

Chief Executive's Management Report

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Chief Executive's Foreword

In Fingal, we are ever mindful of our responsibilities to the environment in which we live and work. We are already championing sustainable transport models, the Circular Economy and actions which we will take to make Fingal a climate resilient county for the future. The Environment, Climate Action and Active Travel Department have prepared a Draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029 (CAP) which builds on the learnings from the Climate Change Action Plan 2019 - 2024. Over 150 actions are listed in the plan under six themed areas including Community Engagement, Energy and Buildings, Transport, Flood Resilience, Nature-Based Solutions, Circular Economy, and Resource Management. There are four key targets in the Draft Plan: 50% improvement in the Council's energy efficiency by 2030, 51% reduction in the Council's greenhouse gas emissions by 2030, to make Dublin a climate resilient region, by reducing the impacts of future climate change-related events; and to actively engage and inform our communities on climate action. We are inviting you to engage in the public consultation process for the Draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029 which is open until Wednesday 3rd November. The observations and opinions of members of the public and other interested stakeholders represents an important element in the formation of the final plan which will be presented to the elected members for adoption in early 2024. Public information events are taking place over the next month across Fingal, details of which can be found on our social media platforms. As we all strive to make a difference and be champions for Climate Action, I would strongly encourage you to learn more about the plan how to submit your observations https://www.fingal.ie/climate-change-action-plan/draftclimate-action-plan-2024-2029

The Seventh annual Fingal Festival of history is currently running in Library branches across the County and is proving to be a hugely interesting event showcasing Life in Ireland and Fingal in the 1920's. As we reach the final year in the Decade of Centenaries Commemorations, the Fingal Libraries Department have again produced an excellent programme of talks and events focussing on life after conflict. Running until Thursday, October 12^{th,} the festival featured well known commentators such as Dr. David McCullagh and Flór McCarthy as well as Dr Declan Brady discussing life in Fingal during the 1920s and retired Garda Detective Chief Superintendent John O'Brien who give us an insight into the how the Troubles in Northern Ireland impinged on life in the South and on that of An Garda Síochána.

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I wish to congratulate all involved in producing such an informative and engaging event and I am sure that all who attended talks and seminars found them to be valuable opportunities to learn more about this period of time in our history.

Hartstown Park in Dublin 15 has long been a place for locals and visitors alike to take exercise, explore the woodland trails and for children to enjoy the all-weather pitch and exciting play areas. In 2020, Fingal County Council initiated a 3-year improvement works program for the park in 2020 after substantial consultation with all stakeholders. Resulting in this investment, the sustainably managed park now offers adult exercise equipment, a callisthenics facility, a children's woodland agility trail and a full size Multi Use Games Area. Last month, I was delighted that Hartstown Park was awarded a Green Flag from An Taisce, who recognise Ireland's best managed Public Parks and Green Spaces. This award brings to 7 the number of Fingal parks who have received this prestigious honour with Millennium Park, Blanchardstown, Santry Demesne, Newbridge House and Farm, Donabate, St. Catherine's Park, Lucan, Malahide Demesne and Ardgillan Demesne, Balbriggan featuring in this year's list. I wish to extend my appreciation to all the Fingal staff who work tirelessly to ensure our parks and public realms reach the highest possible standards for the enjoyment of our citizens and visitors – their commitment is certainly a source of pride for the council and I am very pleased to see their work recognised and awarded in this way.

Finally, with Halloween just around the corner, Fingal County Council is busy finalising Safer Halloween events across the county. We all enjoy the spectacle of fireworks lighting up the night skies, Halloween themed illuminations, spooky stories and decorations in our Library branches and this year will be not disappoint! Preparations are at an advanced stage to ensure the Halloween spirit will be in full swing and that October 31st will be an evening of fun and excitement for all. The much anticipated Fingal Festival of Fire is again set to enchant with spooktacular events in Swords, Malahide, Blanchardstown and Balbriggan. Check our website www.fingal.ie and our social media posts closer to the date for details on times and venues. I hope you all have the opportunity to explore our Halloween events and to enjoy the festivities.

Best wishes,

AnnMarie Farrelly Chief Executive

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People Services

Recruitment

Recruitment Programme 2023 YTD	
Total Recruitment Campaigns	79
Campaigns Completed	55
Current Active Campaigns	24
Interviews Held to date	1664
New Starters	171
Number of Current Job Offers	38

Family Friendly Schemes will open to staff during October.

Learning and Development

The Learning & Development team continues to implement and deliver the staff training programme for 2023.

September Completed Courses			
Number of courses	47		
Number of Attendees	387		
Number of Training Days	422		

Young Ireland Programme

The Young Ireland Programme 2024 is now open for applications. The event takes place in Scotland in Feb 2024. This event offers staff members in the early stages of their careers, irrespective of their age an opportunity for professional growth, fostering effective communication, boosting confidence, and expanding of intellectual vistas.



September & August saw the roll out of a new monthly newsletter, linking to our new online booking system using Microsoft Forms.





Unlock endless possibilities this October. Explore our extensive array of over 40 courses tailored to enhance staff skills and boost career growth.

Don't miss out spots will fill up fast.

What's on offer in October

October Learning and development courses being delivered.

Business and Interpersonal Skills Courtroom Skills Grievance and Disciplinary Personal Effectiveness grade 3 Supervisory Management Training Outdoor Staff Induction, Council Meeting Grade 5 IPA Management Training Grade 6 IPA Management Training Grade 7 IPA Management Training A-Z of Local Government Diversity & Interculturalism Getting the most from PMDS Age Friendly Housing and Public Realm FOI for Decision Makers Basic IT Skills Ignite Programme 8 **Effective Writing** Minute Taking **Presentation Skills Environmental Impact and Appropriate**

Health and Safety

Assessment

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Wellbeing Update

The wellbeing team have successfully been granted funding from the LGMA Healthy Ireland Wellbeing Fund for our Wellbeing Programme.

October will see our second round of Mental Health First Aid (MHFA). Taking place in Ballycoolin Regional Training Centre.

October 25th is the Annual Health and Safety Conference in conjunction with National Health and Safety week. A presentation will be made on the day updating our Safety Reps on the Wellbeing Programme.



HSU - Health & Safety Unit

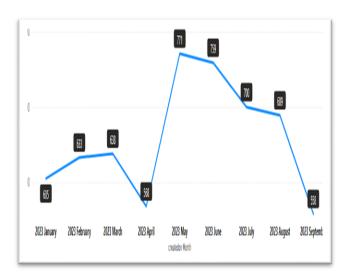
The HSU conducted and completed 30 site safety inspections and audits for the month of September, carried out VDU assessments for office based staff and kept in contact with Fingal staff now working for Uisce Eireann in terms of providing safety advice post the 'effective date' where FCC's safety management system had transitioned to Uisce Eireann. In addition to responding to general staff occupational health and safety queries the HSU to date has completed incident investigations into workplace 103 incidents. accidents and dangerous occurrences. The HSU also engaged the Health & Safety Authority with regard to their fourth site inspection of Fingal County Council work sites this year. The HSA during the course of 2023 carried out inspections on wastewater treatment works, potable water treatment works, farm works and in September, amenity horticulture works.

Customer Services

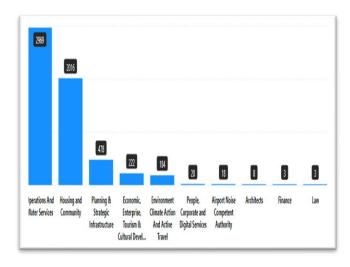
Month	Total No. of Calls		Presenting in Person
September	15509	729	2617

CRM

Staff continue to work on the Customer Relationship Management System (CRM) and issue responses to representations from Elected Members (Councillors, TDs and Senators) and complaints submitted by the public. The total number of Elected Members' representations were as follows: September



The table below shows the total number of Elected Members' representations assigned to each Department to date in 2023.



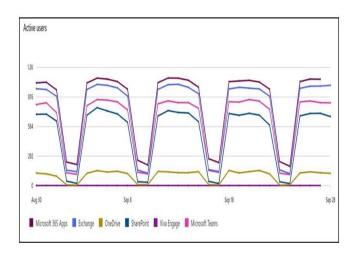
Digital Services

Digital Working

In September, staff took part in 9,203 Teams meetings. 29,377 Teams calls were made, and 1,089,343 emails were received or sent by the Council.

1,126 support calls were logged by Council staff with the Digital Services Service Desk in the past month and 24 calls were logged by Councillors with Sord. 100% server availability and 100% network availability was achieved in the month of September.

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Communications

Website

There were 122,518 visitors to the fingal.ie website during September and 292,526 page views. The average time spent on the site was one minute and 46 seconds. Those figures bring the total number of visitors to the website this year to over 1.1m. The most popular pages during the month were Planning, the Howth Maritime and Seafood Festival, Contact Us, Libraries and Recycling.

Media

There were 25 press releases issued in September and these included the appointments of a new Arts Officer and an Access Officer. Other press releases covered the start of construction on the Ongar-Barnhill Road, a multi-agency operation targeting illegal waste activity, Mobility Week and the Balbriggan Regeneration Project.

Eight videos were published during September and these included a recording of the webinar on the Draft Heritage Plan. There were also videos about the Broadmeadow Estuary Greenway and Illegal Waste Collections.

Social Media

Facebook remains the Council's most popular social media platform with 31,795 followers. September saw posts on Facebook reach 149,564 people. Twitter, which is now known as X, has 22,965 followers and during September there was an engagement rate of 1.4% from 518,800 impressions. LinkedIn is the next most popular channel with 7,886 followers while Instagram has 7,839. The You Tube channel has 1,120 subscribers.

Podcasts

Two episodes of the Inside Fingal podcast were recorded recently and will be published in the coming weeks. The first is an interview with the new Arts Officer Sarah O'Neill and the second is a conservation with the new Access Officer Cathal Kearney.



Events

The Communications Unit assisted several departments during the month. They worked with Planning and Strategic Infrastructure for the turning of the sod on the new Ongar to Barnhill Road and then with Housing for the Housing Information Evening that was held in Swords on September 25. The Unit also facilitated the broadcast of a webinar to explain the Draft Fingal Heritage Plan which can be viewed at https://youtu.be/ozC1bBfSQH0?si=Ju3fqC2NfP8-DCef

Current Judicial Review Cases - October 2023

Barford Holdings Limited v Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2020/616 JR

Jimmy Guerin -v- Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2022/116 JR

Kimpton Vale Limited -v- an Bord Pleanala and Fingal County Council High Court Record No. 2022/390JR

Fiacre Ó Cairbre -v- An Bord Pleanála, Garlandbrook Limited, Alcove Ireland Four Limited, and Uisce Éireann High Court No 2023/570 JR

Ciaran O'Kelly and Dorone Paris -v- an Board Pleanala and Jacko Investments Limited and Fingal County Council High Court Record Number 2023/581 JR

Graymount House Action Group, Darragh Richardson, and Aoife Grimes v An Bord Pleanála, Fingal County Council, the Minister for Housing, Ireland, and the AG High Court Record Number 2022/1107 JR

Christian Morris v. An Bord Pleanála, Fingal County Council and Trafalgar Capital Limited

High Court Record No. 2022 1074 JR

Joan Reynolds and Edel McDonough -v- Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2023/372 JR

MKN Properties Limited and another -v- Fingal County Council High Court Record No. 2023/373JR

daa plc -v- Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2023/383 |R

Ciaran Kelly and Dorone Paris -v- an Bord Pleanala and Jacko Investments and Fingal County Council High Court Record No. 2023/581

Mayeston Management Company -v- Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2023/901 JR

Portmarnock Real Estate Developments Limited and St Marnocks II DAC -v- an Bord Pleanala and Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2023/901 JR

daa plc -v- Fingal County Council and the Irish Aviation Authority High Court Record No. 2023/916

Friends of the Irish Environment CLG and SMTW Environmental DAC -v- the Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage, Ireland and the Attorney General and the Office of Planning Regulator and Fingal County Council High Court Record No 2023/1047 JR

NTA - Fingal - Nicola Byrne Proceedings [MF-LIVE.FID1380852]

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TOURISM DEVELOPMENT TOURISM AND FOOD STRATEGIES





The Enterprise, Economic and Tourism Development SPC had an information item about the Tourism Strategy and the Food Policy at its meeting on the 12th September. The final documents on both cases are receiving edits and will be presented for adoption at the November Council meeting.

Fingal Food & Drink Network

Members of the Fingal Food and Drink Network attended a farm visit on the 19th September to increase their knowledge and contact with high quality local producers. The group has agreed to conducting a number of events over the coming months in the context of the food policy. This will include:

Familiarisation trips to similar regions,
 Boyne Valley and Belfast food market

- Establish a quarterly networking supper club
- Host "Food on the Edge" event

For the remainder of 2023 the network will focus on growing the social media presence, press visits and marketing Fingal food in general.

Regional Co-ordination with Dublin Local Authorities

The Tourism teams of all four Dublin Local Authorities met in Howth Courthouse on the 8th September. The meeting covered a lot of updates on the new tourism strategies that the Local Authorities are currently finalising, and took note of common themes, possible joint projects and the liaison with Tourism Ireland and Failte Ireland.



Two sub-committees were formed focussed on:

- Branding, marketing and promotion within the Dublin brand
- Securing better data metrics and tourism sector trend information

Failte Ireland National Tourism Monitoring Programme 2021-2025

In lieu of more relevant data the National Tourism Monitoring Programme aims to assess and characterise visitor movements and impacts in 19 popular Failte Ireland selected tourism sites across Ireland within a 5-year period including Malahide in Fingal. This builds on the methodologies and findings of the Wild Atlantic Way Environmental Monitoring Programme (2015-2019), by monitoring yearly trends in visitor numbers and movements during the high tourism season in Malahide.

An example of information within the 2022 report the visitor monitoring surveys at Malahide Beach resulted in a total of 279 visitors over an 8 hour period (which represent 101 group observations), a decrease from 375 visitors in 2021. The site is most popular amongst individual adults with the dominant mode of transport being by foot, with car being the preferred method of transport in 2021. The average dwell time at Malahide Beach was 35 minutes, a decrease from an average dwell time of 52 minutes in 2021.

EVENTS

Fingal Festival of Fire

Four firework events are planned as part of Fingal County Councils Safer Halloween these events are to take place at Millenium Park, Swords Town Park, Bremore Castle and Malahide Castle.



Howth Maritime & Seafood Festival



The Howth Maritime & Seafood Festival took place on the Promenade on Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th of September. Highlights this year included:

- 42,000 Visitors
- 15,000 Fish & Chips Sold
- 800 Kids Kites Made
- 600 Sailors & 80 Boats for the ICRA Championship

Festival & Event Funding 2024



The 2024 Festival & Event Funding Scheme will launch on the 29th of September. With over 100 funding awards given out this year amounting to 500k and covering an impressive array of events and festivals the scheme will be open until the end of January 2024.

HERITAGE PROPERTIES

Malahide Castle – Oak Room Window Conservation Works





The technical specification for conservation works on the Oak Room window at Malahide Castle has been completed.

Specialist consultants have been engaged to oversee the works and contractors have been appointed. The works will commence in early October and are expected to be completed in four weeks.

The Casino Model Railway Museum Malahide





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In collaboration with larnroid Eireann Digi pods were displayed at mainline train stations showcasing what the Casino Model Railway Museum has to offer. Also, a time lapse video was developed with an influencer showing the close proximity to Dublin City, Malahide village and castle. The Casino Model Railway Museum was nominated by Sunshine radio 106.8 & FM104 and voted by VisitDublin.ie as a Top Daycation destination.

Newbridge House - Roof and Window Conservation Works







The roof and window conservation works on Newbridge House are progressing well. Insulation of the attic areas have been completed and the fall restraint systems have been installed. Repair works to the window sashes will be completed shortly including internal plaster repairs. Scaffolding on the main roof works is now being removed. The project is due finish by the end of October.

CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ARTS Youth and Education

Fingal Arts in collaboration with DDLETB and Music Generation, invited music educators Cora Venus Lunny and Oliver Cole to perform for a live audience in Swords as the town is set to become one of Fingal's music education hubs for children and young people.



Public Art

Sketch Out with Aoife Dooley for Culture Night

Skerries Residents joined illustrator Aoife Dooley for a special Culture Night "Sketch Out" event, participants were invited to take inspiration from the landscape and from the newly commissioned sculptures from the St Patrick's Way & Art Trail.





Culture Night Fingal

Culture Night, an annual national public event, celebrating culture, creativity and the arts took place on Friday 22nd September. The Arts Office collated information on the activities taking place in Fingal and produced a Culture Night guide highlighting details on all the events, which was shared via social media and the Fingal website. Fingal's heritage properties, arts centres, libraries and cultural organisations extended their opening hours to the public for an eclectic programme specifically designed for Culture Night. The programme featured nineteen locations and included free live music and poetry performances, art exhibitions, film screenings, tours and an array of cultural activities and fun family friendly events, which were well attended on the night. Fingal Arts Office presented two special events for the programme as outlined above.





Loughshinny Boathouse Artists' Studio

Visual artist Richard Proffitt commenced a ninemonth residency at Loughshinny Boathouse in September. The day studio is open to Irish and International artists at all stages in their professional careers working in all disciplines. The boathouse is a dual-purpose building providing a lifeguard station for lifeguards and a day studio for artists. The objective of the studio is to provide a working space for professional artists to develop their artistic practice within the rural context of Fingal.



Draíocht

Preparations for our ambitious NEST project continue with the Artistic Director facilitating workshops in Primary and Post Primary schools across Dublin 15. This is to identify individual and class 'hosts'. A host will be a person(s) from the age of 20 months to 20 years old. Ashleigh House and TUB Dublin are two of the organisations also participating in the project.

Our next Exhibition entitled' the 'ladder is always there' includes an open call for 5 emerging Fingal artists to exhibit their work alongside the work of the 5 members of the Shelter Artists Collective, all established artists who have a connection to Draíocht. Opening December 8th 2023.

Draíocht was nominated by Fingal County Council to represent the Council in the Creative Place category of 'The Pride of Place' awards. The Judging Panel spent an afternoon with us where we had the opportunity to outline our work particularly highlighting our extensive and considered Children/Youth Arts programme.

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The Mayor, Cllr Adrian Henchy and Director of Service, Robert Burns together with Rafe Costigan were in attendance.



The Séamus Ennis Arts Centre

TSEAC has moved into its Autumn programme, with the final Summer event in the Piper's Garden taking place on September 2nd, with a Barn Dance honky tonk featuring performances by Caleb Kauder and Reeb Willms.

From September 8th we moved our programming back inside to the theatre with performances by Yonder Boys and East West Fiddles; the latter an exciting band which merged traditional influences from Japan and Ireland. Our Music classes and Art classes also return for a new term, as did the TSEAC film club and the Traditional Slow Sessions. In addition we welcomed The Humours of Bandon as one of three theatre performances scheduled for the season. We also had a very successful Culture Night with an online and in-person Piping performance and chat from Ronan Browne and Jimmy O Brien Moran, and an art workshop for children highlighting and drawing inspiration from the beautiful work of our current exhibition by Kayla Martell. Our Culture Night performance was attended online by people from Croatia, Spain, Denmark, America and Singapore. On the community engagement front, we welcomed 30 children from 5th and 6th class at the Naul National School for a school tour with our Director, where they learned about Séamus Ennis and the centre's activities.

The Cottage Café also extended hours in September to Wednesday to Saturday 9.30am-5pm and Sunday 10am-5pm. They are experiencing good footfall and providing pre-show menus for al TSEAC's events





<u>LIBRARIES</u>
Fingal Festival of Children's Literature



Fingal's second Festival of Children's Literature was a huge success comprising over 40 events, involving every Fingal Library and reaching 12 schools, engaging with hundreds of children in the County.

The actual festival day was an action-packed celebration of fun and discovery, with over 700 children and their families attending free talks and workshops at Swords Castle on Saturday 9th September. Children loved meeting many of Ireland's best authors and illustrators, and with circus performers, the CBI Book Doctors, and a dedicated Creative Zone which included graffiti art, everyone left with their imaginations bursting! The book gifting element of the festival was very much appreciated by the families and the authors. Every child who attended the event was gifted with a free book, making it a unique and popular aspect of the festival. There was so much positive feedback on the day and subsequent days, with one mother and daughter declaring it "the best day ever"!

Culture Night at Fingal Libraries





Culture Night on 22nd September was enjoyed by both young and old with events running at 3 library locations: Fingal Local Studies & Archives, Blanchardstown and Malahide Library.

Fifty people of all ages enjoyed a tour around Fingal Local Studies & Archives, on North St, Swords. On display on the night were many of the

hidden gems of the collections including estate maps from the Hamiltons of Abbotstown and the Earl of Howth, alongside handwritten minute books from Dublin County Council and the Rural District Councils. Visitors viewed a Grand Jury presentment book from 1847 which discusses how they supported a child who was found deserted at Castleknock in the worst year of the famine. A minute book from Howth Urban District Council was also on display, showing how they tried to counteract the 1918 Spanish Flu pandemic in the district. This was all in addition to various ephemera such as medals, posters, coins, prints and maps. Visitors were guided through the collections by staff and advice was given on genealogy and local history.

1,100 people attended Culture Night events at Blanchardstown Library. Along with children's author and illustrator Alan Nolan, children were entertained by Waffles the magician. Children and families were also presented with their Summer Stars medals and certificates, along with goodies and free books. All age groups enjoyed music from the Dublin Gospel Choir and the Blanchardstown Brass Band. There were 3 tables dedicated to Dungeons and Dragons and the public also had the opportunity to view some amazing Lego replicas, with an exhibition from the Lego User Group. Childvision provided fun activities and games for adults and children to interact with Braille and to experience what living with a visual impairment may be like.

At Malahide Library, the audience enjoyed a fascinating talk from the Balbriggan Heritage Group about the Smyth & Co hosiery factory whose clients included members of the European aristocracy.

Fingal Festival of History 2nd - 12th October



Fingal's seventh annual Festival of History will run from Monday 2nd to Thursday 12th October 2023 throughout our library branches.

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As we reach the final year of the Decade of Centenaries Commemorations, life in Ireland and Fingal in the early 1920s is the main theme of the Festival. We have talks covering de Valera and Ireland in 1923, as well as life in Fingal during the 1920s. The effect of the revolutionary period on the lives of children and the Anglo-Irish way of life are also covered. Other topics for discussion are the role of newspapers and the printed word in the fight for Irish freedom, British military deserters in the Irish Free State, the Markievicz Family, visitors to the Áras as well as the Spanish Flu and the fight against infection. This year's programme features some household names such as Dr David McCullagh and Flor McCarthy. Both form part of the programme for the History at the Castle Day on Saturday 7th October at Swords Castle. Other speakers that day include Dr Declan Brady who will discuss Fingal in the 1920s and retired Garda Detective Chief Superintendent John O'Brien who will give us an insight into the life of An Garda Síochána. We are also collaborating with the Clonsilla & Porterstown Heritage Society. Join them on a 90 minute guided walk of the natural and built heritage of Clonsilla and the Royal Canal. All events are free to the public, but places may be limited so booking is advised. Look out for the brochure which is available across branches and at https://www.fingal.ie/fingal-festival-history-2023

Autumn/Winter 2023 Programme of Events at Fingal Libraries



The Autumn/Winter events programme for Fingal Libraries is well underway. Through its event programming, Fingal Libraries aims to meet a diverse spectrum of people's needs in the areas of information, learning, culture, literacy, life skills, enterprise and leisure activities.

The Autumn/Winter 2023 programme will include a wide range of events for both children and adults planned to celebrate Positive Ageing week and Space week in October and Fingal Inclusion and Science week in November. As we come to the end of another bustling year of events, Fingal Libraries have a Winter/Christmas programme in store for all, including Christmas story-time, Family Time at your Library and Christmas themed arts and crafts for children and adults. As a treat for the whole family, library staff across the branches have organised a fun-filled programme of events for Family Time at your Library: a Right to Read national literacy initiative encouraging families to visit their local library in December. Look out for our Autumn/Winter 2023 brochure which is available branches across our https://www.fingal.ie/fingal-libraries-autumnwinter-brochure-2023

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Fingal Skills Strategy



The Explore Your Future Expo is an educational showcase initiative by Fingal County Council, as part of the Fingal Skills Strategy, which is taking place in The Helix on the 3rd October 2023. The Expo is supported by DCU, Interreg Europe, Dublin Regional Skills Forum, City of Dublin Educational Training Board, Dun Laoghaire Education and Training Board, Solas and a number of public and private employers. The event will feature live and virtual reality demonstrations with practical handson learning experiences for TY students by a variety of exhibitors to showcase the educational and training possibilities and potential career paths available for students.





The SKYLA Project "Smart Specialisation Skills Ecosystems for the Twin Transition" is a 4 year project which focuses on enhancing the role of VET in smart specialisation sectors. Projects partners include Italy, Poland, Sweden, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Greece and Belgium. Work has commenced on a communication strategy and stakeholder engagement plan. Planning is in progress for the visit of the SKYLA Project partners to Fingal on the 7th & 8th November where Fingal County Council and key stakeholders will showcase the work to progress training and education development in smart specialisation.

Economic Development Strategy

Grant Thornton have been appointed to develop an Economic Development Strategy for Fingal. A presentation on the work to date was made to the September meeting of the Economic, Enterprise, Tourism & Cultural Development SPC on the approach and timelines for delivery of the Strategy. It is anticipated that the draft Strategy will be presented to the SPC, CPG and Elected Members for consideration in Q4 2023.



Fingal County Council is leading the URBACT EcoCore Project which comprises a network of 9 small cities/towns in Europe focussing on challenges and opportunities for green growth and sustainable economic development along transport corridors.

Balbriggan is the lead town and the other partners committed to the network are Albu Iulia, Romania; Dubrovnik, Croatia; Kekava, Latvia; Ormoz, Slovenia; Parnu, Estonia; Santo Tirso, Portugal; Tuusula, Finland; Villena, Spain. Fingal County Council as Lead Partner and the Lead Expert have commenced city visits to prepare baseline studies of partner cities with the cities of Balbriggan, Villena, Ormoz, Dubrovnik, Tuusula, Parnu and Kekava completed and the final 2 city visits to Albu Iulia and Santo Tirso planned for October.



Ormoz, Slovenia City Visit Dubrovnik, Croatia City Visit Tuusula, Finland City Visit

Representatives from each of the partner cities attended the URBACT Summer University in Malmo, (August 28th – 30^{th)} to build skills and capacity in action planning through URBACT methods and tools.









Planning is underway for the project partners first transnational city visit to Balbriggan in November 2023.

Citizen, Equality, Rights and Values Programme (Cerv)

CERV is an EU Funding Programme for citizens' engagement and the implementation of EU rights and values. Fingal County Council has been awarded CERV funding to participate in 2 separate projects, which commenced in January 2023 and will continue for 18 months.





Green It Your Work

The third Green IT Your Work meeting took place in the Municipality of Agia, Greece on 29th August 2023.

Partners visted the JOIST Innovation Park in Larissa the aim of which is to design an inclusive hybrid ecosystem, bridging the physical with digital, scientific research with small and medium enterprises, and broad audiences with a plentiful programme of activities, aiming to benefit businesses, individuals and families. Innovation Park offers new ways for innovation to reach individuals and businesses of diverse backgrounds and goals to ensure its community is empowered with enhanced knowledge distribution. boosts entrepreneurial spirit. establishes collaborative networks and offers inclusive working practices in four clusters, comprising of ehealth, EduTech, AgriTech and eTourism.



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InclusEU

The InclusEU project aims to encourage volunteer action as a social response for an inclusive Europe will see Fingal host an the project partners in Balbriggan from September 28th to October 1st 2023. This event will highlight the work being done by Fingal, Foroige, sports clubs and scout group to encourage more young people to get involved in community volunteering. This collaborative project has seen 20 young people from local clubs and youth groups take part in leadership and sports education training during July with practical sessions tied into local Fingal-led projects. The Mayor, Cllr Adrian Henchy, Deputy Mayor Cllr Grainne Maguire, Minister Joe O'Brien will be in attendance over the 3 days as delegates from Italy, Poland, Hungary, Spain, Portugal, the Netherlands and Romania meet to discuss, debate and learn about the issues facing Balbriggan, the Council's objectives for the area and how young people are contributing to the town.



Woodlands for Health

Healthy Fingal have partnered with Mental Health Ireland and the Sports Office again to organise the 2nd set of Woodlands for Health walks. The programme will see the HSE mental health services in Swords & Balbriggan avail of the opportunity to introduce service users to walking in Newbridge Demesne while availing of mental health expertise in the calming and quiet atmosphere of the walking paths around the demesne. The first walk will take place on Friday 29th September and run until 24th November.





Sustainable Fingal



The Council has collaborated with DCU and DAA to submit two funding applications on sustainable projects:

- DIFFER is a proposal for a Feasibility Study of District Heating in Fingal & an investigation of the feasibility of district heating from data centres in Fingal to supply Dublin Airport which has been submitted to the SEAI – a funding decision is awaited.
- 2. ATLAS is a proposal to consider Al real-time connect on-demand mobility as a service which has been submitted to SFI for the Sustainable Communities Challenge. The application was not successful and work has commenced to re-orient the project into another funding stream.



The Mayor signed the Circular Cities Declaration for Fingal County Council, which was approved by the Council at its meeting in January. Work is in progress to develop an action plan to advance the objectives of Circular Cities in Fingal. Fingal's profile has been published on the Circular Cities website

CC Declaration | Fingal County (circularcitiesdeclaration.eu)

Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor



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Fingal County Council has been awarded €150,000 by the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage under the Shared Island Local Authority Development Funding Scheme for a Feasibility Study for the development of regional innovation/enterprise hubs along the Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor. The Council is leading on the project with the support of the eight local authorities and two universities of the DBEC partnership. KPMG have been appointed to carry out the feasibility study which is scheduled for completion in Q4 2023.

DBEC's ambition is to use innovation hubs to encourage the development of new and existing high-growth businesses to stimulate sustainable and climate-conscious growth along the Corridor.

LOCAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT



Fingal Local Community Development Committee

The Fingal LCDC continues to oversee and administer the key areas of LEADER and SICAP and the various Local Development and Community Development funding programmes under its remit. The LCDC also manages the Healthy Ireland Initiative and the Social Enterprise Grants Scheme. The next meeting of the LCDC is scheduled for October 2023.





