



Chief Executive's Management Report

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Chief Executive's Foreword

Storm Éowyn made landfall in Fingal during the early hours of Friday January 24th. We were all aware in the preceding days that the storm would be a severe weather event likely to cause significant damage, power outages, flooding and fallen trees and would merit a red weather warning. In Fingal, necessary preparations were made following advisories issued by Met Éireann and several meetings with the National Emergency Co-ordination Group whose guidance shaped our response to the storm. While our public offices, libraries, parks, community centres and recycling centres remained closed throughout the red warning, our teams across the organisation processed hundreds of storm related emails and calls and disseminated information and latest updates. Keeping the public informed before, during and after the storm was key and our website and social media channels were regularly updated for the duration of the event. Many of you will have seen photos and footage of areas nationally which were badly affected by the storm - thankfully while we in Fingal were not as severely affected as other parts of the country, there were hundreds of instances of fallen trees and damage caused by high winds reported. Once it was safe to do so, our highly experienced Operations crews set about clearing fallen trees from public roads, footpaths and housing estates in locations throughout the county. I am pleased with Fingal County Council's efficiency in dealing with events brought about by Storm Éowyn and I know you will join me in extending sincere thanks to staff across all departments who were involved with the response. A particular word of gratitude must go to the Operations crews involved in the clean-up effort, which was both extensive and, due to working in close proximity with power lines, arduous.

Although a limited number of performances had to be rescheduled due to storm Éowyn, Fingal celebrated TradFest's 20 year anniversary with a captivating line up of local and international musicians and artists. Now in its third year in Fingal, the programme included highly commended contributors such as Stockton's Wing, Eleanor McEvoy, The Henry Girls, Declan Sinnott and many more. Showcasing not only the stellar performances on offer, TradFest offered patrons the opportunity to hear traditional and folk music in unique and historic venues across Fingal including The Lark Theatre, Swords Castle Chapel, Skerries Mills, Draíocht and The Abbey Tavern. Over four evenings at The Lark Theatre in Balbriggan, actor and staunch TradFest supporter Stephen Rea's enormous contribution to culture was honoured through words and music. The acclaimed artist was joined in a celebration of words and music by poet Paul Muldoon and musicians Neil Martin, Louise Mulcahy, Matt Molloy, Maighread Ní Dhomnaill, Paddy Glackin and Derek Hickey. A celebration of the life of late legendary banjo player with The Dubliners, Barney McKenna, was also held during the festival.

The Abbey Tavern, Howth was the setting for the tribute to Barney who was hugely influential both here and abroad for his unique style of playing tenor banjo amongst other instruments and for his love and appreciation of music and stories. With performances to suit all tastes and interests, TradFest has again proved to be an incredibly popular event with the people of Fingal.

I am very proud that 14 Fingal County Council projects and initiatives have been shortlisted for this year's All Ireland Community and Council Awards, presented by IPB Insurance and LAMA (Local Authority Members Association). Furthermore, we are in the running for the prestigious 'Council of the Year' accolade. To have been recognised in all categories at this year's awards is a testament to the work undertaken by the council in collaboration with the communities we serve and the stakeholders who share our vision for the county. Environmental sustainability, economic development, and infrastructure enhancement are key priorities for the council and the projects shortlisted clearly represent the progress made in these areas. On behalf of myself and the Executive Management Team, I extend warm congratulations to all involved with these excellent initiatives and certainly look forward to the awards at the Rochestown Park Hotel in Cork on February 22nd. You can review the shortlisted entries [here](#)

Integrating the Irish language into our lives is something we all can do on a regular basis, regardless of our proficiency in the spoken word, by using cúpla focal as often as we can. In Fingal, many are passionate about Irish language and culture and the promotion of events and initiatives which focus on Irish. On Tuesday January 28th, a wonderful event was held in The Atrium, County Hall which brought together Irish language enthusiasts, members of the community and representatives from local schools. The evening gave all present the forum to use their Irish and to discuss events and opportunities in their localities. Led by Oifigeach Gaeilge, Bernie Kelly and her colleagues who provided huge assistance in arranging the event, attendees were briefed on Fingal's Gaeltacht Scholarship Scheme, Seachtain na Gaeilge and about the assistance available from Irish Language Organisations. Seachtain na Gaeilge is taking place from March 1st - 17th and, as always, there is an exciting and full programme of events taking place across locations in Fingal. Follow our social media channels and find out more about what is happening [here](#). From musical performances, a bilingual walk in Ardgillan Castle and Pop Up Gaeltacht's on offer, there is certainly something to suit all ages and interests. All are welcome - Bíg linn!

Best wishes,

AnnMarie Farrelly
Chief Executive

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New Starters	22
Promotions	11
Number of Current Job Offers	81

Learning & Development Update

Learning & Development	Year to date
Number of courses	24
Number of Attendees	221
Number of Training Days	179

Throughout February, courses will be delivered in the areas of Debt Collection, Ignite Staff Development Programme, First Aid and many more.

Wellbeing Update

The first Wellbeing Champions meeting of the year was held in January. This meeting served as an opportunity for the Wellbeing Officer and Team to provide updates on the ongoing activities and initiatives within the Wellbeing Programme.

It was also a chance to discuss future plans and gather valuable feedback from Wellbeing Champions across the organisation.

The Wellbeing Team also conducted their first wellbeing visit of 2025 to outdoor staff. These visits are part of an ongoing plan to visit all depots over the coming months. During these visits, outdoor staff will be reminded of the various supports and initiatives currently available to them. Additionally, a VR headset has been made available, for outdoor staff in the Coolmine Depot who wish to try the guided meditation feature as part of the VR for wellbeing service.

HSU - Health & Safety Unit

The HSU reviewed occupational health and safety data for 2024. There were 12 monthly reports submitted to the Executive Management Team during 2024 along with 1 submission to NISO for external validation of the organisation's safety management system. Overall site safety inspection compliance [300 inspections] for the organisation was running at 98% for the year 2024 with safety audit compliance [40 audits] at 92%. 31 ancillary safety statements and 1 corporate safety statement were published for the year. The HSU continued through January 2025 with site safety audits and inspections, incident investigation and VDU assessments.

Customer Services

Customer Care Unit Statistics – January 2025

Total No. of Calls dealt with by CCU	Total No. of Emails dealt with by CCU	Presenting In Person
9,977	1,177	2,811

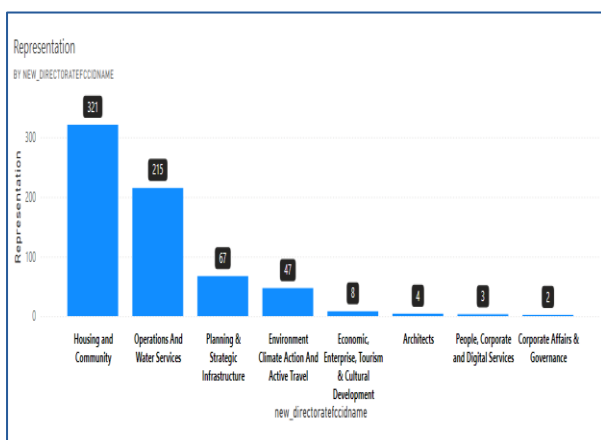
Total Transactions carried out by Customer Care Agents in December 2024: 8,814

Total Transactions carried out by Customer Care Agents in January 2025: 13,965

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 for January 667.

The table below shows the total number of Elected Members' representations assigned to each Department to date in 2025.



Communications

Digital Statistics

The number of visitors to the finagl.ie website in January was 143,862 which was 22,868 (19%) more than the same month last year. The number of page views also rose from 297,154 to 306,775. The Storm Éowyn news page was the most read page for the month with the home page, planning lists, affordable housing and recycling making up the rest of the top five.

Storm Éowyn was the biggest event of the month for the Council's digital media channels. Warning messages were posted in advance and after the storm had passed there were numerous information posts about road closures and photographs of the damage done by fallen trees and the work of our crews to clear them.

