



DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

**1 SEPTEMBER – 29 SEPTEMBER
2022**



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Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty – DLR County Council

All public bodies in Ireland have responsibility to promote equality, prevent discrimination and protect the human rights of their employees, customers, services users and everyone affected by their policies and plans. The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Corporate Plan 2020 – 2024 sets a corporate goal to promote equality and human rights by implementing Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty. The steps identified by dlr County Council to achieve this goal are as follows:

- Eliminate discrimination, protect human rights and promote equality of opportunity through implementation of this Duty.
- Develop a cross departmental group to oversee the implementation of the Duty.
- Implement Stage one: Assess the key equality and human rights issues for the people we provide services to and our staff. Review structures and initiatives already in place to support human rights and equality and identify the priority issues for action.
- Stage two: Address equality and human rights issues identified for action.
- Stage three: Report on development and achievements arising from the implementation of the Duty.
- Strengthen and build understanding and capacity to meet Public Sector Duty obligations in local government, community and voluntary organisations.
- Provide Council Services and information in an affordable and accessible manner for all.
- Ensure social inclusion, equality and accessibility is at the core of our services, activities and events to support our vibrant economy and strong community, for people of all ages.
- Provide access to Council decision-making through accessible and meaningful public consultation.

Implementation Progress to Date

- A cross departmental working group was set up to oversee the implementation of the Duty. This group held regular meetings and commissioned an assessment, validation and implementation report from Value Labs, with regard to Equality and Human Rights Issues at dlr County Council.
- Dlr County Council identified five equality and human rights values motivating its ambitions for the Duty; Dignity; Accessibility; Social Justice; Participation; and Empowerment. These five values are used as a framework to set out the assessment of the equality and human rights issues that are relevant to the functions of dlr County Council.
- The Value Labs assessment reviewed dlr strategies, such as The dlr Strategic Plan for Housing people with a disability 2021 – 2026; The dlr Age Friendly strategy 2016 – 2020 and the dlr Local Economic and community Plan 2016 - 2021. They also took into consideration National Policy Strategies such as the National Disability Inclusion Strategy 2017 -2022; The Comprehensive Employment Strategy for People with Disabilities 2015 – 2024; The National Positive Ageing Strategy; the National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy 2017 – 2021; The National LGBTI Inclusion Strategy 2019 – 2021; the LGBTI National Youth Strategy 2018 – 2020; and The Arts Council: Equality, Human Rights and Diversity Policy and Strategy 2019.
- To enable the implementation of the Duty, Value Labs recommended the following: Leadership at all levels in dlr County Council to ensure implementation of this plan; Corporate Services to hold overall responsibility for ensuring and enabling implementation of the Duty; internal staff training to enable understanding of the Duty; Communications to develop messages on the Duty; Partnership Committee to provide creative input and pursue communication initiatives; Senior Management

Team to identify, mark and celebrate DLRCC achievements; and monitoring progress.

- An Equality Review and Action Plan was carried out by the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission was carried out to assess social housing services and non-Irish nationals.
- This led to the creation of dlr County Council's Equality Action Plan, which includes actions on the following: Website accessibility; staff training; equality awareness; engage with PPN; customer surveys; improved form and design layout; translation services; and many more actions.

Achievements to Date

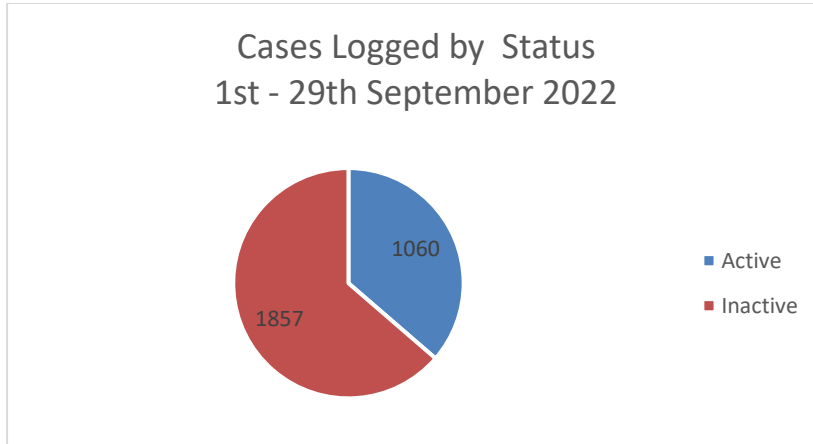
There have been many initiatives implemented to date, below are some of these:

- Notably, two of these initiatives have recently been shortlisted in the annual Clambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards, 2022:
 - **dlr Digital Inclusion Acorn Project** in Age Friendly Initiative
 - **Embedding a culture of plain English communications in a Housing Department** in Communications
- Dlr Festival of Inclusion, every autumn, which highlights and celebrates social inclusion initiatives and to support and encourage all to actively participate in the community. Some of the events included are: disability in the workplace seminar; age-friendly entertainment; the Travellers Theatre; multicultural women's breakfast; men's shed; autism awareness; Know your Neighbour; free on-line public training for diversity & inclusion, cultural awareness and LGBTI + awareness and ally training. Commencing Thursday 29th September this year.
- Arts Office and Libraries have many initiatives running, including: dementia inclusive gallery tours; ADHD awareness talks; services for those with additional needs; reader pens for schools; and laptops for lending, to name a few.
- Sports Partnership and the Royal St. George's Yacht Club, Inclusive Water Sports Summer Camp.
- Website upgrade now includes Accessibility icon to allow translation of website into different languages and font sizes.
- Communications, public survey currently running, 'How we communicate?'
- The Partnership Office and Disability and Consultation Group, involvement with Make Way Day 30th September 2022.

Conclusion

Dlr County Council continues to work towards eliminating discrimination, protecting human rights and promoting equality, throughout our organisation and in the community. We plan to roll out Human Rights and Equality training for all dlr staff. There is also a business case prepared to appoint, subject to departmental sanction and available budget, a full time Equality Officer, who will lead out on enabling and ensuring implementation of the Duty and be responsible for co-ordinating and implementing these and other initiatives to create a more diverse workplace and creating opportunities for all members of the community.