Fingal Local Economic Community Plan 2022 – 2027

Consultants Grant Thornton have prepared the socio-economic profile of the county for the new LECP, reviewed the last LECP, drafted high-level objectives and facilitated the consultation process with the public and key stakeholders. Work is underway on the 2-year Implementation Plan of the LECP (2023-2028).

A series of stakeholder sessions on the Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP) 2023-2028 were held during September for the Council's Elected Members and a presentation on the LECP delivered to the Economic, Enterprise, Tourism & Cultural Development SPC. It is anticipated that the draft LECP, subject to approval by the approval by the Eastern Midlands Regional Assembly (EMRA), will be brought to the December Council meeting.

Community Support Fund

The Community Support Fund (CSF) was launched in January 2023 and is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development. Fingal was allocated €341,875 in funding for groups across the county. More than 270 applications were received from community and voluntary groups in Fingal for the current and capital funding streams by the submission deadline of 10th February 2023. The evaluation of the applications is completed, and payments of the grants to community groups/organisations is ongoing.

Community Recognition Fund

The Community Recognition Fund (CRF) was launched in January 2023 and is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development. Fingal submitted project proposals to DRCD for approval on the 15th March 2023.

Fingal County Council has received an allocation of €1,748,912 under the Community Recognition Fund for 26 projects across Fingal.

There is an allocation of €850,512 for eight projects in Swords and €435,000 has been provided for four projects in Dublin 15. Three projects in the Howth Malahide Local Electoral Area have received a total of €92,000 while €96,600 will be spent on four projects in Skerries, Rush and Lusk. Three projects in Balbriggan will be funded by grants amounting to €44,000 while two projects in Baleskin will receive a total of €30,200 and one in Santry will receive €20,000.

60% of the funding must be drawn down in 2023 and 40% in 2024, with all projects required to be complete by 18th October 2024. The Fund is being administered by Fingal LCDC and consultation has been carried out with the LCDC, Local Response Forum and relevant stakeholders. The Council is moving forward with implementation of the projects, with work commenced on a number of projects.

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SICAP



The resources and staff of the Fingal SICAP Programme continue to be leveraged to assist with the Ukrainian Refugee Crisis response. The SICAP Programme continues to help in the response to this crisis and is a central resource to the work of the Ukrainian Refugee Community Response Forum. Additional funding has been received from the DRCD to help with the delivery of services to Ukrainian Refugees in Fingal and additional staffing resources from the Ukrainian community have been employed on the ground to assist with this. The Fingal SICAP Programme has been allocated €304,369 in 2023 specifically for Fingal's Ukrainian Refugee Response with an additional allocation of €65,000 recently granted.

Procurement for SICAP programme period 2024-2028 has commenced and the tender evaluation is in progress.





Leader Programme

In December, the Dublin Rural LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) approved in full the allocated LEADER 2021-22 Transition Programme for eligible projects in the administrative areas of Fingal, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown and South Dublin.

On 26th January Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys, announced details of the applicant groups who were successful under Stage 1 of the 2023-2027 LEADER programme, Fingal LCDC was successful in Stage 1 to run the next LEADER Programme for the Dublin Rural LEADER LAG.

The Dublin Rural LEADER LAG submitted the new Leader Development Strategy on 14th July 2023 and awaits a decision on the evaluation of the submission.

ENTERPRISE CENTRES

Fingal's Enterprise Centres continue to participate in ConnectedHubs.ie.

ConnectedHubs.ie is a one-stop-shop for remote working hubs throughout Ireland.





All three Enterprise Centres have space available to start-up businesses and businesses/ individuals who wish to avail of remote working options and facilities. Bespoke options or generic office fitouts can be considered.

Occupancy rates at the Council's three enterprise centres are all over 90%. The three Enterprise Centres currently support 65 businesses and over 320 direct jobs.

Demand for the new Remote Working Hubs in BASE and Beat remain strong following the Connected Free Voucher Scheme run in 2022.

Fingal County Council was approved for €50,000 in new funding to promote Remote Working Hubs in the County under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme Marketing Measure. A cross-departmental team within the Council is implementing initiatives to promote Fingal as a Remote Working Hub base for remote workers.

Drinan Enterprise Centre is promoting the availability of a bespoke media studio facility available for immediate booking to all individuals, groups and business interests.



TOWN REGENERATION

Our Balbriggan 2019 - 2025 Rejuvenation Plan - A Socio-Economic Strategy



The Our Balbriggan Programme Office continues to support the Leadership Group and its five pillars, who meet regularly, to progress work across a range of economic and social measures including: Growing the Local Economy, Public Realm & Infrastructure, Education, Skills & Employment, Community Integration, Health & Well Being and Community Safety. The Balbriggan Leadership Group, which is chaired by Professor MacCraith provides Brian oversight stewardship for the plan's implementation. The Leadership group receive updates on workplan objectives from all five pillar Chairs at Leadership meetings, with the next meeting to be held in October. A review of the Our Balbriggan Programme, its delivery timelines and governance structures will begin at this meeting where the programme will be realigned to the national URDF funding timeframe.

The Our Balbriggan Rejuvenation Project's Preliminary Business Case for the Call 2 funding was approved by the Department of Housing Heritage and Local Government in July, allowing for the drawdown of over €25 million euro in URDF funding for eligible project expenditure. The Public Spending Code GATE 2 Pre-tender Report for the Quay Street and Environs Scheme was submitted to the Department of Housing, Heritage and Local Government in September.

The Quay Street & Environs scheme is in final detailed design phase with works anticipated to commence Q1. 2024 and be completed on a phased basis in 2025, Tender documents to appoint a contractor are currently being finalised prior to being issued to E-tenders. Replies to the Suitability Assessment Questionnaire have been received and have been evaluated. Irish Water went on site in the Quay Street Car Park on the 4th September. Alternative car parking is available at Bath Road/Balbriggan FC & Bremore Castle. Communications to this effect have been issued on social media and other channels in Balbriggan.



The pre-planning process for 2 – 4 Dublin Street commenced in March. Planning documentation was presented to the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services B - Strategic and General Matters) Area Committee in May prior to the Part VIII being published in July going to full Council in October. 2-4 Dublin Street is to be transformed into a new Creative Hub with 8 workspaces at 2 Dublin Street and an ancillary connected space at 4 Dublin Street which will support STEAM education, training and enterprise activities supported by SMART Balbriggan.





A comprehensive Balbriggan Public Realm Strategy - Masterplan & Design Guide and a Balbriggan Active Travel & Transportation plan are complete with both expected to be published shortly.

Demolition works on 14 Bridge Street (house known locally as Keelings) have now been completed. The landscape design for a temporary pocket park at the site is due to begin. Annexes at the rear of DeBruns buildings are also being surveyed before being demolished.

Donnelly Civil Engineering Ltd and MWP Engineering are delivering a package of improvement works at Balbriggan Harbour, as part of a wider package of improvements. Work is progressing on the provision of new lights and shoreside services on the West Pier. The main Harbour upgrade works are almost complete.





The Our Balbriggan Office continues to generate regular and unique content across all social media channels, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn with over 5.1k followers on Facebook.



Town Centre First - Lusk

The structure, membership and Terms of Reference for the new Lusk Town Team has been agreed. Together with the Town Team there are three Pillar Groups representing the Community, Business and Economy and Public Realm / Climate Action & Sustainability (to include Vacant & Derelict Buildings). The third meeting of new Town Team was held in August in Lusk Cultural Centre. A community briefing was held in early July to establish the Community Pillar which will support the Town Team in delivering a new Town Plan for Lusk with input from the local community. A local business briefing was held in July to establish the Business and Local Economy Pillar which will support the Town Team in delivering a new Town Plan for Lusk with input from the local business community.

The consultants to support the preparation of a new Town Plan have been appointed and are working with the Community and Businesses Pillars in Lusk to get their views for the new town plan. Work on this progressing well, with a new Town Centre First Plan for Lusk due to be complete in November.



Town & Village Renewal Schemes

The 2023 Town and Village Renewal Scheme was launched during the Summer and is the Town Regeneration Office is currently seeking expressions of interest for the scheme under its many project measures.

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Details are available on the Council's website or from the Town Regeneration Office townregenerationoffice@fingal.ie



The Regeneration Office has completed the implementation of the Rush Streetscape Scheme. The Council had been approved for €100,000 in funding from the Department of Rural and Community Development for the Rush Streetscape Scheme and 30 properties in the centre of Rush have been supported with funding.

The Donabate Streetscape Scheme was launched in May and applications for this scheme were sought from properties in Donabate Town Centre. €36,000 in funding has also been approved from the Department of Rural and Community Development for this Scheme under the last Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2022.

The application made to the Town and Village Renewal Scheme Building Acquisition Measure for 2023 has been successful with €500,000 now approved for St. Margarets, The funds have been used to purchase properties to re-develop into multi-purpose community facilities. This funding, under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, is designed to make towns and villages more attractive places in which to live, visit, invest and raise a family.

The Town Regeneration office submitted one application under the 2023 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme for Skerries. The Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) provides funding for the development of new outdoor recreational infrastructure. It also provides support for the necessary repair, maintenance, enhancement or promotion of existing outdoor recreational infrastructure in rural areas across Ireland.

The scheme supports outdoor recreation activities such as walking, trekking, cycling, kayaking and hiking. It helps to make use of the resources of the countryside that contribute to healthy active lifestyles. It supports the economic and tourism potential of the area for both local communities and tourist visitors alike.

The Town Regeneration Office was successful in securing €7 million for a new revolving fund that will acquire vacant properties to renovate, bring back into use and sell back into the market for housing purposes. An initial 18 properties under this fund have been approved for purchase by the URDF Round 3 Fund / Department of Housing Heritage and Local Government.

The Derelict Sites Section which manages the Derelict Sites Register was moved to the Town Regeneration Office in August further broadening the capacity of the office to deal with town centre vacancy and dereliction.

LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE



LEO Fingal provides a broad suite of support services to stimulate enterprise and enable small businesses to succeed. Some of the LEO highlights for September 2023 are as follows:

Student Enterprise Programme





Schools across Fingal are being encouraged to sign-up for this year's Student Enterprise Programme (SEP). This comes as several students and teachers gathered at County Hall on September 13th to launch the 2023/24 Fingal Student Enterprise Programme.

Mayor of Fingal, Cllr Adrian Henchy, the Head of Enterprise at Fingal, Oisin Geoghegan also joined the previous year's Fingal Student winners from Coolmine Community School and sponsors of the Fingal competition to launch the 2023/2024 competition.

Management Development Programme



The second leadership for Growth programme commenced on Tuesday 12th September. As part of the programme, the owner manager participants will each produce Work Based Assessments which document their businesses strategic plan and acts as a living document as well as a point in time reference for where their business is now and the actions they need to take to grow.

Fingal Enterprising Women Network







Fingal Enterprising Women Network welcomed almost 100 business women to a business brunch on September 14th in the Carlton Hotel Dublin Airport. The theme of the brunch was "Pause." Eat, Share" over a round table setting which provided attendees with the opportunity to brainstorm and share their expertise while making new business and friendship connections. Prior to the brunch, the business women heard from Lisa-Nicole Dunne of Mantra Strategy who hosted an engaging discussion centred around Business Strategy.

The network will host another meet up prior to Christmas, so keep up to date with our training ezine and social media channels where more details will follow in due course.

Fingal Business Network



The next quarterly Fingal Business Network event is on the 29th of September in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Santry and will feature a panel discussion with business owners Michelle O'Keeffe - Platform55, James Stewart - Celtic Candles, Sandra Hickey - Milk Bath and David Butler - QBM, hosted by Noel Davidson. The discussion will be centered round the 3 E's: 1. E-Commerce; 2. Expansion; and 3. Employment.

This will be the third quarterly Fingal Business Network convention of 2023, with over 200 business owner managers attending the previous two events. Fingal Business Network is a quarterly initiative where small businesses can meet and discuss their challenges and opportunities with their peers.

Fingal Business Briefing



The next monthly Fingal Business Briefing will run on October 18th for small businesses and entrepreneurs in the Fingal area. The briefings outline the supports and services available to small businesses and individuals seeking to start their own business, through LEO and other state agencies. Year to date, 160 individuals have attended a business briefing in 2023.

Energy Efficient Grant Scheme



The first approval under the new Energy Efficient Grant Scheme was granted in September 2023. The scheme which is being rolled out throughout the 31 Local Enterprise offices will enable small businesses to invest in technologies and equipment to make their businesses more energy efficient. The grant will cover up to 50% of the costs to a maximum amount of €5,000. The scheme aims to reduce the impact of small businesses on the environment and help them to reduce costs to enable them to become more competitive. Applicants must have completed the Green for Business Programme. An information session will be held in September for Fingal businesses to learn more about this Scheme.

Trading Online Voucher Scheme



An initiative under the Government's National Digital Strategy, the Trading Online Voucher (TOV) scheme supports small businesses by allowing them to enhance their online offering by providing a grant of up to €2,500 for ecommerce and digital marketing activities, as well as giving businesses a better understanding of how they can exploit E-Commerce opportunities for their business. So far in 2023, a total of 61 applications have been approved in the amount of € €129,018. The next Trading Online Voucher seminar will be held online on Friday 10th November 2023

New Campaign Encourages Small Businesses to Engage with Local Enterprise Offices



The new "All in a Day's Work" campaign encourages small businesses to engage with their Local Enterprise Office (LEO) to learn about the supports available that can help them save time, money, and energy. The campaign focuses on three key areas: Lean, Green, and Digital. Attending the launch was Heather Gilroy of Prints of Ireland, a client of Local Enterprise Office Fingal and Head of Enterprise Oisin Geoghegan.

The National Ploughing Championships 2023



The National Ploughing Championships was held on 19th - 21st September 2023 in Ratheniska, Co. Laois for a 50-acre exhibition and trade arena. Each year the Local Enterprise Offices host a Local Enterprise Village to provide an opportunity for clients to take full advantage of this unique consumer event. Each Local Enterprise Office hosts a competition for one suitable business for the event and this year Milk Bath (Lusk) was successful and represented Fingal. Sandra Hickey from Milk Bath was delighted to meet President Michael Higgins at The Ploughing D. Championships and presented him with a gift of Fingal handmade luxury Milk Bath products to enjoy.

Business Advice Clinics and Mentoring



LEO Fingal provides one to one business support services through Business Advice Clinics and a Mentoring programme, online and in person.

The Fingal mentor panel consists of a variety of skilled and experienced mentors from a range of business backgrounds. To date the clinics have offered one-to-one advice and guidance to 736 clients in Fingal. The Mentoring Programme continues with a total of 187 clients receiving mentoring year to date.

Microfinance Ireland Loans

LEO Fingal provides a loan scheme through its partnership with Microfinance Ireland, with loans of up to €25,000 per approved applicant. LEO Fingal is actively promoting the availability of loans from businesses that have difficulty raising finance from their bank. Applications are processed and assessed by LEO Fingal and submitted to MFI (Microfinance Ireland). Applications submitted through LEO Fingal are eligible for a reduced interest rate. LEO Fingal has processed and submitted successfully 12 MFI loan applications YTD.

Training and Events

September saw a huge uptake in the training offerings run by LEO Fingal with almost 200 people registering. The Start Your Own Business Courses are booked out as soon as they are advertised showing the high level of entrepreneurship in the Fingal area. The Social Media and Digital Marketing course is also seeing good demand as well as the shorter courses being offered as part of the overall training suite.

94 participants have embarked on one of 8 SYOB programmes year to date. There were a further 84 participants in the SYOB Bootcamp in LEW and 113 at the UStart programme for Ukrainian nationals.

Internationalisation and Export Development

LEO Fingal is providing a further opportunity to small businesses that wish to develop export opportunities through it's latest Export Development Programme which will commence in Q4 2023. In addition, the Exporter grant enables small businesses to explore and develop new market opportunities by providing up to €2,500 to businesses investigating and researching export markets. Export Grants have been approved for seven Fingal businesses year to date.

Ukraine Enterprise Crisis Scheme



The first UECS Grant was approved at the August EVAC meeting. There are a further 2 applications in the pipeline for submission over the next month. Assistance for business energy costs is being awarded to qualifying businesses affected by the increase in input costs or supply chain issues in relation to the Ukraine war. Applications are now open to Fingal based businesses.

Evaluations and Approvals Committee

The Evaluation and Approvals Committee (EVAC) meeting met on 29th August and approved €152,000 in funding across Business Feasibility, Priming and Expansion Grants. Year to date €558,200 has been approved across twenty-nine applications by Fingal Businesses. A further 2 Agile Innovation grants to the value of €101,000 have also been approved in 2023. The next EVAC meeting is Wednesday 18th October.

Showcase Ireland 2024



Showcase Ireland 2024 will take place from 21st – 23rd January 2024 at the RDS, Dublin.

Showcase is presented by Design & Crafts Council Ireland, Enterprise Ireland and Local Enterprise Offices and supported by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment. This four-day trade show is recognised as one Ireland's largest international trade shows and offers manufacturers, designers and craft makers the opportunity to exhibit their new collections. LEO Fingal have been allocated 8 stands for this event. Following a selection process, there 8 successful applicants have been chosen to represent LEO Fingal and their details sent to the Showcase Ireland 2024 Committee - Stories by Ola (Skerries), Moss of the Isles (Swords), Nicola Weldon (Balbriggan), Clémence Prosen Art & Design (Balbriggan), Rob Stears Illustrations (Castleknock), Waylon & Flo (Skerries), Luxie Kids (Trading as BabyDub, Donabate)

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Portrane Beach - Pedestrian Entrance



Recently planted Pollinator Planting Scheme at the entrance to Portrane Beach as part of the 2023 Programme of Works and the FCC Biodiversity Plan.

Newbridge Demesne Car Park



Additional Park Rail installed along new pedestrian pathway from car park towards Newbridge House.

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Portrane Green



Recently planted Pollinator Planting Scheme at the entrance to Portrane Green as part of the 2023 Programme of Works and the FCC Biodiversity Plan.

Longstone Park - Portrane



A new pollinator planting scheme installed at Longstone Park Green Portrane. This was one of the locations selected for enhancements as part of the local Biodiversity Action Plan

Donabate - St Patricks Terrace



Recently planted Pollinator Planting Scheme at St Patricks Park, Donabate as part of the 2023 Programme of Works and the local FCC Biodiversity Action Plan.

Broadmeadow Community Garden



Operations Department supplied wooden pallets and materials to members of the Broadmeadow Community Garden for their 'Bring a plant, take a plant' community initiative. Operations staff assisted with the install of the units adjacent to the garden. Later in the month, the community welcomed Pride of Place judges to view the garden and meet members.

Broadmeadow Linear Park, Swords



A total of 3 new pedestrian pathways installed in Broadmeadow Linear park linking adjacent residential developments into the park and on to the extension into the new Millers Glen Park.

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Oldtown



New Entrance Landscape features at the entrance to Oldtown Village currently under construction.

Balbriggan



Newly installed seating along the Stephenstown Link Road Balbriggan

Balrothery Perennial Planting Scheme



This perennial planting scheme was planted up earlier this year and is currently putting on a great display with lots of colour and variety throughout.

Lusk



Newly Constructed pedestrian pathway at Ministers Park Lusk. Additional adjacent planting planed for Winter 2023.



Road repairs at Hedgetown, Lusk

Naul Graveyard



The ramp at the entrance to Naul Graveyard has been replaced along with the installation of new handrails and resin surfacing. All works completed prior to the annual blessing of the graves ceremony and the works were very well received locally.

Perimeter wooden fencing has been replaced with a traditional steel park rail in keeping with the new entrance feature.

Skerries



Newly installed constructed Tree Pits at Skerries Mills Car Park as part of the ongoing pedestrian link improvements linking the car park to the Mills.

Skerries



Boats being removed near Skerries Harbour

Balbriggan







Resurfacing works on Lambeeacher Lane, Balbriggan



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New information boards installed at Harbour.

Swords



The next stage of reconstruction of the Brackenstown Rd is now underway. The image shows the foundations cast for the support of the embankment.

Howth Malahide Area Programme of Works

Work is progressing well on the 2023 Programme of Works in the Howth Malahide area. Many items of work have been completed with the remainder being worked on. Road Inlay preparation works such as new kerbing have been ongoing at several locations in advance of new road surfacing on the Swords Road & Kinsealy Lane.

Roads Works



Kinsealy Lane prior to road inlay works



Road inlay works on Kinsealy Lane.



New kerbing being laid on Swords Road.

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Ongoing path resurfacing works being carried out in the area.



Night road works taking place on Swords Road.

Malahide Castle - New over lay and surface to entrance to.

Works have started to the entrance of the castle which include a new steel ever edge and a buff chip and tar to replicate what is currently there. This will improve the aesthetics and eliminate the current issue with pooling water.









New Railing on McAlister Avenue, Malahide Demesne

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46 Years Dedicated Service



Martin Hennessey's retirement gathering, following 46 years' of dedicated service.

An Taisce Green Flag Award



Malahide Demesne has been successful in retaining the Green Flag Award for Parks. This benchmarks excellence in the management of green spaces which are open free the public and was awarded to 101 parks, gardens, grounds and wildlife sanctuaries around the country.



New bed planting on Hogans Avenue.

Talbot Botanic Gardens



New Norman Garden at rear Malahide Castle



African garden in full flower West Lawn, Talbot Botanic Gardens



Olearia solandri one of the National Collection of Olearia in Talbot Gardens



Dianella tasmanica in Walled Garden Malahide Demesne

Burial Grounds Works

Non-stop heavy rain; our staff worked hard to keep burial plots topped up.





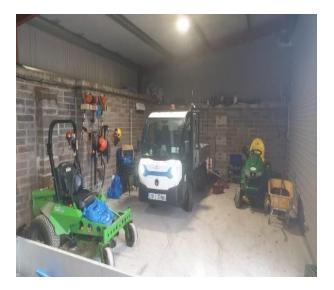


Waterlogged burial plot before remedial works carried out.

Balgriffen Cemetery

Work was completed at the new machinery storage unit at the cemetery.





Cemetery Toilet Refurbishment

St. Fintan's Burial Ground New Toilet Refurbishment





New urinal installed at St Fintans Burial

Beaches

Operations Department Howth Malahide team received delivery of the new lifeguard boat engine and trailer.





New lifeguard boat engine and trailer

Cleansing

The Howth Malahide team carried out extensive plumbing and woodwork repair works at Howth & Portmarnock Public Toilets



New woodwork access panels

Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area NEW WOOD CARVINGS



New wood carving of 3 wolves on large stump of a Redwood tree in Millennium Park, that had to be felled some years ago due to storm damage. This carving is situated it the corner of the Arboretum near the entrance to the Irish School.

In this area was the great Scaldwood, an ancient forest in which wolves roamed. In 1662, a wolf cull was ordered by the authorities, as these predators were threatening livestock. The last remaining wolf in Ireland was killed near Baltinglass in Co. Wicklow by John Watson in 1786.

IMPROVEMENTS TO ENTRANCE OF WARRENSTOWN ESTATE



Pillars at entrance to Warrenstown Estate, that have been painted and 2 small Perennial Pollinator beds planted outside each side of Pillars at base of walls at entrance to estate.

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NEW STONE WALL TO REAR OF COOLMINE RE-CYCLING CENTRE





New Stone Wall built by Stone Mason at back of Coolmine Recycle Centre yard at junction of Porterstown Avenue and Clonsilla Road.

GRASS TRIMMING



Grass Edge Trimming been carried out throughout Castleknock/Mulhuddart.

RE-SURFACING WORKS



Ongoing path resurfacing works being carried out in the area.

JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE



The Castleknock/Mulhuddart Joint Policing Committee public meeting took place at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Blanchardstown on the 13th of September 2023.

WORKS ON TORY BRIDGE







Foam spray treatment been carried out by our operations crews on Tory Bridge.

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EVENT IN SHACKLETON GARDENS



Clonsilla Heritage Festival which took place on the weekend of 16-17th of September. Despite the weather, over 100 people were in attendance.

DAMASTOWN AND PORTERSTOWN PARK





Active outdoor fitness infrastructure was successfully installed in Damastown and Porterstown park last month.

GREEN FLAGS – AN TAISCE AWARDS

Hartstown Park has received the prestigious green flag award this year after a substantial 3 year works program to improvements to the parks facilities.



St. Catherine's Park and Millennium Park were also successful in obtaining green flags this year.





PROGRAMME OF WORKS IN D15

Some Pictures showing works undertaken this month:

Sycamore View



Northwood Avenue



Roselawn



Deerpark



Car Parking Services

August 2023

There was a total of 1419 parking tickets issued during August 2023.

Breakdown of Parking Offences:

Top 10 Offences	
Offence	Main Ticketing Offences - August 2023
9A - A VEHICLE COMMITING AN OFFENCE CONTRARY TO	
PAY AND DISPLY/PERMIT PARKING	751
08A - PARKING A VEHICLE ON A FOOTPATH	156
04G - PARKING A PRIVATE VEHICLE IN A LOADING BAY	152
9A - A VEHICLE OUT OF TIME TICKET	132
9D - PARKING A VEHICLE ON A DOUBLE YELLOW LINE	74
04C - PARKING A VEHICLE IN A TAXI BAY	24
9F - PARKING/STOPPING A VEHICLE IN A DISABLED	
PERSONS PARKING BAY	20
04B - Vehicle Parking Opposite a Continuous White	
Line	16
9H - PARKING IN AN ELECTRIC BAY	16
07A - OBSTRUCTION TO OTHER ROAD	
USERS/PEDESTRIANS	16

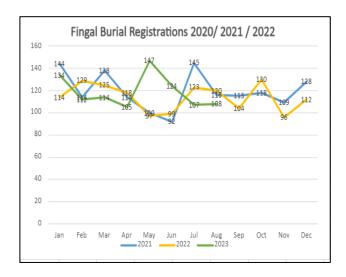
Main Ticketing Locations:

Location	Main Ticket Locations August 2023
North Street - Swords	134
Main Street - Swords	92
South Strand Skerries	89
Bridgefield Car Park - Malahide	84
Strand Street - Skerries	65
Harbour Road - Skerries	64
Drogheda Street - Balbriggan	43
Dublin Street - Balbriggan	43
The Green - Malahide	42
Church Road - Malahide	40

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Burial Ground Services

The Operations Department are continuing to administer and monitor delivery to ensure business continuity for Fingal's Burial Ground Service. There were 108 Interments in August 2023.



Traffic Operations County-Wide

The 2023 Program of Works has been progressing in each Administrative Area.

Castleknock - Mulhuddart 2023 POW

Works were completed outside Circle K on the R135 in September. The works included concrete footpath buildout, inclusive of flexible bollards. The infrastructure was installed to improve road safety exiting and entering the Circle K and adjoining businesses.



Kilshane – Concrete build out at Circle K

Road Markings in Castleknock - Mulhuddart



Oaktree Drive – Sharks teeth have been repainted onto existing ramps.



Lohunda Road – Sharks teeth have been repainted onto existing ramps.



Lohunda Downs- Sharks teeth have been repainted onto existing ramps.

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Balbriggan Swords 2023 POW

New drop kerbs and tactile pavement have been installed by at the junction between Naul Main Street and Westown Close and also in Oldtown in the proximity of St Mary's National School. The works included footpath upgrades and repairs.



Oldtown- R122/O'Briens Lane /St Mary's National School



Oldtown- R122 outside St Mary's National School



Naul- R108/ Westown Close



Rush- New Pedestrians Crossing warning sign at Park Road.



Garristown- New School Children Crossing warning sign at R130.



Kettles Lane at R132 – Further signage installed – Two 'No Right Turn' signs.



Donabate - Relining on Main Street.



Tower Bay – Portrane – Further parking restrictions at entrance to car park

<u>Howth - Malahide Area</u> Junction of Swords Road and Malahide Road (McAllisters)

Traffic signal upgrade is ongoing at this junction with Footpath works and Red Tactile Installation coming to an end.

Picture below shows the new completed tactiles across the Swords and Malahide road.



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New Road Markings

Below: Double Yellow Lining opposite the existing plastic bollards –Burrow Road Sutton as requested by the Gardai to combat illegal parking



New 30 KPH Myrtle Road -Baldoyle



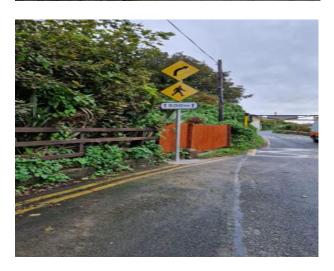


Above : New Yellow Box on the Yellow Walls Road - Malahide

Examples of new road signage installed

From left to Right: Balscadden road, Exiting Balscadden Car Park, and new cul de sac signs in Sutton Park







New Stop Sign (markings to follow) at Claremont junction with Howth Road (Presence of Cyclists)





Three New Updated Ramp signs for Sutton Cross

Fleet Management & Plant Hire Unit

85 hires were put in place from 01/09/2023 to 22/09/2023, engaging 23 suppliers.

Street Lighting LED Programme

The Public Lighting Section will continue with the LED Programme in 2023 with 99.2% of all lights switched to LEDS.

100% of new Decorative LED fittings have been installed in towns and villages across the county wide.



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The result of the bad weather and as our evenings draw shorter, the number of Faults reported have risen slightly to 1.28 % of overall numbers of lights. The Public Lighting Area Works Programme is well under way across the county with several jobs complete. (Mourneview Estate - Skerries,) (Red Arches - Car park, Baldoyle) (Manorfields Pedway, Ongar).

Millbank Tower Rush (POW)

The Millbank has been lit using feature lighting as part of the 2023 Programme of Works (POW)



Beaches and Lifeguard Service

Fingal County Council will be seeking to employ 45 beach lifeguards for the 2024 Bathing Season. The WSDO will continue to communicate with the trainers, to ensure that we have enough lifeguards and are able to open more stations full time in 2024.

The reduced number of lifeguards for the 2023 Bathing Season meant that Portrane, Rush North and Loughshinny lifeguard stations did not open for the season, with Balbriggan and Howth opening part-time. The remaining stations operated as normal.