Twenty storm-related posts on Facebook generated almost 420,000 views which was 24% of the 1,747,656 views of channel content during January. The number of followers rose by 508 to 38,155.

Instagram now has 12,539 followers having seen a 5% rise in the past month. It had 463,109 views and 4,654 interactions during January.



A post about the Planning Authority's decision to declare invalid the dda's application for an increase of the passenger cap at Dublin Airport generated 20,118 impressions on LinkedIn and had a click through rate of 7.29% to further information on the Council's website. The number of LinkedIn followers is now 10,807.

The number of followers on X is now 23,537 which is a reduction of 521 on December 2024. It had an engagement rate of 3% from 239,500 impressions during the month.

Seven videos were added to the Council's YouTube Channel which saw the number of subscribers grow to 1,610. Videos posted include three examples of finding by the Dublin Rural LEADER programme as well as one of the draft Clonsilla Framework Plan. All Videos can be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@FingalCountyCouncilVideos/videos>

The Communications Units continues to look at adding other channels in order to maximise reach and the WhatsApp has shown tremendous growth since it was launched last October. January saw the number of followers on this channel rise by 54% to 1,982 followers.

The numbers currently following the channels are Threads (1,214), TikTok (926) and Bluesky (327). The total number of followers across the nine social media channels is 88,998 which is a rise of 21% from the 73,536 at the end of 2023.

Press Releases

Fourteen press releases were issued during January. Topics covered included the handover of a eCargo bike to the Howth goat herder; the Fingal Sports Awards; Brigid in Balbriggan; and the latest IBAL report which contained good news for Blanchardstown.



Media Queries

The Communications Unit received 34 media queries during January. Among the topics were Dublin Airport, Public Lighting, Slurry Spreading, Short-term lets, trackless trains and XL Bully Dogs.

Irish Language Networking Event

A successful Irish Language Networking event was held in County Hall on January 27 with an enthusiastic attendance of over 50 people. The audience was addressed in Irish and English by our Mayor Cllr Brian McDonagh who praised the work being done to promote the language both in the County and within the Council.

Irish Officer Bernie Kelly gave an update on the Gaeltacht Scholarship Scheme and other Irish Language opportunities. Jane O'Toole gave an update on an Irish Language parents initiative in Scoil Chrónáin, and there were also contributions from Gael Linn about Irish in the GAA, from Gaelbhratach and Caith Amach É as well as many Irish language groups in the area. Beautiful music was provided by local Comhaltas groups.



Belfast Visit

As part of Gaeilge365 and An Chomhairle Chraiceáilte, staff members from Fingal County Council along with representatives from the other Dublin local authorities visited Belfast in January to learn from their experience in promoting and speaking Irish.

Building Facilities

Free Used Coffee Beans available for compost

Community Groups, Fingal staff and members of the public can avail of free used coffee beans available from our two staff canteens in County Hall, Swords and Civic Offices, Blanchardstown.

These used coffee grounds can be added to your compost or used as natural fertilizer for your garden. Whether it would be a regular supply or a once off need, we are happy to provide the service free of charge, so you can feed your garden while helping reduce brown waste. If you need any further information about this initiative, please email building.facilities@fingal.ie with your requirements and contact information.



Re-turn for Children Initiative

'Return for children' launched in January 2025 by Corporate Affairs. Building Facilities have two donation points located in both staff canteens in our Corporate Buildings. Funds from these points are distributed equally to the six children charities listed on the donation box. The Re-turn for children is a pilot initiative in the Dublin region and the goal of the campaign is to reduce mixed litter and provide people with an option of donating their bottle and can deposits, with the monies raised from the initiative divided equally between the six Children Charities.

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TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

Tourism Strategy Implementation

Following the launch of the Fingal Tourism Strategy and Fingal Food and Drink Policy in 2024, initial priorities for 2025 include defining and managing the approach to:

- Create a Fingal collaboration framework with internal, local, and national tourism, food & drink stakeholders.
- Create an innovative, value added, best practice destination, food & drink tourism marketing plan.
- Conduct a county wide audit of tourism and food & drink assets to inform product and experience development priorities.
- Develop a regular and recurring program of food and drink markets across the county.

Progress on the Implementation will be reported to the EETD SPC.

Tradfest 2025

The Tradfest Fingal festival took place from 22nd – 26th January in venues throughout the County in an expanded programme that saw 10 venues and 41 headline act performances as well as a large list of fringe events which took place in smaller venues.



Although impacted by Storm Éowyn with a small number of afternoon concerts postponed over safety concerns, the majority proceeded, were well attended and well received by all who attended and there was considerable media coverage locally and nationally.



Fingal Food Network

A meeting of the Fingal Food Network Steering Committee took place on 20th January to discuss priorities and develop an action plan for 2025. The new committee discussed key structural issues such as formalising the status of the network, developing a new website and social media presence and agreed to consider re-branding options. The committee agreed to develop a campaign to recruit new members and identify ways to have a bigger presence at Flavours of Fingal.

EVENTS

Festival & Event Funding Scheme 2025



The scheme closed on 21st December, we received 107 applications and the recommendations for funding will be presented at the February Council meeting.

St. Brigid's Day



Our St Brigid's Day Concert planned for Monday 3rd of February in St. Brigid's Church Blanchardstown is selling very well, and we are hopeful of a full house.

St. Patrick's Day



Plans for the St. Patrick's Day Parades across the county are progressing and the details and links for groups to register can be found on eventsinfingal.ie.

HERITAGE PROPERTIES

Newbridge House



M&E Works to Begin at Historic Newbridge House, Donabate

Mechanical and Electrical (M&E) works are due to commence shortly at Newbridge House. This project includes upgrading systems such as climate control and energy-efficient lighting, with a focus on sustainability and seamlessly blending modern technology in keeping with the heritage of this historic Georgian mansion. Updates on milestones will be shared as this project progresses in the latter half of 2025.



Chapterhouse Theatre Company at Ardgillan and Newbridge

The renowned Chapterhouse Theatre Company is returning this summer to present an open-air performance of Charlotte Brontë's "Jane Eyre" on the 12th of July.



In Ardgillan Castle the same company will deliver a performance of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet in the grounds of the Castle on the 27th of June.

Heritage Properties are an imaginative and appropriate setting for these types of theatre performances which are part of the company's Open-Air Tour.

Swords Castle

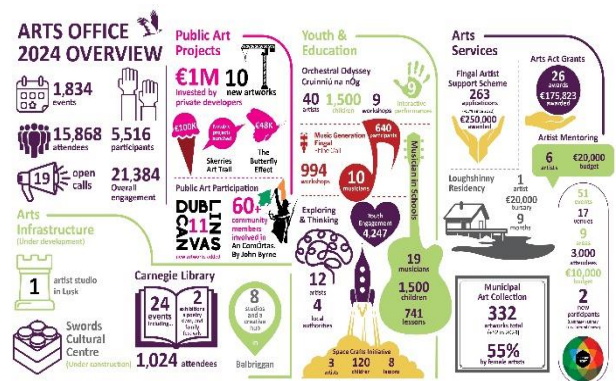
The viability of a monthly food market in the grounds of Swords Castle is being explored and planned on a pilot basis. It is envisaged that the market would start on Easter Saturday and run throughout the Summer until September. Hosting a market in the splendid environment of Swords Castle would bring additional footfall to the castle, bringing locals and visitors from further afield to explore the attraction.



The Heritage Properties team joined the tourism staff at Swords Castle on 29th January to wish Lauri Daly a very happy retirement after nearly a decade of dedicated service welcoming visitors to the castle.

Cultural Development

To measure the impact of arts development in the County, The Arts Office have compiled an infographic to highlight key aspects of the Arts Service in 2024, including 1,834 events, featuring 5,516 participants and 15,868 attendees' amounting to an impressive overall engagement of 21,384.



