was attended by a number of Councilor's and An Cathaoirleach Cllr Mary Hanafin, who addressed attendees on the importance of energy awareness and related work by dlr.

As part of the Government's Reduce Your Use campaign, the SEAI and Office of Public Works (OPW) are supporting public bodies in raising awareness about various aspects of energy consumption at work, at home and in the way we travel. A working group to manage a dlr 'Reduce Your Use' campaign is currently being finalized and some initial communications have been shared by the Communications Department along with Friday's Daily Dish and also on digital screens.

Conservation

Planning Applications (inc.FI & comp reports)	14
Section 5 Declarations	4
Section 57 Declarations	1
Built Heritage Investment Scheme (BHIS) 2022 Grant Scheme Historic Structures Fund (HSF) 2022 Grant Scheme	Deadline of 14 October for return of all necessary paperwork to DLR. Site inspection by Conservation Officers for all completed projects. Processing of payments for all grant projects.

Dangerous Buildings

Dangerous	0
Potentially Dangerous	5
Not Dangerous	0
Total	5

Community and Cultural Development

Community Response Forum

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

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

Temporary donations drop off points were established in Community Facilities, County Hall and Dundrum offices.

Ballyogan Parish Hall and the Samuel Beckett Civic Campus continue to be used as a base to provide English Classes and other activities for Ukrainian nationals. Residents of Ballyogan Rest Centre are accessing and using the facilities of dlr Leisure Ballyogan which is being supported by Community Section and Sports Partnership.

Local Policing Fora (LPF)

A meeting of the Sandyford/Stepaside LPF took place on 18th October. A public meeting of the Sandyford/Stepaside LPF took place on the 25th October.

LCDC

An LCDC meeting took place on the 5th of October. At this meeting Therese Langan was elected as the new chairperson of the LCDC and the LCDC approved operating costs (Round 2) grants under the Community Activities Fund to a total of €70,709.95

Age-Friendly Programme & Social Inclusion:

The Festival of Inclusion launched on 29 September with the "Autumn Medley of Creativity" in dlr LexIcon. It will close on 5 November with a celebration of Diwali in St Brigid's in Stillorgan.

The overall theme of this year's Festival is promoting equality, diversity and inclusion in the County. There were in excess of 50 events organised by the Council and community/voluntary groups throughout the County.

The High Security Lock Scheme 2022 closed for applications on 9 September. 220 applications were received by the deadline. Installation of the locks commenced in early October.

At the National Age Friendly Achievement Awards in Co Clare on 27 October, Rochestown House older persons housing development won the top prize in the Age Friendly Housing Award category.

Period Poverty Pilot Project

The supply of Period products across identified Community Facilities, Community / Voluntary Sector Service Providers, Libraries, County Hall and Dundrum offices (public toilets) continued during October.

Comhairle na nÓg

The Comhairle have been meeting bi-monthly since September to make arrangements for the Annual AGM on the 16th November.

European Youth Parliament, Ireland (EYPI)

The EYPI held the Dublin Regional Conference during October 21st – 23rd in Holy Child Killiney School. The Community Section sponsored funding for student delegates from DEIS schools in our area to attend the conference. The conference was officially opened by An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Mary Hanafin.

Rochestown House Residents Engagement

Staff from Community Development and Social Inclusion section held a public meeting with the residents of the Rochestown House Complex in October with a view to supporting the residents to identify how they want to use the communal space available in the complex. Following the meeting a questionnaire was sent to each unit in the complex and a follow up public meeting was held. From this a list of activities has been identified and work will be ongoing to support the implementation of them.

Estate Management

Recycle (skip) and WEEE collection days were organized in October across the county at Sandyford Bearna Park, Goatstown Close, Moreen Blackthorn, Kilcross, Hillview, Meadowlands Fitzgerald Park, Shanganagh-Rathsallagh-Clifton Estates, and Cois Cairn. These Recycle days, organised by local estate management committees in collaboration with the Community Section, were also attended by litter wardens and community Gardaí, where possible. Approx 88% of materials collected is diverted from landfill. A tonnage report will be available shortly.