Civic Hub Stats

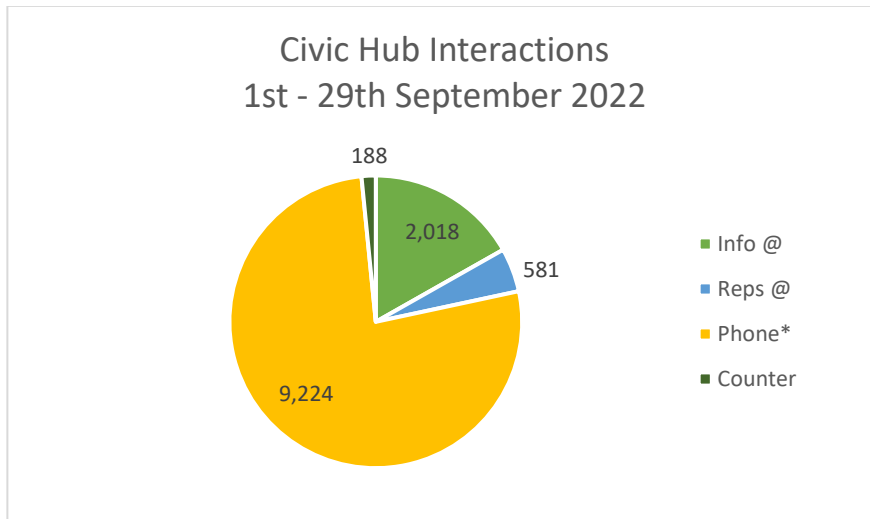


Cases logged from 1st – 29th September 2022

Open	1060
Closed	1857

Cases Logged from 1st – 29th September 2022, by Section:

Section/Dept	Open	Closed	Total
Architects		12	12
CoCo		4	4
Comms & Civic Hub	17	403	420
Community	4	8	12
Corporate Services	7	1	8
dlrcoco	3		3
Enterprise	9		9
Environment	175	345	520
Finance	32	305	337
Housing	104	64	168
HR	1		1
IT		1	1
Libraries	2	1	3
Parks	284	246	530
Planning	4	14	18
Property	5	4	9
Transportation	402	353	755
Waste Enforcement	8	62	70
Water Services	3	34	37
Grand Total	1060	1857	2917



* Pie chart excludes abandoned calls

Civic Hub Activities:

Cases logged from 1st – 29th September 2022

Phone Statistics	Answered Directly	Transferred to overflow
	8005	1219

Emails received	Info@	Reps@	Total Emails
	2018	581	2599

Counter Interactions	Civic Hub	Appointments	Total
	151	37	188

Website Activity – page views

Website	Page Views
Dlrco.co.ie	180,523
Dlrevents.ie	21,781
dlrLibraries	35,737

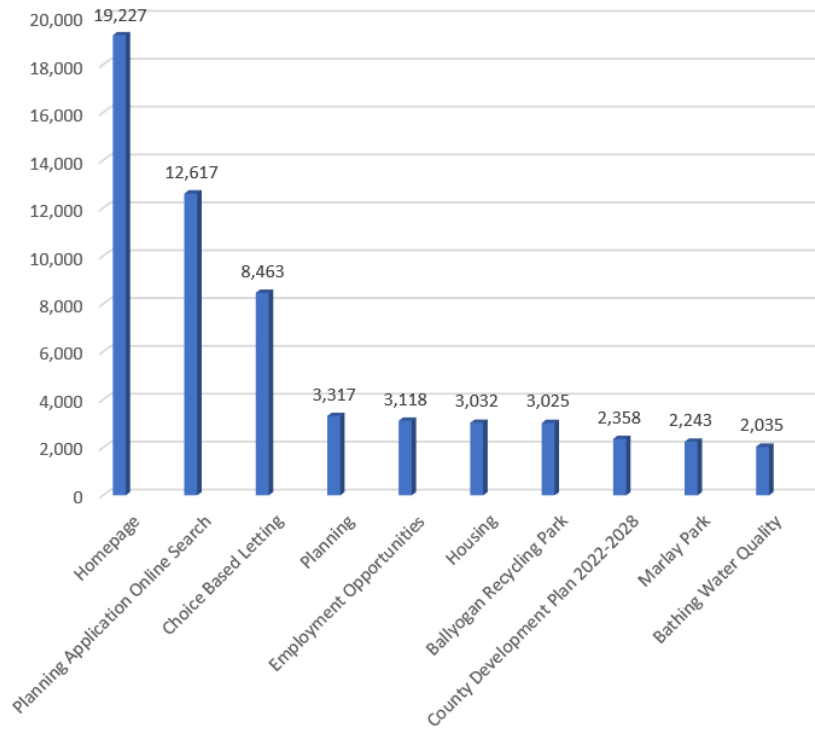
Press Queries

19 press queries were received between the 1st of September and the 29th of September 2022

Freedom of Information

17 FOI requests were received between the 1st of September and the 29th of September 2022

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
Reporting Period Sep 1, 2022 – Sep 29, 2022	75,706 ↑ 9.5%	613 ↑ 5%	1,632 ↓ 0.7%	1,521,519 ↓ 4.9%	45,832 ↓ 12.9%
Compare to Aug 3, 2022 – Aug 31, 2022	69,166	584	1,643	1,599,225	52,640
@DLR_Libraries	8,785	30	99	46,282	1,536
@dlrArts	2,976	16	118	79,023	2,579
@dlrcc	19,324	158	434	524,818	11,185
@dlrheritevents	4,011	10	4	2,791	73
@leo_dlr	5,635	7	91	13,434	232
dlrcoco.ie	6,270	169	401	232,250	2,352
dlrevents	11,659	49	0	5,792	128
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdo...	14,013	129	449	523,390	24,624
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdo...	3,033	45	36	93,739	3,123

The Ballyogan Regional Temporary Rest Centre opened its doors to Ukrainian nationals on 28 April.

Significant work has been undertaken by regional agencies, led by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, to provide temporary accommodation facilities, managed by a dedicated site supervisor overseeing an extensive facilities team, as well as catering, security and cleaning details, all operating on a 24-hour basis.

The Ballyogan Regional Temporary Rest Centre can accommodate up to 300 displaced Ukrainian nationals for short periods. Thereafter they will be allocated longer term accommodation in other areas of the state.

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 to develop as safe and as comprehensive support services as possible include 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.