Key highlights in 2024 included:

- Following the launch of Carnegie Library in early 2024, the Arts Office delivered 24 events with 1,024 in attendance.
- €1 million investment in Public Art with 10 new artworks including the launch of the Skerries Art Trail and The Butterfly Effect at the Snugborough Road Interchange.
- 4,247 young people were engaged through the Youth and Education programme via initiatives such as Musicians in Schools, Orchestral Odyssey for Cruinniú na nÓg, Exploring & Thinking and Music Generation Fingal.
- The Fingal Artists' Support Scheme saw a 57% increase in the number of applications since 2022 and awarded €250,000 to professional Fingal artists in 2024.

The 2025 Arts Office priorities include:

- Build audience and artistic capacity in key geographic areas.
- Ensure our work reaches new and existing audiences within our communities, of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds.
- Research provision of spaces for young people within the county.
- Plan and deliver of Creative Places Balbriggan.
- Develop and launch Public Art strategy and workplan.
- Sustain relationships with colleagues, agencies, and organisations.
- Increase the delivery capacity of the Arts Office.
- Ensure the effective governance & management of Council supported or developed facilities & programmes.

Public Art

Public Art Policy

A new Public Art Policy will be presented to the full council for approval following an extensive research and consultation phase.

This included feedback from National specialists in the field from the OPW and The Arts Council.



Public Art & Private Development

We are currently supporting Glenveagh Homes to commission new work for their new housing development at Taylors Hill, Balbriggan. The shortlist of artists proposed includes Katherine Sankey, Els Dievost, Luis Enrique Martin, Fiona Kelly & Catherine McDonald. The artists have visited the site with the Glenveagh Team and will submit proposals shortly,

Arts Services

Arts Act Grant Scheme

The recommendations by the 2025 Arts Act Grants Scheme assessment panel will be presented to Councillors at the February meeting. 38 applications were received from individuals, community groups and organisations from across Fingal seeking to deliver quality arts experiences for participants and audiences, increase opportunities for participation and engagement in the arts and contribute to the development of the arts in the county.

Barrack Lane

The Arts Office recently attended a site visit to Barrack Lane, Lusk.



One live-in artist studio has been successfully completed as part of a new 10-dwelling development. Designed and delivered by the Fingal Architects Department, this initiative demonstrates our commitment to integrating cultural uses into new spaces, supporting artists to revitalize local communities.

Loughshinny Boathouse

Artist and photographer Louis Haugh, recipient of the Loughshinny Boathouse Studio Award, featured on RTE's Nationwide which aired on Wednesday 15th January.



The programme highlighted Louis's art practice and his current residency at the boathouse where he is developing new work in response to Fingal's coastal environment, focusing on biodiversity and climate change.

Draíocht

Our January 2025 performance programme started with Coolmine Panto's production of 'Aladdin'. Their 17 sell shows (including a sensory friendly performance) sold out.

We were delighted to continue to work with TradFest in 2025. The Mayor, Cllr Brian McDonagh, joined us for Eleanor McEvoy's sold-out performance to launch the TradFest season. Both TradFest performances at Draíocht were very well received.

2025 will be another very full and busy year at Draíocht with a full programme of performance, children/youth arts and visual art exhibitions as well as artists mentoring and residency opportunities. Full details are available on www.draiocht.ie

Our first Exhibition of 2025 is 'First Draft', by Blanchardstown native, Rich Gilligan. This Exhibition is presented in partnership with the Fingal Arts Office and is the 13th Edition of the Amharc Fhine Gall series which supports a Fingal artists' work and practice. Rich is working with Draíocht's Children's/Youth Arts office on an outreach project that will run in tandem with his exhibition.

Draíocht is delighted that our landmark project 'NEST' delivered in 2024, has been shortlisted for a LAMA award. The Award ceremony take place in Cork on February 22nd.

Seamus Ennis Arts Centre

Music

Chicago based Bluegrass Band played on January 17th to a sold-out audience of 92, with 17 on the waitlist.

Tim O'Brien, Jan Fabricius, Seamie O'Dowd and Dermot Byrne are due to play January 31st to a sold-out audience - 11 are on the waitlist.

Classes

Music Classes are beginning their latest term on January 27th, with 40 students, adult and children booked in so far.

TradFest

TSEAC's Tradfest Launch took place on January 16th with the opening of the exhibition by prominent Irish artist and musician JB Vallely. The exhibition opening was complemented by music by members of the Vallely family and an address by Fintan Vallely, writer of the Companion to Irish Traditional Music.



The Tradfest Special Singing Session with Moya Brennan took place on Wednesday 22nd of January. The session was sold out at 65, and visitors joined us on Zoom from across the world, with the event also live streamed on Facebook and Instagram.



Musician and Music Educator Mairéad O'Donnell worked together with TSEAC Director Lauren O'Toole to lead a music and drama workshop with primary schools in Dublin City Centre and Fingal. The workshop used the Tradfest commissioned production Ocean Child as source material to explore the connection between traditional music, theatre and storytelling.



Eleanor McEvoy was interviewed by BBC Northern Ireland live at TSEAC on Thursday 23rd January, with 26 attendees. Two-time Grammy award nominee Eric Bibb is to be interviewed by BBC Northern Ireland on Friday 24th January with 63 booked in for what promises to be an engaging conversation.

The local Black Raven Pipe Band will be marching through the Naul on Saturday 25th, followed by a family Ceilí and there are 126 booked in to attend. Kieran Goss and Annie Kinsella play on Saturday the 25th and have 68 booked in so far. Lisa Lambe brings her folk song and storytelling performance on Sunday 26th and there are already 57 booked in for this event.

Session Oige is a new initiative based off the popular Slow Session regularly run at TSEAC. This session invites young people over 8 to bring their instruments and play in an informal setting.

Workshops and Other Events

The Pop-Up Gaeltacht is a free event we run every month, and this January we had 28 booked in. This is an informal event in which attendees can practice their Irish, no matter what level, over complimentary tea/coffee and biscuits.

Cinema

The Fantastic Three was a Schools Film Screening as part of our season of IFI foreign language films for secondary schools. 53 students from Ardgillan Community College attended.

Nenah Superstar also part of the above programme is scheduled to take place on 30th January with the screening sold out.

Irish documentary film Housewife of the Year shows on January 30th, with 46 booked in to date.

Libraries

Visits to libraries and items issued in 2024 top the 1 million mark

Footfall to Fingal Libraries in 2024 increased by 7% on the previous year, with the public making 1,014,852 visits to our 10 branch libraries, to Local Studies and Archives and to our 4 mobile vans.

Preliminary figures indicate that physical and digital loans from Fingal Libraries were up by 10% in 2024 on the 2023 figure, with 1,080,511 items issued in total.

Spring Programme of Events at Fingal Libraries



The brochure outlining the Spring 2025 programme of events in libraries is now available in library branches and on the Fingal Libraries website. The programme runs from January to April and features a wide range of events, workshops and courses for people of all ages supporting literacy, health, culture and creativity, the Irish language, heritage, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths), skills for life and environmental awareness. Age-friendly and sensory-friendly events are featured in the programme as well as a series of workshops for schools.

St. Brigid's Festival

Fingal Libraries celebrated the St. Brigid's Festival with events in libraries. Historian Katie Charlwood explored the world of patron saints in a talk in Blanchardstown Library. Children in Malahide Library made their own Brídeog dolls, while the legend of St. Brigid's magical cloak was the inspiration of a children's craft workshop in Rush Library.

Creative Fingal: Brigid in Balbriggan



Brigid in Balbriggan returns on Monday, 3rd February, featuring performers from Luxe Landscape Theatre Company. The event will commence in St. George's Square at 6pm, spreading Brigid's light, before bringing everyone on a processional journey down Mill Street, under the viaduct and onto a final celebration on the beach. The journey is expected to take approximately one hour. Over 300 members from local community groups will participate, representing the diverse population of Balbriggan. This promises to be a beautiful and inclusive event for all to enjoy. A series of creative events themed around St. Brigid will take place in Balbriggan Library to coincide with the event.