Arts

Municipal Gallery Programme

Altered Ground by Dianne Whyte continued in the Municipal Gallery. Altered Ground is a new body of photographic work exploring landscapes undergoing extensive development within the local areas of Cherrywood, Lehaunstown, Carrickmines and Sandyford. Dianne Whyte is the 2022 recipient of the dlr Visual Art Commission funded by The Arts Council of Ireland and managed by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

Arts Grants

The dlr Arts Grant Scheme for 2023 opened for applications on Thursday 22nd of September. Grants are available to provide financial assistance to individual artists, arts groups and arts organisations engaged in arts projects or events at local or county level and to support the professional development and arts practice of individual artists, arts groups and organisations. There are also Arts Access Grants available for older persons and Community Arts Grants for small scale community arts events. The closing date was Tuesday 25th October at 5pm and 102 applications were received.

Grant clinics (both online and in person) were held and attended by over 30 people giving an opportunity to meet some of the Arts team, who answered questions and assisted with the application process.

Dementia Inclusive Autumn Programme for Carers

This is an interactive and engaging creative programme specifically designed with carers in mind. It is also devised to be open and welcoming to people living with dementia that may like to attend with their loved ones. A range of events will take place in various libraries, programmed by the Arts Office and Library Service. This programme is funded by Creative Ireland's Creativity in Older Age Programme 2022.

For further details: <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts-community/creative-and-social-programme-carers-people-living-dementia>

dlr First Frames Scheme

Following an open call process and interviews for short-listed projects, two awards will be made under dlr First Frames 2022/23. Previous films made under the Scheme have been selected for short film festivals around the world, with several winning awards; this includes one short winning Best Female Filmmaker at the San Diego Short Fest, and "Discovery Award" + "Special Mention Award" at the Dublin International Film Festival, and another recently receiving Best Short at the Louth Film Festival October 2022. dlr First Frames is fully funded by the Arts Office and Economic Development Unit and managed by IADT. The County Council works closely with the Institute of Art, Design & Technology's (IADT) National Film School (NFS) on this programme, with the NFS providing additional support in the form of mentoring and equipment loans to the successful projects.

Film Start Your Own Business Course

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Wicklow County Council are partnering to deliver a Start Your Own Business Programme specifically designed for those working in Film, Television and Animation. This is being delivered by the Entrepreneurs Academy and is aimed at people considering starting their own business within the screen or content creation industry. It will assist with understanding the essential elements required to start up and run a business in this area and is being delivered throughout the autumn/winter. The Arts Office is working with the Local Enterprise Office on this.

dlr Primary Arts Programme 2022-23

The Primary Arts Programme in partnership with Blackrock Education Centre is back up and running in schools for the 2022-23 term. 5 schools and 5 creative practitioners have been selected and matched for this programme that will run until Maty 2023. The central purpose of the programme is to facilitate a professional Creative Practitioner to collaborate with a primary school class and teacher to explore creativity in the classroom setting through various artforms. A Creative Practitioner is a professional facilitator with an artform background, for example; a Dancer, a Visual Artist, a Writer or a Musician. The following schools are participating for the 2022-23 programme: St. Columbanus N.S., Sallynoggin-Killiney Educate Together N.S., Gaelscoil na Fuinseoige, Glenageary Killiney N.S and Carysfort N.S.

Multisensory Arts Project in Residential Care Settings

'Framing the Senses' builds on ten years of experience of creative programming for and with people living with dementia and local service providers. Funded by Creative Ireland's Creativity in Older Age Programme it benefits people living with dementia, and their carers, and creates an awareness among the general population about the benefits and positive impacts of creativity for people living with dementia. As part of this programme a multisensory arts project is taking place in St. Joseph's, Shankill and Dalkey Community Unit for Older People, aimed at engaging older people with dementia that are unable to come to the dementia inclusive activities that are programmed in dlr LexIcon.