1. Road Maintenance Management Report - September 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	✓				
9	Glenageary Road Upper		✓			
10	Barnhill Road	✓				
11	Library Road		✓			on site in Oct
RRP Minor	Road Resurfacing Programme - Minor Works ('Patching')					
1	Old Clonkeen Road	✓				
2	Clonskeagh Road			✓		resurfacing works included 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	✓				IW rehab on site in Sep
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)	✓				
6	Dún Laoghaire Town		✓			
7	Wynberg Park (Part of)				✓	
8	Watsons Estate (Part of)	✓				GPR survey on site
9	Glenavon Park	✓				
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	✓				
6	Westminster Lawns				✓	
7	Frankfort Park				✓	
8	Dundrum Road				✓	
9	Kellystown Road				✓	
10	Quinns Road	✓				
11	Mounttown Park	✓				
12	Pearse Street Parking Bay	✓				
13	Newtown Ave Blackrock	✓				
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)		✓			

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)	✓				
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 at the end of September.
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 will be issued in September 2022.
Sandyford Business District Cycle Routes			✓				Detailed design is progressing on all the routes in the Sandyford Business District. Following a local public consultation, minor changes will be made to the Corrig Road proposals.
Sandyford Cycle Route				✓			Detailed design is progressing on the

	Preliminary Design Stage	Public Consultation	Detailed Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	Comment
(Roebuck Road to UCD)							scheme.
Nutgrove Avenue - Phase 3	✓						Minor works will be carried out on junctions in 2022 with designs to be prepared in Q4 2022
Cycle Parking Development					✓		122 cycle parking stands (244 spaces) and 9 cargo bike stands installed up to end of September 2022 33 Toaster cycle parking stands (320 spaces) and 26 scooter stands (260 spaces) supplied to 11 schools, following a public consultation process.
Protected Cycle Facilities			✓				Work is due to commence on October on three schemes; Newtownpark Avenue, Avondale Road and Blackthorn Avenue.
Pedestrian Improvements					✓		Work is continuing 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
Stepaside 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 non-statutory public consultation in the Autumn

Road Safety, Cycling and Sustainable Travel

The Road Safety Plan was presented to the County Council meeting, the Transportation and Marine SPC, and the Joint Policing committee on September 12th, 13th and 14th and the plan was noted by the Council.

A pilot back to base type bike ESB Ebikes schemes was launched on conjunction with ESB

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news-public-notice-press-releases/dlr-partners-esb-launch-ebike-pilot-project-dublin>

Speed Limit Review

A Consultant has been recently appointed for carrying out a countywide speed limit review. Developing methodology at the moment

Deputations

Traffic staff met with Ticknock Hill residents on 14th of September 2022

Traffic Advisory Group (TAG)

A TAG meeting took place in Area 2 (Dundrum) on 14th of September and 31 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 formal 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).

The submission of the CBC planning applications to ABP triggers a formal statutory public consultation process in respect of each of the stand-alone Core Bus Corridor schemes, with submissions made directly to An Bord Pleanála for their consideration. During this process, the finalised Environmental Impact Assessment Reports, inclusive of traffic impact analyses, will be published and available for inspection (including online) and purchase. The public will then have the formal opportunity to have their views heard and considered by An Bord Pleanála as part of the statutory consultation process to inform An Bord Pleanála's assessment of each of the stand-alone Core Bus Corridor schemes.

Dundrum ABTA - Area Based Transport Assessment

Work on this project is progressing and the ABTAs Stages 1 & 2 now completed with work on Stage 3 – Options Assessment & Development, now at an advanced stage.

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 have also commenced with the NTA regarding potential public realm improvements in Blackrock and the impact these may have on the existing bus interchange and bus services.

Old Conna ABTA - Area Based Transport Assessment

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 a new ABTA study based on updated policy and strategic context will be required.

Racecourse South ABTA – Area Based Transport Assessment

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

New Bus Stops to Serve Planned BusConnects Orbital Bus Services

The Traffic Section has been liaising with the NTA on the location and design of new bus stops throughout the county, required to support planned new bus services being introduced by the NTA over the next two years. It is anticipated that bus stop approval notices for the new stops will be issued to the NTA in Q3 of this year.

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, 467 no. locations are received, and 297 no. were 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 developer
2	Silchester Park (Part off), Glenageary	On site
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 29 th September, 2022	
Applications	No.
Processing	7
Granted	2
Withdrawn	3
Refused	3

The Section 254 webpage is now live on dlrcoco.ie

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

5. Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Section Statistics

Cleansing & Beaches Stats	March 2022	April 2022	May 2022	June 2022	July 2022	August 2022
Weight of Rubbish Collected from Streets/Beaches (tonnes)	213	232	230	253	227	251
Clean-Ups Assisted	72	70	81	63	56	61
Animal Removals from Public Spaces	21	16	30	16	27	1
Bathing Water Samples Taken	18	18	27	38	37	42
Gullies Cleaned	1,128	801	755	896	1,470	1,305
Dumping Incidents Managed	37	29	31	29	30	46
Bathing Water Pollution Incidents Detected	0	0	0	1	0	0
Reported Overflows from Drainage Network to Bathing Water	15	0	0	0	1	0
Street Bin Collections	5,583	5,957	5,737	5,405	6,246	6,012

* Statistics available up to the end of August 2022.

Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Updates – September 2022

- Coliemore Harbour: An Bord Pleanála Part 10 Planning approval is expected by the 19th October. The on-site works may not progress until early 2023 due to weather constraints.
- Quinns Road – The beach access repair works were retendered via eTenders and all submissions are being reviewed currently.
- 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 and weeding crews have been deployed across the County.

- 1100L wheelie bins that were deployed during the busy summer period have been removed from service.
- Public Realm cleaning is on-going presently with power washing and furniture cleaning.
- Lifeguards: Sandycove, Seapoint and Killiney beaches Lifeguard service finished on the 15th of September in line with the end of the Bathing Season.
- Bathing Prohibition notices were erected at Seapoint, Killiney, Corbawn Lane, Blackrock and Coliemore Harbour during September. All notices have now been removed.
- N11 Deep Clean weekend operations commenced and will be completed by the end of September.
- Gully cleaning and Junction Head cleaning is on-going.
- Town and Village Deep Cleans are progressing.