Ireland Reads Day



Author, Cecelia Ahern

Ireland Reads is a national initiative to celebrate reading. Throughout February and especially on Ireland Reads Day, Saturday, 22nd February, people of all ages are encouraged to read for pleasure.

Acclaimed novelist Cecelia Ahern will visit Balbriggan Library on Ireland Reads Day to talk about her prolific body of work. Children's author and illustrator Tarsila Krüse will read from her new picture book in Skerries Library. Alan Nolan will visit Donabate Library to talk about his favourite comic books. Other events for children taking place in February include a Role-Play Village Day in Blanchardstown Library, where young children immerse themselves in a world of imagination using miniature utensils. Older children will have the opportunity to programme a microbit computer in Coding Ireland's workshop in Malahide Library. There will also be creative writing workshops for children and teens in a number of libraries.



Role Play Village

Digital Literacy

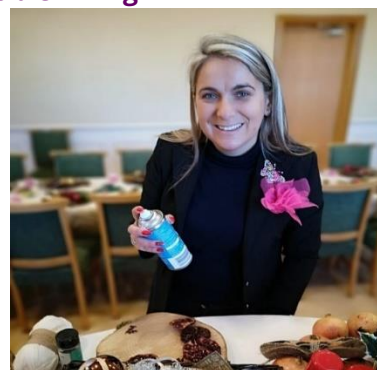
Fingal Libraries schools' programme begins in February with workshops from CyberSafeKids on how to stay safe online. First year students from local schools are invited to Blanchardstown, Swords and Rush libraries for interactive sessions discussing issues such as encountering harmful content, cyberbullying and developing critical thinking skills when spending time online.

Healthy Ireland at Your Library

Healthy Ireland at Your Library is a national programme promoting health, wellbeing, and quality of life at all life stages.

Fingal Libraries 2025 Healthy Ireland programme began with a workshop in Malahide Library giving practical tips on how to sustain new year's resolutions for a healthier lifestyle. Age-friendly, gentle exercise courses, including chair yoga, Tai Chi, and mindful movement, are ongoing in several libraries. Europe Direct sponsored a ten-week course in Blanchardstown Library beginning in January for parents and carers supporting family members with autism.

Sustainable Living



Aga Hutcheson will deliver sustainable arts & crafts workshops

A range of events on the theme of sustainable living and environmental awareness is taking place in libraries this February. These events include workshops on gardening for biodiversity, sustainable fashion practices, and recycling and reusing.

Cruinniú na nÓg 2025

Planning for Cruinniú na nÓg 2025 is in progress, with a creative consultation involving young people in Dublin 15 continuing throughout February. Children's author and illustrator Alan Nolan and consultant Sinéad Begley are collaborating with 5th-class students to design a programme of creative events in the area inspired by the children's own ideas. In addition, the Fingal Youth Voice Survey will go live online this month, with physical copies available in all Fingal library branches. This survey invites children and young people from across Fingal to share their feedback on creativity. These initiatives ensure that young voices continue to help shape the Fingal Cruinniú na nÓg programme.

Economic Development

Fingal Skills Strategy



Future Fingal: Fingal Skills Strategy 2024 - 2029 was adopted by the Council on 11th November 2024. Initial planning has taken place for the hosting of an event to launch the new strategy document in Q1. 2025.



Xplore Your Future Fingal TY Skills Expo 2025

The 2025 Xplore Your Future Skills Expo which is open to all TY students in Fingal secondary schools is scheduled to take place in the Helix, DCU on the 15th of October 2025 building on the success of the last two expo events.



Skyla Project



The Fingal SKYLA Project Team attended a number of virtual bilateral meetings with project partners to examine and explore future synergies relation to good practices:

Malmo Sweden in relation to their good practice - the AMK Franchise system (located in 10 regions and encompassing 90 municipalities, engaging with students at secondary level on labour market intelligence to inform career choices)

Sofia, Bulgaria in relation to their good practice (TUES – Technological School of Electronic Systems <https://elsys-bg.org/> which involves engagement with students at secondary level on STEM)



A further meeting was held with partners in Italy, Lithuania and Poland on dual apprenticeship models for the twin transition which was also attended by a representative of DDLETB from Baldoyle Training Centre.

The SKYLA mid-term review is scheduled for mid-February. The purpose of the review is to check the progress towards the project objectives beyond the information included in the progress reports. Following the review potential pilot actions will be studied on a project wide level.

Economic Development Strategy



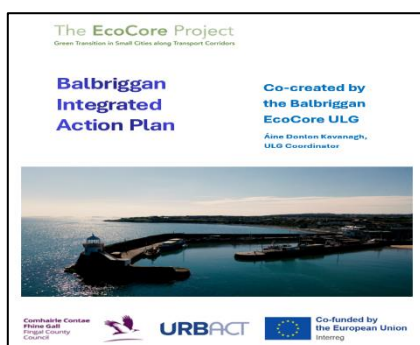
Following the launch of the Future Fingal Economic Development Strategy in September 2024 the Economic Development team is progressing the implementation of actions, including the development of a Marketing Plan. Work has commenced on developing a Sustainable Fingal Strategy to promote sustainability measures for business.

URBACT - EcoCore



Fingal County Council continues to lead 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.

The next project meeting will be held in Ormoz, Slovenia at the beginning of February with a key focus on partner review of Integrated Action Plans (IAP's) from respective partners which is a key learning from the project.



The IAP is a city-level output plan that defines actions to be implemented within the city in order to respond to the specific urban policy challenge which is defined and addressed through a process of action planning with reflection on the lessons learned from local stakeholders, transnational partners and the testing of actions at local level.



Project EcoCore is delighted to have been short-listed in the category of "Best CSR Project in a Community" for the forthcoming LAMA 2025 All-Ireland Community & Council Awards.

Stephenstown and Folkstown Little Framework Plans



A presentation on the Draft Stephenstown (FP 4.A) & Folkstown Little (FP 4.B) Framework Plan was given to the EcoCore ULG members along with members of the Our Balbriggan Leadership Group and local businesses from the Stephenstown area. A public information evening was held on the 31st October 2024 in the Our Balbriggan Hub.

The Draft Stephenstown and Folkstown Little Framework Plan was on public display from 17th October to 15th November 2024.

Following the Framework Plan out on public display, submissions were received, and these are currently being reviewed so that the Chief Executive's report can be prepared for the consideration of the Elected Members in the coming weeks.

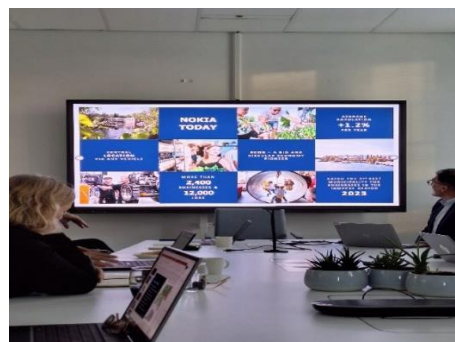
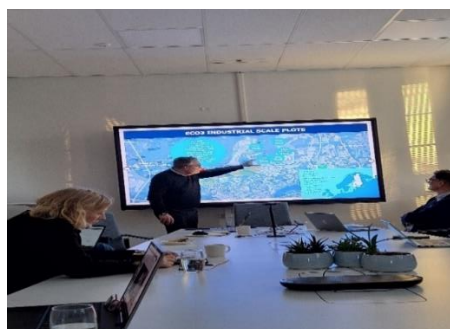
European Urban Initiative - City to City Exchanges



Fingal hosted representatives of the city of Nokia, Finland in December 2024 as part of a European Urban Initiative City to City Exchange to support and compliment the work of its URBACT EcoCore Project. The exchange which has now concluded, afforded both parties the opportunity to exchange knowledge, expertise and good practises with a particular focus on innovation and the circular economy.