The service for our non-blue flag beaches concluded on Sunday 27th August. The service for blue flag beaches, Portmarnock, Donabate and Rush South, concluded Sunday 10th September 2023.

These are the statistics for the 2023 Bathing Season:

		Rescue		Lost	Advice	Accident		
	Rescue	Craft	1st Aid	Child	Given	Prevented	Other	
Balbriggan	6	1	11	2	76	22	9	only open 32 days
Skerries South	1	1	20	0	185	24	7	only open 59 days
Loughshinny	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	not open at
Rush North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	not open at
Rush South	0	0	1	0	192	24	8	not open June Bank Hol Wknd
Portrane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	not open at all
Donabate	4	0	25	4	253	35	6	
Malahide	2	0	5	2	415	183	13	
Portmarnock	9	2	55	7	1231	210	97	Port 2 only open 22 days
Sutton	7	1	67	5	440	90	19	
Howth	0	0	1	0	45	9	1	only open 8 days
JUN-SEPT	29	5	185	20	2837	597	160	

^{*} Stats lower than 2022 due to LG shortage & lack of station opened.

Lifeguards going blue for World Drowning Prevention Day:



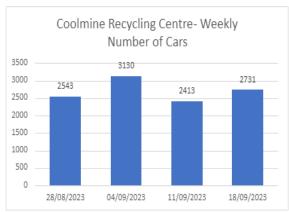




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Recycling Centres Update



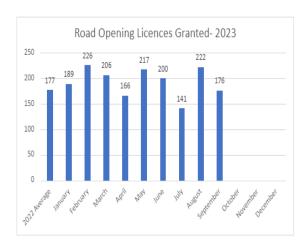


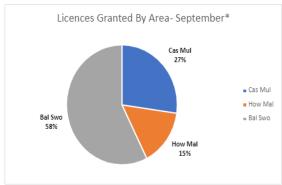
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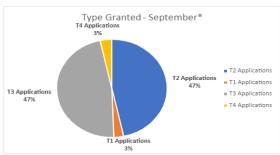
- Road Opening License's

The Licensing unit continues to process and manage the licensing system for the County. Applications are allocated by area for examination and conditioning which includes reviews of the existing carriageway, footpaths, cycleways, and grass verges. Applicants submit temporary traffic management plans for review to ensure all works are carried out safely within the public domain. Road Opening Licences are a cross functional process for the department and are essential for the asset management of Fingal County Council Road network.

176 Licences were granted in the month of **September**, **55%** of which were granted by way of automation. Clerk of Works in each area continue to carry out regular inspections following road opening works by utilities.







* As of September 25th.

- Casual Trading License

Fingal County Council currently have 30 Casual Trading Pitches occupied throughout the Administrative Area.

These Licences cover Hot Food/Tea & Coffee/Ice Cream and Flowers.

We are currently in communication with several interested parties in taking up additional pitches throughout the county and site inspections have been arranged.

The Castleknock/Mulhuddart Operations Department is in regular communication with our traders and area inspectors to tease out any issues and to assist in delivery of quality service.

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Street Furniture Licences





Fingal County Council currently have 33 valid Street Furniture Licence throughout the county:

1 in Castleknock/Mulhuddart, 6 in Balbriggan/Swords and 26 in Howth/Malahide, this is a significant update on previous years.

We are currently in communication with several applicants re issuing new SFL licences pending site inspections in the coming weeks.

Castleknock/Mulhuddart Operations department are close to completing refunds in accordance with S.I. 256 dated 22 of May 2023 for all Street Furniture Licence Holders in the area following engagement with the businesses.

Storm Water

- Stormwater Capital Programme 2023-2025

Fingal County Council are continuing to progress projects recently adopted in the 2023-2025 Stormwater Capital Program. The 3-year program includes 14 projects valued at approximately €3.63 Million, although this is being kept under review. Below is a brief update in relation to the current status of some of the projects that have commenced and planned upcoming projects.

- Howth Stormwater Culvert

Topographical and Manhole Surveys are now complete. Rain gauges and flow monitors have been installed on the catchment network and were followed by a CCTV Survey of the sewer – now complete. The information from these surveys is currently being interpreted to inform the condition parameters of the existing sewer and thus allow for a preliminary design to be developed. Preliminary design, Optioneering and Investigation Reports are being progressed on Work Packages A and B.

Wendell Avenue/Heather Walk:

Stormwater sewer rehabilitation works in Portmarnock are now complete. In total 200m of collapsed sections of network have been replaced in the Dewberry Park, Wendell Avenue and Heather Walk estates. Trench reinstatement works are planned for Q3 2023 with final road reinstatement planned for Q1 2024.



- Burrow Beach

The proposed remediation of a surface water outfall pipe on Burrow Beach is scheduled to begin following the seabird wintering season around March 2024. Procurement of the various material required has commenced. It will be executed by our own Direct Labour section with consultancy support from Malachy Walsh and Partners.



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- Bath Avenue Storm Water Pipe

This project involves the laying of a new Storm water pipeline along Bath Ave, Malahide to alleviate localised flooding and allow for future capacity. Scantech Geoscience Ltd completed a GPR and pavement thickness survey on the 07/06/2023 which informed design drawings and a Site-Specific RAMS. Works have commenced on the 25/09/2023. A 9-week window has been allocated to the works which requires a full road closure.

Ongar Development Stormwater Remedial Works

Remediation works on the drainage network in Ongar are on-going following its Taking in charge. The works are being undertaken by Formac Contractors with design and supervision by OCSC Consulting Engineers and have a duration of five months. With 90% of the works programme expended all reinstatements of footpath and road are complete with drainage repairs underway currently. Current forecast for completion is mid-October.

- Storm Water Maintenance

The proposed Stormwater preventative maintenance cycle for 2023 is currently underway. A contractor has been procured with a Jet Vac Recycler truck and CCTV camera van. Survey works are ongoing in the in the Blanchardstown & Castleknock areas.

The Stormwater manhole cover and frame replacement programme for replacing assets at the end of life is ongoing. Assets have been replaced in Skerries, Rush, Sutton, Howth Main St, The Naul and Balbriggan.

Following discussion with the biodiversity section and environment department, safety concerns led to the partial removal of the **Portrane SW Outfall** which had suffered damage from recent storms. Care was taken to reinforce with rock armour a key upper section of intact pipe which serves to prevent sand drift.





Following CCTV surveys of Rusheeney and Manorfields estates we are awaiting costings to remediate collapsed pipe sections by either open cut and replace or using trenchless technology.



A new precast headwall has been installed on White's Road in Castleknock. Works are now required to reinstate and landscape the area around the new headwall once channel clearing is completed by the local Operations depot.

A joint Environment-Drainage section investigation was carried out to determine the source of oil contamination of the Storm Water network at the Estuary in Swords. The source was not determined, however the discharge has stopped. The storm network was washed and cleaned using high-pressure water and investigation closed.

Multiple misconnection surveys and dye testing are taking place in the Balbriggan area. Surveys are focusing on the catchment feeding into the Harbour area via the Bracken river. The following areas were surveyed – Lambeecher/Bath Rd, Tara Court, Clonard Court, Bremor Castle Mews Fulham St, Clonard St, Mill Race, Chapel Ct & R132 Drogheda St.

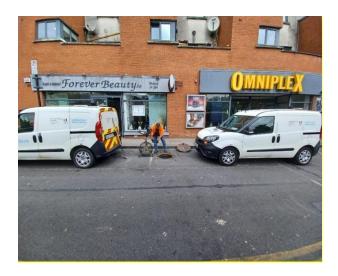


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A significant misconnection was discovered from apartments on Mill St. Dye testing confirmed the source. The environment team issued enforcement proceedings. Meanwhile Drainage Operations are still cleaning this line.





Works were carried out to locate and raise several buried manholes in the Flemington Park area of Balbriggan. Separately an investigation found several misconnections of foul to storm water in the estate. The most practical solution was to divert the contaminated storm sewer section to a foul line, effectively removing the majority of affected properties and creating a combined sewer.





- Biodiversity

Ongoing assistance is being given by the Storm water Unit to *Baldoyle Tidy Towns* who have secured funding for a Biodiversity project on the Seagrange Park stream, Baldoyle.



Storm Water Connections:

To date 12 new connection applications have been processed in 2023.

Briefings/Meetings FINGAL JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2023

Meeting	Day / Date	Area	Venue
JPC Public Meeting	Wednesday 13 th September 2023 7pm – 8.30pm	Dublin 15 & Area Castleknock, Clonsilla, Blanchardstown, Mulhuddart, Tyrrelstown, Ongar, Meakstown	Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown S.C.
JPC Public Meeting	Wednesday 20 th September 2023 7pm – 8.30pm	Swords/Malahide Swords, Santry, Donabate, Portrane, Malahide, Portmarnock	Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords
JPC Public Meeting	Wednesday 11 th October 2023 7pm – 8.30pm	Howth/Sutton & Area Howth, Sutton, Baldoyle (parts of)	Marine Hotel, Sutton
JPC Public Meeting	Wednesday 18 th October 2023 7pm – 8.30pm	North County Balbriggan, Balrothery, Garristown, Naul, Skerries, Rush, Lusk & area	Bracken Court Hotel, Balbriggan

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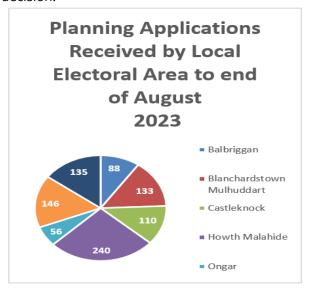
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Planning Applications

There have been 908 planning applications received from 1st January 2023 to 31st of August 2023, of these 123 applications were invalid leaving a total of 785 valid applications. The volume of applications received by Local Electoral Area (LEA) is detailed in the table below.

From 1st January 2023 to 31st of August 2023, seven Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) full applications have been made to the Local Authority. From 1st January 2023 to 31st of August 2023 eleven decisions have been made on Large Scale Residential Developments. Of these eleven decisions made, all have been to grant Permission (3,211 Units).

An Bord Pleanála have issued 16 decisions on SHD applications in the period from 1st January 2023 to 31st of August 2023. There are five SHD's (4,577 units) remaining with An Bord Pleanála for decision.



Planning Decisions

A total of 821 planning decisions have been issued to 31st August 2023. There have been 676 decisions to grant permission (83%) and 145 refusals of permission (17%). Included in the 676 grants there have been 54 grants of permissions in respect of single house construction, 380 grants of permission for domestic extensions/works, 63 commercial/retail grants of permission and 34 grants of permission in respect of housing developments of which 17 relate to development of 2 – 20 units, 4 relates to 20 – 50 units, 7 relate to 50 -100 units and 7 which relate to development of 100+ Units.

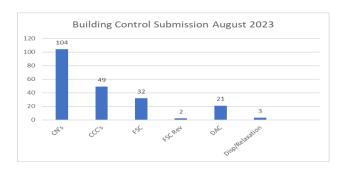
Building Control Admin

In August 2023, there were 211 building control submission's made via BCMS.

This was made up of 104 Commencement notices, 49 Compliance of Completion Certificates, 34 Fire Safety related Certificates and 24 Disability Access related Certificates.

Commencement notices and Compliance on Completion Certificates are submitted through the Projects module on BCMS. Fire Safety, Disability Access, Regularisation and Dispensation/Relaxation Certificate applications can be submitted online via the Applications module on BCMS and the Council accepts hard copy applications directly into the office. Most applications are now being submitted via the online system.

The Building Control Admin team processed 157 decisions in August 2023 relating to Fire Safety and Disability Access Certificates. This was made up of 62 decisions to grant and 95 extensions of time.



Built Environment Division

Building Control/Taking in Charge Section

- There were 16 building Control Inspections so far in September 2023 with 41 buildings inspected.
- There were 6 section 11 requests for further information following building control inspections, issued in September to date and there has been no enforcement notices issued.
- There was 1 road taken in charge in the council meeting of the 11th September (Balgriffin to Belmayne Link Road).
- There are 2 estates up for taking in charge in the October meeting (Cnoc Dubh Phase 2 and Millers Glen Phase 2.
- We have validated the Taking in Charge request for the Drynam Estate and are doing up taking in charge drawings. We will advertise this estate for taking in charge later this year.
- The bondholder has agreed to undertake some further small works in Thornleigh Estate In Swords in order for Fingal to release the remainder of the bond. These works should be carried out within the next month.
- The Ongar Remediation works contract is still ongoing and Formac Construction are currently carrying out works in Ongar Village. O'Connor Sutton Cronin are managing these works on behalf of Fingal County Council.

- The completion date has been pushed out until Friday 27th of October to complete some additional drainage works and other works for Irish water.
- Works are ongoing in the Gallops housing estate by a contractor carrying out "Taking in Charge" works for Fingal County Council.

Dangerous Structures

 There were 7 dangerous structures notified in August 2023 and 1 dangerous structure notified in September 2023 There are a total of 90 dangerous structures active in our database.

Pictures



Checking access ramp in a house in Portmarnock.

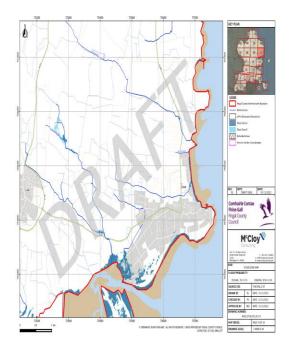


Checking Guard Railing on an apartment in Portmarnock

Development Management/Forward Planning (Water Services) Section

Flood Risk Assessments/ Drainage Strategies

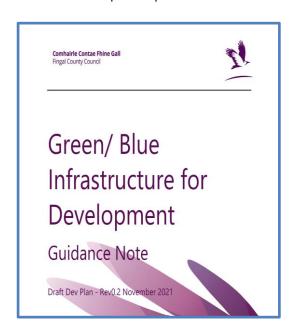
 FCC WSFP staff completed liaising with the appointed consultants developing the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for the County Development Plan. The SFRA flood mapping & report has been completed.



A new document "Nature-based Solutions to the Management of Rainwater and Surface Water Runoff in Urban Areas -Water Sensitive Urban Design - Best Practice Interim Guidance Document" has been issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. It is intended as a high-level best practice interim guidance document for all those whose work impacts on the urban environment, for urban planners and all built environment professionals involved in the planning process such as engineers, architects and landscape architects and shows how to move towards a more systematic and sustainable approach to urban planning and design that seeks to mimic the natural water balance of rural areas through "water sensitive urban design".



 Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) – The Fingal SuDS guidance document (Green/Blue Infrastructure for Development) has been reviewed to include changes in technical standards. This document along with the SFRA documents have been incorporated into the new development plan.



<u>Transportation</u>

Snugborough Interchange upgrade

The Snugborough Interchange is currently programmed to be completed above road level in early December. This will facilitate traffic across the new bridge including cars, bicycles and pedestrians. The work on completing the underpasses will be the last element of the works and will be completed during Q1 next year, as we have included additional elements in the scheme such as repairs to the access to Waterville Park and a new artwork in the underpass. Some traffic management will be required over the coming weeks and resurfacing of the N3 off ramp will be carried out overnight. A site visit for local councillors has been arranged for later in October. Updates will be posted on the scheme web site www.snugboroughinterchange.ie



Ongar Barnhill Link Road

The sod turning for this project took place on 8th September and the main contractor, Bam Civil, commenced work on the 11th of September. Initial works include preparatory work to allow for temporary stream diversions in advance of main works. Updates for the scheme will be posted on www.fingal.ie/ongar-barnhill



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R132 Connectivity

Consultation with the National Transport Authority and with Transport Infrastructure Ireland regarding the connection with MetroLink is ongoing along with ongoing design coordination with adjacent developments. Following the outcome of a Rapid Build Options Assessment Report, in line with NTA requirements, which has concluded that the approved scheme design remains the preferred option, the project is now being brought through the detailed design stage. The findings from the ground investigation works carried out in June and July have been compiled and now will assist in the decision-making process for the detailed design stage.

Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route Construction work is progressing on the Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route for this key infrastructure project for Balbriggan. The work has started at three locations, namely Hamilton Road, Harry Reynolds Road just south of the R122 and at Moylaragh Road. Work is progressing with a new bus stop and a new shared area already installed on Hamilton Road.

A meeting in relation to progressing the art installation piece has also taken place recently with Fingal's Art Officer, local representatives, Tidy Town Committee members and Our Balbriggan in order to progress the process of developing an art installation. Additional meeting with the ESB in Early September onsite to reach agreement on new connect point at 12 Controlled crossing points along the project.

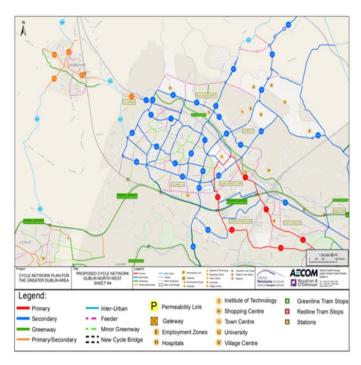


To assist with communication to the community a dedicated project website has been setup which will be updated throughout the project, highlighting the projects progression and key milestone stages; Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian & Cycle Route | Fingal County Council



Consultancy Framework for Dublin 15 Walking and Cycling Projects

The Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Dept has commenced the procurement process for a Single Party Framework for Engineering Consultancy Services for Pedestrian and Cycling Route Projects in Dublin 15, with a closing date of 24^{th of} October 2023. The evaluation of submissions received as part of the stage one process will then be assessed to determine which firms will proceed to the stage 2 procurement process in Q1 2024. Proposed projects will include Clonsilla-Damastown Cycle Route and Tolka Valley Greenway.



Cycle Network Plan for The Greater Dublin Area - Proposed Cycle Network Dublin <u>North West</u> -Sheet N4

Granard Bridge

A tender brief is currently being prepared for a Pedestrian and Cycling bridge over the Maynooth Rail line and Royal Canal at Granard Bridge on the Castleknock Road and will form an integral part of the walking and cycling route for Blanchardstown to Phoenix Park which is a proposed route in the NTA's Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan. The tendering for this project will form part of the initial project for the Engineering Consultancy Services Framework for Dublin 15 Pedestrian and Cycling Route Projects which is currently at stage 1 of the procurement process.



Figure 1 - View from Rail Bridge towards Granard Bridge and Blanchardstown



Figure 2 - Site Location

Royal Canal Urban Greenway

Dialogue continues to be held with landowners and with key stakeholders the National Transport Authority and Waterways Ireland along the route of the greenway to ensure a coordinated, high quality final design is achieved at interfaces between existing facilities and the proposed scheme. Landowner searches and land referencing are ongoing also. Following this process, the required documents including the Environmental Impact Assessment Report will be prepared for a planning application to An Bord Pleanála in early 2024.

S2M Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme

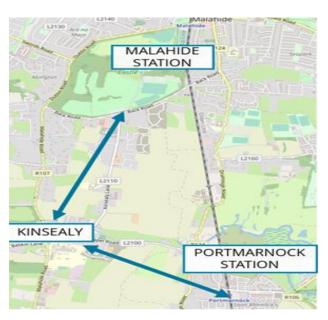
The preliminary design review for the Sutton to Malahide Pedestrian & Cycle Scheme is currently underway. A surveyor has recently completed topographical surveys of public and private lands within the proposed scheme. Ground Investigation Works will be required along the route at all locations where new structures are being proposed. This is at the final stage of the procurement process with works expected to be carried out in October/November 2023. A tree surveyor will be procured in the coming months and a survey of all trees along the proposed route will be carried out. Following this process, the preliminary design can be finalised and

documents will be prepared for a planning application to An Bord Pleanála. Engagement with potentially impacted property owners, businesses and stakeholders is ongoing.



Kinsealy Walking and Cycling Routes

The consultancy framework for various Swords & Kinsealy projects with the initial project being the Kinsealy Walking and Cycling Routes was recently awarded. The appointed consultants are currently progressing the Kinsealy Walking and Cycling Routes Projects. The Options Selection phase is progressing on two routes, Kinsealy Lane and Chapel Road/Station Road to determine the draft preferred routes. A surveyor will be procured to carry out topographical surveys and traffic counts. Briefings will be undertaken with the local members at the next milestone stage and further discussion around public consultation will take place at that stage also.



Fingal Coastal Way

Liaison with landowners and residents' groups along the route of the Fingal Coastal Way is ongoing. Baseline wildlife surveys in public lands were carried out in September by the project ecologist. Appointment of a contractor for the topographical survey of public lands should be completed in the coming weeks. This survey will allow design in the town and village centres to be progressed. Affected landowners with farming and horticultural businesses will be informed in the coming weeks with regard to the appointment of the scheme agronomist, at which point further liaison meetings will be held along the route.

Broadmeadow Way Greenway

The ground investigation works which have been ongoing throughout the summer have now concluded and the contractor is demobilising the railway safety barrier from the causeway. The laboratory results are being analysed at present and these will be used to inform detailed design including foundations and railway stability concerns. A tender competition for the 12-span 180m long precast bridge deck units will go out to the market shortly, the long lead in time is required to align with the approved May-September construction window in 2024 following the overwintering bird season. In tandem the project team are preparing the Stage 1 tender documents for the Donabate landward works which will include two additional bridge structures spanning across the Pill River and greenway works through Kilcrea farmland and the Kilcrea junction at Newbridge.



Church Fields Link Road Works are continuing on phase 2 of the Church Fields Link Road and Cycle Network project,

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including the upgrade and reconfiguration of the existing Wellview Avenue and the installation of 670m of high quality pedestrian and cycling facilities through the eastern parklands linking up with existing networks and future proposed facilities in the vicinity.



PSI-026 Turvey Avenue & Portrane Road

Fingal County Council has lodged an application to An Bord Pleanála for a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for the Portrane Road Enhancement Project and two landowner objections have been lodged with ABP in this regard. The project involves works to widen the existing narrow footpath on the northern side of Portrane Road in order to provide a suitably wide and safe footpath for pedestrians to use in the vicinity of two national schools (St. Patrick's Boys National School and Scoil Phádraic Cailíní). The project also involves works to provide safe pedestrian crossings and appropriate traffic calming facilities. Subject to approval from An Bord Pleanála, the CPO will allow Fingal County Council to purchase privately-owned land that is required to widen the path and deliver the project. A decision from An Bord Pleanála on the CPO application is expected later this year.

Separately, Fingal County Council has commenced a tender competition to procure a works contractor to build a Footpath Enhancement project on nearby Turvey Avenue, in Donabate. The project will see the construction of a new section of footpath to improve pedestrian safety and increase connectivity for people walking between Donabate Village and the residential areas along Turvey Avenue, west of Donabate Train Station. A works contractor is expected to be appointed in November with construction work due to commence early 2024.

PSI-027 Donabate Pedestrian Bridge

The detailed design for the construction of a new pedestrian and cycle bridge over the Dublin to Belfast Railway line at Corballis, Donabate has been approved by larnród Éireann and the Commission for Railway Regulation. The new bridge will cross over the railway line, facilitating a safe and segregated pedestrian and cycle route and will enhance connections between the development lands at Corballis, Donabate Village, the railway station and Newbridge Demesne. Heads of terms have been agreed and necessary licence agreements are being finalised with the developers of adjacent lands to facilitate access to, and construction of, the bridge. Procurement for a main contractor for the works is ongoing and construction is expected to commence in Q1 2024.

Donabate Transport Projects

Fingal County Council has appointed Roughan and O'Donovan, a leading multi-disciplinary consultancy firm, to provide engineering, planning and environmental services for the Donabate Transport Projects, which comprise a number of major projects with the objective of improving transport and active travel infrastructure and road safety on the Donabate-Portrane peninsula.

The projects include:

- Phase 2 of the Donabate Distributor Road project, to improve access to Donabate and Portrane from the M1-Lissenhall Interchange for all road users, particularly vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists;
- Blakes Cross Junction Upgrade, to provide a safer junction layout that caters for both motorised traffic and active travel modes of transport such as walking and cycling;
- A study of the M1-Lissenhall Interchange, in collaboration with TII, to assess all technical and operational traffic issues associated with this strategic motorway junction;
- Donabate Active Travel Routes which encompass a number of related local projects which aim to increase local connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists.

Work on the initial data-gathering, concept development and option assessment stages of the Donabate Transport Projects will commence immediately.

Further stages of work, relating to environmental assessment, planning consent, etc. will follow on in subsequent years as appropriate.



Parks and Green Infrastructure Division

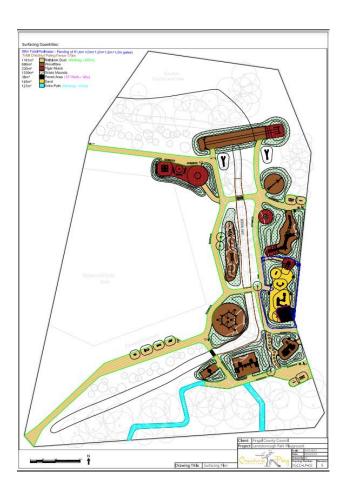
Conservation Works and Woodland Management in Ward River Regional Park Swords

Specialist conservation works have commenced on the historic landscape features in the Ward River Regional Park. Initial works include the stabilisation of the brick arch (see attached photo) and removal of inappropriate structures in the Brackenstown Walled Garden. Further works will include significant restoration works at the Usher's Lake cascades and bridges. All of the works are being carried out in compliance with the requirements of Inland Fisheries Ireland to avoid any negative impacts on the watercourses in the park. Works have also commenced in the park on Woodland Management focused on the removal of invasive species and in particular extensive areas of cherry laurel which is preventing the natural regeneration of woodland in the park. The period between September and the end of March is the optimum period for these works.



Commencement of works on a new public playground for Lanesborough Park

Works have recently started on the construction of a new playground located in Lanesborough Park, Meakstown. The playground is one of the largest public play facilities ever developed in Fingal and the contractor has estimated that the works will take approximately 12 weeks to complete resulting in the provision of a "state of the art" playground providing a diverse range of play features to meet the needs of local children.



HOUSING

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Housing Supply

Affordable Home Purchase Scheme announced - Hampton Gardens Close, Balbriggan

9 No. 1-bed and 9 No. 2-bed houses at Hampton Gardens Close are being made available for sale by Fingal County Council under affordable dwelling purchase arrangements. This will be carried out under the Affordable Housing Act 2021 and associated Regulations. The scheme will be aimed at first-time buyers (although some exceptions apply).

Prices starting from €170,000 for 1 Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment and Prices starting from €220,000 for 2 Bedroom Duplexes.

Applications will be accepted via an online application portal. The application portal will be open from 12pm on 13th October 2023 and will close at 5pm on 3rd November 2023.





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Housing Information Event - September 25th, 2023- Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords

Fingal County Council hosted a Housing information evening in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords on the 25th September 2023. There was a very high attendance and attendees had the opportunity to hear about the different options for people who want to make their home in Fingal. Presentations were given on the Croí Cónaithe Refurbishment Grant, the Local Authority Home Loan, and the Affordable Housing Scheme. Housing Staff were on hand to chat with attendees and assist with their queries & offer guidance in relation to the relevant schemes.







Construction Programme

Summary of unit numbers in pipeline	Units
Under Construction	307
Schemes with Part 8 Planning Approval and Tender Stage	476
Planning and Design	274
Part V	232
TOTAL	1,289



Fingal County Council - Restoration of St Ita's Portrane - 14 units

Three units have been completed and the restoration works commenced on the next 6 units at the beginning of June 2023.



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Fingal County Council- Affordable Housing Scheme at Hayestown, Rush, Co Dublin 52 Affordable & 10 Social Units

Works are continuing on Phase 1 of the affordable units at Hayestown, Rush. The assessment process has now concluded on the applications received for the scheme. A total of 279 completed applications were submitted and all applicants have now been contacted.









Tuath Housing - Construction Scheme at Kilhedge Lane, Lusk, Co. Dublin - 31 dwellings





Fingal County Council – construction scheme at Bowden Court, Swords – 11 dwellings



Fingal County Council - construction scheme at Ballough Place, Lusk – 10 dwellings

Fingal County Council - construction scheme at Monastery Court, Lusk – 5 dwellings



Fingal County Council - infill scheme at Clonsilla Road - 1 unit



Fingal County Council - infill scheme at Sheepmoor Avenue - 1 unit

Land Acquisition

Fingal County Council has recently completed the purchase of 5 No. Sites, comprising of an area of c. 29 hectares to facilitate the construction of up to 800 new homes. The acquisition of further sites for housing development is under active consideration.

Housing Asset Management Report

Energy Efficiency/Retrofitting Programme

Fingal County Council's Energy Efficiency Retrofit programme is progressing well. Work has been completed on 83 properties to date in Strandmill Estate, Barnewall Estate, Rivermeade, and Glasmore Court. Works on a further 29 properties are currently underway in Strandmill Estate, Rivermeade, Glasmore Park, and Whitestown Gardens.

Investigative works are ongoing in several other housing estates across the county with a view to including them in this programme.



Post works – Strandmill Estate, Portmarnock (external wall insulation, new windows and doors)
Returning Dwellings to Productive Use

The number of casual voids within social housing stock which are currently in the re-let process is set out below:-

Voids for Re- letting	28 th September 2023
In the letting process	37
Undergoing re-let repairs	42
With County Architect for procurement of pre-let repairs	8
TOTAL	87

Planned Maintenance Programmes

Cyclical Maintenance - Scheme Painting

The Scheme Painting Programme provides for external painting and joinery repairs to Council housing stock and currently operates on a 6/7-year cycle. Works are reaching completion in Corduff Avenue, Corduff Gardens and Corduff Way and are ongoing in the remainder of Corduff i.e Corduff Close, Corduff Cottages, Corduff Crescent, Corduff Green and Corduff Place. Works have commenced in Domville Woods.





Before and after painting pictures taken in Corduff
Avenue, Blanchardstown

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Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)

HAP continues to be the primary source of rent support for those in private rented accommodation. Fingal County Council has set up over 274 new tenancies in 2023 to date with approximately over 3,863 tenancies set up since HAP began in 2017.

The HAP team are on hand to deal with any queries from applicants and landlords in person at the Housing Department in the Fingal County Council Blanchardstown Office, by phone on 01 8905000 via the CCU or through email hap@fingal.ie.