More information: <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts-community/framing-senses-dementia-inclusive-programme>

Local Live Performance

The final month of the local live performance programme took place across the County. 17 events took place in dlr Mill Theatre, Pavilion and UCD employing 65 creatives proving enjoying and entertaining for thousands. The Local Live Performance was a covid response measure for the arts and entertainment sector funding by the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts.

Libraries

dlr Libraries Online

Online Resources

We have a vast selection of resources/services available on our website here <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/online-library>

New! Who Next? and Who else Writes like?

Online Guides for adults and children. Help your child on their reading journey, by finding another author they love on whonextguide.com and for adults, browse genres or authors on whoelsewriteslike.com. All you need is your dlr Library card.

- download eBooks and eAudiobooks from **BorrowBox** and **Overdrive** to read/listen to on your tablet, laptop, or smartphone
- **TumbleBooks** is a streaming website of e-books for children
- **LOTE** is an online database of digital books in World Languages, created for children to enjoy books and learn language through storytelling. The platform provides over 1,600+ digital books in 50+ languages together with English translations. New books and languages are added each month
- **Medici.tv** is the leading video streaming service in classical music, opera, dance, and jazz. There are thousands of videos of concerts, operas, ballet, jazz, and masterclasses, as well as weekly and monthly live concerts and all that is required is a dlr Library Card
- read magazines and newspapers online with **Overdrive** and **Pressreader**
- take an online course with **Universal Class**
- learn over 100 languages online with **Transparent Language Online**
- stream or download music to your device with **Freegal**
- listen to a podcast with **dlr Soundcloud**
- look at an exhibition on your tablet, laptop, or pc

You just need your library card number and your PIN, and it is all free!

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

dlr Libraries' resources for Ukrainian families

We continue to add to our list of resources on our website here:

<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/library-news/dlr-libraries-resources-ukrainian-nationals> and at: <https://padlet.com/dlrLibraries/vlqvsj8lxav4ukf0>

These resources include information on library services, including free Wi-Fi, free internet pc access, photocopy, print and scanning services. We have also translated one of our existing flyers into Ukrainian and Russian, outlining our services. In addition, we have also drafted an information leaflet specifically for the Ukrainian Rest Centre in Ballyogan.

We have ordered books for children and adults in Ukrainian and Russian. We have purchased a selection of e-books on our existing online platforms (Overdrive and Borrowbox) and have purchased licences to download and print early readers in Ukrainian for children. We have also ordered some Ukrainian newspapers and magazines for our library branches along with the Ukrainian Community Hub in Ballyogan.

As with all DLR websites, content on <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/> can be accessed in multiple languages, including Ukrainian and Russian, by using the Accessibility button at the top of the webpage.

Online platforms with Ukrainian and Russian resources include:

LOTE Online: an online database of digital books in World Languages with new books released each month

PressReader: National and International digital newspapers, including several Ukrainian language publications

Borrowbox: A selection of Russian and Ukrainian books for children and Adults

Access to all these services is free, but a library card is required to access them. Library cards can be obtained by registering online or by calling into the nearest dlr Library with Photo ID.

Event Programming for Ukrainian Guests

Using Dormant Accounts Funding received, a series of events have been programmed in October and November in conjunction with our colleagues in the Community Dept. Events include: Yoga workshops, Art classes, Puppetmaking workshops, Craft sessions, English classes and Early Years workshops.

Creative and Social Programme for Carers of People Living with Dementia

Supported by funding from Creative Ireland's Creativity in Older Age Programme, dlr Libraries and dlr Arts office present a series of events for carers, taking place across 4 of our libraries from the end of September and throughout October. Events include dance workshops, music, and art workshops. The interactive and engaging programme is specifically designed with carers in mind. It is also welcoming to people living with dementia that may like to attend with their loved ones.

ADHD Talks

As part of ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) Awareness Month in October, we're hosting a number of information talks, both online and in-person, on Tuesday evenings. The talks cover a wide range of topics including: Neurodiversity and ADHD in the workplace, Executive Function and ADHD in Women and Girls. Suitable for parents/guardians of children with ADHD or Adults with ADHD themselves.