Representatives from the EETCD Department travelled to Nokia on the 15/16th January 2025 to meet with officials from the City of Nokia, various representatives from the University of Tampere, Cireco Ltd (an enabler of the circular economy), Business Tampere and to visit the ECO3 business park which is a bio and circular economy business area covering 130ha and home to 42 companies and partners, who engage in various industrial symbioses.

The Fingal delegation met with WasteWise Ltd and Carbofex Ltd both companies located in ECO3 who demonstrated their commitment to a more sustainable and circular economy in their respective industries. The City of Nokia works in collaborative with various stakeholders to ensure that ECO3 is Finland's leading business area for the bio and circular economy which has been identified as an economic growth driver for the municipality.



Sustainable Fingal



The EETCD Department continue to liaise with representatives from DCU and DAA to explore a work programme for 2025 to progress potential collaborative sustainable projects. Work is ongoing to explore opportunities between both organisations for synergies in the area of biodiversity and circular economy projects and to identify potential funding streams.

The Council continues to share videos developed with Techrete and A.forall in Balbriggan on their sustainability journeys to inspire other companies to share their journey. We are also liaising with members of our Skills Strategy Implementation Group (SSIG) to identify further companies who might be willing to share their sustainable journey, progress and shared learnings.

Work is ongoing on the with regard to the drafting of a Sustainable Fingal Strategy which aims to inform, promote, encourage and drive sustainability measures, actions and requirements in business.

Smart Balbriggan

Smart Balbriggan has delivered its SFI Discover Programme 2024 - Science Week is taking place

14 - 16 November, having secured funding of €10,000.

“How it’s Made 2024” comprised of three full days of events with over 400 attendees and approximately 200 students from primary and secondary schools in Balbriggan taking the science tours.



The Economic Development team co-ordinates reporting for the Council as a signatory to the Circular Cities Declaration and is advancing circular economy principles into the Council’s work through the Climate Action Plan, the Urbact EcoCore Project, the Fingal Skills Strategy and the Sustainable Fingal Initiative.

[CC Declaration | Fingal County \(circularcitiesdeclaration.eu\)](https://circularcitiesdeclaration.eu)

As the Circular Cities Declaration community has grown steadily and now includes 85 signatory cities and regions, Fingal County Council has now been assigned a dedicated Circular Economy Expert by the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI) to facilitate all communications on the Declaration, providing a space to share updates on activities, challenges, and ambitions, while exploring opportunities and ideas for advancing circularity.

Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor



Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor Summit 2025 is being held on 27th February 2025, this event will highlight DBEC’s ambition to shape and influence policy to enable a higher performing cross border economy. Attendees will hear from the policy makers, leaders and key private sector partners from along the corridor. A panel of business leaders will focus on cross border trade and the importance of DBEC in bolstering the island economy. The event will bring DBEC to the market, creating a greater understanding of the importance of the corridor in respect of cross border trade, connectivity, net zero ambitions and leveraging the corridor to maximise its global reach



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 implementation of the community element and review of economic elements of the Fingal Local Economic & Community Plan.

The next meeting of the LCDC will take place on 12th February 2025.

SICAP

The annual SICAP budget for 2024 was €2,036,355.06 which included a separate funding provision for new arrivals.



The DRCD has advised of the budget allocations outlined below in respect of the delivery of the Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP) for 2025.

- **SICAP Budget 2025** - €1,568,717.00
- **New Arrivals Budget 2025** - €375,372.00

Empower, as the SICAP Programme Implementer, has submitted the 2025 SICAP Annual Plan & the end of year Financial & Monitoring report which is now under review.

Leader Programme



Fingal LCDC and Fingal LEADER Partnership are responsible for the LEADER Programme 2023 – 2027 in the Dublin rural area. The Dublin Rural LEADER (LAG) includes rural areas in the administrative areas of Fingal, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown and South Dublin.



The Dublin Rural LAG met on 12th December 2024 and approved 3 Projects for funding. The next Dublin Rural LAG meeting is scheduled for the 29th April 2025.



LEADER continues to seek applications from Individuals, Farm Families, Rural Businesses, Community & Voluntary Groups and Social Enterprises. Help is available to guide applicants through the process.

More details: www.dublinruralleader.ie

EETCD, in collaboration with Fingal Communications Department and Dublin Rural LEADER, produced a series of videos to promote the LEADER Programme. These videos highlight Fingal County Council's pivotal role in the programme, showcasing our commitment to ensuring that funding is used effectively to support rural development, create jobs, and enhance community services. The videos will be promoted across all social media channels to maximise reach and engagement.



Local Enhancement Programme 2024

The Local Enhancement Programme 2024, funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development, has allocated €220,842.98 to support community groups and organisations within the Fingal administrative area. All recipients have received their allocated funds via Electronic Fund Transfer and are now required to submit receipts and photographs as proof of expenditure.

Local Enhancement Programme 2025

The Local Enhancement Programme 2025 launched on 3rd December 2024. Community and Voluntary Groups in Fingal may apply for funding under the Local Enhancement Programme (LEP) 2025. The Programme is designed to provide both capital and current funding support to a wide and diverse range of local groups. Funding is available to support small capital works/improvements, the purchase of equipment for community use; tables and chairs, tools and signage, laptops and printers, lawnmowers, canopies and training equipment etc., as well as capital costs; electricity costs, refuse charges, heating charges, rental/lease costs, insurance bills.

Fingal County Council has been allocated a total of €268,827 in funding for Groups across the county (€230,423 in Capital Funding, €38,404 in Current Funding).

Projects up to a maximum of €10,000 can be funded under the Capital Scheme and day-to-day costs of up to €3,500 can be funded under the Current Scheme. EETCD held an Information Session Webinar on the 10th of December 2024 for Community & Voluntary groups to learn more about LEP 2025 and what projects are eligible for funding.

Applications closed on 13th January 2025.

The Evaluation Committee Meeting for the Current Funding Scheme was held on 27th January 2025, followed by the Evaluation Committee Meeting for the Capital Funding Scheme on 28th January 2025.

All proposed funding must be submitted to the DRCD by 28th March 2025 for final approval.

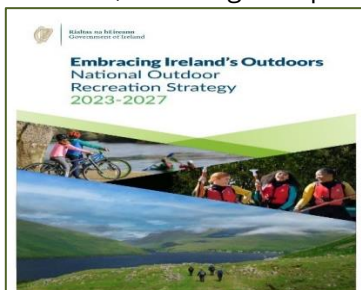
Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS)

The Council has appointed a consultant to assist in preparing the County Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) under the guidance of the County Outdoor Recreation Committee and consultation with stakeholders and the public is commencing.

The 2024/2025 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) funded by the Department of Rural & Community Development launched for Expressions of Interest on 9th December 2024.

The focus of ORIS is to support outdoor recreational infrastructure in countryside areas across Ireland that not only provides an outlet for the communities in which they are situated but also delivers added value from a tourism perspective.

Projects typically funded by ORIS include walkways, cycleways, blueways, water and cycle trails, bridleways and open water amenities at rivers and beaches, including tidal pools.



The 2024/25 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) includes the following measures, each offering funding at a 90% rate of aid:

Measure 1:

Purpose: Small-scale repair, development, promotion, and marketing. Funding: Up to €40,000.

Measure 2:

Purpose: Medium-scale repair, upgrades, and new trail/amenity development. Funding: Up to €200,000.

Measure 3:

Purpose: Large-scale repair, upgrades, and strategic trail/amenity development. Funding: Up to €500,000.

Project Development Measure:

Purpose: Prepare projects to a standard suitable for application under Measure 2 or Measure 3. Funding: Up to €50,000.

Completed Expression of Interest forms were required to be sent via email to LCDC@Fingal.ie.

The closing dates for submitting Expressions of Interest forms are as follows:

- Measure 1 and Project Development Measure: Closed on Thursday, January 9, 2025.
- Measure 2 and Measure 3: Will close at 5:00 PM on Thursday, February 20, 2025.

The ORIS Measure 1 and Project Development Measure Evaluation Committee met on 23rd January 2025 and a report is being prepared for return to the DRCD.