Rents

The new rent review process continues, and tenants are required to return their Rent Assessment Form with the relevant documents so that an assessment can be carried out and the correct rent charge applied to the account.

The Rent Arrears team are working methodically through accounts in substantial arrears to encourage tenants to engage with the Council in reducing their arrears. In cases where there is no engagement, despite repeated efforts, proceedings will progress through the legal arena and to date the Rents Section has secured one Possession Order with 7 others currently before the courts.

The Rents team encourage any tenant who is having trouble paying their rent to engage with the Council to examine possible solutions. However, there are instances where tenants do not engage or make alternative payment arrangements and, in those situations, the Council needs to take further action.

Local Authority Home Loan

The Local Authority Home Loan continues to be popular among people who are unable to secure funding from commercial lenders to allow them to purchase a home.

Interest was very strong among attendees at the recent Housing Event in the Carnegie Court Hotel where our Loans Team were on hand to give prospective applicants an insight into the Local Authority Home Loan application process and documents required.

DHLGH media campaigns have been rolled out recently to inform people of the Government-led options available to them to assist them in purchasing a home, including the Local Authority Home Loan. Further information can be found at www.fingal.ie/localauthorityhomeloan.ie



Private Rented Inspections

For 2023, following the roll out of annual registration by the RTB and a project to streamline registrations, the target for 2023 is set at 4,576, equating to just over a quarter of 18,000 registered tenancies within Fingal.

100.42% of the target was reached by the end of September comprising of a total of 5451 inspections and 4595 dwellings inspected. The team continue to focus on improving compliancy.

Housing Tenancy Services Report

Housing Support and Housing Position

Housing List positions have been issued to all applicants.

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The list position is also available through the CBL portal on fingal.ie. Applicants who do not have access to this portal should contact Choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie to request their unique username and password.

Changes to Income Eligibility Thresholds

In accordance with Circular 48/2022 and changes being implemented via the Social Housing Assessment (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022, the Social Housing Eligibility Bands will increase with effect from 1st January 2023.

Income thresholds prior to 2023 detailed below:

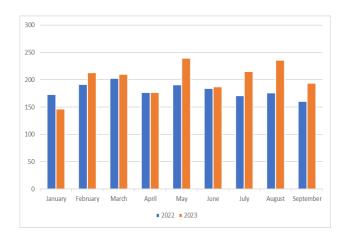
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1	€35,000	€36,750	€35,875	€36,750	€37,625	€39,375	€42,000

The revised thresholds from 1st January 2023 for different household compositions are detailed in the table below:

Band	Single	2 Adults	1 Adult	1 Adult	2 Adults	2 Adults 3	3 Adults 4
	Adult		1 Child	2	1 Child	Children	Children
				Children			
1	€40,000	€42,000	€41,000	€42,000	€43,000	€45,000	€48,000

Housing applications received year to date.

Jan – Sept 2023	1,819
Jan - Sept 2022	1,628



Housing Support Appeals

Applicants are reminded, an appeal must be received within 28 days of a decision being communicated in writing in order to be eligible for review.

An email address has been established to facilitate the submission of appeals pertaining to housing support applications by applicants e.g. closure of social housing applications, transfer of tenancy, income limit queries, medical priority & transfer applications. Applicants can email – Housing.Appeals@fingal.ie.

Housing Needs Assessment

In accordance with Circular 26/2023 as released 5th July 2023, the Summary of Social Housing Assessment (SSHA) is due for return to the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage by 29th November 2023. Letters Issued to applicants on 15th September to all applicants required to complete the SSHA. Following the successful launch of the Online HNA System in 2022, applicants have been advised to complete the assessment where possible online. This system went live on Monday 18th September 2023 with initial uptake positive.

Reminder letters are scheduled to issue to all applicants in the coming week for any who have yet to complete their assessment. Applicants are advised in this letter, that if they have completed their assessment online, it is not necessary for them to take any further action. All SSHA received are undergoing a process of checking and assessment with requests issued for further documentation where required through the Portal. All facilitates remain available to applicants at the Customer Care Counters and in the Fingal Libraries for those individuals' requiring assistance in completing their Housing Needs Assessment.

If required, Hard copy forms are also available however, requests for same have been few.

Choice Based Lettings September Advertised Properties

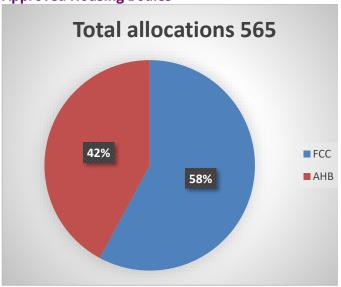


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Advertisement	Property	Bed	Type		Expressions
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$6^{th} - 12^{th}$	Stapolin,	2	Duplex	1229	209
September	Baldoyle,				
	Dublin 13				
	L				
-	The Strand,	3	House	1024	118
September	Donabate,				
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-	Main Street,	1	Apartment	1044	182
September	Swords, Co Dublin				
	Dublin	l			
	I.				
27 th	Lanestown	3	Duplex	1081	178
September –					
3 rd October	Donabate,				
27 th	Co Dublin	3	Harras	910	138
	Cardy	-	House	910	138
September – 3 rd October	Balbriggan,				
5 October	Co Dublin				
27 th	School	2	House	942	146
September –	Lane,	_	110000	J-72	140
3 rd October	Baldoyle,				
	Co Dublin				

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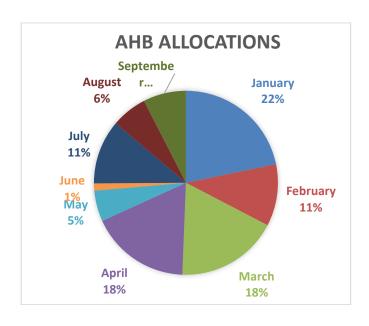
Lettings

Approved Housing Bodies

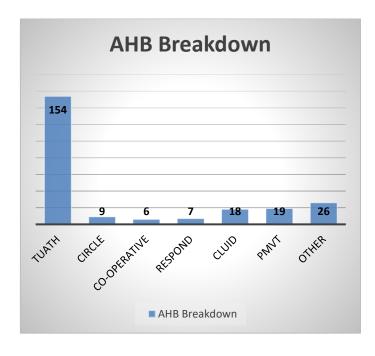


The above chart depicts the total number of properties allocated since the beginning of 2023. 239 of these allocations have been in collaboration with a number of Approved Housing bodies. The other 327 properties allocated were allocated using Fingal County Councils own stock.

Of all the 566 allocations made to date 212 were made via Choice Based Lettings.



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This chart portrays a breakdown of the AHB'S, reflecting the nominations sent to them during 2023 thus far. Tuath have received the most nominations from Fingal County Council in 2023.

The collaboration between Local Authorities and Approved Housing Bodies is continuing to have a positive impact on the delivery of social housing.

Homeless Services.

Homeless Exits 2023

During the month of September 2023, 26 households exited homeless circumstances into various forms of social housing support - including into private rented tenancies under the Homeless HAP Scheme.

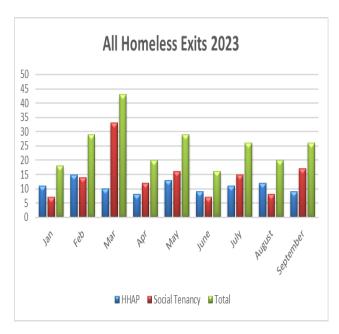
Allocations to social tenancies accounts for 17 households, comprising 6 homeless prevention and 11 who exited emergency accommodation.

Homeless HAP accounts for 9 of these tenancies, comprising 4 homeless preventions and 5 who exited emergency accommodation.

Therefore, there were a total of 10 homeless prevention cases and 16 who exited emergency accommodation.

Please see table for breakdown of figures:

Type of Exit	HHAP Tenancy	Allocation of Tenancy	Total	
EA	5	11	16	
Homeless Prevention	4	6	10	
Total	9	17	26	



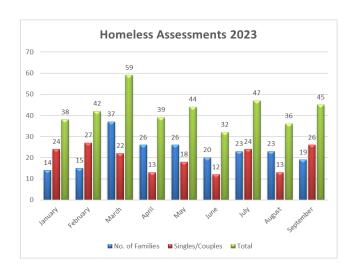
Homeless Presentations

Fingal's Homeless Team continue to engage with those experiencing homelessness to offer advice and support. Homeless Assessments continued to be carried out.

In September 2023, there were a total of 45 full homeless assessments completed – comprising 19 families and 26 singles/couples.

To date in 2023 there have been a total of 382 full homeless assessments completed.

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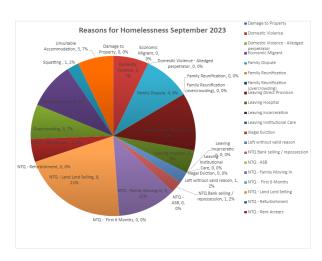
During September 2023, of the 45 Homeless Assessments carried out, 17 cases resulted from a Notice to Quit (NTQ) having been served, equating to 40%.

Renting a room or licensee presenters are not protected by the Residential Tenancies Act and accounted for 9% of assessments during September 2023.

There are also a considerable number of people making contact stating that they are Homeless due to family breakdown (9%).

Most of the other presentations to the Homeless Section are from living in overcrowded conditions (7%) and state that they cannot/will not return to the property.

The remaining 35% comprise various reasons are outlined on the chart below.



Emergency Accommodation (including Fingal County Council Family Hubs)

There continues to be a high demand for Emergency Accommodation across the region for both families and individuals.

Rough Sleepers

The Homeless Services Team continue to liaise with the DRHE Outreach Team regarding any reports of rough sleeping, to establish their names and circumstances and to offer supports. Regrettably, some rough sleepers are reluctant to engage with service providers and may refuse offers to access emergency accommodation. Any rough sleeper who is willing to engage with the Outreach Team and/ or the Council or will be assisted.

The Council will carry out homeless assessments and every effort is made to encourage them to avail of homeless services.

A weekly Rough Sleepers Co-ordination Group monitors the reports of rough sleepers. The reports come from various outlets, including the DRHE Outreach Team, Elected Representatives, the FCC Operations Department and the general public,

The progress of these cases are monitored until the needs of the reported rough sleepers are met and the cases can be closed.

Homeless Action Plan 2022- 2024

The DRHE, with the approval of all 4 local authorities in the Dublin region, has finalised the Homeless Action Plan Framework for Dublin 2022-2024. This Plan is the first plan to be put into operation since Ireland signed the Lisbon Declaration on combatting homelessness in June 2021, which aims to end homelessness by 2030.

It will follow on from the previous Homeless Action Plan for 2019- 2021 and continues with the three key themes of **Prevention**, **Protection and Progression**.

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The Plan was developed based on a detailed consultative process including submissions from various Stakeholders, interested organisations, Service Providers, Members of SPCs of the four Local Authorities, the Dublin Joint Homelessness Consultative Forum and the Statutory Management Group.

Preventing Homelessness, Notices to Quit and Tenant In-situ Acquisitions

Fingal County Council is aware that households in the Fingal area who may have received a notice to quit, which is also referred to as a notice of termination, from their landlord may be worried or unsure of what to do.

The key contact details are:

Fingal County Council Housing Department
Monday to Thursday, 9am to 5.00pm- Friday 9a.m.
to 4.30 p.m.: Tel. 01 890 5090 or
homeless@fingal.ie

Email: NTQEnquiries@fingal.ie

Dublin Region Homeless Executive, Central Placement Services: Freephone 1800 707 707

TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME

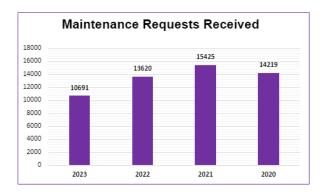
Traveller Accommodation

Refurbishment works to the 5 Bay Halting Site at St Brigid's Lawns, Porterstown, Dublin 15 is ongoing. Works include replacing the existing welfare units with new modern units and upgrades to the onsite utilities.

Regular site visits by Housing Inspectors continue on all Fingal County Council Traveller specific sites while checking on vulnerable residents and advising on the continued supports available.

Council officials continue to liaise and engage with the Traveller Community, Traveller Advocacy Groups, Welfare Services, Child Services, Mental Health Services and other services and agencies to resolve issues when and where possible.

Housing Maintenance







Kitchen/Bathroom refurbishments in Dublin 15

Boiler Servicing Programme

The 2023 Programme of work continues, with Contractors working across the County in areas such as Dromheath, Dunsoghly, Hollywoodrath, Mayeston, Dun Saithne, Kelly's Park, Saint Catherines and Balgriffin.

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Anti-Social Behaviour/Inspectorate Unit

The most recent meeting of the Housing Forum for the Dublin 15 area took place on 8th September 2023.

The Housing Forum affords collaborative working between Council Officials, Elected Representatives, Statutory Agencies and Community Representatives in relation to good estate management.

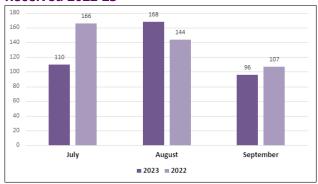
ASB Caseload Management

September 2023	Active Investigation	Monitoring	Closed	Total Complaints
				Received
Balbriggan	10	5	0	15
Rush/Lusk	7	1	0	8
Swords	27	5	2	34
Howth/	2	4	0	6
Malahide				
Blanchardstown/	9	3	7	19
Mulhuddart				
Ongar	10	0	2	12
Castleknock	0	0	2	2
Total	65	18	13	96

All complaints are received in confidence by the ASB Unit

Surrenders on Estate Management Grounds 2023 – 2 (Jan), 3 (Feb), 2 (March), 2 (April), 1 (May), 1 (June), 2 (July), 4 (August), 3 (September)

Monthly Breakdown of ASB Complaints Received 2022-23



Anti-Social Behaviour Interventions

Interviews Held 2023	60
Interviews Held 2022	101
Tenancy Alerts 2023	19
Tenancy Alerts 2022	39
Tenancy Warnings 2023	4
Tenancy Warnings 2022	6

Inspectorate

Traveller Specific Site Inspections 2023	1253
Traveller Specific Site Inspections 2022	1673
Estate Inspections 2023	1090
Estate Inspections 2022	1086
Estate Management Inspections 2023	1317
Estate Management Inspections 2022	2109

Tenant Induction Courses 2023

Fingal County Council are currently delivering induction courses in the Mulhuddart Community Centre. This partnership has been hugely successful due to its central location and the great facilities the centre has to offer. Fingal County Council are keen to continue this partnership to support and promote this fantastic community facility.

7 Tenant Induction Courses were completed to date for the developments below and two further courses are due to be held before year end.

- Kilhedge
- Wellview
- Liscappagh
- Churchfields

Tenant Induction Course in Mulhuddart Community Centre



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Housing Ukraine Response

Those Fleeing the Conflict in Ukraine

The Government is committed to delivering a humanitarian response to welcome people fleeing the conflict in Ukraine and seeking protection in Ireland.

Web resources with useful information on support and accommodation for Ukrainian refugees and the wider Fingal community are shown below:

www.gov.ie/ukraine

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The Council's Fingal Ukraine Response Forum chaired by the Mayor continues to meet regularly to assist co-ordinate the response of the various statutory agencies and voluntary groups in the county to assist the Ukraine community.

Liam Rodgers Rest Centre

The centre is presently operating at full capacity utilised for new arrivals to the country with various statutory agencies linked with the centre to provide support to the new arrivals.

Supported by the Council and the Peter McVerry Trust (PMVT), **277 persons** have moved from the rest centre to OfferAhome\pledge accommodation across the county and country since 2nd November 2022 with arrangements finalising with respect to further moves to OfferAhome\pledge accommodation

OfferAhome\Pledge Accommodation

In the Fingal area, all suitable properties offered are occupied. The monthly recognition payment is €800 per month for vacant properties and €800 to host a Ukraine person in your home. To pledge accommodation, please visit the national portal at https://offerahome.ie or for enquiries, e-mail offerahome@fingal.ie.

Note **Helping Irish Hosts** can offer support and advice to both hosts and guests in pledge accommodation. See website https://www.helpingirishhosts.com for further information

Vacant Homes

Three dwellings are currently advancing through the CPO process, one which has a large associated site. An Bord Pleanala have confirmed that the CPO to be operative with respect to 2 of these properties.

A further two vacant properties have recently gone sale agreed under the Buy and Renew scheme.

The Croí Cónaithe Refurbishment Grant Scheme is also in utilisation to address vacancy and assist citizens get a home with increasing enquiries, applications and grant approvals.

Croí Cónaithe Vacant Homes Refurbishment Grant

On the 1st May 2023, the scheme was further extended with the eligibility criteria now allowing for properties build pre-2008 to qualify and grants increasing to €50k (vacant) and €70k (vacant and derelict).

The scheme now also allows for a grant for approved properties to be rented on the private-rented market when refurbishment is complete. Prior to the recent change, the grant approved property had to be the principal private residence of the grant approved owner.



To date, **75 applications** have been received under the scheme, **34** which have been approved. In addition, staff are engaging with numerous other expressions of interest which have potential to lead to further applications.



Promotion of the scheme is on-going by the Vacant Homes Team who were present at the Housing Information Event held in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords on the 25th September 2023. For enquiries

on the scheme and on vacant properties generally, please contact the Council's Vacant Homes Office via e-mail at vacant.homes@fingal.ie

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community Development Office

Community Development

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Garda Community Clinic, Balbriggan

Donabate & Balbriggan SAMH Groups

Fingal LGBTIQ Mapping of Community Services &

Groups

Safer Halloween Programme

Facilities

Ongar Family Fun Day
Excellence in Local Government Awards 2023

Interagency

Fingal Comhairle na nÓg -AGM Place Standard Tool

Integration

SALAAM Project Phase 3 – Staff Anti Racism Training

Fingal Inclusion Week Networking Event and Launch.

Ukraine Supports

Creative Together Art Exhibition HerOutdoors Ukrainian Inclusion

Age Friendly Fingal

Information Event for Over 55s: Sutton Launch of Cricket4All Guidelines Cross Border Intergenerational Initiative

Funding

Activities Funding Scheme Sports Equipment Funding Scheme Safer Halloween Funding Scheme Community Facilities Remedial Works

Sports Office

Parks and Trails Challenge Volleyball Ireland Beach Day Accredited Defibrillator Training Marathonkids 2023

Community Development Office

Community Development

Community development is a process where community members come together to take collective action and generate solutions to common problems. Community wellbeing, economic, social, environmental and cultural challenges are often solved through collective action being taken at a grassroots level. Community development ranges from small initiatives within a local group to large initiatives that involve the broader community.

Building community capacity, strengthening community participation, and involving people in decisions that affect their lives is a complex process and can only be achieved by working with local communities and agencies who have responsibility to the people in those communities.

In September the Community Development Office worked in partnership with a number of community groups and partners to support many projects/Initiatives including;

IPB Pride of Place Judging in Fingal 2023



Judging of the three Fingal entries in this year's IPB Pride of Place competition took place in early September. Broadmeadow Community Garden, Swords was nominated to represent Fingal County Council in the Climate Action and Biodiversity Category and members of the group gave a comprehensive presentation to the judges in Applewood Community Centre on their work which included projects within the garden to combat climate change and encourage biodiversity as well as encouraging native Irish plants.

The presentation also gave the judges an insight into the collaborative work involved in achieving their aims through their work with local groups such as the Men's Shed, Swords Photography Society, Swords Tidy Towns, Swords Horticultural Society and Fingal Beekeepers. A tour of the community garden and an opportunity to sample some produce then followed.

Garristown Community Council presented to the judges in the Populations between 500 and 1500 category. A comprehensive tour of the village, which took in the local GAA, Irish Dancing, Library, Church, historical society as well as local food producers, the National School and the historic Windmill Site all of which was very well received. Garristown Community Council demonstrated its partnership work with FCC in relation to the Playful Streets initiative, the Smart Villages initiative, the Festival in a Van Project and partnerships between the Community Council and Fingal's Operations, Heritage, and Climate Action Departments.



Draiocht Arts Centre in Blanchardstown represented Fingal in the Creative Place category. Draiocht themed their presentation on the outreach work they carry out with young people and families in the community of Dublin 15 and outlined some exciting projects such as the NEST project which will see dramas created and performed in the homes and schools of young people in the community next year. The judges were given a tour of the theatre and arts space and were able to engage with young people involved in a variety of projects.

The finals and Awards Event for the 2023 Pride of Place Competition take place in Armagh City on 10th November and representatives of the three projects nominated by FCC to represent the county

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will be there on the night to continue doing Fingal proud.

Failte English Conversation Class - Holywell Community Centre.



English Conversation classes providing an opportunity to learn English in an informal setting recommenced in Holywell Community Centre. The first class welcomed 11 participants from 5 different countries with 5 tutors from Swords, Malahide and Portmarnock. It is expected that the number of participants will increase weekly as information on the class spreads among migrant groups. The tutors, volunteer their time each week to help teach English. Classes will continue until December.

Swords Circular Economy Initiative



The successful Sword Circular Economy Initiative, which has been funded by the council, continued with a Bike Repair Workshop in Rivervalley Community Centre on 9th September 2023. The Rediscovery Centre of Ballymun hosted the workshop which repaired 8 children's bikes and 11 adults' bikes to ensure they were road worthy and safe to use again.

Garda Community Clinic, Flemington Community Centre, Balbriggan



Flemington community Centre in Balbriggan hosted the first in a series of monthly community garda drop-in clinics, with the support of the FCC Community Hub in the Centre. A property marking service was provided at the first clinic which proved very popular. The clinic will allow community members to meet with their local community gardai in a safe and inviting setting and can avail of one-to-one services there also. Further community initiatives will be rolled out at these clinics over the coming months.

Donabate & Balbriggan SAMH Groups

The Substance Abuse Awareness & Mental Health (SAMH) groups in Balbriggan and Donabate, supported by the FCC Community Development Office, met for the first time since the summer break to discuss events for World Recovery Day. the next phase of data collection for the Planet Youth Research project and actions planned for the Fingal Inclusion Week (FIW) in November. The Donabate SAMH heard how Crosscare is expanding its outreach youth services in the local community and is in the process of acquiring temporary premises for this. In Balbriggan the SAMH group is planning an Expo for all the community as part of the FIW. The Donabate SAMH will exhibit mental health-related arts work from local students as part of a showcase event, being held in DPCC. An online showcase for all the Fingal SAMH groups is also planned for FIW and further details will be available later this month.

Adult Learning Festival

September marks a return to education for many, so with this in mind, the Community Development Office hosted an adult learning festival for adults wishing to return to education or perhaps embark on their education journey for the first time. 2023 is European Year of Skills and the aim of this event was to put skills centre stage and enable individuals to get the right skills for quality jobs. A wide variety of education agencies and service providers came together in Draiocht to provide information and bitesize talks on available access routes education. financial support, apprenticeships and much more. The event was designed as a one stop shop to ensure easy access to information and support those wishing to engage in education, whether that be formal or informal education. Phoenix FM broadcasted from the event to ensure that the message that 'education is for everyone' was delivered into the homes of the residents of Dublin 15.





Fingal LGBTQI Mapping of Community Services and Group Project



The Community Development Office partnership with LGBT Ireland were delighted to be joined by local community groups and services in Balbriggan, Blanchardstown and Swords attending LGBT General Awareness training. Training was part of the Fingal LGBTQI+ Mapping & Support Project that took place in July. Over 80 community groups and services in Fingal participated in a county wide mapping survey to show the various ways they were engaging with local LGBTQI+ people. Responses were received from various local groups including sporting groups, resident associations, women/men groups, disabilities support services, cultural groups, community centres and many more.

Fingal Safer Halloween Programme





The Community Development Office is supporting 36 groups to participate in the Fingal Safer Halloween Programme 2023. The purpose of this programme is to provide fun recreational and diversionary activities for young people to deter them from participating in antisocial Halloween activity.

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Participating projects will promote the Fingal County Council 'Stay Safe and Awareness' message and generate awareness of other deterrent initiatives including Recycling Amnesty, Bonfire Removal measures and the Festival of Fire. To compliment the safety message, 22 groups will participate in a local bulb planting programme in the area. In 2023, we have introduced an online public vote Scarecrow competition. Participating households and community groups are required to create a climate friendly scarecrow using everyday material and be displayed outdoors. be facilitated voting will https://www.fingal.ie/safer-halloween where information on safety and all Fingal County Council services will be available.

Facilities Ongar Family Fun Day





Despite the cloudy weather, the recent annual Family Fun Day held in Ongar Community Centre was an enormous success. With several local enterprises taking part and something for everyone, including Crazy Golf, Face Painting, Ice Cream and entertainment. Local families took the opportunity to get together, view local crafts and learn more about the services, activities and events that take place in Ongar Community Centre as Blanchardstown Brass Band played rousing renditions of Abba Hits and more. This event is planned by the local board of management and supported with funding from the council and its objective is to raise awareness of the community centre and the facilities it offers to the community of Ongar and surrounding areas along with providing a networking opportunity for service providers.

Excellence in Local Government Awards 2023

The Community Development Offices initiative "Welcome Rooms", has been shortlisted under the Category Supporting Sustainable Communities for a Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards 2023. Welcome rooms are now open in 3 centres across the county and are designed to be a comforting and welcoming space for people to visit with no obligation. Recently used as a space for family art workshops which were delivered in collaboration with Draiocht they are proving to be a welcome addition to the local communities they serve. This is one of two initiatives coordinated by the community development office to make the 2023 shortlist.

The second initiative shortlisted for the Community Development Office was the "Fingal Ukrainian Festival of Cultures and Communities". This event was led by the Community Development team with excellent support and expertise provided by staff from the Fingal Events Office took place in Swords Castle in September 2022 and was a wonderful day of Ukrainian poetry, dance and music as Swords Castle played host to a special gathering that recognised the strong relationships fostered between the residents in Fingal and Ukrainians who have arrived in the County since the beginning of the armed conflict. Over five hundred Ukrainian families, volunteers and their host families from all over Fingal attended, as artists from Ukraine took to the stage to entertain everyone. With residents immersing themselves in the multicultural display of dance, music and art - the festival highlighted the true spirit of the bond shared by the two countries.

The awards are sponsored by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and aim to acknowledge and celebrate the work being carried out by Local Authorities all over Ireland. The winners will be announced in late November.

Interagency

The Community Development office actively seek to work in collaboration with agencies to maximise service delivery and resources to communities. In September the CDO supported the delivery of the following:

Fingal Comhairle na nóg

The young members are busy planning the **AGM** which will take place on **Tuesday 17 October in The Crowne Plaza in Blanchardstown.** The Mayor of Fingal will open the event. The Comhairle members hosted workshops in Blanchardstown and Swords libraries in September and were consulted as part of the consultation process for the Fingal Library Plan 2024-2029.

Place Standard Tool

We are always seeking new and innovative ways of carrying out our work and with this in mind members of the Community Development team attended a workshop in Tramore with Waterford County Council and Healthy Ireland staff to explore the Scottish Government's Place Standard Tool. This is a consultative way of structuring a conversation about a place, it helps people to think about both the physical and social aspects of their localities and the relationship between them, which is key for supporting sustainable, inclusive communities. It is a tool for everyone to use and is communities and both professionals, encouraging everyone to work together using a common approach. When a community has reached an agreement about the main issues for improvement in their locality, the results can form the basis of a community plan. The community team is excited to pilot the Place Standard Tool across communities in 2024.



Integration

SALAAM Project Phase 3 - Staff Anti Racism Training Pilot

Working in partnership with Limerick University, Immigrant Council of Ireland, Doras, INAR and other local authorities across Ireland to roll out phase 3 of the SALAAM Project (Sustainable Alliances Against Anti-Muslim Hatred) an EU Commission funded project. When completed, this anti-racism training provides staff with the tools needed to support them in providing our services in the context of the Public Sector Human Rights and Equality Duty and the new National Action Plan Against Racism.



Fingal Inclusion Week Networking Event and Launch.



Fingal Inclusion Week 2023 was launched with a networking evening for event organisers on the 25th September. This event was a wonderful opportunity for all the groups taking part to come together and make connections and to talk about their event plans for this year.

The event was launched by Mayor of Fingal Cllr Adrian Henchy. Fingal Inclusion Week will take place from 13th – 19th November 2023 and is an initiative of Fingal County Council Community Development Office in collaboration with the Fingal Integration Team. It focuses on highlighting the positive work of communities, agencies and other organisation's involved in reducing social exclusion and poverty in Fingal. The week also seeks to raise awareness of the barriers experienced by citizens of Fingal that lead to social exclusion and promote an understanding of inclusion in Fingal. Over 60 events will take place across the county focused on the following 11 categories;

1.	Arts / Culture
2.	Children / Family / Youth
3.	Disability
4.	Diversity
5.	Education / Information
6.	Environment
7.	Health & Wellbeing
8.	Mental Health
9.	Migrants
10.	Older People
11.	Sport

Fingal County Council will partner with a wide range of organisations who are involved in reducing social exclusion and poverty in Fingal in supporting initiatives across these themed categories.



Ukrainian Supports





The Creative Together Art Exhibition held in Blanchardstown Library was the culmination of two integrated workshops between the Carnegie Art Therapy Senior Ukrainian group and the D15 Art Group. A collaborative project between our CDO for Ukrainian Supports and our D15 CDO, this integrated project was hugely successful, despite the language barrier, and firm friends were made through the medium of art. There are now plans in place to replicate our Ukrainian Art Therapy sessions to include local community art groups.

HerOutdoors Ukrainian Inclusion



Ukrainian Ladies bowled over the friendly competition as part of HerOutdoors week held in the ALSAA Club. This event witnessed an impressive turnout of 40 Ukrainian participants, supported by the Community Department.

Their enthusiastic involvement added a diverse and vibrant dimension to the event and has resulted in several Ukrainian ladies booking their return visit to play again.



Age Friendly

Age Friendly Fingal is committed, to driving a collaborative, multi-sectoral approach which supports interventions that will significantly help to improve the quality of life of the current population of older people in Fingal and future generations.

Information Event for Over 55s: Sutton



Following successful information events in Dublin 15 in 2022 and in Swords earlier this year, a further event took place in Suttonians Rugby Club on Thursday 14th September 2023.