Events for Adults

Clubs & Groups

A wide variety of clubs and groups continue to use our library spaces to meet. These include the Language Exchanges and the Scrabble Club in Deansgrange Library, the Knitting Club in Cabinteely Library, and the Family Lego Club in Blackrock Library. Staff in Blackrock have also started a monthly Film Club for adults, consisting of a screening plus discussion. The Ciorcal Comhrá, the informal Irish conversation group, has returned to the LexIcon Café every Tuesday morning.

Each of the 8 branches have in-person book clubs, including the Audio Book Club in Dundrum Library with some also continuing with their online book clubs, due to ongoing demand. The very popular online monthly Book Club with Mary Burnham continues to meet online. The October title for discussion is *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus.

In this its centenary publication year, a new *Ulysses* book Club for adults has begun in Dundrum Library. For those who've always wanted to read this literary masterpiece, members will meet monthly to discuss two chapters at a time in order to finish the tome by Bloomsday 16 June 2023.

dlr Festival of Inclusion 2022

Countywide 29 September - 31 October

dlr Libraries hosted several events in our Libraries as part of dlr Festival of Inclusion, including a talk with Comhlámh in Blackrock Library, and a talk for parents by CyberSafe Kids.

Fadó Fadó Storytelling Festival

2022 saw the inaugural year of a new Storytelling Festival in dlr Libraries- Fadó Fadó. The Festival began on Saturday 22 October with a day of storytelling for all ages in dlr LexIcon. Throughout the rest of the Festival, storytellers will visit our libraries to tell stories to local schools and adults alike.

Murder One Festival

We were delighted to again support *Murder One* – the International Crime Writing Festival in 2022. dlr LexIcon was the venue for some in-person events, with events being live streamed for those unable to attend in person. Over the course of the Festival, an audience of over 1,000 attended in person. Highlights included a masterclass with Catherine Ryan Howard, Ann Cleeves in conversation with Breda Brown and All about Agatha: an evening with Lucy Worsley.

Exhibition Programme

On the Edge - Irish Guild of Embroiderers

02 September - 12 October 2022

Level 3, dlr LexIcon

The theme ON THE EDGE for this wonderful 2022 exhibition from the Irish Guild of Embroiderers was chosen in 2021 as they were hopeful of an end to the Pandemic and wondering what was coming next.

The Guild was founded in 2000 to bring together like-minded people with an interest in textiles, particularly embroidery, and to share inspirations, ideas and techniques.

Quaker Samplers Exhibition

Until 28 October

Level 3, dlr LexIcon

This exhibition shows the range of work in Ireland in the 18th and 19th centuries and looks at it in terms of the social, domestic and educational context of Irish Quakerism.

UNITED: A Ukrainian Photography Exhibition

Until 4 November

Level 3, dlr LexIcon

Images of the damage and carnage caused by the War are captured in this exhibition as well as portraits of displaced Ukrainian people now making Ireland their home.

Be Inspired!

27 Oct- 26 Nov

Level 4, dlr LexIcon

On 27 October, author Sarah Webb will be launching her latest book- *Be Inspired!*, and its accompanying exhibition. In this book Sarah Webb interviews inspiring young Irish people about their amazing achievements. Illustrations are by Graham Corcoran

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

Events for Children

Children’s Book Festival 2022

We were delighted to welcome authors both in person and online to all of our Library branches during the month of October to celebrate Children’s Book Festival with local schools. Children’s Book Festival takes place in October every year and helps spread the enjoyment of books and reading among children and families, authors and illustrators, teachers and librarians all over Ireland. Visiting authors included Sarah Webb, Alan Nolan, current Laureate na nÓg Áine Ní Ghlinn, Dave Rudden while Zanib Mian was online entertaining local primary schools.

STEAM events

Anyone4Science and MakerMeet hosted a series of STEAM events in the LexIcon Lab to mark Space Week.