An Evening of Inspiration with David Gillick

Healthy Fingal is collaborating with Thrive Balbriggan around a positive mental health event being held in the Lark Theatre. "An Evening of Inspiration: Overcoming Challenges with David Gillick" will be held on February 26th at 7.30pm. David Gillick is a former professional track and field athlete, his achievements include 2 times 400m European Champion, World 400m Finalist and 2008 Beijing Olympian. This event is open to everyone and will be the first of what we hope will be 4 events promoting positive mental health in Balbriggan.



Healthy Fingal Projects

Planning is underway with Coolmine lodge around the development of a physical activity and 1 to 1 quit smoking service for attendees, which we hope will see people recovering from drug addiction able to quit smoking. Planning has also begun for the Smoke Free Homes programme, which we hope to expand to three schools in the Dublin 15 area.



Community Recognition Fund 2023

The Community Recognition Fund (CRF) 2023, funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development, approved the Council's project proposals in March 2023. Fingal County Council has received an allocation of €1,813,912 for 26 projects across Fingal with €1.2 million claimed to date.

Projects were required to be completed by 18th October 2024; however, a number of projects have been granted extensions by the DRCD. Several projects have been completed with some in the process of closing and the Council continues to submit drawdown claims as the projects reach completion.

Community Recognition Fund (CRF) 2024

In March the Council received an allocation of €1,538,573 in respect of the Community Recognition Fund (CRF) 2024. The funding will support capital projects which will be delivered over the time period 2025/2026.

The fund is targeted to invest in those communities, villages and towns where the highest level of new arrivals is located and where a clear need for investment is identified.

The funding is allocated across 3 application windows as outlined below:

Application Window 1:

8 community projects in Fingal received investment of over €630,000 in funding in August.

The successful projects to be funded are:

- Castleknock Community Centre Association CLG for demolition and rebuilding of the old credit union building (€100,000)
- Accessible Transport Project CLG-LocalLink Louth Meath Fingal for the purchase of a community bus (€100,000)
- O'Dwyers GAA Club for the provision of wheelchair access and development of facilities (€100,000)
- Hartstown Community Centre for the installation of new windows (€102,010)
- Foroige - Coastal North Dublin for purchase of a mini-bus (€80,000)
- Trinity Gaels GAA Club for pitch enhancement including drainage and surfacing (€50,007)
- Phoenix Football Club for development of equipment storage facilities (€50,000)
- Skerries Harps GAA and Camogie Club for LED floodlighting installation (€50,001)

Application Window 2:

The public call closed on August 13th, 2024, and following evaluation a number of applications were submitted to the Department of Rural and Community Development (DRCD) for approval. Applicants shall be notified of the status of their application once approval has been received from DRCD.



Application Window 3:

The third and final public call for applications under this funding stream was announced in November. The application window for Call 3 closed on Friday 13th December.

Project proposals were evaluated in December 2024 and following the evaluation the Council engaged further with applicants to finalise project proposals for submission to the Department of Rural and Community Development (DRCD) for approval by 28th February 2025.

Enterprise Centres



Following an agreement by the Boards of Directors of BASE, Beat and Drinan Enterprise Centres to consolidate the management of all three centres, the Council has now formed a new legal entity "Innovate Fingal" to drive innovation and focus on the strategic development of the 3 Enterprise Centres.

The Board of Innovate Fingal had their inaugural board meeting on the 10th of January with agreement reached on a new brand/logo identify for Innovate Fingal.

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

Town Regeneration Office

Our Balbriggan 2019 – 2030 Rejuvenation Plan – A Socio-Economic Strategy



The Our Balbriggan Programme Office continues to support the local Leadership Group, in the stewardship and oversight of the implementation of the Balbriggan Socio-Economic plan 2024 – 2030. A review completed in June 2024 resulted in four newly constituted multistakeholder Pillar structures focusing on progressing opportunities around Economic Development, Education, Skills & Employment, Community Development and Sustainability, Climate Action and Bio-diversity Pillar, the Public Realm Pillar remains current.

The review process confirmed the extension of the Rejuvenation programme until 2030, bringing it in line with the funding horizon for the Urban Regeneration Development Fund (URDF) supported by the Department of Housing, Heritage and Local Government.

The Balbriggan Leadership Group, independently chaired by Dr. David Begg, met last on December 11th and received updates from Pillar Chairs/Nominees on progress made in drafting new workplans for the period 2024 – 2030, and a detailed update on the URDF funded public Infrastructure programme.

The Leadership Group agreed and adopted the new Communications Strategy for 2025 – 2029 and work will now begin on implementation. Pillar groups will continue to refine workplans in Q1 2025 before presenting them for consideration for adoption at the scheduled March 2025 Our Balbriggan Leadership group meeting.

The Council have appointed contractor John Craddock Ltd and work is progressing on schedule, on the redevelopment of the Quay Street, Harbour & Environs area which is due to be substantially completed by December 2025. Work continues to progress well across key elements of the Quay Street & Harbour site.



Phase 1 Works have been completed to include the completion of improvements at the Town Car Park and works to the River Walls and Riverbed. The Town Car Park has now re-opened. Phase 2 has commenced with the heritage restoration of the RNLI Boathouse building for commercial use, foundations for new public toilets, new harbour building and kiosks.

The Our Balbriggan Programme Office continues to provide regular updates on the project through social media Channels and includes detailed information on frequently asked questions. Up to date information on the project is available on Balbriggan.ie



Tender pack documents for 2 – 4 Dublin Street are currently under review and are expected to be issued shortly. 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 Fingal Arts Office & SMART Balbriggan. Planning permission was granted at Council in October 2023.



An Integrated Design Team has been appointed for the DeBrunns site and are progressing work on a design based on best possible uses and options in line with site constraints. Stakeholder engagement sessions with local community and business groups, and neighbouring properties have been completed.

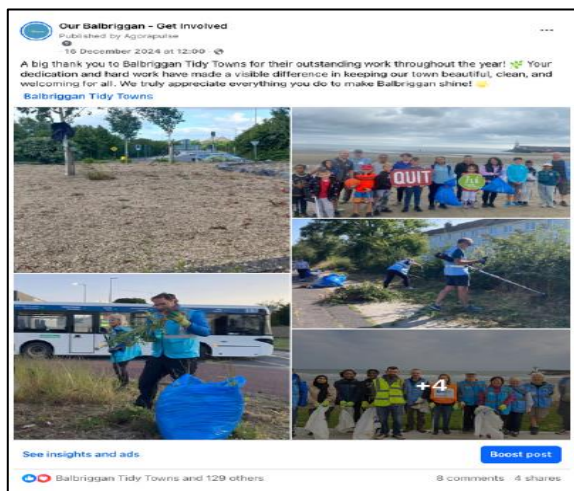
Insights gained will be incorporated into the pre-design report which will soon be reviewed internally.

The Programme Office is currently engaging in a feasibility study to examine options for a sea swim platform in Balbriggan. Feasibility report for this project is due shortly.

An Internal Project Team has been established from the Town Regeneration Office, Our Balbriggan and FCC Architects to progress the Boathouse and Bathhouse project. Enabling works have now been completed. Engineers have been appointed to the project, which is set to be substantially completed by end Q1 2026.



The Our Balbriggan Office continues to generate regular and unique content across all social media channels, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn with over 12,904 followers across all 4 social channels.



Lár Bailte ar dTús
Town Centre First

Town Centre First - Lusk

Following the completion of the Lusk for Life Plan, two applications for Project Development Measure funding were submitted to the Department of Rural and Community Development for their consideration and both projects have now been approved for funding.

Both projects were identified in the Lusk Town Centre First Plan and include the development of appropriate facilities in Lusk's Central Parks and the feasibility of the development of a farmers' market.

A consultant has now been appointed to conduct a feasibility study for the farmers market project and preparatory work is ongoing regarding the Lusk Central Parks project.