The event provided an opportunity for residents in Baldoyle, Sutton, Bayside and Howth to seek information and advice on services and activities for older people in the area. Over 150 people attended with some travelling from Killester, Donaghmede, Malahide and Skerries. Information and advice were provided on the day by Alone, Age Action, Fingal Leader Partnership, DDLETB, An Garda Siochana, Dublin Fire Brigade, Age Friendly Ireland, Fingal OCC, Age Friendly Health Homes, Fingal Community Dept, University of the Third Age, Sage Advocacy, MABS, Citizens Information, HSE, libraries, as well as Baldoyle and Bayside Community Centres. While at previous events ALONE indicated that the event had provided referrals to their service, at this event several older volunteers were recruited to work with the service.

The event was advertised through a variety of mediums including social media, flyers, and direct contact with groups in the area. In a survey of 90 participants at this event, 100% found out about the event from their social groups/friends or through flyers left in local community centres, parish centres, libraries, post offices and chemists. It is interesting to note that no participant in the survey indicated that they were informed of the event via social media.

Launch of Cricket4All Guidelines



The Mayor of Fingal, Councillor Adrian Henchy launched Cricket4All Guidelines on Tuesday 12th September in County Hall, Swords. The Guidelines are the result of a collaboration between Fingal County Council and Cricket Leinster to pilot a multiability, intergenerational project in Balbriggan and Skerries with funding from the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth (DCEDIY) Disability Awareness Fund 2021.

The project saw coaching in adapted cricket and table cricket to young people with disabilities and to older people. The project created an environment where cricket is accessible to all, regardless of age or ability and facilitated diverse age and ability groups playing together in intergenerational teams for competition. The project's impact extended beyond the field, attracting volunteers who participated in coaching courses and disability awareness training.

The Guidelines are a valuable resource for cricket clubs, schools, active retirement groups and organisations working with young people with disabilities or anybody wishing to play Cricket4ll.

Cross Border Intergenerational Initiative



Following a successful funding application from the Department of Foreign Affairs, Shared Island Civic Society Fund a cross border intergenerational project in Balbriggan and the village of Mayobridge, Newry was established. This Community collaboration between the Department and Linking Generations Northern Ireland commenced on Saturday 9th September 2023 with a workshop for all participants in the Irish Institute of Music and Song in Balbriggan. The workshop questioned participants' views on ageism and stereotypes and their understanding of intergenerational practice. However, it was not all work, and a drumming session provided an opportunity for all participants to learn a new skill, in a fun environment, suitable for all ages and abilities.

The Balbriggan group comprising of older residents of Balbriggan and members of Foroige met again on Friday 22nd September 2023 in Castlelands Community Centre and with the help of Linking Generations Northern Ireland began to develop their project. The next step is for each group (Balbriggan and Maybridge) to present their proposed projects at an event in Mayobridge on 14th October 2023.

Funding

Activities Funding (Up to 26th September 2023)



Communities Activities Funding has been awarded to 65 projects to the amount of €137,991 in 2023.

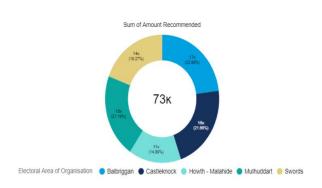
Howth Malahide – €20,812K – across 10 projects

Swords - €18,074- across 9 projects

Castleknock/ Mulhuddart- €60,411 – across 29 projects

Balbriggan - €38,614 - across 14 projects

Sport Equipment Funding (up to 26 Sept 2023)



Sport Equipment Funding has been awarded to 28 projects to the amount of €72,550 in 2023

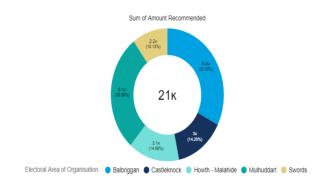
Howth Malahide – €10,802 – across 4 projects

Swords - €13,983 - across 6 projects

Castleknock/Mulhuddart- €31,090 – across 12 projects

Balbriggan €16,676 – across 6 projects

2023 Safer Halloween Project Funding



Safer Halloween Funding has been awarded to 36 projects to the amount of €21,226 in 2023

Howth Malahide – €3,097 across 5 projects

Swords - €2,150 - across 4 projects

Castleknock/Mulhuddart- €9,090 – across 16 projects

Balbriggan €6,883 – across 11 projects

Sports Office

The Sports Office supports and delivers programmes aimed at increasing participation in sport, targeting specific groups such as children, youth at risk, disadvantaged groups, teenage girls, women in sport, older adults and people with disabilities

Parks and Trails Challenge



Active Cities Dublin of which Fingal County Council is one of the four members, in partnership with Leave No Trace Ireland and Decathlon Ireland organised a Parks & Trails Challenge within the Fingal County.

1307 people registered to take part in the Parks and Trails Initiative.

This initiative was an excellent opportunity for the public to get outdoors while enjoying the wonderful parks Fingal has to offer.

Once registered, participants had the entire month of August to visit four of Fingal's fabulous park locations, Newbridge House and Farm, Ardgillan Park and Demense, Malahide Castle and Gardens, St. Catherines Park, Millennium Park, and Santry Demense.

For the chance to win amazing prizes, participants took a photo at the selfie spot banners hidden in each of the Fingal parks and trail's locations and entered their photos at www.fingal.ie/parks-trails. Prizes included €500 Decathlon Voucher, Family Picnic Kit worth over €600, National Aquatic Centre family passes, picnic baskets, Flynn Park family passes, and much more.

Feedback from participants;

- "Discovered the trails were accessible for wheelchairs and stunning parks/trails on our doorstep"
- "The hunt for the selfie sign was very exciting for the children and visiting new playgrounds"
- "Discovering the wonderful outdoor amenities on our doorstep...places never before visited now going to be revisited and explored

Leave No Trace Ireland encourages the public to keep parks clean by disposing of rubbish correctly, protecting the natural wildlife and vegetation, and promoting positive outdoor behaviors while connecting with nature. They seek to sustain a healthy environment through research, education, and outreach so everyone can protect and enjoy the outdoors responsibly.

Volleyball Ireland Beach Day

On 23rd September the community was invited to join Fingal Sports Office and Volleyball Ireland at Burrow Beach for the introduction of beach volleyball. The event marked the end of Volleyball Ireland's beach summer tour.

150 participants engaged in the activities throughout the day. This is a follow-up to the successful introduction of volleyball nets at Balbriggan Beach. The positive impact of bringing new recreational opportunities to local beaches has been highlighted by the volleyball nets and continued use.



Accredited Defibrillator Training

The Sports Office facilitated delivery of 3 Accredited Defibrillator Training Courses in Castlelands Balbriggan, Holywell Swords and Dublin 15. The courses were a follow-on from the Sports First Aid Training delivered in four locations over the summer.

The Accreditation focused on cardiac arrest, using an AED device and choking for adults and children. This workshop will be very beneficial to local clubs to have volunteers trained to deal with cardiac situations and other emergencies that happen within their clubs.





Marathonkids 2023

The Marathonkids programme launched on 11th September with 32 schools and over 3,500 primary school students participating in this year's programme. The 8-week programme for 5th & 6th class students includes daily runs, physical & mental health education, nutrition and exercise. Each student will record daily updates in their physical or digital workbooks. The topics tie in to the Social, Personal & Health Education (SPHE) module of the student's curriculum.



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Protected Cycle Lanes

As the project comes to a completion the final snags are currently underway by the main works contractor. Over 20 new trees were planted during the summer and multiple new flowerbed areas are now establishing along the front of the schools on Brackenstown Road and along St. Cronan's Avenue junction. St Cronan's Junior and Senior schools are back and our walking and cycling officers are working with the school management and pupils to promote and encourage the use of the new infrastructure by walking and cycling to school. Walking and cycling buses are being promoted and with the support of the parents' association these can be very successful for the smaller kids in allowing them to walk and cycle to school safely. The project will need to go through a bedding in phase over the coming weeks and months to allow for all stakeholder's experience the module shift and allow all road users both vulnerable and motorist integrate and commute in a safer environment.

The project has delivered safety improvements for vulnerable road users across 11 Junctions, with new toucan crossings and 5 zebra crossings to meet the desire lines. Traffic calming measures, two-way off-road cycle track and improved landscaping which helps soften the environment

and make the area a more attractive place for everyone.





Anti-skid surfacing recently installed at front of schools

R132 Ministers Rd to Blakes Cross + Kilhedge Lane

The Project Team together with the Engineering Design Team have been progressing well with this project over recent months. The tender evaluation has now been completed and the Project Team have appointed the successful tenderer for the works contract.

The works have commenced with drainage and kerbing the first items to take place. Traffic Management is in place throughout the works, but no road closures are anticipated at this stage. Temporary speed limit order is in place at present to reduce the speeds along this section of road to 60km/h. Liaison with Corduff National School, local residence and business will be co-ordinated between the project team and the contractor to keep all stakeholders informed as the works progress.

Updates on a weekly basis will also be provided to Cllr's through the usual weekly updates.





Appointment of Mc Avoy Contracts and junction upgrade works at R129 towards Ballylough

Seatown Road Swords:

Engineering Consultants are finalising the Non-Statutory Public Consultation Summary Report which will be published on the Consultation Portal. Works are ongoing to finalise the Tender documents with the aim to go to the market in the coming weeks for a Contractor to complete the works proposed on the ground and progressing to Construction stage during Q4 2023.

Donabate Portrane R126 cycle paths:

An Engineering consultant is appointed to the project and several surveys have been completed to inform the design process. The Engineering consultant is currently working with the project team in developing concept designs and options report to assist with stakeholder engagement. The project will extend from the end of the distributor road in Donabate along the R126 right through to the coast at Portrane.

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The Project aims to provide walking and cycling infrastructure from Donabate to the coast at Portrane which will provide connectivity to the Fingal Coast Route.

Coney Hill Balbriggan R132 cycle paths:

An Engineering consultant is appointed to the project and several surveys have been completed to inform the design process. The Engineering consultant is currently working with the project team in developing concept designs and options report to assist with stakeholder engagement.

Pathfinder Pinnock Hill to Airport cycle paths:

The Project team have been liaising with Dublin Airport Authority and the National Transport Authority in relation to agreeing the scope of the project. Tender documents were published by CPU and the tender competition has been completed to appoint an integrated design team. The Project Team has appointed the successful tenderer to commence with the necessary surveys and concept designs and options report for the project. Further updates will be provided over the coming months.

Howth-Malahide Area:

Baldoyle-Howth Protected Cycle Lane Scheme Phase 1

Phase 1 of the scheme is substantially completed.

Baldoyle-Howth Protected Cycle Lane Scheme Phase 2

Options report received and under review by Active Travel.

Paddy's Hill to Broomfield via Naomh Mearnog GAA

Design brief being prepared for the connectivity project. Internal consultation with other FCC departments is ongoing. Once complete it is intended to run a tender competition to appoint a design consultant for the project. Further enabling

works are ongoing to provide connectivity from car park to primary school and Limetree Avenue.

Seamount Heights to Old Gold Course Link Park

Preliminary design was revisited after feedback from Active Travel and internal FCC stakeholders. A meeting with residents was held on 24th May 2023. Our next steps are to incorporate the comments expressed at the site meeting on 24th May 2023 into the proposal. This will be developed to detailed design and tendered for the construction of the works as soon as possible.

Station Road Portmarnock Footpaths and Cycleway

Works have been substantially completed.

Feltrim Road Cycle Infrastructure

Design brief is being drafted and internal consultation is ongoing with internal stakeholders. These works are expected to go to tender for a design consultant in Q4 2023.

Scoil an Duinninigh to Waterside Footpath and Cycleway

Planning permission has been granted for the school and Department of Education is to engage with Fingal County Council on planning conditions related to pedestrian access.

BMCO Area:

Snugborough Road - NAC to Ongar

The options report for the project has been completed after internal reviews by the Active Travel team and a workshop with the NTA. A Gateway 2 Report has been issued to the NTA for approval to proceed to the preliminary design phase of the project. A project appraisal report was prepared as part of this phase.

Clonee to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre

All data collection has been collated and has informed the initial development of the options report. The initial draft options report and drawings have been reviewed internally by the Active Travel team and has been issued back to the design consultant for consideration. Further stakeholder meetings with Meath County Council and the TII have taken place.

Castleknock to Dunsink Lane

This project is split into 3 separate sections, namely: (a) Auburn Avenue linking into the Royal Canal at the 12th Lock, (b) Dunsinea Lane and (c) Dunsink Lane. Work is continuing developing the options report for each section and a rapid build option for Auburn Avenue is being explored. Separate draft options reports have been submitted by the design consultant for sections a & b and have been reviewed internally by the Active Travel team. This review has been issued back to the design consultant for consideration to further develop each section.

Hartstown/Huntstown/Mountview Road

The phase 2b junction designs have been completed by the cycle design office (CDO). These designs are being reviewed by FCC before tendering for construction.

Castleknock to Blanchardstown via Farmleigh

Stage 2 of the tender competition for a design consultant and assessment has been completed. Contract documents to be signed when standstill finished.

Towns & Villages

Works are continuing in the development of an Active Travel Plan for a number of our Towns & Villages. Details are outlined below.

New Street

An application was made to An Board Pleanála by members of the public in relation to the proposed

public realm improvements, requesting EIA and AA Screening Determinations.

As a result the Part 8 Process is on hold until after An Bord Pleanála has made its decision which was originally to be by the 11th of September 2023. However no decision has been provided to date.

Balrothery Active Travel Plan

Tender competition has closed and assessment is ongoing. It is the aim to appoint a consultant during October to commence work on the Active Travel plan once the procurement process is finalised.

Skerries Active Travel Plan

Stage One of the tender competition for the appointment of an integrated Design Team is now completed with the tender assessment process completed and letter to successful and unsuccessful tenders to be issued. This will allow for stage 2 of the process to commence which will take 7-8 weeks to complete.

The Project Team are also in the process of publishing the Consultation Report for the project together with the ESRI report that was carried out on Active Travel best practice Nationally and Internationally. This report will inform the overall design process when the integrated design team is appointed in Q4 of this year.

Skerries Harbour Road:

The Project Team together with the Integrated design team have been developing concept drawings and options report to assist with stakeholder engagement. Internal workshops to discuss through the proposals occurred during the last few months and this feedback from these meetings have been taken on board. The project team and the Integrated design team are developing photo montages and video footage of the proposal to assist in the consultation phase of the project.

Connectivity/Permeability

We are continuing to receive various requests for Permeability and Connectivity improvements from various stakeholders across the county.

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These requests are being recorded in detail for evaluation through a multi criteria analysis. The projects are then reviewed across the departments to identify if an appropriate means of delivery can be established on the ground. A number of projects identified through this process are being developed through the design phases for execution later this year.

Where other projects are being progressed in the area at either design or construction stage we endeavour to include these Connectivity and Permeability improvements within those projects. Greenway connectivity support teams have been convened to review, design, and deliver active travel infrastructure that will enhance accessibility between the proposed strategic greenways and residential, educational, amenity and commercial zones. These support projects have been set up for Fingal Coastal Way, Broadmeadow Way/Sutton to Malahide Greenway and Royal Canal Greenway. This will help to optimise the use of the proposed greenway by both leisure and commuter users.

Newtown Bridge, Balheary Road:

Engineering Consultants are finalising the Non-Statutory Public Consultation Summary Report which will be published on the Consultation Portal. Works are ongoing to finalise the Tender documents with the aim to go to the market in the coming weeks for a Contractor to complete the works proposed on the ground and progressing to Construction stage during Q4 2023.

Rush South Beach:

Engineering consultant currently preparing concept design and options report for new universal access path. Discussions with landowners are ongoing, and we are working collaboratively with the property owners to find an optimal solution that caters for everyone's needs.

Access Constraints

Following on from circular (NGS Circular 4/22) and guidance from the NTA (Access Control of Active Travel Facilities) the Active Travel Unit has mapped the access constraints (in particular kissing gates) within Fingal. We have put together a list of access constraints to be considered for removal and

works proposed to improve for pedestrians, cyclists and disabled persons. This list is currently being reviewed by the various departments to ensure that the removal of these constraints provide a positive impact in these areas. On completion of the review Fingal County Council Active Travel in conjunction with Operations will be coordinating the removal of these access constraints across the county.

Secure Bicycle Parking Infrastructure

Contractor is currently on site at various locations across the county and is progressing works to install a number of bike parking facilities across the county. Further works are planned in Swords, Donabate and Malahide in the coming weeks. Locations are currently being agreed for expansion of virtual e-bike parking in public areas. Active Travel has taken delivery of six new bike repair stations and will be rolling out two stations in each area.



Recently installed Bicycle Repair Station at Balheary Park, Swords, Co. Dublin

14 bicycle parking spaces and a bicycle repair station have been provided in Balheary Park, Swords, Co. Dublin. The works included the installation of 5 Bicycle Stands at Balheary Skatepark, 2 Bicycle Stands and a Bicycle Repair Station near the Castlegange Estate Junction.



The contractor has completed the installation of 8 Bicycle Stands at Dun Emer Avenue, Lusk, Co. Dublin. This provides 16 bicycle parking spaces for the area.



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Safe Routes to School Round 1 – Tranche 1

The works contractor for the Safe Routes to School Tranche 1 contract is making great progress at each of the three school sites. Works to date have progressed well, with little or no disruption to the schools or traffic in each of the three areas. A brief update is provided below for each school site and associated construction works completed to date since the appointment of the works contractor.

Rush and Lusk Educate Together

Works are now completed on this SRTS Project. The contractor is due back to site to carry out some snagging and maintenance work to the Rain Gardens and issues that were identified through the independent Road Safety Audit.

Castaheany ETNS / St.Benedict's NS

Works are now completed at the school site. The contractor is due to carry out minor snagging and maintenance on rain gardens. Stage 3 RSA has been completed by independent auditor.





Bayside Junior & Senior School

Works are now completed at the school site. The contractor is due to carry out minor snagging and maintenance on rain gardens. Stage 3 RSA has been completed by independent auditor.





Scoil Choilm CNS

Installation of flexible bollards on Porterstown Rd. outside the school entrance is complete. These initial works took place before the new school year starts to alleviate poor parking near the school gates. The main works are due to start during Q1 2024.



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Round 1 - Tranche 2

Design is currently underway for the Tranche 2 schools (4 no.) with a view to progressing to construction later in the year. An initial meeting has been held with the NTA regarding the preliminary designs of the project. Work is ongoing in relation to progressing the design to detailed stage.

Round 2

In mid-December An Taisce announced Round 2 of the Safer Routes to School programme, with the following Fingal schools selected:

- Holy Family Junior National School, Forest Fields, Swords
- Scoil Bhríde Buachaillí, Church Avenue, Blanchardstown
- Scoil Bhríde Cailíní, Church Avenue, Blanchardstown
- St Helen's SNS, Limetree Avenue, Portmarnock
- St. Colmcille's Girls' National School, Chapel Lane, Swords

The Active Travel team are working closely with An Taisce in relation to data collection and engagement with the schools to develop briefs to enable the tender process for designers and contractors to carry out the works. An Taisce are due to provide delivery plans for each of the schools that will inform the design process. FCC are in the final stages of procurement of a consultants' team that will be working on the designs for these schools.

Mobility & Behaviour Change European Mobility Week

This took place from Sept 16th – 22nd and we had a packed schedule of events for the week. The key events are outlined below

EMW - Tolka Valley Walk & Talk

On Sunday 17th we partnered with Blanchardstown Tidy Towns to host a biodiversity walk through Tolka Valley Park. The walk was led by botanists from Bare Necessities and while the weather was very wet, it was well attended and very well received.





EMW - Malahide Walk to School Day

On Monday 18th we held a Malahide Walk to School Day where we had 4 locations around the Town to park and stride the last kilometre to school. The initiative was supported by Active Travel, Sports and Healthy Fingal and saw over 100 children walk to school on a sunny Monday morning.





EMW - Walking & Cycling Buses - Information Night

Over the last number of weeks we have been supporting Hansfield ETNS to set up a Walking Bus which has been a great success with over 20 children joining each morning the Bus operates.

On Wednesday 20th September, we held an online meeting for parents and schools interested in setting up their own Walking or Cycling Bus. This meeting was attended by 20 people and we have decided to host another one on Wednesday 27th September as well.

We have also designed a Starter pack with a step by step guide for people interested in setting up and Walking or Cycling Bus which can be found at https://www.fingal.ie/activetravel/roadsafety/cycling-and-walking-buses

EMW - Rush National School - School Street DayAs part of world car free day we closed Channel Road in Rush for the school day and held a school street event with Recreate Ireland. The day saw all the school children take part in street games like hopscotch, skipping, tip the can, Bowling, Tetris,

hopscotch, skipping, tip the can, Bowling, Tetris, connect 4 and much more. All the games were made from recycled materials and it was a great day of sustainable play.











EMW - The Bike Disco

On Friday 22nd we held our second Bike Disco Event in the Phoenix Park. This event is a joint venture between Fingal County Council, Dublin City Council, The OPW and I Bike Dublin. Nearly 500 people attended the event which was nearly double the attendance of 2022.

A video of the event can be seen here – <u>The Bike</u> <u>Disco</u>





EMW - Free Trip Friday for World Car Free Day 22 Sept

On Friday 22 September, to mark world car free day and to celebrate sustainable transport, we offered a free 40-minute bike share trip on any Bleeper or Tier bicycle across Fingal.

To avail of the offer, users had to download the Bleeper / Tier app, to register and unlock a complimentary ride on Friday 22 September.

Staff eBike Trials

In August we launched our Staff eBike Trial Initiative. This initiative gives staff who sign up the opportunity to trial an eBike for a 30 day period.

The trials were heavily subscribed with over 40 people signing up to take part. During the trials staff will be asked to complete a pre and post-trial survey with the hope being we will see an increase in cycling activity both to and from work, but also in people's personal lives.

Staff Bike Repair Class & Cycling Skills Lessons

The Active Travel team have organised a basic bike maintenance class, which will run in Blanchardstown this September for Fingal staff. Also running in Swords this September is a cycling skills class for staff who are hoping to return to cycling after a break or for staff who would like to build their confidence in cycling.









Drive You - Car Share Launch

During September, Operations and Climate Action & Active Travel launched Fingal's 3rd Car Share Company. Drive You are the newest entrant to the car share market in Ireland and are associated with Hyundai. Car Share is a crucial element of reducing dependency on private cars and encouraging people to use active travel more. With an initial 12 locations around the County, we look forward to working with the team at Drive You.



Sutton Age Friendly Event

The Active Travel Team were lucky to be invited to a recent Age Friendly Event organised in Suttonians Rugby Club, we had the Baldoyle Trishaw there providing trips around the event site. It was a brilliant day organised by the Community Department.

Learn 2 Cycle with a Disability

Our Learn 2 Cycle with a Disability Course continued over the summer months with courses in Donabate, Rivervalley and Flemington Community Centre. This autumn, courses are continuing in Applewood and Rivervalley, while from November courses are starting in Bayside-Sutton and Corduff.

Community Car

The Community Car in Skerries saw a huge increase in demand during August, with 130 requested trips, we are currently going through a recruitment drive for new volunteers with Local Link, this will be vital for reducing the missed demand on the Community Car.

Month	Total Bookings	Total Trip Numbers	Appointment Cancelled by Hospital	Missed Demand (no volunteer available)
February 23	106	90	12	4
March 23	108	58	34	16
April 23	114	80	16	18
May 23	65	34	11	14
June 23	50	26	8	16
July 23	50	33	7	10
Aug 23	130	50	28	50

The new Community Car is now in place and has been very successful. The car is a Volkswagen ID4. This will help when transporting multiple passengers who require walking frames and other smaller mobility aids. The Community car provides a vital link for Hospital, Doctors and Social trips for people with limited access to public transport.



Bike Share Schemes



Bleeper Bike July 2023; Other Key Statistics – Bike Share Countywide:

You can pick up a Bleeper bike easily. Just download the Bleeper app, scan the code on the bike to unlock it and you're on your way!

1116 bike journeys started within Fingal operating zone in July
1230 bike journeys ended within existing Fingal operating zone in July
Highest usage recorded on Thursdays (18.6%) & Wednesdays (15.9%)
Blanchardstown, Castleknock and Donabate were the most popular starting points
Estimated emissions avoided in July - 417kg of CO2

It should be noted that August saw a marked increase in the number of Bleeper Bikes being vandalised.

Community eCargo Share Bike

The public share eCargo Bike is available from Mountview Community Centre in Dublin 15 and is operated by Bleeper Bike. The Bike has seen a small amount of use since being introduced in June, but it is starting to climb now. Users can get their first 120mins free by using the code 'fingalcargo' in the Bleeper App. For more information on the eCargo check out

https://www.fingal.ie/ecargo



You can pick up a TIER e-bike easily. Just download the TIER app, scan the code on the e-bike to unlock it and you're on your way! The e-bikes are suitable for anyone over the age of 16 and note that a credit or debit card is required to sign up for the service.

TIER Mobility July 2023; Other Key Statistics

Metric	June
Trips	2,791
No of Customers	1,114
Trips / Customer	2.5
Distance Covered (KM)	9,606 km
Average Trip Duration	16 min
Average Trip length (KM)	3.4 km

Blanchardstown was the most popular location for eBike Share, followed by Swords which has seen a large increase in usage as a result of the additional spaces that have been installed recently in the area.

Over the summer months we saw a large increase in the number of poorly parked TIER eBikes across the County, this was especially evident in Dublin 15. We have identified the reasoning behind this and as a result TIER have introduced a new €20 Abandonment Fee that will be applicable to all users who fail to end their journey in a designated parking location. This should improve parking behaviour across the county.

It should also be noted that TIER saw a huge increase in vandalised bikes throughout August and as a result, have less bikes in circulation than previous Months.

Climate Action

Draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029 Open for Public Consultation

Fingal County Council's Environment, Climate Action and Active Travel Department have prepared a Draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029. The Draft Climate Action Plan builds on significant progress made through the implementation of the current Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024.

A public consultation process will run from September 20th – November 3rd and a series of information sessions will take place for the public during this time.

The draft Climate Action Plan, the SEA Report and AA Natura Impact Report are on display at Fingal County Council Offices in Swords and Blanchardstown as well as Fingal's ten libraries.

A briefing session about the draft Climate Action Plan was held for the elected members on September 25th and was well received.

Details of the information sessions taking place during the consultation period can be found below.

 A regional event will take place at The Round Room, The Mansion House, Dawson St, Dublin 2 on Tuesday, October 17th from 3.00pm to 7.00pm.

Local Information Sessions

- County Hall Swords. October 5th, from 17.30pm 20.00pm,
- Civic Offices Blanchardstown. October 12th, from 17.30pm – 20.00pm,
- Marine Hotel Sutton. October 24th, from 17.30pm
 20.00pm,
- 5. Information stands will also be hosted at Balbriggan Library on October 19th 2-8pm and Rush Library on October 26th 2-8pm.

Submissions

Written submissions or observations regarding the Draft Climate Action Plan, SEA Report and AA Natura Impact Report, are invited from members of the public and other interested parties.

- A written submission can be made electronically through the Council's Public Consultation Portal https://consult.fingal.ie/ between 9:00am on Wednesday, 20 September to 5:00pm on Friday, 3 November 2023, OR
- In writing to the Climate Action Coordinator - Environment, Climate Action and Active Travel Department, Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main St, Swords, Co. Dublin (Postcode K67X8Y2).





ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Awareness

The Green Schools committee from Gaelscoil Bhrian Bóroimhe in Swords were given a tour of the Estuary Recycling Centre and a presentation on circular economy and climate change from the Environmental Awareness Officer (EAO). Several school workshops were delivered by Global Action Plan for schools. Litter pickers were given to two schools for use on local anti-litter activities.

Musical instruments were given to a women and children residential refuge centre, Lusk National school, Scoil Bhríde Buachailí and Blanchardstown Craobh Shlí Dhála Comhaltas. The ReLove Fashion competition is being promoted in Fingal secondary schools.

The EAO took part in a Tennis Ireland Webinar – giving information to tennis clubs around Ireland on what measures can be taken to make their activities more sustainable. The EAO presented at two tenant inductions on how home-owners can

reduce single-use items and improve recycling. Brown bin caddies and litter pickers were given to new tenants.

The leaf-mould Initiative was promoted in Fingal and several groups have signed up for composting leaves. This will produce local weed-free compost for community projects.

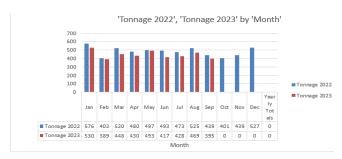
The cinema advertising campaign is ongoing promoting Biodiversity, reusable coffee cups and food waste recycling.

Recycled paint is being offered free of charge to community groups and schools in Fingal in partnership with the Rediscovery Centre as part of the anti-litter anti-graffiti initiative - more details Here

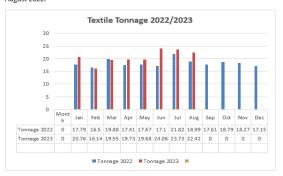
Bring Centres

Bottle Banks

The Glass Tonnage Report for September 2023 year-to-date compared to tonnages collected in September 2022 is shown below. There were 395 tonnes of glass collected for recycling in September 2023. This compares to 439 tonnes for the same period in 2022.



The Textile Tonnage Report for 2023 compared to 2022 is shown below. The volume of textiles collected for August 2023 was 22.42 tonnes compared to 18.99 tonnes which was collected in August 2022.



Litter Management

In September as part of their role to increase the public interest in keeping their areas clean and free of the litter, the Litter Wardens continued with their daily patrols and inspected all known litter black spots.

The Litter warden continued to raise awareness of the issue of dog fouling on beaches and can have a potential impact to water quality, they carried out extra inspections on the Saturday and Sundays prior to planned bathing water sampling. They continued the awareness campaign in September on the following beaches, engaging with dog owners and dispensing dog poo bags, to make people aware of their responsibilities to clean up after their dogs.

- 1. Balbriggan
- 2. Skerries
- 3. Loughshinny
- 4. Portmarnock
- 5. Rush South
- 6. Rush North
- 7. Donabate
- 8. Portrane
- 9. Burrow beach, Sutton
- 10. Claremont

They also erecting anti dog fouling signage in areas where complaints were received.