Statistics

Social media (as of 26 October 2022)

Facebook	6,840
Twitter	8,812
Instagram	3,452
TikTok	272
dlr Libraries e-bulletin	9,084

Online resources (preliminary monthly figures as of 20 October 2022)

Digital library issues

Oct. 2022

Resource	Description	Prelim. Checkouts Oct. 2022
Overdrive	e Audio	1088
Overdrive	e Book	1565
Overdrive	Comics	3
Overdrive	Magazines	2831
Borrowbox	e Audio	5714
Borrowbox	e Book	2856
Freegal	Streaming + Download	1669
Press Reader	Newspapers	11475
Tumblebooks	Books	25
Lote4kids	Logins	5
Medici	Videos Viewed	n/a
Total		27231

Parks:

- Landscape Maintenance ongoing in Public Open Spaces/Parks/Sports Pitches/Playgrounds/Cemeteries/Housing sites/Halting Site/Senior Citizens residence/ Reservoirs & Pumping Stations/Sandyford Industrial Estate/Road Reservations/Margins, roundabouts, medians & embankments (Grass cutting/litter picking etc), ongoing by Landscape Maintenance Contractors and Parks Staff
- Cutting of Pollinator sites almost complete
- Flailing works ongoing
- Ongoing tree works
- Pitch improvement works ongoing county wide
- Boules facility under construction at Marlay Park by Parks staff
- New entrance into Cabinteely Park from Brennanstown Wood ongoing on site
- Widening of paths in Arnold Park complete
- Collection of bonfire material
- Ballinteer Men's Shed officially opened 1st Nov

Heritage:

- Dublin Mountains Community Archaeologist project; social media campaign, guided walk of archaeological landscapes of Two Rock Mountain and Ballyedmonduff, Oct 13, third walk planned for November, training of DMP Volunteers in progress
- Dlr Heritage Community Grants submissions being assessed
- Heritage presentation to Dun Laoghaire Active Retirement Group
- Chaired first meeting of Dublin Bay UNESCO Biosphere Heritage, Tourism and Local Economy Sub-committee / Biosphere partnership meeting
- Creative Ireland Culture Team strategy development
- LECP working group meeting
- Attended National Heritage Ireland 2030 Summit
- Interview process completed for new Manager/Curator of Joyce Tower Museum – Manager start date Dec 1st
- Progression of Fernhill house condition report
- Progression of Glen Druid dolmen public access feasibility study
- Progression of Memorials Committee approved memorials
- Final call out for contributions to Heritage Council and Dept. of Culture funded *People's History of dlr* oral history programme in partnership with UCD
- Administration of Dept of Heritage Community Monument Fund 2022
- Geology/landscape walk in Blackrock Park Oct 15th, second Geology walk to take place on Killiney Beach Nov 12th (GSI funded)
- Progression of Dún Laoghaire Augmented Reality historic photo project / Pier interpretation project
- Ongoing liaison and advice to internal dlr sections, citizens and community groups

Sports Development:

dlr Leisure: Set up and completed the following activities in October;

Schools (Drafts programme)

1. Good Shepard, Dundrum
2. Dominican School, Dún Laoghaire
3. St Colmcille's, Ballybrack

Youth groups

1. Kilcross Youth Group - mixed group (10-12 age)
2. Ballybrack Youth Group - mixed group (12-15 age)
3. Lab Youth Diversion Ballybrack - boys group (15-17 age)
4. Boylan Centre - mixed group (12-14 age)
5. Boylan Centre Youth Group - mixed group (15-17 age)

6. Dún Laoghaire Youth Group - girls only gym session (15-18 age)
7. Carmona Services - archery - mixed group (20-24 age)
8. Strive Disability Group Pottery Road - mixed group (20-24 age)
9. Youth Diversion Ballyogan - boys group (15-18 age)
10. Youth Diversion Sandyford - boys group (15-18 age)
11. Loughlinstown Community Centre - mixed group (12-14 age)
12. Shankill Youth Group - mixed group (10-14 age)
13. Sallynoggin Youth Group - mixed group (10-14 age)
14. Ukrainian Refugees sport session in Ballyogan - mixed group (10-20 age)