6. Relevant Statistics

There were 2,460 Fixed charge notices/fines issued between 1st and 29th September 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	1,171
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display Parking Regulations	333
Parking a non-goods vehicle in a goods vehicle loading bay	312
Parking a vehicle on a footway	180
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display / Permit Parking Area Regulations	77
Parking a vehicle on a roadway with less than 3 lanes where there is a continuous white line	65
Parking a vehicle on a double yellow line	60
Parking a vehicle in a taxi stand	58
Parking or stopping a vehicle in a disabled person`s parking bay	57
Parking a goods vehicle in a loading bay for over 30mins	24
OVERSTAYING 3 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	23
OVERSTAYING 2 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	16
Parking a vehicle within a stopping place or stand or bus stop	16
Not parking a vehicle within the limits of a parking bay	9
Parking a vehicle at a no parking sign at a time prohibited	8
Parking a vehicle obstructing other traffic	8
Parking Electric Vehicle Only Bay	6
Parking a vehicle on a cycle track	5
OVERSTAYING 1 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	4
Parking a vehicle on a single yellow line during a prohibited time	4
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of a road junction	4
Parking in a bay reserved for Car Club Vehicles	4

Parking a vehicle on a grass margin	3
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of exit side of traffic lights	3
Electric vehicle in an electric vehicle bay but not charging	2
Parking a vehicle on a median strip	2
Parking out of the limits of a bay	2
Parking a vehicle in a bus lane/street	1
Parking a vehicle within 15 meters of pedestrian crossing (approach side) or 5 meters on the other side	1
Parking or stopping a vehicle at a school entrance	1
Parking or stopping a vehicle on a clearway	1
Total no. of notices issued between 1st to 29th September 2022	2,460

There were 175 convictions secured in the District Court in September 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 Sept 2022:	522
Percentage of lights out at the end of Sept 2022:	1%
Pole replacement carried out in Sept 2022:	3
Bracket replacements:	220
Tree trimming:	48
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	47
LED Upgrades	208
Total lights upgraded to LED	20,542
Total percentage (%) of lights as LED	84.8%

Planning and Building Control

Applications analysed	24
Inspections completed	3

Requests

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	3
Alterations:	5
Legal requests:	2

Road Opening Licences (1st September – 29th September 2022)

National Maproad Roadworks Licensing MRL System	
Applications Submitted	263
Applications Processed	158
Applications Refused/Withdrawn	7
Applications Not Processed Yet	87
Applications with completed Licensed Works	11

Road Closures and Street Furniture, Filming Locations and Event Signage

In September 2022 there were:

- 1 application for street furniture
- 3 applications for road closure.
- 3 applications for film locations
- 0 applications for event signage

7.Dún Laoghaire Harbour

Cruise Ship Business

We have approximately 70 Cruise Ships booked into the Harbour in 2022. The first ship arrived on 29th March and was a very successful visit. Approximately 65 ships have visited since then, and the Harbour is being well received by ship management, cruise guests and the crew who come ashore.

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.

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 survey reports.

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-Sep 2022	Enterprise Ireland target Jan-Sep 2022
Feasibility Study	12	12
Business Priming	9	9
Business Expansion	11	7
Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters	12	7
Trading Online Vouchers	83	34
Microfinance Ireland *	8	15
Total Approvals	135	

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

Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance	
	January - September 2022
No of jobs created	41

Clients assisted in LEO activities Year to Date for 2022	Total Jan – Sep 2022
Number of applications for Financial Assistance	127
Clients attending Networking Events	317
Clients commencing training and attending workshops or seminars	980
Clients commencing mentoring assignments	171
Clients attending Business Advice clinics	166
Clients participating in Management Capability Development Programmes	66
Total No of Clients Assisted	1,827

DLR Economic Development Supports	Total Jan-Sep 2022
Vacant Commercial Premises Scheme	8
Shop Front Improvement Scheme	14
Business Promotion Grants	8
Street Furniture Grants	2

Enterprise Promotion activities in September 2022

DLR Enterprise News	<p><u>LEODLR – September Enterprise Events</u> (sent 05/09/22) Open rate 36.4%, 2716 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – Launching National Women’s Enterprise Day 2022</u> (sent 12/09/22) Open rate 51.8%, 2721 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – September News 16.09.22</u> (sent 16/09/22) Open rate 50.3%, 2721 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – Introduction to MC & Guest Speakers of NWED Dublin 2022</u> (sent 22/09/22) Open rate 56.5%, 2719 recipients</p> <p><u>LEODLR – Upcoming Training Oct 2022</u> (sent 27/09/22) Open rate 24.4%, 2718 recipients</p> <p><u>Open rate Industry average 11%</u></p>
One-to-One Business Advice Sessions	Remote Sessions throughout September
8 Week Start Your Own Business Course	1st Sept 2022
Content Creation & Copywriting	6th Sept 2022
7 Week Export Development Programme	7th Sept 2022
8 Week Online Marketing & Social Media Course	8th Sept 2022
Ideation – Creativity & Innovation for Small Business	12th Sept 2022
Lunchtime Lift Roundtable (Be a Better Leader)	14th Sept 2022
4 Week Accounting for Small Business Course	14th Sept 2022
Trading Online Voucher Webinar	20th Sept 2022
How to Maximise Sales on Your Website	22nd Sept 2022
Financial Management - Beginners	26th Sept 2022

LEO dlr Social Media Analysis: September 1st – September 29th 2022				
	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
Facebook	2,117	13	94	40,202
Twitter	5,635	8	94	81,500
Instagram	1,308	36	94	6,978

DLR Tourism Information Services

The Tourism Information Kiosk operated a seven-day service during September. Footfall was considerable around the town with a large number of Cruise Ship visitors.

Cruise Tourism 2022

September saw the arrival of 13 Cruise Ships. The second information kiosk is open on the plaza in front of the ferry terminal building on the day of ships tendering into the harbour.

Joyce Tower and Museum

On September 7th An Cathaoirleach Cllr Mary Hanafin met with and the Friends of the Joyce Tower to announce the next phase in the development of the Joyce Tower & Museum Project. DLRCC have taken on the lease on the tower from the OPW and will be working in collaboration with the Joyce Tower and Museum company to develop the Tower as a visitor attraction.

The Irish Downhill Mountain Bike Series

The Irish Downhill Mountain Bike Series took place on 24 and 25th September in the Glencullen Adventure Park (GAP). This event was supported by DLR Tourism.

Food on the Edge Festival

Preparation is well under way for the Food on the Edge International is a two-day symposium that takes place annually in Ireland. It is for chefs & food enthusiasts all around the world who want to create a better global network. Food on the Edge returns to Airfield Estate, Dundrum in Dublin on Mon 17th & Tues 18th October 2022.

On-line Tourism Promotion

Online tourism promotion campaigns continued throughout September.