The Litter Warden also checked to see if any issues had arisen for the Operations crews, and they carried out inspections and followed up with fines/warning notice if evidence found.

A total of 276 planned inspections were carried out on litter black spot all over the Fingal County Council area.

All the bring banks in the Fingal were inspected daily to ensure that there was no dumping. Any evidence found was dealt with under the Litter Pollution Acts.



The Litter Warden carried out investigation on reports of abandoned cars and burnt-out cars. They also dealt with reports of dumping of pallets and other bonfire materials and arrange to have it removed.



There was 1 case before the district court in September, which was successful prosecuted, and costs awarded.

2023	Fines Issued	Warning Notices Issued
September	52	16

The following cases were assigned to the Litter Warden under the CRM system.

CRMs September 2023	Amount
Env - Dog Fouling	2
Env - Fly tipping 1-20 bags equivalent	37
Env - General Litter Issue	18
Env - Miscellaneous	4
Env - Bottle Banks	2
Env litter incident with witness	3
Env - Pollution - Dog Fouling Signage	3
Env – Abandoned cars	20

Abandoned Vehicles

There have been 301 reports of alleged Abandoned Vehicles received between 1st January 2023 – 27th September 2023. Burnt-out vehicles are also reported to the Environment Department.

The Litter Wardens carry out an initial inspection of all reported abandoned and burnt-out vehicles. To report a suspected abandoned vehicle the following information is required and should be emailed to environment@fingal.ie

- Vehicle Registration
- Colour / Make / Model
- Exact Location
- Period of time that vehicle has not been moved*
- Name and Contact Number of person reporting the vehicle

Information on Abandoned Vehicles can be found on the Fingal County Council website:

https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/abandoned-vehicles

2023	Abandoned Vehicles Removed as of 27 th September 2023	Burnt out Vehicles Removed as of 27 th September 2023
January	0	1
February	1	0
March	1	1
April	0	0
May	0	0
June	0	5
July	1	0
August	0	3
September	3	0
TOTAL	6	10







Dog Warden Service

The dog wardens continue to carry out enforcement in relation to breaches of the Control of Dogs Act 1986, Control of Dog Regulations 1998, Parks and Open Spaces bye-laws and Beach and Foreshore bye-laws. They also educate dog owners on the responsibilities of keeping a dog and remind owners to pick up after their pets when in public places. The dog wardens also increase their patrols of the beaches during the summer months to optimise bathing water quality and retain the status of Fingal's Blue Flag beaches.

The dog wardens are also continuing with door-todoor licence checks. Dog owners should ensure that they hold a valid licence for their dog and if issued with a 10-day notice by the dog wardens, should present their licence controlofdogs@fingal.ie within the 10 days provided on the notice. Failure to do so may result in a fine being issued for failing to produce a dog licence when requested to do so by a dog warden and keeping a dog without a valid licence. The fine per offence is €100. 125 x 10 Day Notices were issued by the dog wardens during September 2023. 40 fines were issued during September 2023.

Month	10 Day I	10 Day Notices Fines Issued		Fines Paid		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
March	48	97	5	29	€300	€2,000
April	26	152	26	42	€0	€1,500
May	418	232	11	98	€500	€2,556
June	256	135	40	53	€200	€1,500
July	407	109	20	35	€500	€2,644
August	446	140	24	21	€1200	€1,400
September	385	125	24	40	€1,300	€2,849

The Animal Welfare Section received 44 complaints in relation to dogs in September 2023.

Dog Licences and Fines

The below table shows the number of annual and lifetime licences purchased from March to September 2023 in comparison with the same months in 2022. An annual dog licence fee is €20 and a lifetime dog licence fee is €140. We will continue to promote the requirement for a dog licence on social media platforms. It is a legal requirement to hold a valid licence for any dog you own or are responsible for under the Control of Dogs Act 1986. Failing to hold a valid licence for a dog that you are own or are responsible for can incur a €100 fine.

Month	Annual Purch	Licences ased	Lifetime Licences Purchased		Income from Licences	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
March	458	561	47	55	€15,740	€18,900
April	529	451	54	41	€18,140	€14,760
May	1217	918	132	64	€42,820	€27,320
June	647	516	77	41	€23,720	€16,060
July	1075	766	88	47	€33,820	€21,900
August	1025	838	61	51	€29,040	€23,900
September	850	759	88	48	€29,320	€21,900

Fine Payments

Year	Fine Payments Received		
1 January 2023 to date	€26,549.20		
2022	€15,400		
2021	€1,200		

Howth Maritime Festival

The dog wardens attended the Howth Maritime Festival weekend, they engaged with dog owners, gave information on the responsibilities of dog owners and handed out dog poo bags.



Dog Control Service, National Seminar 2023



Dog Control Service National Seminar 2023 Tullamore Court Hotel – 7th September



The dog wardens and members of staff from the Animal Welfare Section attended the 2023 Dog Control Service National Seminar on September 7th. A number of topics were discussed including dog behaviour and dog bite prevention, Control of dogs Legislation and Policy updates, National Dog Control Working group and the Analysis of Control of Dogs National Stats 2022 where Fingal County Council came up top under Enforcement 2022.

Enforcement 2022

Council	FPNs Issued	Paid	Prosecutions	Convictions
Fingal	455	145 (32%)	4	4
Dublin City	295	295 (100%)	0	0
Cork County	260	96 (37%)	63	12
Louth	201	65 (32%)	6	3
Kerry	63	25 (40%)	7	5
3 Councils < 3 Fines	Laois, Roscommon, Wicklow.			
3 Councils with 0 Fines	Tipperary, Longford, Galway City	0	0	0

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Dog Shelter Service

Dublin County Dog Shelter holds "Meet and Greet" visits for anyone looking to rehome a dog. Visits can be arranged by calling the shelter and arranging an appointment. These visits can be arranged from Monday – Friday from 11am to 1pm and from 2pm to 3.30pm.

The shelter is also open on Saturday from 11am – 1pm. The shelter is closed to the public on Sundays.

The dog shelter holds stray dogs picked up by the dog warden and dogs who have been surrendered by their owners either to the dog wardens or directly to the shelter. At the beginning of September there were 16 dogs in the shelter. During September 2023, 34 dogs were brought to the shelter by the dog wardens as stray or surrenders and 5 dogs were surrendered by a member of the public.

Of these 55 dogs, 6 have been reclaimed by their owners, 14 dogs have been rehomed to rescue, 1 has been rehomed to members of the public and 2 were PTS. At the end of September there are 32 dogs remaining in the shelter.

The shelter has a Facebook page **Dublin County Dog Shelter** and Instagram Account
@dublincountydogshelter which they actively update with strays and dogs wishing to be rehomed.



Dogs in Shelter at the start of September 2022	7	Dogs in Shelter at start of September 2023	16
Stray/Seized dogs brought to Shelter	20	Stray/Seized dogs brought to Shelter	34
Surrendered by owners	4	Surrendered by owners	5
Reclaimed	8	Reclaimed	6
Rehomed to Rescue	8	Rehomed to Rescue	14
Rehomed to Public	4	Rehomed to Public	1
PTS	0	PTS	2
Dogs in Shelter at the end of September 2022	11	Dogs in shelter at the end of September 2023	32





Roddy is a lurcher approx 4/5 yrs old who came in as a stray and is looking for a new home. Tiny Andy, another stray is a terrier approx 9 months old who loves to go on walks and also looking for a new home.

Horses

Weekly inspections continue to take place on Dunsink Landfill to monitor the numbers and welfare of the horses onsite. There are 10 hay feeders being refilled by the Operations Department on a weekly basis to ensure adequate forage for horses on the landfill. There was 1 seriously welfare compromised horse taken from the landfill during the month of September which was not chipped nor an owner identified. There was also 1 horse seized from the public realm and subsequently reclaimed by the owner.

Water Quality

EU Water Framework Directive - River Devlin Catchment Investigations

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On the 21st of September 2023 Fingal County Council carried out river surveys at the EU Water Framework Directive designated River Monitoring Stations located on the River Devlin.

The River Devlin is currently designated as been at "Poor" status and requires water quality improvement.

The objective of the investigation was to evaluate whether the existing designated monitoring stations located on the river are conducive to supporting the required macroinveretebreate populations in the waterbody. The investigation also included carrying out localised stream walks upstream of the designated monitoring stations to cross check whether there are any existing local pressures near the designated river stations which could be causing the deterioration in water quality.





Fingal County Council has also opened discussions with LAWPRO who on foot of the discussions have agreed to carry out a detailed analysis and report of nutrient loading within the Devlin Catchment which when complete will assist Fingal County Council in taking a more strategic approach to tackling the issue of nutrient loading in the catchment.

Bathing Water Quality 2023

The Bathing Water season ran from the 1st of June 2023 – 15th September 2023. 9 rounds of scheduled bathing water sampling took place at the 10 identified beaches and the 1 non-identified

beach in the Fingal area. 2 rounds of sampling were also carried out at Irelands Eye and Balscadden. The identified and non-identified bathing waters are listed in Table 1.

Table 1

Identified Bathing Waters	Non-Identified Bathing Waters
Balbriggan Front Strand Beach	Malahide Beach
Skerries South Strand	Balscadden Beach
Loughshinny Beach	Ireland's Eye
Rush North Beach	
Rush South Beach	
Portrane, The Brook Beach	
Donabate, Balcarrick Beach	
Portmarnock, Velvet Strand	
Sutton, Burrow Beach	
Howth, Claremont Beach	

Individual water quality sample results are given a single sample status i.e., "poor," "sufficient," "good" or "excellent" depending on the levels of E. Coli and Intestinal Enterococci found in the water sample. The status assigned to each scheduled sample at each of the beaches during 2023 is illustrated in the graph below;

Additional unscheduled re-samples and investigative sampling also took place throughout the 2023 bathing season. The results of bathing water sampling at identified and unidentified waters and the total amount of scheduled and unscheduled samples taken at the beaches are detailed in Table 2. The results received from the Central Laboratory for all samples taken can be found in an Appendix

Table 2

	Identified Waters Individual Classification							
2023 Season Samples	Excellent	Good	Sufficient	Poor	Total			
Scheduled	73	13	0	4	90			
Unscheduled	20	2	1	2	25			
Total	93	15	1	6	115			
	Non-Identified	Waters Indivi	dual Classification					
2023 Season Samples	Excellent	Good	Sufficient	Poor	Total			
Malahide	10	0	0	0	10			
Malahide Irelands Eye	10	0	0	0	10 2			
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Based on HSE (Health Service Executive) Guidance, recommended actions are taken if a bathing water quality sample exceeds microbiological levels. These actions include the issue of a Bathing Prohibition Notice or a Bathing Advisory Notice. The recommended action in response to the exceedance of a HSE threshold level for microbiological sample results is shown in Table 3

Table 3

Recommended Action	Escherichia coli & Intestinal Enterococci Levels
r c p d:	E.Coli >2000 OR I.E. >250
Issue of a Bathing Prohibition Notice	E.Coli >/= 1000 - = 2000 AND I.E /= 200
	Any gross malfunction or leakage of the sewerage system or visual reports of sewage.
Issue of a Bathing Advisory Notice	E.Coli >/=1000 - = 2000 <b BUT I.E. <200

*A re-sample of the bathing water is taken following the issue of a Warning Notice.

A Prior Warning Notice may also be issued at a bathing water, which advises bathers that the bathing water quality has the potential to be affected by a short-term pollution incident that is less than 72 hours in duration. An example of this is predicted very heavy rainfall. Accurate prediction of short-term pollution is difficult due to the local accuracy of the weather, especially for localised thunderstorms, which are particularly relevant for stormwater overflows.

Weather During 2023

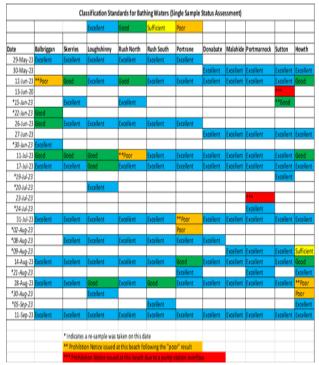
Summer 2023 saw the wettest July on record and finished with two named storms in August, Storm Antoni and Storm Betty. The very heavy rainfall that occurred throughout July and August contributed to agricultural and urban runoff. It also resulted in an increase in stormwater overflows, which have the potential to impact coastal environments. July rainfall levels were almost 3 times higher than the long-term average and 5 times higher than rainfall levels in July 2022. August rainfall levels were nearly twice the long-term average and 3.5 times higher that rainfall levels in August 2022. Rainfall levels recorded at Dublin Airport from 2020-2023, during the months of the bathing season are detailed below.

Total rainfall in millimetres for DUBLIN AIRPORT 2023						
Year	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
2023	36	49	149	119	123	476
2022	48	44	30	35	128	284
2021	84	13	73	65	42	276
2020	9	70	99	87	61	326
Long Term Average	60	67	56	73	86	341

Incidents and Actions

The majority of individual bathing water sample results throughout the 2023 bathing season achieved "excellent" water quality status. 6 Prohibition Notices were issued for bathing areas during the bathing season. 2 of these notices were issued as a precaution due to stormwater overflow incidents at Portmarnock and Sutton. The remaining 4 notices were issued due to exceedances in bacterial levels from scheduled samples taken at the beaches. Table 4 details the scheduled and unscheduled sampling dates at each beach during 2023 and the single sample status result. It also details when a Prohibition Notice was issued.

Table 4.



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Bathing Prohibition & Bathing Advisory Notices

1. Sutton, Burrow Beach

The first Prohibition Notice was erected at Sutton, Burrow Beach on the 13th of June following notification of an overflow event at Mayne Bridge Pumping Station that day. The overflow was for greater than 6 hours in duration and was determined to be due to a mechanical/electrical breakdown. A re-sample of the bathing water was conducted on the 15th of June and the results of this sample were "good". With the approval of the HSE the Prohibition Notice was removed on the 17th of June. All water quality sample results at Sutton, Burrow Beach were "excellent" for the remainder of the bathing season.

2. Balbriggan, Front Strand Beach

A Prohibition Notice was erected at Balbriggan Front Strand Beach on the 14th of June due to a "poor" water quality result taken on the 12^{th of} June. No stormwater overflows were reported, and it was therefore determined that the water quality had deteriorated due to suspected impacts from animals/birds and contamination of urban surface waters discharging into the bathing water. Following an investigation, a misconnection was discovered on the surface water line serving Mill Street which discharges into the River Bracken. Mitigation work was conducted by the Drainage Department and a re-sample of the bathing water was taken on the 22nd of June. This sample yielded a "good" result. Another sample was taken on the 26^{th of} June which again yielded a "good" result, and with the approval of the HSE the Prohibition Notice was removed on the 28^{th of} June. A re-sample was organised for the 30th of June which gave an "excellent" result. A scheduled sample was taken on the 11^{th of} July which yielded a "good" result and all water quality sample results at Balbriggan for the remainder of the bathing season were "excellent".

3. Rush North Beach

A Prohibition Notice was erected at Rush North Beach on the 13^{th of} July following a "poor" result for a sample taken on the 11^{th of} July. Very heavy rainfall was recorded at Dublin Airport the day before the sample was taken, 16 mm, and the likely cause of the water quality deterioration was deemed to be due to suspected impacts from animals/birds and contamination of urban surface waters discharging into bathing water. A scheduled sample was taken on the 17th of July and the results of this were "excellent". With approval from the HSE the Prohibition Notice was removed on the 19^{th of} July. All remaining sample results taken at Rush North Beach for the bathing season were "excellent."

4. Portmarnock, Velvet Strand

A Prohibition Notice was erected at Portmarnock, Velvet Strand on the 23rd of July following notification of an overflow at Portmarnock Strand Pumping Station on 22nd of July. The duration of the overflow was 1 hr 45 minutes, and it was due to very heavy rainfall, 22mm of rainfall was recorded at Dublin Airport on the 22nd of July. A resample of the bathing water was taken on the 24th of July and the result of this was "excellent". With approval from the HSE the Prohibition Notice was removed on the 26th of July. All remaining sample results taken at Portmarnock, Velvet Strand for the bathing season were "excellent."

5. Portrane, The Brook Beach

A Prohibition Notice was erected at Portrane, The Brook Beach on the 2nd of August following a "poor" result of a sample taken on the 31st of July. A re-sample of the bathing water was taken on the 2nd of August which again yielded a "poor" result. An investigation, along with a beach inspection was conducted at the beach. There was no stormwater overflow recorded in the area and no major pollution incident was uncovered.

The reason for the poor results were determined to be due to the impact from animals/birds. A resample was taken on the 8^{th of} August and the results of this were "excellent". With approval from the HSE the Prohibition Notice was removed on the 10th of August. All remaining sample results taken at Portrane, The Brook Beach during the bathing season were "excellent" other than a "good" result on the 14^{th of} August.

6. Howth, Claremont Beach

The sixth and final Prohibition Notice was erected at Howth, Claremont Beach on the 30th of August following a "poor" result on the 28th of August. A resample was taken on the 30th of August and the Prohibition Notice was replaced with an Advisory Notice on the 1st of September, as the results of the sample showed that bacterial levels had improved. An investigation and beach inspection were conducted. At the time, it was deemed that the water quality deteriorated due to suspected impacts from animals/birds and the contamination of urban surface waters discharging into bathing water. Subsequently, reports of an overflow at Howth Pump Station No. 2 on the 25th of August were received. This occurred following heavy rain and a thundery downpour (Dublin Airport reported that 4.5 mm of rain fell in one hour in the Dublin area). It is not clear if this overflow had an impact on the result of the sample taken on the 28th of August. A re-sample of the bathing water was taken on the 5^{th of} September which gave an "excellent" result. With approval from the HSE the Prohibition Notice was removed on the 7th of September. The final sample result taken at Howth, Claremont Beach during the bathing season was "excellent."

• Prior Warning Notices

On the 4th of August, 8 Prior Warning notices were issued on our beaches due to a Met Éireann yellow rainfall warning associated with Storm Antoni. A Prior Warning notice was not erected at Balbriggan or Portrane on this occasion, as these 2 beaches already had a warning notice in place. The weather

station at Dublin Airport reported that 49 mm of rain fell on the 5th of August, as a result of Storm Antoni. Reports of overflows at multiple pumping stations along the coastline were received. Resamples were taken at each of the beaches on the 8th and 9th of August and all results were "excellent" other than at Howth, Claremont Beach which was "sufficient".

Two other Prior Warnings were issued at Portmarnock, Velvet Strand during the bathing season due to Met Éireann yellow rainfall warnings. The first was issued on 13th of July. On the 14th of July, 21 mm of rainfall was recorded at Dublin Airport, and this resulted in a stormwater overflow at Portmarnock Strand Pumping Station. A scheduled sample was taken at the beach on the 17th of July and the result was "excellent". A Prior Warning was again issued on the 17th of August due to a Met Éireann yellow rainfall warning associated with Storm Betty. On the 18th of August, 23 mm of rainfall was recorded at Dublin Airport, and this resulted in a stormwater overflow at Portmarnock Strand Pumping Station. A re-sample was taken at the beach on the 21st of August and the result was "excellent".

MST (Microbial Source Tracking) Analysis

As part of our monitoring programme, an investigative project has continued with UCD in 2023 involving the testing of water at Balbriggan Front Strand Beach and Skerries South Strand for the identification of microbial sources within the sample i.e., gull, ruminant, human, dog, and horse. Testing was also carried out on one date at Loughshinny and Sutton Beach and on two dates at Howth, Claremont Beach. The full results of this testing will be available in the coming weeks and will provide a valuable insight into the identification of contamination sources at some of our bathing areas.

Classification of a Bathing Water

Classification of a bathing water is based on 4 years of water quality results, using a percentile evaluation of all bacterial enumerations in the data set. The bathing water is given a classification of

"excellent," "good," "sufficient" or "poor" based on scheduled water quality sample results for the current year's results and the previous 3 years. Unscheduled or investigative samples are not included in the data set for the classification. The bathing water assessment and classification is carried out in accordance with Schedule 6 of the Bathing Water Quality Regulations 2008 and as per the Regulations, the mandatory requirement for bathing water quality over a 4-year assessment period is at least "sufficient".

Misconnections

Collaborative cross departmental/agency water pollution investigative work took place prior to and during the 2023 bathing season. This has allowed us to address foul sewer misconnections to the surface water drainage network. Planned preseason and in-season checks prevented persistent deterioration in bathing water quality during the bathing season. These works and the educational campaigns around dog fouling are contributing to controlling sources that could cause a failure of a bathing water.

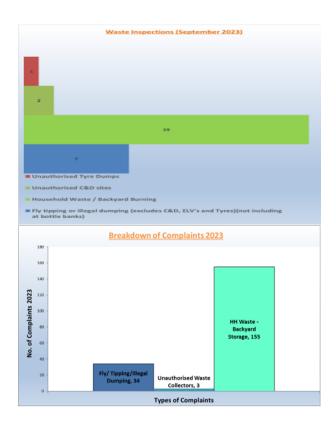
Waste Enforcement & Regulation

Waste Complaints

A total of 29 waste complaints were recorded for the month of September. Waste complaints investigated related to the illegal dumping of waste, unauthorised C&D sites, unauthorised tyre dumps, backyard storage of waste and the backyard burning of waste.

Awareness and education around the management of domestic waste in a sustainable and environmentally safe manner is crucial to ensure all households participate in a waste collection service as per the waste presentation bye-laws and use three bins (black, green and brown) to manage their waste. Any information in relation to unauthorised sites/collectors can be forwarded to environment@fingal.ie.





Fingal County Council assist with Multi-Agency Operation to Tackle Illegal Waste Activity

On the 7 September 2023 Fingal County Council's Waste Enforcement Section took part in a multiagency checkpoint operation to tackle illegal waste activities and to ensure compliance with waste regulations in terms of movement of waste materials.

Dublin City Council in its role as lead authority for the Eastern Midlands WERLA (Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authority), coordinated the operation, on behalf of An Garda Siochána's Dublin Metropolitan Region's Multi-Agency Forum. This intelligence led vehicle check point was conducted in Fingal, in an area known for significant waste activity. The check points were located both northbound and southbound at Lissenhall, Swords, Co. Dublin on a main artery within proximity to the M1 to capture waste movements within the area and en-route to other counties outside of Fingal.

Agencies involved in this joint operation included An Garda Síochána, Fingal County Council's Waste Enforcement Section, Dublin City Council's Waste Enforcement Section, the Road Safety Authority, and the National Trans Frontier Shipment Office (NTFSO).



eastern-midlands waste region

The Dublin Metropolitan Region is one out of four of the Garda National Bureau of Criminal Investigation's multi-agency regional networks, which, enable a multi-faceted enforcement approach by bringing together key stakeholders. The participation of different agencies proved to be successful. Multi-agency operations such as this have a positive deterrent effect on criminality, help to raise awareness and lead to positive outcomes relating not only to waste but other offences also.





Fingal County Council Waste Enforcement Section supports this collaborative approach and will provide further assistance through multi-agency operations to help combat illegal dumping and tackle unauthorised waste collectors.

New Deposit Return Scheme

Ireland will soon be introducing a Deposit Return Scheme. In **February 2024**, when you buy a drink in a plastic bottle, aluminium or steel can that features the Re-turn logo, you pay a small deposit in addition to the price of the drink. When you return your empty, undamaged container to any retail outlet, you get your deposit back in full.

The legal framework for the Deposit Return Scheme is the (Separate Collection (Deposit Return) Regulations 2021 (SI 599 of 2021). Under the DRS Regulations, it is the responsibility of producers to establish the Deposit Return Scheme and to nominate an operator of the scheme for approval by the Minister.







In May 2022, Minister Smyth received an application from Deposit Return Scheme Ireland CLG (Trading as Re-turn) to act as an approved body under the DRS Regulations. On 1 July 2022, Re-turn's application was approved. Re-turn is a new, not-for-profit company set up by beverage producers. The approval is a vital foundational element for the project, giving Re-turn the legal standing to establish a deposit return scheme and commence formal engagement with beverage producers, wholesalers, retailers and other operators.

All beverage containers from 150ml to 3 litres are included in the DRS (PET, Aluminum & Steel). At present 30-40% of beverage containers are not collected for recycling and the DRS will address this shortfall and increase collection rates significantly. A deposit of 15c will apply to containers 500mls or less and a deposit of 25c for each container from 500ml to 3 litres.

All producers and retailers are legally obliged to register with Re-turn and comply with the DRS Regulations which will be overseen and managed by Re-Turn.





Local Authorities will have a role to play in terms of enforcement for Producers/Retailers who haven't signed up to the scheme or are not fully complying with the Deposit Return Scheme Regulations and this will be confirmed in due course through the Eastern Midlands Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authority (WERLA).

For further information visit: https://re-turn.ie/ or https://re-turn.ie/#questions

<u>Unauthorised Waste Collectors/Illegal</u> <u>Dumping Cinema Awareness Campaign</u>

The Waste Enforcement Section have initiated a campaign to help raise awareness about illegal waste collectors and illegal dumping. Illegal waste collectors use social media and advertising sites to offer cheap waste removal services with the waste ending up being dumped in remote areas causing environmental pollution. Every year Local Authorities spend thousands of euro on clean up costs to remove illegally dumped waste, money which could be better spent on improving public services within local communities.

Before handing over your waste, always ask for ID and to see a copy of their waste collection permit which can be checked on the National Waste Collection Permit Office website at www.nwcpo.ie. No permit, then they're not authorised to collect waste. Don't risk getting a €150 fine or a criminal conviction if found guilty in Court.





As part of the awareness campaign a short ad has been developed which will be shown across 5 different cinemas over the coming months (Swords. Balbriggan, Charlestown. Blanchardstown and Santry) to highlight the issues around illegal waste collectors and the damage that's caused by illegal dumping. We all have a responsibility to manage our waste and to protect the environment for future generations. Our key aim is to encourage and educate individuals to make the right choices regarding their waste and to participate in authorised waste collection services. If householders know of anyone offering these 'Man in a Van' services, please contact environment@fingal.ie or Tel: 01 8906799. To view the ad follow the link below:

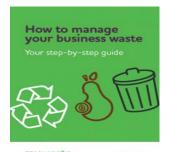
https://www.fingal.ie/news/illegal-waste-collectors-and-illegal-dumping-awareness-campaign

Commercial Food Waste

A recent study published by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) found that 70% of the contents of the average commercial waste bin could be diverted to recycling. This represents a massive loss of potentially recyclable material and an unnecessarily high cost to businesses, whose waste charges would be lowered through proper segregation.

Improved waste segregation in the commercial sector can also make a significant contribution to achieving our EU recycling targets.

A total of 80 Commercial Food Waste inspections were carried out by the waste enforcement team over the past 3 months. The inspections involved investigating commercial premises that provide food services, such as restaurants, bars cafes and takeaways, to ensure they have a brown bin service in place to properly dispose of food waste. The segregation of dry recyclable materials was also assessed as part of the inspections to help improve recycling rates within this sector.





Of the premises inspected 51 were found to be compliant, 27 non-compliant and 2 were inconclusive with further information required. Warning letters were issued to the business's that were found to be non-compliant advising them to put in place a brown bin service and to segregate waste into residual, mixed dry recyclable and bio waste bins. These premises will be re-inspected over the coming weeks to ensure compliance, with enforcement action initiated on a case-by-case basis as required.





Further information on commercial food waste segregation can be found at https://www.mywaste.ie/business/

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The table below outlines key financial statics at the end of August / September 2023.

Rates

Overall Commercial Rates collection to the end of September 2023 is running at **85%.**

Rates Collection	
Rates collected €M	132.8
Rates Collection %	85%

Development Levy Income

Development levy income collected to the end of August is €19.5m this is c.93% of the collection during to same point during 2022.

Development Levy Income	
Levies Receipted €M	19.5
Levies collected as % of 2022	93%

Payroll

Overall payroll spend to the end of August is €57.0m which is c. **97%** of budget year to date.

Payroll	
Salaries & Wages €M	57.0
Percentage of budget YTD	97%

Procurement

Outlined below is a summary of the overall procurement activity at end of September

Procurement Activity		Note
No. of contracts awarded	211	
(details below) for year to date		
Value €m	57.8	
Procurements ongoing at end of September		
No. of procurements awaiting	11	(i)
tender responses		
Value €m	49.1	
No. of procurements under	39	(ii)
evaluation		
Value €m	87.2	
No. of procurements at	18	(iii)
approved		
Value €m	236.5	

Notes:

- (i) Procurements awaiting tender responses tender responses awaited at end of September.
- (ii) Procurements under evaluation tender responses submitted and being evaluated at end of the September.
- (iii) Procurements at approved Tender responses have been evaluated and approved. Pre- contract award processes ongoing at end of September.