Other activities

1. Assisted dlr Sports Partnership with the Men on the Move programme.
2. Assisted dlr Sports Partnership with the Community 5k event in Kilbogget Park.
3. Provided 1 to 1 gym sessions for a client in Carmona services on Saturday mornings.
4. Organised a Bowling session for Sallynoggin Youth Reach.
5. Met with Ger from UCD Soccer and have arranged for their coaches to coach in our mid-term camp.
6. Met with DROP (Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Outreach Project) in relation to setting up activities going forward in the future.
7. Met with Gael Scoil Ballybrack, their school in relation to setting up an after-school programme.
8. Met with Queen of Angels NS to arrange an after-school programme.
9. Brought Drug Task Force to the Nightmare Realm.
10. Met with STAG in relation to setting up activities for their groups.
11. Met with sports officer Suzanne. ETB and are working on a partnership in developing youth programmes in the future.
12. Attended a healthy eating course run by the HSE with the aim of delivering healthy eating programmes to groups in the future.
13. Booked groups in for our mid-term camp in November.
(Update to follow in November report)

Leinster Rugby – October 2022 report

Schools

Jonathan Sharkey (Leinster Rugby CRO)

Primary Schools 5 – 454 males and 234 females

Secondary Schools – males

Emily McKeown (Leinster Rugby WDO)

Out of schools from Oct 8th to January 7th due to broken leg

Primary Schools 4 – 98 males and 362 females

Secondary Schools 0 – males and females

Andrew Egan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Old Wesley RFC)

Primary Schools 9 schools

516 children – 266 males and 250 females

Secondary Schools

– males

Luke Sloyan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Seapoint RC)

Primary Schools 4 – 543 males and 233 females

Secondary Schools 1 – 104 males

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

Workshop 3 – dlr region – Seapoint RC – 38 – JS
 St Brigid’s RFC – U12s – ruck session – 10 males – JS

dlr female club rugby (WDO section)

Seapoint u16’s league match – 18 females

dlr rugby development schools (male/female)

- Clonkeen College has progressed to the junior shield knock out stages.
- Clonkeen College has progressed to the senior cup knock out stages.
- St Benildus College and Newpark Comprehensive School are both competing in a new metro division 2a league.
- Oatlands College have lost their head of rugby and the school are progressing with past pupils supporting the teams with support from teaching staff, they hope to have a new head of rugby soon.
- Lunch time and after school training for 2 dlr female schools – 1st years, juniors and seniors – 61 females – EMcK

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

- Round 1 – Moved to Donnybrook from DLSP FC due to weather – 113 male first year players (2 dlr schools attending from a total of 5 schools St Benildus College and Newpark Comprehensive School)
- Female secondary school X7’s – Seapoint RFC, 2 DLR Schools attended

Leinster Rugby & dlr sports partnership county council programs

- Female Participation & Engagement in Sport Forum - EMcK

FAI:

- **Club Visits** – Ongoing.
- **SAFEGUARDING 1 Workshops** – Two delivered for local clubs, sixty coaches participated. Several courses planned for November.
- **Primary schools** – Futsal in The Yard in St Kevin’s NS, Sallynoggin, 80 boys and girls taking part. Eight schools to start in November.
- **FFA** – Programme with Stillorgan Park House continued. Twenty young adults taking part.
- **Girls Centre of Excellence** – Programme has commenced, sessions are delivered on Thursdays. 28 girls participating. Player ID ongoing every Sunday for next year’s group (2011). Games Planned for November 1st vs three other centers.
- **COACH EDUCATION** – Two PDP 1 courses and one PDP 2 course delivered, seventy coaches took part. Further courses planned for November.
- **Club Mark:** Rosemount/Mulvey and Stepside FC now applying for **Club Mark One Star Award**. On-going contact with other registered clubs to achieve award. Currently three dlr clubs have achieved Club Mark. A further seven have registered.
- **Administration** - Planning work for all programmes on a continual basis. Regional and national staff meetings and training days on-going on a weekly and monthly basis. For example, **Future Stars** and **Girls in Green** to start in November.