Social Media Analysis September 2022				
	No of followers	No of New followers	No of posts	Impressions
Facebook	8,304	27	8	6,394
Twitter	3,831	16	13	14,667
Instagram	2,928	28	8	2,055

DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/08/2022

66.67%

SERVICE DIVISION		EXPENDITURE		
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	37,960,759	64,495,700	58.86%
B	Road Transport & Safety	17,702,749	30,916,000	57.26%
C	Water Services	8,157,306	12,483,600	65.34%
D	Development Management	21,411,165	24,816,800	86.28%
E	Environmental Services	21,955,231	33,025,100	66.48%
F	Recreation & Amenity	22,340,110	33,627,900	66.43%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,107,653	3,760,700	82.63%
H	Miscellaneous Services	9,391,689	10,673,200	87.99%
Total Expenditure		142,026,662	213,799,000	66.43%

SERVICE DIVISION		INCOME		
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	32,517,792	57,510,900	56.54%
B	Road Transport & Safety	8,346,362	12,773,100	65.34%
C	Water Services	5,737,399	8,552,800	67.08%
D	Development Management	9,666,498	6,538,300	147.84%
E	Environmental Services	3,689,332	5,616,300	65.69%
F	Recreation & Amenity	3,911,360	5,664,900	69.05%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	2,555,159	2,817,600	90.69%
H	Miscellaneous Services	7,890,188	9,824,100	80.31%
Sub Total		74,314,090	109,298,000	67.99%

LPT	Local Property Tax	7,244,536	10,866,800	66.67%
RA	Rates	62,340,652	93,634,200	66.58%
Total Income		143,899,278	213,799,000	67.31%

Balance as at 31/08/2022		€1,872,616	Surplus
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DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/08/2022				
SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2022 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 31/08/2022 €
A Total Housing & Building	-15,421,669	33,250,823	-31,617,361	-13,788,207
B Total Road Transport & Safety	-8,174,111	16,318,866	-15,088,009	-6,943,254
C Total Water Services	-2,171,378	465,252	-148,712	-1,854,838
D Total Development Management	-147,508,338	23,795,020	-21,168,650	-144,881,968
E Total Environmental Services	-1,752,665	24,613	-408,498	-2,136,549
F Total Recreation & Amenity	-11,888,519	7,432,033	-6,381,083	-10,837,570
G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&Safety	-4,613,287	2,049,733	-1,171,984	-3,735,538
H Total Miscellaneous Services	-35,601,148	1,253,504	-2,749,082	-37,096,726
Grand Total	-227,131,114	84,589,844	-78,733,379	-221,274,649

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 31/08/22						
	Balance at 01/01/2022 €		Balance at 31/08/2022		Current year debit €	Arrears >1 year
RATES	21,425,164		50,310,439		37,331,981	12,978,458

Planning Applications – monthly statistics 1st September 2022 – 29th September 2022

	Outline Permission	Permission	Total
New application Received*	1	108	109
Decision Deferred	0	24	24
Decision to Grant**	0	74	74
Decision to Refuse**	1	12	13
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	69	69
Invalid Applications	0	16	16

*Includes 15 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".

1 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
ABP 31445922	Zolbury Limited. Site of 3.7ha at Blackglen Road & Woodside Road, Sandyford, Dublin 18. 360 no. residential units (all apartments) associated resident amenity facilities & childcare facility.	26/08/2022	29/09/2022	https://bgrs.hd.ie	15/12/2022
ABP 31452322	Atlas GP Limited. Former Avid Technology Site, at junction of Carmanhall Road & Blackthorn Road, Sandyford Industrial Estate, Dublin 18. 334 Build to Rent residential apartment units within 4 No. apartment blocks.	02/09/2022	06/10/2022	https://carm.anhallroadshd2022.ie/	22/12/2022
ABP 31454622	Ironborn Real Estate Limited. Sector 3, Aiken's Village, Townland of Woodside & Kilgobbin, Stepside, Dublin 18. 436 no 'Build-to-Rent' apartment units (154 no. 1. bedroom units & 284 no. 2 bedroom units).	06/09/2022	10/10/2022	www.ironbornshd3.com	04/01/2023
ABP 31468622	Shankill Property Investments Ltd. Former Bray Golf Club Lands, Off Ravenswell Road & Dublin Road, Bray, County Wicklow & County Dublin. 586 no. residential units comprising 1 No. retail unit, childcare facility, café & 1 No. commercial unit (incorporating gym & juice bar).	26/09/2022	01/11/2022	https://coastalquartershd2.com	-

[https://www.pleanala.ie/getmedia/71faf0c5-b821-40e9-abe5-589e9c61cbf4/Current-Applications-for-Website-Bilingual-\(9\)-14-September-22.pdf](https://www.pleanala.ie/getmedia/71faf0c5-b821-40e9-abe5-589e9c61cbf4/Current-Applications-for-Website-Bilingual-(9)-14-September-22.pdf)

Planning Counter Figures: 1st September 2022 – 29th September 2022

Customers Served	239
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Building Control: 1st September 2022 – 29th September 2022

Fire Safety Certs applications received*	18
Fire Safety Certs applications Granted *	20
Fire Safety Certs applications Refused/Withdrawn/Invalid *	0/0/1
Disability Access Cert Applications Received **	10
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted / Refused**	22/0
Commencement Notices Validated	64
7 Day Notices received	4
Completion Certs Validated	17

*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 29
Complaints closed 24

Litter and Waste Fines

1 st – 29 th September 2022	Number	Comment
Litter Fines issued (Litter Pollution Act/Litter Byelaws)	33	
Presentation of Waste (Waste Byelaws) fines	4	
Legal proceedings initiated.	2	
Cases opened (Dumping/Litter)	108	Litter Section
Cases closed (Dumping/Litter)	120	Litter Section

Dogs

For the period 1st Sept – 29th Sept:

- * No of dogs on hand on 1st Sept - 5
- * No of dogs entering the shelter - 6
- * No of dogs rehomed - 1
- * No of dogs reclaimed -2
- * No of dogs sent to rescue -4
- * No of dogs put to sleep - 0
- * No of dogs remaining in the pound on 29th Sept - 4

Energy

As part of the Energy Team's public engagement work, there will be a Home Energy Upgrade event on 16th October. The event aims to inspire and encourage people considering residential extensions and home energy upgrades. This will contribute towards the government's ambitious National Retrofit programme and also boost energy awareness amongst attendees.