Town Centre First - Balrothery

A visit of the Balrothery Capacity Building group to Blessington, Co. Wicklow is scheduled to take place in February where information will be shared by Wicklow Town Team regarding successfully completed projects in Blessington. This will provide valuable insights to the Balrothery group with regard to best practice approaches to implementing improvements in their area.

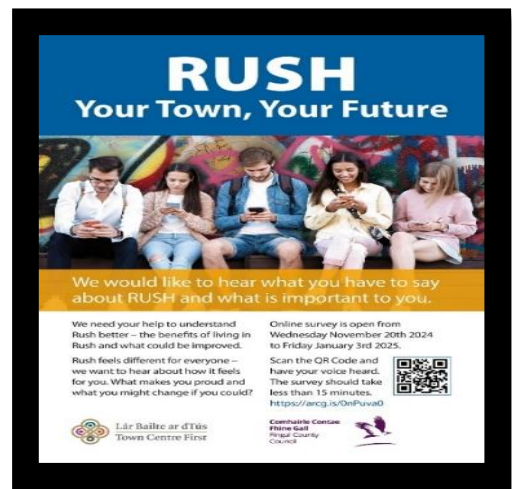


Town Centre First – Rush

An online public survey was conducted over December and January focused on Rush. The survey was conducted in association with Healthy Ireland and invited residents, community groups, and businesses of the town to have their say on the benefits of living in Rush and what aspects of living in Rush could be improved. The deadline for completion of this survey was extended until 31st January 2025, after which the results will be reviewed.

Town Centre First – Ballyboughal

Following the recent capacity building meeting in Ballyboughal on 16th December, the consultant team are in the process of finalising the Output Report. This report will be presented to the capacity building group at the next meeting.



Town Centre First – Donabate

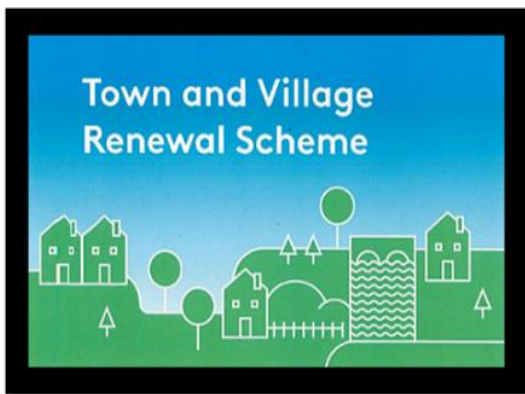
The next capacity building meeting for Donabate is scheduled to take place on 28th January, where an overview of the workshop held in November will be completed, and additional Town Centre First actions will be identified.

A Consultant has been appointed by the Town Regeneration Office to assist with the process of creating a Town Centre First Plan for Rush, and a commencement meeting between the Consultant and the Town Regeneration office took place on 25 November 2024.



Town & Village Renewal Schemes

The Town Regeneration Office is currently facilitating two recently approved projects under this scheme from 2023. A Phase 4 development of Floraville Park in Skerries (€55,800) and upgrades to the Rush Community Centre (€64,350) have been approved by the Department of Rural and Community Development. Both projects are on schedule to be completed by October 2025.



Streetscape Enhancement Scheme 2024

A second Streetscape Enhancement Scheme for 2024 was launched in November and a number of expressions of interest were received by the closing date for applications of 29 November. Under the new scheme, up to 75% of the cost of improvements, up to a maximum grant amount of €1,500 per eligible property, is available, subject to terms and conditions.



Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme Project

One project has been approved under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme for 2024, "Sea Swimming at Skerries Springers".

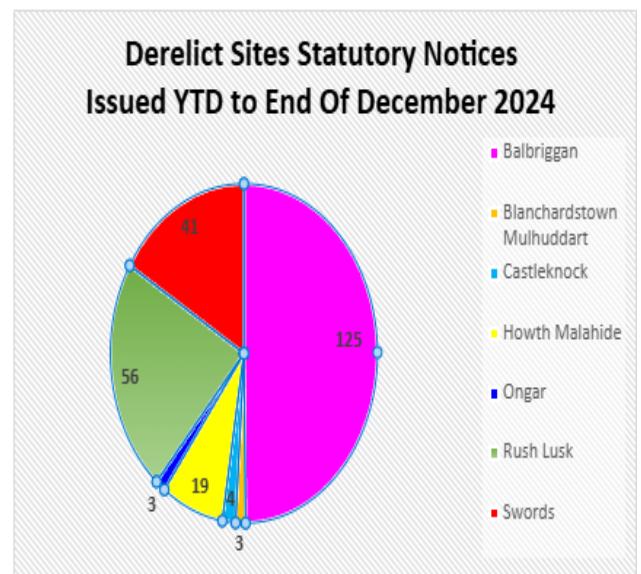
Progress continues to be made by the appointed consultant on a feasibility study currently being undertaken.

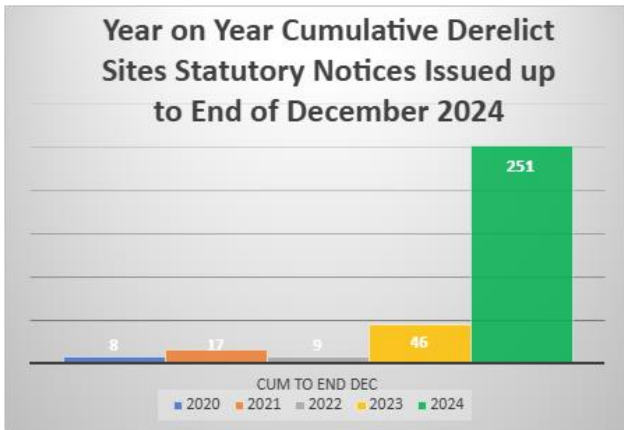
Derelict Sites

251 statutory notices have issued to owners of Derelict properties to the end of December 2024. This compares to a total of 46 at this point in time in 2023.

12 properties listed on the Derelict Sites Register on the 1st January 2025 with a market value of €7,132,100, have been issued with levy demands at the statutory rate of 7%, as specified under the Derelict Sites Act 1990 (as amended). These levies amount to €499,247.

The Derelict Sites team continue to focus on engagement with the owners of these existing derelict sites and will continue identifying further derelict sites across the county.





The Town Regeneration Office actively encourages the reporting of potential derelict sites. Referrals can be made by accessing the Report Form on Fingal County Council's public website and emailing the completed form to derelictsites@fingal.ie



LEO Fingal provides a broad suite of support services to stimulate enterprise and enable small businesses to succeed. Some of the LEO highlights for January 2025 are as follows:

Local Enterprise Week 2025



Local Enterprise Week kicks off on 3rd to 7th March 2025 with a packed schedule of events including the Fingal Startup Bootcamp, Networking events with Balbriggan Chamber and Fingal Chamber, Fingal Enterprise Awards and Fingal Enterprising Women Network event.

There are also a host of events both in person and online covering areas such as food business, Digital, Productivity, Sustainability. The launch of Local Enterprise week takes place on January 31st in County Hall Swords.

Fingal Business Supports Briefing



The New Year got off to a flying start with the first Fingal Business Supports Briefing of 2025 taking place on Wednesday 15th January to a packed room at the Riasc Centre, Kinsealy. The audience were delighted to hear about the supports for small businesses from LEO Fingal. The LEO team outlined the Training and Events, Business Advice and Mentorship, Grant Funding and other supports on offer. There was a lively questions and answers session with many Owner / Managers staying on for one-to-one consultations with LEO staff. As a result of the interest on the day, the Business Advice Clinics, Start Your Own Business Courses and Grant Application Workshops run by LEO Fingal have seen a large uptake in numbers.

Student Enterprise Programme



21 second level schools across Fingal have signed up for this year's Student Enterprise Programme (SEP) which involves setting-up and running a real-life enterprise over the course of the academic year.