Appendix 1 (a)

REVENUE ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION AT 30 SEP 2023

	EXPENDITURE		INCOME			NET	
	Expenditure	Adopted Full	%	Income	Adopted Full	% Budget	
	€	Year Budget	Budget	€	year Budget	Raised	€
		€	Spent to		€		
			date				
Housing & Building	64,982,106	90,151,700	72%	68,341,924	94,681,700	72%	-3,359,818
Road Transport & Safety	23,727,799	32,392,400	73%	7,057,420	8,698,800	81%	16,670,379
Water Services	13,711,651	14,994,900	91%	13,321,747	18,028,400	74%	389,905
Development Management	15,382,657	19,874,200	77%	6,360,252	5,480,800	116%	9,022,406
Environmental Services	34,407,545	48,361,500	71%	8,330,414	10,542,200	79%	26,077,131
Recreation & Amenity	37,477,227	49,953,500	75%	1,968,849	2,386,500	82%	35,508,379
Agriculture, Education, Health &							
Welfare	1,149,615	1,380,600	83%	288,072	340,100	85%	861,543
Miscellaneous Services	17,513,369	22,836,300	77%	19,158,436	24,576,200	78%	-1,645,067
Central Management Charge	34,487,807	53,803,600	64%	2,653,909	3,904,000	68%	31,833,898
Local Property Tax / GPG				7,334,475	9,779,300	75%	-7,334,475
Rates			_	116,498,025	155,330,700	75%	-116,498,025
	242,839,777	333,748,700	73%	251,313,522	333,748,700	75%	-8,473,745

Appendix 1 (b)

CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/09/2023 Balance at Expenditure Income Balance at Relance at Expenditure Income Balance at Expenditure Income Balance at Income Balance In

		Balance at 01/01/2023 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/09/2023 €
Α	Housing & Building	-45,026,626	167,541,033	-92,751,666	29,762,741
В	Road Transport & Safety	12,033,473	18,585,985	-12,611,628	18,007,830
С	Water Services	-10,811,421	673,791	-783,028	-10,920,658
D	Development Management	-134,303,923	23,712,956	-29,902,766	-140,493,733
Ε	Environmental Services	-21,303,306	3,510,257	-1,230,303	-19,023,352
F	Recreation & Amenity	-14,103,073	22,992,829	-13,536,776	-4,647,020
Н	Miscellaneous Services	-52,242,890	14,592,338	-13,631,388	-51,281,940
	Total	-265,757,766	251,609,188	-164,447,555	-178,596,133

Appendix 1 (c)

SUMMARY OF CORPORATE DEBTORS TO 30/09/2023						
	Balance at 01/01/2023	Balance at 30/09/2023	Current debt	> 1 Year		
	€	€	€	€		
RATES*	€3,146,921	€23,871,758	€21,957,701	€1,914,057		
LOANS	€2,030,260	€2,080,776	€262,685	€1,818,092		
RENTS	€9,426,987	€9,454,567	€4,463,391	€4,991,176		

^{*} value of debit at 31/12/2022 was 5.1m with a credit of 1.97m which has substantially been offset against demands 2023 leaving an aged debt greater than the opening balance

Figures for rents and loans are unadjusted by credits/prepayments

Appendix 2 Number of Contracts Awarded for year to date

Dept	Description of Procurement	Supplier Name	Legal Address	Current Value of Contract (excl. VAT)	Contract Start Date (actual)	Contract End Date (actual)	Actual Durati on (mont hs)	Contract Award Date
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply & Install New Boundary Fencing at Hampton Lands, Ardgillan Demesne, Balbriggan	Irish Fencing Services	Unit 21, Jamestown Business Park, Kylemore Way, Inchicore, Dublin 8	€ 151,467	01/09/2023	01/04/2025	18	26/09/2023
Operations	Road Salt for the 2023/2024 Winter Season	Salt Sales Company	Fort Road, Kilroot, Carrickfergus, Co. Antrim	€ 161,795	01/10/2023	31/12/2023	3	25/09/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Ward River Regional Park Historic Structures - Brick Arch and Walled Garden Sheds	Francis Haughey Building & Civil Engineering Contractors	21/23 St Patricks Street, Keady, Co. Armagh	€ 295,808	10/09/2023	09/02/2024	5	21/09/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches from 2 - 10 sq meters at Roselawn Road, Walk & Court, D 15	Formac Construction	60, Upper Main Street, Rush, Co. Dublin	€ 39,125	01/10/2023	01/11/2023	1	19/09/2023
Operations	Footpath Works, Paddys Hill, Portmarnock	Jim Hayes Civil Engineering	Ballymore, Ratoath, Co Meath	€ 71,370.00	18/09/2023	13/10/2023	1	18/09/2023
Operations	Resurfacing of Drynam, Seatown & Lissenhall Footbridges	Donnelly Civil Engineering Ltd	Kilmacduane, Cooraclare, Co.Clare	€ 228,756	31/08/2023	30/01/2024	5	14/09/2023
Operations	Solar Power Signage	PWS Signs Ltd	Ravensdale, Dundalk, Co. Louth	€ 31,185	11/09/2023	31/12/2023	4	14/09/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Dublin Road, Swords	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€ 163,656	25/09/2023	25/12/2023	3	13/09/2023
Digital Services	NEC Application Programs for which the RDBA Service is being provided: NEC Housing	NEC Software Solutions	1st Floor, Imex Centre 575 - 599 Maxted Road, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire	€ 66,000	01/09/2023	31/08/2025	24	07/09/2023
Operations	Football Pitch Extension at Porterstown, Dublin 15	KT Civil Engineering	Corrydonion, Rathowen, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath	€ 45,000	01/09/2023	01/10/2023	1	06/09/2023
Operations	Path Network, Tolka Valley	KT Civil Engineering	Corrydonion, Rathowen, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath	€ 28,000	15/09/2023	15/10/2023	1	06/09/2023
Operations	Path Extension, Delwood Park, D 15	KT Civil Engineering	Corrydonion, Rathowen, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath	€ 33,000	01/09/2023	01/11/2023	2	06/09/2023
EETCD	Project Management Consultancy Services for the Fingal Local Economic & Community Plan	Grant Thornton Finance Ltd	13-18 City Quay, Dublin 2 D02ED70	€ 48,900	08/05/2023	07/02/2024	9	06/09/2023

ANCA	Legal Services for Aircraft Noise Competent Authority	A & L Goodbody LLP	International Financial Services Centre, 3 Dublin Landings, North Wall Quay, Dublin 1 D01 C4EO	€	1,000,000	01/09/2023	31/08/2025	24	05/09/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Construction of a Pocket Park at Bridge Street, Balbriggan	Peter O'Brien & Sons Landscaping	Unit B10 Swords Enterprise Park, Feltrim	€	41,535	28/08/2023	23/09/2024	13	05/09/2023
Active Travel	Requirement for Engineering Consultancy Services for Active Travel Pathfinder Swords to Airport Quick Build	Tobin Consulting Engineers	Fairgreen House, Fairgreen Road, Co. Galway	€	225,775	21/08/2023	20/08/2026	36	05/09/2023
Operations	Engineering Consultancy Services for Dredging of Balbriggan Harbour	Byrne Looby & Partners Ltd	H5 Oak Road, Centrepoint Business Park, Dublin 12 D12 VW27	€	287,130	18/09/2023	17/09/2026	36	04/09/2023
Operations	Demolition and Remediation Works of a bridge Structure at Grallagh	Triur Construction	13, Society Street, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway	€	44,265	01/09/2023	30/09/2023	1	04/09/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works R109, Lower Lucan Road	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	658,619	01/10/2023	01/12/2023	2	01/09/2023
Community	8 Week running programme for 5th and 6th class students in Primary Schools	Marathon Kids	Ballysax Little, The Curragh, Co. Kildare	€	26,900	01/09/2023	31/12/2023	4	01/09/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath & Bituminous Cycle Track Installation at Northwood Avenue, Santry, Dublin 9	John Browne Construction Ltd	16, Town Hall Street, Co. Cavan	€	44,250	25/09/2023	25/10/2023	1	31/08/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches Deerpark Road, Drive & Avenue, D 15	Citius Ltd	Club Road, Ballymount, Dublin 22 C2D0	€	34,990	15/09/2023	15/10/2023	1	31/08/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works Northwood Avenue, D 9	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	130,351	11/09/2023	11/10/2023	1	31/08/2023
Operations	Caretakers agreement to manage and operate the concession Malahide Recreational Facility, located in the Pavillion Building, Malahide Demesne	Aramark Northern Europe	Newenham House, Malahide Road, Northern Cross Dublin, D17 AY61	€	126,465	01/09/2023	31/12/2023	4	31/08/2023
Libraries	Supply & Installation of 3 Tovertafel Unit to include 2 year licence, warranty, service and staff training	Homecare Medical	Tooraree, Knock Road, Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo	€	28,510	01/07/2023	01/07/2025	24	30/08/2023
Operations	Design & Build Public Conveniences and Associated Works at Burrow Beach, Portrane	Lidan Innovations Ltd	Unit 1, Lanesborough Road, Roscommon, F42 RX66	€	202,343	17/07/2023	17/07/2024	12	29/08/2023
Operations	Design & Build Public Conveniences and Associated Works at Malahide, Muldowney	Lidan Innovations Ltd	Unit 1, Lanesborough Road, Roscommon, F42 RX66	€	329,129	17/07/2023	16/07/2024	12	29/08/2023
Operations	Design & Build Public Conveniences and Associated Works at Howth East Pier, Co. Dublin	Lidan Innovations Ltd	Unit 1, Lanesborough Road, Roscommon, F42 RX66	€	447,089	17/07/2023	16/07/2024	12	29/08/2023
EETCD	Provision of Services for the Co Ordinator and Delivery of the Student Enterprise Programme for Fingal Local Enterprise Office	Real Events Management T/A Real Nation	24-25 Arran Quay, Smithfield, D 7	€	40,600	21/08/2023	21/06/2024	10	28/08/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply & Execution of ESB approved Civil Works to enable the unde	Larry Kieran Plant Hire Ltd	Grougha Lane, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	78,997	01/09/2023	01/10/2024	13	24/08/2023

Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Sutton to Malahide Pedestrian & Cycle Scheme Topographic Survey	Apex Surveys	Unit 78, Dunboyle Business Park, Dunboyne, Co. Meath	€	32,910	01/08/2023	07/10/2023	5 weeks	23/08/2023
Environment, Climate Action	Supply Anti Littering Devices at Locations in Fingal	RiteView Solutions	Duncreevan, Kilcock, Co. Kildare	€	25,120	01/03/2023	28/02/2024	12	18/08/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Installation of Traffic Signals in respect of the Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian & Cycle Route	Traffic Solutions Ltd	Unit 5, Block K, Maynooth Business Park, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	€	165,281	21/08/2023	21/02/2025	18	16/08/2023
EETCD	Provision of Consultancy Services to develop Town Centre Plans for Fingal County Council with an initial contract to develop a Town Centre Plan for Lusk	AP + E	Fairymount, Kingscourt, Co. Cavan	€	63,680	08/08/2023	31/10/2023	3	14/08/2023
Active Travel	Work on the R132 Cycle Lane Scheme (Blakes Cross to Quickpenny Lane)	McAvoy Contracts Ltd	13a, Fernhill Road, Annaclone, Banbridge, Co. Down BT32 5AF.	€	2,202,117	31/07/2023	31/12/2024	19	11/08/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Provision of Road Removal Works St. Itas, Portrane, Co. Dublin	Larry Kieran Plant Hire Ltd	Grougha Lane, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	38,975	14/08/2023	08/09/2023	1	03/08/2023
Operations	Installation of Traffic Signals within the Admin Area of Fingal Co Co Council	Traffic Solutions Ltd	Unit 5, Block K, Maynooth Business Park, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	€	1,423,645	24/07/2023	31/12/2023	5	02/08/2023
Corporate Affairs	Catering Services for Fingal County Council Offices in Swords & Blanchardstown	Compass Catering Services Ireland Ltd	43a, Yeats Way, Park West, Dublin 12	€	750,000	25/07/2023	24/07/2025	24	02/08/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works R125, Clonsilla Road Junctions at Coolmine and Blanchardstown, D 15	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	170,971	25/08/2023	25/11/2023	3	01/08/2023
Digital Services	Backup & Disaster Recovery services for Office 365 & SharePoint Online	Sureskills Ltd	2-4 Terminus Mills, Clonskeagh, Dublin	€	49,470	01/08/2023	31/07/2026	24	01/08/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Castleknock Road, Auburn Ave Junction.	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	76,234	23/08/2023	23/08/2023	12	01/08/2023
Operations	Resurfacing of Sections of the R106, Swords Road, Malahide & Ancillary Works	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	280,087	21/08/2023	21/09/2023	1	28/07/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Site Surveys and Snagging Drawings and Taking in Charge Drawings of 13 Estates due to be taken in charge	Thorntons Chartered Surveyors	13G, Blanchardstown Corporate Business Park, Dublin 15	€	37,620	12/07/2023	12/04/2024	9	28/07/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches from 3 - 7 sq meters at Melrose Park and Drinan Hall	John Browne Construction Ltd	16, Town Hall Street, Co. Cavan	€	27,895	14/08/2023	08/09/2023	1	27/07/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works Millview Lawns, Malahide	Pavement & Road Surfacing Ltd	Westwinds, Windmill Hill, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin	€	89,400	04/09/2023	29/09/2023	1	27/07/2023
Corporate Affairs	Supply of Fixed Voice Services	Eir Ltd	City West, Saggart Co. Dublin	€	87,500	01/09/2023	29/02/2024	6	26/07/2023
Operations	Maintenance, Servicing, Repair and Ticket replenishment of Pay & Display Parking Machines	Actavo (Sierra Support Services Group)	Westland House, Westland Park, Willow Road, Dublin 12	€	50,000	01/07/2023	30/11/2023	5	24/07/2023

Operations	Provision of Enforcement and Legal Servicecs to FCC for Parking Services	Parkrite	Ground Floor, 2 Custom House Plaza, Harbourmaster Place, IFSC, Dublin 1	€	182,184	01/07/2023	30/11/2023	5	24/07/2023
Housing	24 Hour Security Service at Liscappagh Estate, Dublin 11	ABM	Unit 2B, Feltrim Business Park, Drynam Road, Swords, Co Dublin K67 TX95	€	44,511	15/06/2023	11/08/2023	2	24/07/2023
Operations	Construction of a Parkour Facility at Millennium Park, Dublin15	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd	James Street, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo	€	98,120	01/09/2023	30/09/2023	1	21/07/2023
Operations	Concrete footpath construction in a series of batches from 3 - 8 me	Joe Duke & Co. Ltd	24 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8	€	41,131	14/08/2023	08/09/2023	1	19/07/2023
Operations	Supply and Installation of specified calisthenics and outdoor fitness equipment to Hazelbury Park, D 15	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd	James Street, Kiltimagh, Co Mayo	€	60,625	01/08/2023	31/08/2023	1	19/07/2023
Environment, Climate Action	Dublin Airport Noise Plan 2024 - 2029 Appointment of Acoustic Consultants	Logika Noise Air Quality Consultants	Patten House, Moulders Lane, Warrington, WA1 2BA	€	60,000	01/07/2023	01/07/2025	24	18/07/2023
Operations	Temporary Car Park Surfacing and Associated Works at Ballymastone	DM Morris Ltd	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	132,744	02/09/2023	01/10/2024	13	17/07/2023
Corporate Affairs	Catering Services for County Hall and Grove Road	Compass Catering Irl Ltd	43a, Yeats Way, Park West, Dublin 12	€	94,248	01/04/2023	24/07/2023	4	17/07/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works R125, Murrough Road to Watery Lane, Swords	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	292,977	17/07/2023	17/10/2023	3	13/07/2023
Operations	Supply & Installation of Full Size MUGA at Mick Walsh Park, Dublin 15	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd	James Street, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo	€	66,225	03/07/2023	31/07/2023	1	12/07/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Multi Disciplinary Engineering Consultancy Services, Kinsealy Walking & Cycling Routes	Barry Transportation	Classon House, Dundrum Business Park, Dundrum Road, D 14	€	396,356	15/06/2023	14/06/2025	24	12/07/2023
Operations	Requirement for Road Lining Contract for the Fingal Swords, Balbriggan Areas Including PSCS	MacLochlainn (Roadmarkings) Limited	Bishopswood Lane, The Ward, Co. Dublin	€	46,718	24/07/2023	31/12/2023	5	11/07/2023
Operations	Road Lining Contract for Castleknock Mulhuddart, Blanchardstown including PSCS and Traffic Management	MacLochlainn (Roadmarkings) Limited	Bishopswood Lane, The Ward, Co. Dublin	€	59,965	10/07/2023	31/12/2023	6	10/07/2023
Environment, Climate Action	Provision of Eircode/Postcode Address Encoding Services	Dataconversion Direct Ltd	25-26 Westland Square, D02 N403	€	45,000	10/07/2023	10/10/2023	3	10/07/2023
Housing	Actuarial Services for the replacement of Fingal County Councils Housing Loans System	Mazars	Block 3, Harcourt Centre, Harcourt Road, Dublin 2	€	43,750	03/07/2023	03/12/2023	6	10/07/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply & Install temporary Traffic Management Equipment for 2 Car Parks in Balbriggan	McAvoy Contracts Ltd	13, Fernhill Road, Annalone, Banbridge, BT325AK	€	39,120	06/07/2023	06/07/2024	12	07/07/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Traffic Management Equipment for 2 Public Car Parks in Balbriggan	McAvoy Contracts Ltd	13 Fernhill Road, Annaclone, BT32 5AF, Banbridge, Co. Down	€	39,120	26/07/2023	25/08/2023	1	07/07/2023

Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Parkvale, Baldoyle	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	58,101	24/07/2023	04/08/2023	1	07/07/2023
Housing	24 Hour Security Services for 67 Newly Constructed Units to be delivered on a phased basis during July & August 2023 at Churchfields Estate	ABM	Unit 2B, Feltrim Business Park, Drynam Road, Swords, Co Dublin K67 TX95	€	100,183	24/07/2023	15/09/2023	2	06/07/2023
Operations	Supply & Delivery of Washed Surface Dressing Chips	Tullyraine Quarries Limited	122, Dromore Road, Banbridge, Co. Down	€	30,075	14/07/2023	14/12/2023	5	06/07/2023
Operations	Installation of Traffic Calming Ramps, Ramp Components, ramp replacement and repairs	MCM Surfacing Ltd	Lawlesstown, Dunleer, Co Louth	€	148,335	17/07/2023	19/01/2024	6	04/07/2023
Operations	Replacement of Artificial Grass Surfaces to Two MUGAS in Whitestown, D.15	Sole Sports and Leisure Ltd	Unit 8, Rosemount Business Park, Drinagh, Co. Wexford	€	47,811	07/07/2023	06/08/2023	1	04/07/2023
Operations	Purchase of New Compact Tractors	Dublin Grass Machinery	River Road, Ashtown, Dublin 15	€	68,000	25/06/2023	24/06/2024	12	04/07/2023
Digital Services	Renewal of the subscription to the Technical Index	Allium UK Holding	25 Ropemaker Street, London, EC2Y 9LY GB	€	31,269	01/07/2023	30/06/2024	12	30/06/2023
EETCD	Supply, Installation, derig and transportation of 3 x 3m gazebos, picket fencing and truck stage for the Flavours of Fingal County Show 2023	Castle Stage Hire	Peamount Road, Dublin 22	€	55,925	28/06/2023	03/07/2023	1 week	28/06/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches from 3 - 8 sq meters at Moyclare, Baldoyle	Clar Con Construction Ltd	Cnoc Glas, Jordanstown, Lusk	€	30,960	03/07/2023	28/08/2023	7 weeks	27/06/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Wetland Restoration and Greenway Project - St. Itas Donabate	Larry Kieran Plant Hire Ltd	Grougha Lane, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	39,987	26/06/2023	07/07/2023	2 weeks	23/06/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Services Works, Church Street & St. Patricks Pl	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	72,995	01/07/2023	01/10/2023	3	22/06/2023
EETCD	Provision of Stewarding Services for Flavours of Fingal 2023	invictus Event Management Ltd	3, Parc Na Glas, Rathcormac, Co. Cork	€	52,806	21/06/2023	04/07/2023	2 weeks	21/06/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Glasmore Park, - Windmill Lands, Swords, Co. Dublin	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	55,739	30/06/2023	30/11/2023	5	20/06/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	The Design and Execution of Works in connection with the Installation of Play Spaces for Fingal County Council - four distinct projects - ITT (Repeat of FCC/173/20	Creative Play Solutions	Mincloon, Rahoon, Co. Galway.	€	1,697,921	15/05/2023	15/09/2025	28	20/06/2023
Operations	Supply & Installation of Specified Calisthenics and Outdoor Fitness Hub at Damastown Park and Porterstown Park, D. 15.	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd	James Street, Kiltimagh, Co Mayo	€	92,795	30/06/2023	30/07/2023	1	20/06/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches from 3 - 7 sq meters at Stapolin Lawns and Grange Park, Baldoyle	John Browne Construction Ltd	16, Town Hall Street, Co. Cavan	€	39,323	26/06/2023	25/07/2023	1	19/06/2023
Operations	Supply of Bitumen Emulsion Fingal Area 2023	Colas Teoranta	Bluebell Industrial Estate, Dublin 2	€	16,662	01/07/2023	01/12/2023	5	16/06/2023
Operations	Supply of Bitumen Emulsion Fingal Area 2023	Lagan Asphalt Ltd.	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	32,075	01/07/2023	01/12/2023	5	16/06/2023

Operations	Supply of Bitumen Emulsion Fingal Area 2023	Irish Tar and Bitumen Suppliers Limited	Alexandra Road, Dublin 1	€	116,462	01/07/2023	01/12/2023	5	16/06/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Re Surfacing of Existing Car Park at Bremore Castle, Balbriggan	Larry Kieran Plant Hire Ltd	Grougha Lane, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	27,250	15/05/2023	15/06/2023	1	16/06/2023
EETCD	Supply of Buses/Coaches/Minibuses including wheelchair accessible vehicles, event staff as bus stops and management of online booking form	Marathon Training & Events	Suite 40, Block 5, Northwood Court, Northwood Crescent, Santry, Dublin 9	€	127,250	01/07/2023	02/07/2023	1 day	15/06/2023
Operations	Consultancy Services for a Bridge Inventory Survey of Fingals Road Network	Atkins Ireland (WS Atkins Ireland Ltd)	150, Airside Business Park, Swords	€	29,060	10/04/2023	09/06/2023	3	15/06/2023
Digital Services	Provision of Services on the online portal for Affordable Housing Schemes	Interform Limited	6, York Terrace, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin	€	35,250	09/06/2023	09/06/2024	12	12/06/2023
Corporate Affairs	Replacement of Critical LV Electrical Infrastructure (ACBs) in Blanch	Vincent Doherty Ltd	11a Tivoli Avenue, Harolds Cross, D6W Y640	€	66,605	01/06/2023	31/08/2023	3	12/06/2023
EETCD	Traffic management for Flavours of Fingal 2023	Freeflow Traffic Management	Ballinalee, Co. Longford	€	54,315	09/06/2023	02/07/2023	1	09/06/2023
Housing	24 Hour Security Service at Wellview Estate, Dublin 15	DTC Security Ltd	8, Hermitage Lawn, Rathfarnham D16 KV59	€	92,860	04/07/2023	05/09/2023	3	07/06/2023
Operations	Resurfacing of Dublin Road, R106 in Malahide	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	82,160	01/07/2023	30/07/2023	1	06/06/2023
Community	Provision of an Audit of Community, Sports & Recreation Facilities in the Administrative area of Fingal County Council and a radius of 10km around its borders	KPMG Ireland	1, Stokes Place, St. Stephens Green, Dublin 2	€	58,475	22/05/2023	16/01/2024	8	06/06/2023
Community	Modification & Upgrade Works at Hartstown Community Centre, D15	FLN Consulting Engineers	Studio 7, 19 Marine Crescent, Glasgow, G511HD	€	26,900	01/06/2023	31/07/2026	37	01/06/2023
EETCD	Bridge Stret Demolitions & Enabling Works Phase 1 as Part of the Balbriggan Rejuvenation Plan 2019 - 2025	Hegarty Demolition Ltd.	46, Blackburne Square, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14	€	183,884	01/06/2023	14/07/2024	13	01/06/2023
Operations	Road Markings at various locations within the Fingal Area	Nuzum Road Services Ltd	Mespil House, Sussex Road, Dublin 4	€	57,248	14/06/2023	14/06/2024	12	01/06/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, R125 Murrogh Road to Watery Lane, Swords	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	267,406	01/06/2023	24/09/2023	4	01/06/2023
Environment, Climate Action	Environmental Awareness Campaign Cinemas	Pearl & Dean Ireland Ltd	Castleforbes House, Castleforbes Road, Dublin 1	€	86,000	01/06/2023	31/05/2024	12	01/06/2023
Operations	Cleaning & Maintenance Services for all public conveniences within Fingal County Councils Administrative Area	Healthmatic Ltd	Howth House, Harbour Road, Howth, Co. Dublin	€	1,822,007	28/04/2023	27/04/2025	24	01/06/2023
Operations	Footpath Construction Millview Lawns, Millview Court, Millview Road, Yellow Walls Road and Sea Road, Malahide	John Browne Construction Ltd	16, Town Hall Street, Co. Cavan	€	40,152	06/06/2023	23/06/2023	1	29/05/2023

Operations	Rd Inlay & Ancillary Works, Wellview Ave, Mulhuddart	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	69,163	01/06/2023	01/09/2023	3	23/05/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Repair 2 - 10 sq mts Phoenix Residential Estate, Castleknock, Dublin 15	John Browne Construction Ltd	16, Town Hall Street, Co. Cavan	€	65,000	01/06/2023	01/09/2023	3	23/05/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Specialist Ecology/Biodiversity Advice, support, management and coordination of surveys - Broadmeadow Way	Brady, Shipman Martin	Mountpleasant Business Centre, Ranelagh, Dublin 6	€	215,000	01/05/2023	31/05/2031	96	23/05/2023
Housing	Refurbishment of 6 Houses, Portrane Avenue, Portrane	CTS Projects Ltd	Unit B2, Milltown East Industrial Estate, Upper Dromore Road, Warrenpoint, Co Down	€	999,775	01/05/2023	30/11/2023	7	18/05/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Disposal of Waste from Site to the rear of Seamus Ennis Arts Centre	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd	Ringcommons, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	45,929	06/06/2023	06/07/2023	1	16/05/2023
Operations	Purchase of 3 Ford Ranger Crew Cab Jeeps with Automatic Transmi	Henry Ford & Son Ltd.	Elm Court, Breenmanna Road, Ballintemple, Co. Cork	€	77,040	10/05/2023	09/05/2024	12	12/05/2023
Operations	Consultancy Services for Fingal Harbours and Associated Services - Initial Contract for the Rehabilitation of Skerries Harbour	Byrne Looby & Partners Ltd	H5 Oak Road, Centrepoint Business Park, Dublin 12 D12 VW27	€	104,615	06/03/2023	06/09/2024	18	12/05/2023
Operations	Supply only of Ready Mix Concrete for Fingal Castleknock/Mulhuddart	Keegan Quarries Ltd	Trammon, Rathmolyon, Co. Meath	€	50,600	18/05/2023	31/12/2023	7	11/05/2023
Operations	Purchase of 1 x 7.5 Tonne Tipper Truck	FUSO Ireland, MMC Commercials	Mitsubishi House, John F Kennedy Drive, Naas Road, Dublin 12	€	127,722	05/05/2023	04/05/2024	12	05/05/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Edgewood Lawn, Corduff, Dublin 15	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	109,787	15/05/2023	15/08/2023	3	04/05/2023
Corporate Affairs	Removal of Asbestos from a house on Parnell Square East Dublin 1	Grove Environmental Solutions Ltd.	Spruce Cottage, Bennetstown, Dunboyne, Co. Meath	€	35,900	01/04/2023	01/06/2023	2	04/05/2023
Libraries	Design, Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Library Building Automation solution (My Open Library) for Skerries Library	Spectrum Communications Ltd	T/A 2CQR Ireland, Unit 6G Centrepoint Business Park, Oak Drive, Dublin 12 D12 5K5	€	41,005	01/05/2023	30/04/2024	12	04/05/2023
Operations	Road resurfacing & Ancillary Works, on the R122 Fieldstown Bridge 1 to Surgalstown Cross	Roadstone Ltd	Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	852,077	01/06/2023	01/09/2023	3	03/05/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works on the R125 County Boundary to Lispopple Cross	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	473,469	01/06/2023	01/09/2023	3	03/05/2023
EETCD	Economic Consultancy Services for the Development of an Economic Development Strategy for Fingal	Grant Thornton Finance Ltd	13-18 City Quay, Dublin 2 D02ED70	€	157,500	09/05/2023	08/11/2023	6	03/05/2023
Operations	Installation of new timber knee rail fencing in Swords	Fingal Farm Home and Garden	Oldtown, Co. Dublin	€	45,687	08/05/2023	08/07/2023	2	02/05/2023

Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Topographical Survey for the design stage of the N3 M50 to Clonee Road Scheme	IO Geomatics Ltd	Unit 16, BEAT Centre, Stephenstown Industrial Estate, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	164,950	16/01/2023	15/07/2023	6	28/04/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Re-Instatement of Car Park Surface & Footpaths, ducting and 5 x light sockets and assoc. works at Bath Road Car Park, Balbriggan	Postmount Buildings Limited T/A Hayes Civil Engineering	Rathoath, Co. Meath	€	28,850	24/04/2023	12/05/2023	1	26/04/2023
Operations	Hire of Generators, Tower Lights and Electricians and Teleporter for Flavours of Fingal County Show 2023	GH Energy Rentals Ltd	Unit 103 Bishopswood Lane, Bishopswood, The Ward, Co Dublin D11 P2VR	€	90,000	28/06/2023	07/07/2023	8 days	25/04/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Construction of Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian & Cycle Route	John Civil Engineering Co. Ltd	Carranstown, Duleek, Co. Meath A92 K654	€	7,715,430	15/05/2023	15/06/2024	13	24/04/2023
Housing	Employers Representative Led Integrated Consultant Design team for proposed residential developments at Holywell & Seatown Road, Swords, Co. Dublin	Henchion Reuter Architects	76, Irishtown Ord, Irishtown, Dublin 4	€	2,449,510	01/04/2023	29/02/2028	58	19/04/2023
Operations	Installation of 2. No.Half MUGAS to Wellview and Parslickstown Residential Estates	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd.	James Street, Kiltimagh, Co.Mayo	€	75,450	01/05/2023	31/05/2023	1	19/04/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply of specially cut limestone blocks for the completion of the parapet on Bremore Castle Gate House	McKeown Stone	Brockley Park, Stradbally,Co. Laois	€	33,628	26/06/2023	31/07/2023	5week s	18/04/2023
Operations	Supply & Installation of Permanent Road Traffic Signs and Ancillary Works	PWS Signs Ltd	Ravendale, Dundalk, Co. Louth	€	33,430	02/05/2023	22/12/2023	8	18/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Turvey Avenue, Donabate	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	89,939	08/05/2023	08/09/2023	5	18/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Hazelwood Green & Avenue	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	80,130	30/04/2023	30/07/2023	3	18/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Work, Balscadden Road, Howth	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	100,705	05/05/2023	01/06/2023	1	17/04/2023
Operations	Supply & Installation of Landscapes Structure We-Go Swing Unit at Malahide Demesne	Sole Sports and Leisure Ltd	Unit 8, Rosemount Business Park, Drinagh, Co. Wexford	€	52,000	22/08/2023	12/09/2023	3 weeks	17/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Chapel Green, Lusk	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	84,460	01/06/2023	21/06/2023	3 weeks	14/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Curran Park, Balbriggan	Roadstone Ltd	Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	61,729	01/06/2023	21/06/2023	3 weeks	14/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works Balgriffin Cemetery	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	30,092	25/04/2023	23/05/2023	1	14/04/2023
Operations	Supply and Installation of an Outdoor Fitness Hub at Littlepace Park, Dublin 15	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd	James Street, Kiltimagh, Co.Mayo	€	113,725	01/04/2023	30/05/2023	2	13/04/2023
Operations	Installation of Concrete Footpath Works - Traffic Section	Clar Con Construction Ltd	Cnoc Glas, Jordanstown, Lusk	€	36,486	25/04/2023	04/08/2023	5	12/04/2023

Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction at Pinewood & Ashfield Green Residential Estates, Huntstown, D 15	John Browne Construction Ltd	16, Town Hall Street, Co. Cavan	€	37,815	30/04/2023	30/05/2023	1	12/04/2023
Housing	Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Works	Bayview Contracts Ltd	23, Greenbank Industrial Estate, Rampart Road, Newry, Co. Down	€	2,000,000	01/03/2023	31/03/2025	24	12/04/2023
Operations	Conservation, Architectural & Engineering Consultancy Services for Talbot Botanic Garden Glass House Refurbishment, Malahide, Co. Dublin	Bluett & O'Donoghue (Prodomo Ltd)	1, Chancery Street, Dublin 7	€	79,930	11/04/2023	23/01/2024	10	12/04/2023
Operations	Bituminous Footpath Works at Balscadden Road, Howth	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	53,295	24/04/2023	23/05/2023	1	09/04/2023
Operations	Hire of 1 x 85 HP Plus 4 wheel Drive Tractor/with driver/operative 1 x Backhoe Excavator, 1 teleporter, 1 x John Deer Gater with cab	Larry Kieran Plant Hire Ltd	Grougha, Ring Commons, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	62,883	10/04/2023	30/09/2023	5	06/04/2023
Libraries	Creator - Makers In Residence Programme & Development of Maker Spaces	Make Create Innovate Limited	Apt 10A, Metropolitan Apts. Dublin 8	€	117,500	01/03/2023	01/03/2025	24	06/04/2023
Operations	Overlay at Back Corballis Road, Donabate	Roadstone Ltd	Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	50,981	17/04/2023	17/07/2023	4	05/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works, Estuary Road, Swords	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	136,350	08/05/2023	08/09/2023	5	05/04/2023
EETCD	Conservation & Enabling Works - Swords Castle	Oldstone Conservation Ltd	Donard, Co. Wicklow	€	621,115	17/04/2023	11/07/2024	15	04/04/2023
EETCD	Enabling Works - initial contract for SCQ Enabling Works (€5m/€750k)	Hegarty Demolition Ltd.	46, Blackburne Square, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14	€	834,932	05/04/2023	25/07/2024	16	04/04/2023
People Services	Corporate Employer Branding Project	Barlo	53, Charleston Road, Ranelagh, Dublin D06XE51	€	81,000	20/02/2023	19/02/2025	24	03/04/2023
Corporate Affairs	Provision of a Water Hygiene Programme	Healthy Buildings (Ireland) Ltd. T/A HBE	3013 Lake Drive, Citywest Business Campus, Dublin 24	€	71,892	01/04/2023	31/03/2025	24	01/04/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary works at Bun a Knock, Naul	Siac Bituminous Products Ltd	Monastery Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22	€	38,025	24/04/2023	28/04/2023	1 week	31/03/2023
Digital Services	Vmware vSan Expansion - Provision of Vmware Software and Licencing	Triangle Computer Services	Colm House, 91, Pembroke Street, Dublin 4, D04 EC42	€	93,231	01/05/2023	30/04/2024	12	31/03/2023
Community	Provide Outdoor Equipment lockers with app access	BoxUp SA	Avenue des Baumettes 9, 1020 Renens, Switzerland	€	34,443	01/03/2023	01/03/2027	48	31/03/2023
EETCD	Development of the Castleknock and Balbriggan App Trails and the inclusion of same in the Dublin Discovery Trails AR App	Peel Entertainment Group Ltd t/a Peel Interactive	North Barn, Broughton Hall, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 3 AE, UK	€	50,000	27/03/2023	31/07/2023	4	31/03/2023
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches from 6 - 12 Sq Mts at Mainstreet, Howth, Co. Dublin	Formac Construction	60,Upper Main Street, Rush	€	80,826	24/04/2023	24/05/2023	1	30/03/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works at Townparks Distributor Road, Skerries	Roadstone Ltd	Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	77,592	24/04/2023	05/05/2023	2 weeks	30/03/2023
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Works at Healys Lane, Rush	Roadstone Ltd	Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	39,209	08/05/2023	19/05/2023	2 weeks	30/03/2023

Corporate Affairs	Supply of Fixed Voice Services	Eir Ltd	City West, Saggart Co. Dublin	€	110,000	01/01/2023	31/08/2023	8	29/03/2023
Digital Services	Property Interest Register Annual Maintenance Services	Irish Mapping & GIS Solution Ltd.,	8 Keypoint, Rosepoint Business Park, Dublin 11, D11 Y77P	€	27,110	01/01/2023	31/12/2025	36	28/03/2023
EETCD	Classical Production for Shackleton Proms Event	Arun Rao	25, Castlefield Park, Clonsilla, Dublin 15	€	41,000	12/05/2023	14/05/2023	2 days	28/03/2023
Operations	Footpath Landscaping & Drainage Works, Paddys Hill	Jim Hayes Civil Engineering	Rathoath, Co. Meath	€	39,000	15/04/2023	14/05/2023	1	27/03/2023
Operations	Donabate Cemetary Upgrade Works	Lakelands Civil Engineering Ltd	Marlinstown Business Park, Marlinstown, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath N91 W5NN	€	47,425	27/03/2023	26/06/2023	3	27/03/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Ongar Development Remedial Works	Formac Construction	60, Upper Main Street, Rush, Co. Dublin	€	904,145	01/05/2023	30/09/2023	5	24/03/2023
Digital Services	12 month Autodesk Software Subscription (2023)	Diatec Group	Unit 17, The Seapoint Building, 44-45 Clontarf Road, Dublin 3	€	56,063	01/03/2023	29/02/2024	12	22/03/2023
Corporate Affairs	County Hall Courtyard Upgrade Works	McKeon Construction Ltd T/A Hereworks	Ard A Leasa, Lispopple, Swords, Co. Dublin	€	989,616	20/03/2023	31/07/2023	4	22/03/2023
Operations	Road Inlay and Ancillary Works, Sycamore View, Castleknock, Dubli	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€	30,957	01/05/2023	31/05/2023	1	20/03/2023
Operations	Supply of Macadam for various locations in Fingal County Council for Road Repairs	Roadstone Ltd,	Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	95,770	17/01/2023	31/12/2023	11.5	15/03/2023
Operations	Road Marking for Howth/Malahide Area	Nuzum Road Services Ltd	Mespil House, Sussex Road, Dublin 4	€	27,504	02/04/2023	01/07/2023	3	13/03/2023
Operations	Hire of Rubber Wheeled Excavator (Wacker Neuson EW65 or Equivalent)	Thomas Brennan & Sons Ltd	Ticknock Road, Sandyford, Dublin 18	€	72,000	13/03/2023	12/03/2026	36	13/03/2023
Operations	Brackenstown Road Subsidence and Reinstatement	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd	Grougha Lane, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	€	301,441	06/03/2023	24/11/2023	8	13/03/2023
Operations	Hire of 2 Mobile Welfare Pods	G & J Kearns Ltd	Ballyboughal Road, Naul, Co. Dublin	€	50,000	13/03/2023	12/03/2026	36	09/03/2023
EETCD	Provision of Economic Consultancy Services for a feasibility Study for the Development Regional Innovation Hubs in the Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor Region	KPMG Ireland	Stokes Place, Dublin 2	€	112,995	07/03/2023	06/09/2024	18	07/03/2023
EETCD	Catering Services at Ardgillen Castle, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	Brambles Deli Café Ltd	Unit 4, South City Business Park, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	51,500	04/03/2023	03/03/2024	12	04/03/2023
EETCD	Production & Promotion of Unison Festival	TASCQ	2nd Floor, 1 - 5 Crampton Court, Temple Bar, Dublin 2	€	70,000	01/03/2023	28/02/2024	12	01/03/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Broadmeadow Way Greenway - GI Enabling Works, Access Track	Glas Civil Engineering Ltd	Breac Dearg, Kilheffernan, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary	€	232,319	13/03/2023	12/05/2023	2	01/03/2023

Digital Services	Revamp of Council Chamber Technology	SKS Communications Ltd	Unit 2, Robinhood Industrial Estate, Dublin 2	€	275,504	03/01/2023	02/01/2028	60	28/02/2023
Operations	Kerbing & bituminous Footpath Works on a section of New Road, Donabate, Co. Dublin	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	165,072	07/03/2023	07/06/2023	3	28/02/2023
Housing	Single Storey Extension to Dwelling at Whitestown Drive, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15	Arthurstown Construction Limited	11, Blakestown Cottages, Clonsilla, Dublin 15	€	123,797	27/02/2023	10/06/2023	4	27/02/2023
Corporate Affairs	Supply and Installation of Etrel Chargers and Back Office	Easy Go	G11, Maynooth Business Campus, Straffan Road, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	€	32,659	24/02/2023	23/02/2024	12	24/02/2023
Corporate Affairs	Supply & Install of Roof Guardrail Protection - Civic Office Grove Road	Barton Industrial Services Ltd	Unit C1 Site 38 Heron Road, BT3 9LE, Belfast, UK	€	27,080	01/02/2023	30/04/2023	3	23/02/2023
Housing	Refurbishment works a Dwelling in Corduff Green, Dublin 15	Arthurstown Construction Limited	11, Blakestown Cottages, Clonsilla, Dublin 15	€	124,563	01/02/2023	31/12/2023	11	22/02/2023
Housing	Renovation of 3 Dwellings, St. Philomenas Court, Ballycoolin, Dublin 15	Arthurstown Construction Limited	11, Blakestown Cottages, Clonsilla, Dublin 15	€	191,625	06/03/2023	31/08/2024	18	21/02/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Design and Site Supervision Services for Ongar-Barnhill Road Construction Stage	Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates	3rd Floor, The Highline, Bakers Point, Pottery Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin	€	965,610	01/03/2023	01/09/2026	42	21/02/2023
Digital Services	Implement and deploy Dynamics 365 for Field Services as both an asset management solution and scheduling solution	Ergoservices Ltd t/a Ergo	1st Floor Block T Eastpoint Business Park, Dublin 3	€	198,000	01/04/2023	31/03/2026	36	21/02/2023
Community	Community Care Construction Works Meakestown Sports and Community Centre	Vision Contracting Ltd	Melbourne Business Park, Model Farm Road, Cork T12 YH31	€	6,153,131	20/02/2023	14/10/2025	32	20/02/2023
Environment, Climate Action	Horse Seizure Services	County Council Security Support Services Ltd	Block 1, Unit 4, Dunboyne Industrial Estate, Dunboyne, Co. Meath	€	104,500	16/02/2023	15/02/2024	12	16/02/2023
Operations	Urgent Drainage Works in Malahide Demesne	Aquaturf Solutions Ltd	Tankardstown, Clonalvy, Co. Meath A42 AR26	€	27,987	27/02/2023	10/03/2023	0	16/02/2023
Digital Services	Requirement for departmental access to lawlink	Rochford Brady Legal Services Ltd	Ormond Building, 31/36 Ormond Quay Upper, Dublin 7	€	43,458	01/01/2023	31/12/2023	12	16/02/2023
Digital Services	Supply of 200 Microsoft 365 E5 Licences	MicroMail Ltd	3, Nessan House, Bessboro Road, Blackrock, Cork	€	49,992	01/02/2023	31/05/2023	4	16/02/2023
Digital Services	Maintenance and Support of the Cygnus Housing Loans Software System	Gemini Consultants Ltd	AW House, 6-8 Stuart Street, Luton, LU1 25j, UK	€	56,839	01/04/2023	31/03/2024	12	16/02/2023
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Asbestos Removal Turvey Depot	Grove Environmental Solutions Ltd.	Spruce Cottage, Bennetstown, Dunboyne, Co. Meath	€	89,500	14/02/2023	15/05/2023	2.5 month s	14/02/2023
Housing	10 Unit Housing Development with Studio/Gallery Space at Ballough Place, Barrack Lane, Lusk and proposed 5 Unit Passive House Development at Monastery Court, Church Road, Lusk	AXIS Construction	36, Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2	€	4,623,548	13/02/2023	14/02/2025	24	13/02/2023

Housing	Environmental Risk Assessment Site at Sillogue, Ballymun	RPS Consulting Engineers Ltd	Innishmore, Ballincollig, Co. Cork	€	35,463	01/02/2023	31/12/2024	23	10/02/2023
EETCD	Catering Services at Newbridge House Visitors Centre, Donabate	Brambles Deli Café Ltd	Unit C4 South City Business Park, Whitestown Way, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	60,000	27/02/2023	26/02/2024	12	10/02/2023
Operations	Resurfacing Works on the existing all weather pitch in Skerries Town Park	Sole Sports and Leisure Ltd	Unit 8, Rosemount Business Park, Drinagh, Co. Wexford	€	393,285	11/07/2022	30/09/2022	2	09/02/2023
Operations	Balbriggan Harbour Redevelopment Minor Works	Donnelly Civil Engineering Ltd	Kilmacduane, Cooraclare, Co.Clare	€	448,435	23/01/2023	21/07/2023	6	07/02/2023
EETCD	Training Services for Local Enterprise Offices - LEAN Business Programme Dublin	Jigsaw VATVAE t/a Jigsaw Better Business	2 Ballymore Road, Loughnavalley, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath	€	355,500	01/01/2023	31/12/2024	24	06/02/2023
EETCD	Food Tourism Marketing Consultant for Fingal Food & Drink Policy	Marie Brouder	5A, Humbert Street, Tobercurry, Co. Sligo	€	31,750	01/02/2023	30/06/2023	5	31/01/2023
Operations	Design and Installation of 25 Linear meters of ARMCO Crash Barrier along R122 Outside St. Margarets National School	Motorway Care	Unit 6, Tashinny Court, Church View, Main Street, Kinnegad, Co. Westmeath	€	29,670	03/01/2023	28/02/2023	2	23/01/2023
Operations	Removal of Dangerous Dead Trees overhanging the Turvey Avenue and the R126 at Cobbes Lane	Redwood Tree Services Ltd	Sequoia House, Westown, Naul, Co. Dublin	€	26,000	23/01/2023	23/02/2023	1	20/01/2023
Operations	Maintenance, Servicing, Repair and Ticket replenishment of Pay & Display Parking Machines	Actavo (Sierra Support Services Group)	Westland House, Westland Park, Willow Road, Dublin 12	€	50,000	01/02/2023	30/06/2023	5	18/01/2023
EETCD	Requirement to provide specialist lighting consultancy services for Quay Street & Environs Public Realm Project, Balbriggan	Arup	50, Ringsend Road, Dublin 4	€	29,000	23/01/2023	23/06/2023	6	17/01/2023
Operations	Provision of Enforcement and Legal Services to Fingal County Council for Parking Services	Parkrite	Ground Floor, 2 Custom House Plaza, Harbourmaster Place, IFSC, Dublin 1	€	182,184	01/02/2023	30/06/2023	5	16/01/2023
Operations	Planting & Maintenance of Council Owned Summer/Winter Floral Display Baskets/Planters for various locations within Fingal Administrative Area and the Supply of a limited number of units	Redlough Landscapes Ltd	Belgree, Hollystown, Dublin 15	€	173,182	10/01/2023	10/12/2024	24	12/01/2023
Operations	Road Resurfacing R132, Balrothery to Balbriggan	D.M. Morris Limited	13, Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray	€	575,190	01/03/2023	01/05/2023	3	12/01/2023
Operations	Purchase of 2 to 5 New 80 kw 4 wheel drive tractors	Midlouth Garage	Old Railway Station, Ardee, Co. Louth	€	285,000	12/12/2022	12/12/2023	12	09/01/2023
Operations	Purchase of 2 to 4 New Electric Dumpers with 1500kg Payload Capacity	Maher Tractor Sales Ltd	The Bush, Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath	€	78,000	05/12/2022	04/12/2023	12	09/01/2023
Environment, Climate Action	Environmental Monitoring & Reporting Services	McQuillan Environmental John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	11, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, BT28 25A	€	101,028	09/01/2023	08/01/2024	12	09/01/2023

Corporate Affairs	Postal Collection Services for 2023	Print Post Ltd.	Unit 4, Broomhill Park, Tallaght, Dublin 24	€	145,000	01/01/2023	31/12/2023	12	05/01/2023
Community	Implementation of a series of Pilot Playful Streets throughout Fingal	A Playful City	The Tara Guilding, Co- Working Private Offices & Meeting Rooms, Dublin 2	€	100,000	26/05/2023	24/05/2024	12	01/01/2023
EETCD	Production, Promotion and Distribution of Tradfest: The Fingal Sessions (six half hour TV Shows for Domestic (RTE) and global distribution	TASCQ	2nd Floor, 1 - 5 Crampton Court, Temple Bar, Dublin 2	€	130,000	01/01/2023	31/12/2023	12	01/01/2023
Housing	Weekly Bin Collections and Ad hoc Skip Collections from the Halting Sites in the Fingal Area	Starrus Holdings Ltd	Ballymount Road Upper, Ballymount, Dublin 12	€	64,000	01/01/2023	30/09/2023	9	01/01/2023
Housing	Parnell Estate D15 Management Service - Unsold Affordable	Paula Barrett Properties Ltd	22 Northumberland Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4	€	240,000	01/01/2023	31/12/2023	12	01/01/2023
Operations	Hire of Excavator & Operator at the Former Dunsink Landfill & Environs	Anthony Patton Plant Hire Ltd	Cloghran, Co Dublin	€	78,000	16/01/2023	15/01/2024	12	01/01/2023
Digital Services	Citrix Licences and Support Services Ltd	Arkphire Security Ltd	7 Beckett Way, Park West Bus Pk, Dublin, D12X884	€	25,540	01/01/2023	31/12/2023	12	01/01/2023
Digital Services	Upgrade of Broadband Bandwidth for Public Internet Access in Fingal Libraries	Virgin Media	Macken House, 39/40 Mayor Street Upper, D01 C9W8	€	36,000	01/01/2023	31/12/2025	36	01/01/2023

Appendix 3 Active Travel Investment Grants 2023 Allocations

Project Code:	Project Name & Funding Allocation	Comments
FCC/19/0005	2023 Schools Streets non SRTS €100,000	Small improvements at schools (not in SRTS programme) which can be delivered through numerous departments.
FCC/20/0004	Bicycle Parking (Covid) €150,000	Contractor is gearing up to complete bike parking stands in various locations across the county. Further work packages are being developed by the team for Swords and Dublin 15 areas. Ongoing liaison with Operations and Parks to agree suitable locations for bike parking.
FCC/21/0001	Snugborough Road – NAC to Ongar €220,000	Work is continuing on the options report for the project after internal reviews by AT team. Subject to that meeting the Gateway 2 Report is to be issued to the NTA to gain approval to proceed to preliminary design phase of the project.
FCC/21/0002	Baldoyle to Howth €300,000	Phase One of the project has reached substantial completion.
FCC/21/0006	Clonee to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre €235,000	Data collection for the options stage of the project has been completed i.e. topographical, traffic surveys, tree surveys. This data will feed into development of the options report for the project. Draft options report has been submitted by consultant and reviewed by Active Travel.
FCC/22/0001	Castleknock to Dunsink Lane €185,000	Work is continuing on developing the options report for the project. Option for a rapid build option for Auburn Avenue is being explored as part of the design process. Draft options report has been submitted by consultant and reviewed by Active Travel.
FCC/22/0004	Hartstown/Huntstown/Mountview Rd D1 €100,000	The phase 2b junction designs have been completed by the cycle design office (CDO). These designs are being reviewed by FCC before tendering for construction.
FCC/22/0005	St. Cronan's Ave & Brackenstown Rd €1,387,711	Contractor currently on site laying red SMA. Work has also commenced on line marking, signage and bollard installation.

FCC/22/0006	Rathingle/Rivervalley Rd. Swords €176,000	Design works for phase 2b the modification of the existing roundabout is currently being discussed with the NTA.
FCC/22/0007	Balbriggan Road Mill Street and Drogheda Street €100,000	Active Travel have been working closely with the Our Balbriggan Project Team. On completion of the concept design piece relating to the overall Our Balbriggan Active Travel Strategy we are developing a brief for appointment of multi-disciplinary engineering consultant to develop options report and detailed design for this element of the project. This work is ongoing.
FCC/22/0009	Permeability Links North County €465,000	Several projects are still being identified and assessed via multi criteria analysis. We are also in ongoing discussions with Operations to incorporate other works in order to get best value for money when we go to delivery of these works. Active Travel are preparing a tranche of works which includes removal of barriers that are currently impeding permeability and connectivity issues. A number of crossing points are also being considered and provided as part of these works.
FCC/22/0010	R132 Ministers Rd to Blakes Cross + Kilhedge Lane €300,000	Tenderers have been evaluated and it is expected to appoint a contractor during July.
FCC/22/0011	Skerries – Harbour Road (footpath build outs) €905,000	Engineering consultants are finalising concept designs and options report. The project team will then engage with the public and stakeholders to gather feedback on draft designs.
FCC/22/0012	Seatown Roundabout to Estuary Rd (Swords to Malahide) €140,000	Engineering consulting are finalising the Non-Statutory Public Consultation Summary Report which is due to be issued to Active Travel for review.
FCC/22/0014	Balbriggan – Coney Hill from Devlin Bridge to Bremore Cottages €140,000	Consultant is finalising concept drawings and options report which is expected to be submitted to the project team.
FCC/22/0015	Rush South Beach (Bawn Rd across carpark and out to South Shore. €500,000	We are continuing engagement with Property Section with regard to acquisition of lands in this area. Works are also ongoing to look at options in this area that will serve not only this project but that will benefit the Fingal Coastal way route options.

FCC/22/0016	New Street Public Realm Project €583,899	An application was made to An Board Pleanála by members of the public in relation to the proposed public realm improvements, requesting EIA and AA Screening Determinations. As a result the Part 8 Process is on hold until after An Bord Pleanála has made its decision which was originally to be by the 11th of September 2023. However, no decision has been provided to date.
FCC/22/0018	Data collection for Active Travel Projects €60,000	Traffic, air, noise etc
FCC/22/0019	Skerries Active Travel Plan €655,000	Tender competition is ongoing for Stage 1 of the process.
FCC/22/0020	Balrothery Active Travel Review €282,500	Tender is currently being assessed with a view to appoint consultant during September.
FCC/22/0021	Seamount Heights to Old Golf Links Park €300,000	Preliminary design is being revised after feedback from FCC.
FCC/22/0022	Broomfield to Paddy's Hill via Naomh Mearnog GAA €350,000	A specification for the tender of these works is being prepared with a view to going to tender in 2023. Small works have been completed around existing car park through Operations. Enabling works ongoing regarding connection works to school and Limetree Avenue.
FCC/22/0026	Fingal County Council Active Travel Office – Staff Costs €1,100,000	
FCC/22/0028	FCC Castleknock to Blanchardstown via Farmleigh €90,000	Stage 2 of the tendering process complete and tender assessment has taken place. Contract documents to be signed in coming weeks.

FCC/22/0030	Station Road Portmarnock Footpaths and Cycleway €150,000	Works have reached substantial completion.
FCC/ 23/XXX	Scoil an Duinninigh to Waterside footpath and cycleway €220,000	Planning permission has been granted for the school and Department of Education is to engage with Fingal County Council on planning conditions related to pedestrian access.
FCC/ 23/XXX	Feltrim Road cycle infrastructure €120,000	These works are expected to go to tender for a design consultant in 2023.
FCC/ 23/XXX	Active Travel Pathfinder – Swords to Airport quick build €200,000	Project team are liaising with Dublin Airport Authority and the National Transport Authority in relation to agreeing the scope of the project. Tender was uploaded to eTenders in June and it is planned to assess any submitted tenders during July.
FCC/23/XXX	Donabate to Portrane (R126) - Distributor Road to Portrane Avenue €40,000	Consultant is finalising concept drawings and options report which is expected to be submitted to the project team for review.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Scoil Mhuire & Iosef, Sinsear – Bayside Senior National School €200,000	Works have been substantially completed by contractor. Minor snag works ongoing.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Scoil Ghrainne CNS €200,000	Detailed design has commenced to enable procurement of works contractor.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Bayside Junior School €200,000	Works have been substantially completed by contractor. Minor snag works ongoing.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Scoil Choilm CNS €200,000	Installation of flexible bollards on Porterstown Rd. outside the school entrance is complete. Detailed design has commenced to enable procurement of works contractor.

FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) - Rush & Lusk ETNS €200,000	Construction work is now complete and final snagging works and inspections are proposed for early June.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Pope John Paul II NS, Malahide €200,000	Detailed design has commenced to enable procurement of works contractor.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Castaheany ETNS €200,000	Works have been substantially completed by contractor. Minor snag works ongoing.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – St. Benedict's NS €200,000	Works have been substantially completed by contractor. Minor snag works ongoing.
FCC/23/XXX	SRTS (R1) – Ladyswell National School €200,000	Detailed design has commenced to enable procurement of works contractor.

Appendix 4 Housing Delivery Construction Programme Schemes on Site

Area Committee	Provider	Funding	Site Name	No. Units	Status	On Site	Handover	
		Stream			Detail	Date	(estimated)	
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	53°27'52.7"N 6°14'04.1"W - Google Maps	11 4x1Bed 4x2Bed 3x3Bed	On Site	Q4 2022	Q3 2024	
Blanchardstown- Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social	Infill Sites in Dublin 15 https://goo.gl/maps/UqNat8GX7BBo8cEh8 (169a Clonsilla Road) https://goo.gl/maps/Q2Mvqau7RceRHDXy5 (Sheepmoor shop site)	2 1x2Bed 1x3Bed	On Site	Q1 2023	Q4 2023	
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	Tuath Housing	Social - Elderly	·	31 13x1Bed 18x2Bed	On Site	Q1 2023	Q1 2024	
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Ballough Place (Former Leonards Garage), Lusk https://goo.gl/maps/8u6BiRWzuLSTtmjk8	10 9x2Bed 1x1Bed	On Site	Q1 2023	Q3 2024	
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	5 5x2Bed	On Site	Q1 2023	Q1 2024	
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	53°31'24.1"N 6°06'42.1"W - Google Maps	62 17x2Bed 45x3Bed	On Site	Q2 2023	Q3 2024	
Balbriggan/Rush - Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	St. Ita's, Portrane <u>Portrane Ave - Google Maps</u>	14 Restoration of existing cottages	On Site	Q4 2022	Q4 2023	
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	Glenveagh Living Ltd	Mixed Tenure	53°29'21.2"N 6°07'58.1"W	172 432 units, of which 20% social and 20% affordable	Mixed Tenure	Q3 2023	Q2 2025	

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Schemes with Part 8 Planning Approval and at Tender stage

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream		No. Units	Status Detail		Handover (estimated)
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart/Castl eknock/ Ongar		Mixed Tenure	Church Fields 3A 53°24'44.7"N 6°23'39.0"W - Google	118x2Bed	Tender evaluation complete. Contractors have been appointed for enabling works.	Q4 2023	Q3 2025
Blanchardstown- Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/ Ongar	FCC		Mayeston, Dublin 11 53°24'28.4"N 6°17'02.1"W - Google Maps	121 37x1Bed 72x2Bed 12x3Bed	Subject to Judicial Review.	Q4 2025	Q4 2027
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	FCC	Elderly	North Street, Swords 53°27'38.6"N 6°13'06.7"W - Google Maps	13 6x1Bed 7x2Bed	Enabling works package ready. Design team tender to be evaluated.	Q2 2024	Q3 2025
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk /Swords	FCC	Social -	Seatown Swords 53.459821, - 6.217958 Google Maps	36 36x2Bed	Design ongoing, Tender package to be completed in Q4 2023.	Q1 2024	Q3 2025
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	North and East Housing Associati on	Elderly	Garristown 53°34'03.7"N 6°22'42.1"W - Google Maps	6	Planning granted.	Q4 2023	Q4 2024

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Schemes at Pre-Planning Stage

Area Committee		Funding Stream		No. Units	Status Detail		Handover (estimated)
Blanchardstown- Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/ Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Church Fields 3B 53°24'44.7"N 6°23'39.0"W - Google Maps		Pre-Planning and design stage. Part 10 planning application for 217 units was lodged to ABP in June. Awaiting decision from ABP.	Q1 2025	Q2 2026
Balbriggan/Rush- Lusk/Swords	FCC		Holywell, Swords 53°26'48.1"N 6°12'42.8"W		Pre-Planning and design stage. Conveyancing complete.	Q2 2024	Q4 2025

^{*}The above estimated timelines are indicative and subject to a successful planning and procurement process.

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Long Term Leasing

Area Committee	Lessor	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	Handover (estimated)
Blanchardstown- Mulhuddart/Castleknock/ Ongar	0	Enhanced Leasing	Balroy House	82	On site	Q1 2024
Blanchardstown- Mulhuddart/Castleknock/ Ongar		Long Term Leasing	Hansfield	159	On site	Q4 2023

Appendix 5

External Funding – Community and Sports Development

Funding Source	Grant Scheme	Name of Group	Stats	Amount Awarded	Date of Award
Pobal	Community Services Program	Parslickstown House	Concept documents approved gone to application stage		
Pobal	Community Services Program	Blakestown Community Resource Centre	Concept documents approved gone to application stage		
DDTAS	Sports Capital 2023	Mountview Youth and Community Centre – All weather pitch upgrade & LED lighting	Application submitted		
DDTAS	Sports Capital 2023	Hartstown Community Centre All weather pitch upgrade	Application submitted		
DDTAS	Sports Capital 2023	Flemington Community Centre – Accessible Gym	Application submitted		