Conservation

Planning Applications (inc.FI & comp reports)	18
Section 5 Declarations	1
Section 57 Declarations	1
Built Heritage Investment Scheme (BHIS) 2022 Grant Scheme	Second Progress Report issued to Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage on 16 September
Historic Structures Fund (HSF) 2022 Grant Scheme	Second Progress Report issued to Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage on 16 September

Dangerous Buildings

Dangerous	1
Potentially Dangerous	1
Not Dangerous	0
Total	2

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 once during September. Support services are being provided to those Ukrainian nationals who are being accommodated in the Ballyogan Rest 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) / Joint Policing Committee (JPC)

A meeting of the Ballybrack/Loughlinstown/Shankill LPF took place on 13th September. A meeting of the Dundrum/Stillorgan LPF took place on the 27th September. The Joint Policing Committee met on the 14th September.

Age-Friendly Programme & Social Inclusion:

The Age Friendly Alliance met on 13 September.

'India Fest' took place on Saturday 17th September in Kilbogget Park organised by Social Space Ireland and the dlr Integration Forum. Approximately 3,000 people attended, with music, dance, sport, children's activities etc. to celebrate Indian culture, supported by the Social Inclusion Unit & DLR Sports Partnership.

'Autumn Medley of Creativity' event took place on 29 September in dlr LexIcon –to showcase opportunities to get involved in age-friendly creative activities in dlr with free age-friendly entertainment, dance, drama, music, information stands, workshops, Men's Shed etc. Supported by Creative Ireland, Age-Friendly Ireland & Creative Lives. This was part of the Festival of Inclusion which launched on 29 September.

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 September.

Comhairle na nÓg

Dlr Comhairle na nÓg meetings have resumed following summer break.

Estate Management

A Networking & Training session with the Estate Management County Fora took place on 17th September. The Estate Management County Fora presented their work in revising the Estate Management User Manual, Service Plan and Financial Reporting Templates. dlr have provided funding to the Estate Management County Fora for the operation of a laptop loan scheme where each Estate Management Forum will be given access to use of a laptop to assist with the operation of the Estate Management Forum.

Arts

Municipal Gallery Programme

Altered Ground by Dianne Whyte launched on September 8th. 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.

Musicians in Residence Programme 2022

The 2022 Musicians in Residence scheme which featured emerging musician harpist Rosie Murphy, Peruvian guitarist Rodrigo Almonte Zegarra and local cellist Lioba Petrie, culminated on Culture Night with a series of concerts in the dlr LexIcon Studio.

The dlr Musicians in Residence Programme is funded by the Arts Council and managed by Music Network.

The Poetry Weekender

The Poetry Weekender was a two-day celebration of poetry which took place at dlr LexIcon and Pavilion Theatre on the 17th and 18th September 2022. It featured a wealth of Irish and international poets and was headlined by Margaret Atwood in a sold-out event at the Pavilion Theatre.

The Poetry Weekender was programmed by dlr Poet in Residence Jessica Traynor and Poetry Ireland and funded by Creative Ireland.

Culture Night

Culture Night in dlr LexIcon took place on September 23rd and featured 18 events including music, workshops, storytelling and street theatre. Almost 1,000 visitors attended over the course of the evening. All the events were free.

Culture Night was supported by the Local Live Performance Scheme funded by the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

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 is Tuesday 25th October at 5pm.

Grant clinic (both online and in person) giving an opportunity to meet some of the Arts team, who can answer questions and assist with the application process will be held in October.

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; the first is a dementia inclusive dance session on 28 September. This programme is funded by Creative Ireland's Creativity in Older Age Programme 2022.

Towards a Creative Dún Laoghaire

The Arts Office and the Economic Development Unit are working in collaboration with the Public Design Lab in IADT on this exploratory project. The aim is to research, ideate, and propose actionable ideas to facilitate the development of the local creative economy in the Dún Laoghaire area, and to discover ways to enable IADT graduates and other creatives to stay working within the area; additionally, looking at ways to deepen the relationship between IADT and DLR. As part of the process, 2 groups of IADT students spent the week of 26 September participating in a Design Charrette focusing on Creative Dún Laoghaire, working in County Hall, dlr LexIcon and IADT. This was an intensive, hands-on workshop bringing people from different disciplines and backgrounds together to explore ideas and potential approaches. This project is funded under the Creative Ireland Creative Communities Economic Action Fund.

Libraries

dlr Libraries Online

Online Resources

We have a vast selection of resources/services available on our website. You can:

- 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 **Freemusic**
- 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.

Cuairt & Cultúr 2022-2023: Call-Out

dlr Libraries and dlr Arts Office currently have a callout for Artists, Creative and Well-being Facilitators/Practitioners to work with older people in residential care settings and those attending local day care services in DLR. Successful facilitators will form part of the ongoing collaborative arts and culture programme, Cuairt agus Cultúr, with day care centres being included along with residential care settings in the County. This programme will be supported by the [dlr Age-Friendly Programme](#).

Event Programming for Ukrainian Guests

Using Dormant Accounts Funding received, a programme of events for October and November is being planned 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.

Autumn Medley of Age-Friendly Creative Activities: Thursday 29 September

dlr LexIcon hosted this day of free age-friendly creative events from 11am-2pm, which included music & drama performances, dance, entertainment, painting, crafts, dementia-inclusive Gallery events and information stands, to give a taste of the many creative opportunities available for older people in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. An array of representatives including the Dún Laoghaire Men's Shed, dlr Libraries & Arts Office, Living Well with Dementia, Migrant Women 4 Women programme & IADT were available with information and advice on services and programmes, and on how to engage in creative activities in the community.

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

Ahead of ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) Awareness Month in October, we began a series of information talks, both online and in-person, on Tuesday evenings in September. 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.

My Open Library – Dalkey Library

In September, Dalkey became the second library in DLR to offer the My Open Library (MOL) service. This means extended opening hours to library members on a self-service basis outside of normal opening hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, from 8.00am to 10.00pm. Library members must be 16 or over to avail of the service and, in the case of those under 18, have signed parental consent.

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 over the summer months. The September title for discussion was *Grey Bees* by Andrey Kurkov.

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.

Exhibition Programme

An Deichniúr Dearmadta- The Forgotten Ten

01 July - 30 September 2022

Level 3, dlr LexIcon

'The Forgotten Ten' are: Kevin Barry, Patrick Moran (of Moran Park, a special Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown connection), Thomas Whelan, Francis Flood, Bernard Ryan, Thomas Bryan, Patrick Doyle, Thomas Traynor, Patrick Maher and Edmond Foley. Ranging in age from 18 to 40 years old, 'The Forgotten Ten' came from all over Ireland and from all sections of Irish society. Their executions made international news and some would become household names. The description of them as 'The Forgotten Ten' did not refer to how they were remembered, but rather that they remained buried behind the high walls of Mountjoy Prison until their re-interment in Glasnevin Cemetery in 2001.