Leinster Cricket:

- Our Lady’s GNS Ballinteer – Intro to cricket jnr. infants to 3rd class (8 classes).
- St. John’s NS Ballybrack- Intro to cricket Jnr infants to 3rd class (5 Classes).
- Holypark BNS Foxrock – In school cricket blitz 200 boys.
- St. Joseph’s NS Dún Laoghaire – Intro to cricket Jnr infants to 3rd Class (5 classes).
- Holy Family NS Dún Laoghaire - Intro to Cricket Jnr infants to 6th Class (8 classes).
- Kill of the Grange NS Deansgrange – Intro to cricket jnr. infants to 3rd Class (5

classes).

- Dominican NS Dun Laoghaire – Intro to cricket stream 1 jnr. infants to 3rd class (5 classes).
- Our Lady's BNS Ballinteer – Intro to cricket jnr. infants to 3rd class (8 classes)
- Our Lady's GNS Ballinteer – 1 x class for ASD unit.
- We ran a coach ed program over two days at Gaelscoil Shliabh Rua with 12 new coaches qualifying from the sessions.
- Continued liaison with both Sandyford and DLR cricket clubs regarding on-going works at both Marlay and Shanganagh parks.

Sports Partnership:

- **Staffing** – new Active Cities Officer, Sports Marketing Officer and Community Sports Development Officer have now started with the Sports Partnership. Awaiting date to re-advertise the Sports Inclusion Disability Officer position, with Gwen O'Looney acting up into the position in the meantime.
- **dlr Community 5K 2022** – very successful event held on the 8th October in as part of the Festival of Inclusion. Over 850 participants of all ages and abilities.
- **Sports Forum** – information sharing meeting for sports clubs on the 25th October in The Lexicon with a focus on female engagement and retention (85 attendees).
- **Marathon Kids** – rolling out this activity programme across 18 primary schools (1,400 children) in September/October with medals and final event in November.
- **Women In Sport Leadership Programme** – the second round of this 8-week leadership programme for 18 females involved in sport in DLR is now complete.
- **Winter Initiative** – linking into this national initiative to roll out a range of participation programmes and awareness raising activities to increase people's activity levels during the winter months.
- **Club Participation Grants Scheme** – 2023 scheme has closed for applications across Women In Sport, Disability and Volunteering. 35 applications received.
- **Active Dublin** – work continuing on this initiative as well as working with the other Active City LSP's to deliver agreed actions and promote the initiative. National launch taking place in November for all 8 Local Authority areas (5 cities).
- **Walking For Health** – weekly walking programme started in Dun Laoghaire for adults looking to return to physical activity (15 participants).
- **Blazing Wheel's Roller Skating Programme** – started delivery of a weekly learn to roller skate initiative for women with a fun social focus (20 participants).
- **Virtual Couch To 2K** – raising awareness and registering participants to take part in a 4-week beginners jogging programme in November culminating in a fun event.
- **ExWell** – weekly programme for older adults with chronic illnesses as part of the Active Cities initiative. Based in Sandyford Community Centre.
- **Men On the Move** – continuing delivery of this 8-week programme aimed at adult men to support them to become active in a social group setting (20 participants).
- **Ukraine Refugee Supports** – joint funding gym visits to the dlr Leisure Ballyogan centre for adults staying in the Rest Centre. Continuing to provide sports equipment to families and raising awareness of local opportunities.
- **Boules Courts** – working with the Parks Dept. to install new Boules courts in Marlay and Kilbogget Parks as part of the Active Cities project.
- **Ballyogan Sports & Physical Activity Hub** – collaborating with local partner agencies to identify and deliver targeted projects for children and young people.
- **Inclusive Bike Fleet** – ongoing promotion of this free inclusive bike hire service to provide people with a disability access to the Coastal Mobility Route.
- **Safeguarding** – 3 x Child Protection in Sport workshops in October (39 attendees).
- **No Excuses November** – setting up a new weekly exercise class for adult men returning to being active (14 participants).