[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.

[Small Works - The Pastel Society of Ireland](#)

05 Sep 2022 - 30 Sep 2022

Level 4, dlr LexIcon

The Pastel Society of Ireland was formed in 1988 by a group of dedicated pastel painting artists who felt that there was a need to provide a forum where Pastelists could meet to

discuss and promote the highly individual art of pastel painting. The Society aims to encourage and promote the art and practice of pastel painting throughout Ireland by bringing together pastel artists with a wide range of abilities, so that their crafts, skills, and artistic abilities may be enjoyed and shared.

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

Events for Children

Summer Stars 2022

Our Summer Stars reading challenge came to an end at the end of September. It culminated with the prize-giving ceremony in Blackrock Library on Wednesday 28 September attended by Cathaoirleach Cllr. Mary Hanafin. Over the summer months, **1,562** children registered for the reading programme across the County, with over **23,000** books read during this time.

Lego Competition 2022

On Saturday 24 September we awarded our Lego Prizewinners 2022 their prizes, with the help of Leas-Chathaoirleach Cllr Michael Clark and Raj Kiran from Bricks4Kidz. A huge congratulations to our winners, but also to all 70+ children that entered the competition and livened up dlr LexIcon when the colourful explosion of Lego arrived on Wednesday 21 September. We were delighted to have the entries on display **for Culture Night 2022** on Friday 23 September, where they were admired by those visiting dlr LexIcon for a varied programme of events that evening.

Dublin Climate Action Week 2022

The Rediscovery Centre held some *Climate Awareness workshops* for local schools in Blackrock Library.

STEM events

Anyone4Science hosted a series of STEM events in the LexIcon Lab.

Statistics

Social media (as of 27 September 2022)

Facebook	6,757 followers
Twitter	8,783 followers
Instagram	3,397 followers
TikTok	260 followers
dlr Libraries e-bulletin	9,082 subscribers

Online resources (preliminary monthly figures as of 22 September 2022)

Digital library issues

Sept. 2022

Resource	Description	Checkouts Prelim. Sept. 2022
Overdrive	e Audio	884
Overdrive	e Book	1424
Overdrive	Comics	1
Overdrive	Magazines	2778
Borrowbox	e Audio	5459
Borrowbox	e Book	2541
Freegal	Streaming + Download	1152
Press Reader	Newspapers	10483
Tumblebooks		75
Lote4kids	Logins	4
Medici	Videos Viewed	n/a
Total		24801

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 ongoing
- Ongoing tree works
- Pitch improvement works ongoing county wide
- Boules facility under construction at Marlay Park by Parks staff
- Marlay Ponds removal of invasive plant species by specialist contractor
- New entrance into Cabinteely Park from Brennanstown Wood commenced on site

Biodiversity:

- Biodiversity Events - Seed saving course for the public, residents and communities taking place Tues and Saturdays of Sept including field trips to Cabinteely meadow, Shanganagh meadow, Marlay meadow and Fernhill meadow
- Biodiversity Hedgehog event at Shanganagh Park
- Biodiversity Officer talk at Climate Change event Fernhill
- DLR Local Soil- Local Seed project for cycleways.
- Roches and Killiney Hill – meetings regarding fire management
- Roches Hill Habitat Management Plan continues to inform fire management
- Dalkey Island, coastal areas and pitches monitoring on foot of Avian Flu continues
- Cabinteely biodiversity signs in progress
- Meeting with NPWS regarding development of guidance for cycleways and biodiversity
- Meeting with AIPP regarding new meadow guidance for communities.
- Meeting to develop a biodiversity trial in DLR with augmented reality creators.

- Meeting with Zurich to explore how businesses can provide biodiversity elements
- Cherrywood Orchid translocation management and monitoring 2022
- Invasive Species grant 2nd call completed.
- Invasive Species surveys and treatment for European Site of Ballyman Glen SAC for 2022.
- Hedgerow Survey Phase II in progress
- Marine Surveys draft mapping completed including previously unmapped EU Annex Cold water reefs along the DLR coastline and also within the European site of Rockabill to Dalkey Islands SAC.

Heritage:

- Dublin Mountains Community Archaeologist project commenced; social media account set up and posts, guided walk of archaeological landscapes of Carrickgollogan and Rathmichael, Sept 22, second walk planned for October
- Input to podcast and webinar for Community Grant scheme
- Progression of Fernhill house condition report
- Progression of Glen Druid dolmen public access
- Working with Energy team on energy efficiencies at Heritage properties
- Continuation of Heritage Council and Dept. of Culture funded *People's History of dlr* oral history programme in partnership with UCD
- Promotion of Joyce Tower Museum, and new dlrc involvement; Irish Times, Ireland AM, local newspapers, interviews underway for Manager/Curator
- Administration of Dept of Heritage Community Monument Fund 2022
- Geology/landscape/architecture walk planned for Blackrock Park as part of Open House 2022 October 15
- Progression of Augmented Reality historic photo project for Dún Laoghaire
- Ongoing liaison and advice to internal dlr sections, citizens and community groups

Sports Development:

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

Schools (Drafts programme)

- Good Shepard Dundrum
- Dominican School Dun Laoghaire
- St. Colmcille's School Ballybrack

Youth groups

- Whitehouse Youth Group - mixed group (13-15 age)
- Kilcross Youth Group - mixed group (10-12 age)
- Ballybrack Youth Group - mixed group (12-15age)
- Autism Initiative - mixed group (20-24 age)
- Lab Youth Diversion Ballybrack - boys group (15-17 age)
- Sallynoggin Youth Reach - mixed group (16-20 age)
- Boylan Centre - mixed group (12-14 age)
- Boylan Centre Youth Group - mixed group (15-17 age)
- Dun Laoghaire Youth Group - girls only gym session (15-18 age)
- Carmona Services – archery - mixed group (20 24 age)
- Strive Disability Group Pottery Road - mixed group (20-24 age)
- Youth Diversion Ballyogan - boys group (15-18 age)
- Youth Diversion Sandyford - boys group (15-18 age)
- Loughlinstown Community Centre - mixed group (12-14 age)
- Shankill Youth Group - mixed group (10-14 age)
- Sallynoggin Youth Group - (10-14 age)
- Ukrainian Refugees - sport session in Ballyogan - mixed group (10-20 age)

Open days

- Assisted dlr Sports Partnership with India fest in Kilbogget Park on Saturday 17th September.

Other activities

- Met with Helena O' Brien from Children and Young Person's Service Committee, Blackrock in relation to setting up a programme for families experiencing homelessness.
- Met with the remaining dheis schools and are currently booking them for sessions after mid-term break (updates to follow on respective monthly reports).
- Met with Liz Dunne from Drug Task Force about setting up an activity programme.
- Met with Ann from Dun Laoghaire Cross Care and have arranged a sport programme starting in November for 6 weeks.
- Met with Dean Doyle from St. Lawrence's College in relation to setting up an after-school sport club for students.
- Met with Louise from Ballyogan Family resource centre in relation to setting up mid-term activities.
- Met Karen McDonald from Holly House in relation to setting up programmes after the mid-term.
- Currently assisting dlr Sports Partnership with the Men on the Move programme.
- Provided 1 to 1 gym sessions for a client in Carmona Services on Saturday mornings.

Leinster Rugby – September 2022 report Schools

- Jonathan Sharkey (Leinster Rugby CRO dlr region)
 - **Primary Schools**
 - 3 – 363 males and 113 females
 - **Secondary Schools**
 - 0 – males and females
- Emily McKeown (Leinster Rugby WDO dlr region)
 - **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**
 - 8 – 218 males and 202 females
 - **Secondary Schools**
 - 0 – males and females
- Luke Sloyan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Seapoint RC)
 - **Primary Schools**
 - 4 – 501 males and 184 females
 - **Secondary Schools**
 - 0 – males and females
- **dlr rugby clubs sessions, workshops or AOB**
 - Blackrock College RFC – U8s – contact training – 44 males and 1 female – JS
 - Blackrock College RFC – U7s – game training – 12 males – JS
 - DLSP FC – U12s – contact training – 21 males – JS

- Workshop 1 – dlr region – De La Salle Palmerston FC – 22 coaches – JS
- Workshop 2 – dlr region – Blackrock College RFC – 58 coaches – JS
- IRFU Children’s Coaching Award – DLSP FC (all dlr clubs invited) – 34 coaches – JS
- Stillorgan Rathfarnham RFC – opening of their new grounds – JS and EMcK
- **dlr female club rugby (WDO section)**
- DLSP FC – U8s/10s – training – 20 females – EMcK
- Blackrock College RFC – mini training – EMcK
- Blackrock College RFC v Seapoint RC – training game – EMcK
- **dlr rugby development schools (male/female)**
- 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)**
- Metro 1st year Touch hosted in Clondalkin RFC – 3 dlr schools attending

FAI:

- **Club Visits** – 5v5 workshop delivered in Rosemount/Mulvey, 10 coaches and 17 U-9 players took part.
- **SAFEGUARDING 1 Workshops** – Awaiting suitable dates from clubs to deliver in person workshops.
- **Primary schools** – Started Futsal in The Yard in St Kevin’s NS, Sallynoggin, 80 boys and girls taking part. Further schools to start in October.
- **FFA** – Programme with Stillorgan Park House commenced. 20 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).
- **COACH EDUCATION** – one PDP 1 and one PDP 2 delivered, fifty coaches took part. Further courses planned for October.
- **Club Mark:** Rosemount/Mulvey and Stepside FC awarded Entry level Club Mark. On-going contact with other registered clubs to achieve award. Currently 3 dlr clubs have achieved Club Mark. A further 7 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.

Leinster Cricket:

- Contacting schools with session plans and arranging sessions for on-going term, this terms focus will be on Dheis Schools.
- Over 200 children took part in a bowling contest held at the India Day celebrations in Kilbogget Park.
- Sessions have started in both Holypark BNS and The Good Shepherd in Churchtown catering for approximately 400 children.
- Further meetings with DLRCC and Sandyford Cricket Club to discuss possibly moving cricket pitch to another location within the bounds of Marlay Park.

Sports Partnership:

- **Staffing** – new Community Sports Development Officer has started with Active Cities Officer and Sports Marketing Officers to start in October. Awaiting date to re-advertise the Sports Inclusion Disability Officer position.
- **dlr Community 5K 2022** – work ongoing to prepare for this flagship family fun event on the 8th October in Kilbogget Park as part of the Festival of Inclusion.

- **Women In Sport Leadership Programme** – started delivery of another 8-week leadership programme for 18 females involved in sport in DLR.
- **Club Participation Grants Scheme** – 2023 scheme has opened for applications across Women In Sport, Disability and Volunteering. Contacting clubs allocated grants under 2022 scheme for end of year receipts/reports.
- **Event Equipment** – continuing to loan out generic equipment (marques, tables, inflatable finish line etc.) to clubs for free (booked most weekends).
- **Marathon Kids** – DLR primary schools to deliver this activity programme in September/October with medals and site visits (1,400 pupils across 18 schools).
- **European Week of Sport** – a range of activities delivered to target groups as part of this initiative from the 23rd to the 30th September (hill walking, kayaking, rock climbing, yoga, roller skating and seminars/workshops).
- **Dippers Programme** – completed a 4-week learn to sea swim initiative for adult women at Killiney Beach (15 participants).
- **Men On the Move** – a new 8-week started which is aimed at adult men to support them to become active in a social group environment (20 participants).
- **Boulles Courts** – working with the Parks Dept. to install new Boulles courts in both Marlay and Kilbogget Parks as part of the Active Cities project.
- **Yoga & Dip** – completed another weekly programme for adult women combining outdoor yoga and a sea swim (24 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.
- **Indiafest** – supported this social inclusion event in Kilbogget Park on the 17th September to have fun a fun physical activity element.
- **Ballyogan Sports & Physical Activity Hub** - Hub Steering Committee continuing to collaborate to identify and deliver targeted projects for children and young people.
- **Inclusive Bike Fleet** – two new bikes purchased for this free hire service (Wheelchair Bike and Kids Trike) to provide people with a disability access to the Coastal Mobility Route. High level of bookings and traction.
- **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.
- **ExWell** – weekly programme for older adults with chronic illnesses as part of the Active Cities initiative. Based in Sandyford Community Centre.
- **Coaching Teenage Girls** – delivered an online workshop to 15 local club coaches/volunteers in what to be mindful of to engage and keep girls in sport.
- **Safeguarding** – 2 x Child Protection in Sport workshops in June (26 attendees).