Fingal schools and students have a strong track record in the competition, encouraged and incentivised by a significant prize fund that includes an international educational trip to Barcelona for the students and teachers of “Senior category” winners. Most importantly, the programme offers an exciting opportunity for students to learn the ropes of creating a successful business, whilst competing at local and national level. Each year the Fingal winning projects go on to the National Final, where they battle it out with other entrepreneurial students from throughout Ireland. The Fingal final takes place on March 13th in Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown.

Food Sectoral Supports



LEO Fingal hosted the latest Dublin Food Chain networking meeting at a producers’ event at the Teagasc facility in Ashtown on Wednesday 22nd January with some 50 food producers in attendance. Ciara McDonagh Head of Food Industry Development at Teagasc welcomed the food producers and talks from Shay Hannon, Manager National Prepared Consumer Food Centre and Carol Griffin, Lead Sensory Technologist followed. Then the topic moved to Food Regulation & Sustainability with Ita White, Senior Research Officer and after some Tea and Networking, there was a tour of the National Prepared Consumer Food Centre. The next Dublin Food Chain takes place in Fingal during Local Enterprise Week (5th March), appealing to food producers throughout the region.

Evaluations and Approvals Committee

The Evaluation and Approvals Committee (EVAC) approved €961,649 across 43 Business Feasibility, Priming and Expansion Grants in 2024. To date in 2025, there have been 3 Businesses approved for €28,000 in funding across two Feasibility Grants and one Business Priming Grant.

Eleven Digital for Business consultancy programmes amounting to €27, 900 have also been approved in January. The next EVAC meeting will be held online on the 12th of February 2025.

Management Development

LEADERSHIP FOR ACCELERATED GROWTH



The next Leadership for Accelerated Growth programme will kick off on the 12th of March 2025 in the Carlton Hotel Dublin Airport. The programme facilitates established businesses within the Dublin area to grow their businesses and expand. The programme allows owners time to plan and build a strategy which will carry them through the next 3 years while building their network and learning new skills in the areas of business management, finance and marketing.

Energy Efficiency Grant Scheme



The Local Enterprise Office (LEO) Energy Efficiency Grant was recently revamped and relaunched with several significant changes, the main one being its increase from €5,000 to €10,000 and a change from match funding to now covering up to 75% of eligible costs. The Energy Efficiency Grant is an excellent opportunity for small businesses to continue their business more sustainably and efficiently, which will benefit them in the long run.

To apply, businesses need to be solvent and operating within Fingal for at least six months. Seven companies in Fingal have so far qualified for this grant. So far this year there has been a very strong level of interest in this scheme with enquiries coming from restaurants, pubs and coffee shops.

Trading Online Voucher Scheme



An initiative under the Government's National Digital Strategy, the Trading Online Voucher (TOV) scheme supported 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. The last TOV webinar took place on 5th December 2024. A total of 12 applications have been approved in the amount of €25,795 In January 2025. The Trading Online Voucher scheme has now closed and only applications received on or before 13th December 2024 are being considered for approval in 2025. An enhanced "Grow Digital" initiative will take its place (featuring grant value €5k plus digital consultancy assignments).

Business Advice Clinics and Mentoring



LEO Fingal provides one to one business support services through Business Advice Clinics and a Mentoring programme, both online and in person. These services are provided free of charge to small businesses. The Fingal mentor panel consists of a variety of skilled and experienced mentors from a range of business backgrounds.

Fifty-seven people availed of one-to-one appointments in Business Advice Clinics in the month of January, with consistently high demand for this service among Fingal businesses. Seventeen clients have so far signed up for business mentoring.

Microfinance Ireland Loans

LEO Fingal provides a loan scheme through its partnership with Microfinance Ireland, with loans from €5,000 up to €50,000 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 1% reduced interest rate of 5.5% APR if submitted through the Local Enterprise Office.

A record-breaking number of loan applications for Microfinance funding were received during 2024, with 39 Fingal applications processed. Two MFI loan applications have been processed in January 2025. LEO Fingal supports MFI applicants with a Mentor who assists with the application process to maximise their prospects of approval.

Training and Events

January has seen the launch of a new Training year for LEO Fingal with demand high from small businesses for all education offerings. The first Start Your Own Business course of 2025 started on Tuesday 21st January with a full complement of learners. The second course is scheduled to start on 13th February and is almost full.

Internationalisation and Export Development

The TAME (Exporter) grant enabled small businesses to explore and develop new market opportunities by providing up to €2,500 to businesses investigating and researching export markets. Twenty Fingal businesses were approved for Export Grants (TAME) in 2024 in the amount of €47,144.

The “New Market Explorer Grant” has replaced the TAME Grant from 1 January 2025. The Market Explorer Grant is available to small enterprises in the Manufacturing and international trading sectors (with up to 50 employees). The amount of the grant is a maximum of €10,000 or 50% of eligible costs.

Support for the grant applies when eligible companies seek to explore either a new geographic market for an existing product/service or an existing geographic market for a new product/service.



The Export Development programme “Get Exporting” is continuing throughout all 31 LEOs, Get Exporting is designed to support companies at every stage of their journey to achieve new export sales. Through the Export Development Pathway, the aim is to simplify the export journey for businesses and help build the knowledge, confidence and strategies needed to succeed in global markets. Get Exporting is a collaborative effort between the Local Enterprise Offices, Enterprise Ireland, and delivery partner OCO Global.

Following recommendation based on an export readiness assessment 11 Fingal businesses are among the 120 nationally, currently progressing through the programme.

Grow Digital Voucher



A Digital Tool for every Business

The new Grow Digital Voucher offers SMEs with up to 50 employees financial support to embrace digital technology.

A digital for business project report must be completed within the previous two years.

Funding is in the form of grant aid of up to 50% of eligible costs up to a maximum grant of €5,000 per application. Enterprises can be approved a maximum of two Grow Digital Voucher projects up to a maximum cumulative grant value of €5,000 as identified in their Digital for Business project to support their Digitalisation journey.

LEO Fingal have approved their first eligible application and are working to increase awareness of this support with businesses throughout Fingal.

Craft & Design Sectoral Supports



Showcase Ireland 2025 took place from 19th – 21st January 2025 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 stands for this event. Following a selection process, the successful applicants were chosen to represent LEO Fingal: Wonderfully Weathery Books, Run Baby Run Pottery, Túath Glass, Wineracks.ie and O’Rourke Art & Design. These craft & design businesses are also provided with training by LEO Fingal specifically on sales techniques for craft products who are displaying & selling their work at exhibitions.

In addition, LEO Fingal is examining the establishment of a Network of Craft and Design businesses with a view to developing further growth opportunities for this sector.

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Area Business January 2024 to December 2024

Area	Public CRM's	Rep CRM's	Area Questions	Area Motions	Headed Items
Balbriggan/ Swords	5057	1875	516	115	6
Castleknock/Mulhuddart	3854	2824	143	76	10
Howth/ Malahide	3385	647	126	64	5
Total	12296	5346	785	255	21

Works Programme

Balbriggan / Rush-Lusk / Swords Area

Programme of Works 2025

At the BRLS Area Committee Meeting held on the 16th of January 2025 the Programme of Works 2025 was approved by Councillors.

This Programme of Works outlines the works to be completed in the areas across Roads, Traffic, Parks, and Public Lighting sections. Full details of the programme can be found on report to the public for the meeting.

Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area - Parks

Skerries Area

New railings installed at Skerries Mills.



Swords Area

New feature entrance with pedestrian corral area and new vehicular gates installed into Ward River Valley Park on Brackenstown Avenue.





This completes the upgrade works to this section of the park following the installation of the Learn to Cycle track.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Fingal County Council provided a service for residents to recycle their Christmas Trees at drop off points across the County from the 2nd to the 16th of January 2025.



Approximately 1,600 Christmas Trees were recycled from collection points in Balbriggan, Barnageeragh, Rush and Lusk, with approximately 2,300 trees recycled from collection points in Swords, Santry, Donabate and Portrane, bringing the total for the Balbriggan / Rush - Lusk / Swords Operational Area to 3,900.



Storm Éowyn

The on-call team dealt with a large amount of call outs in relation to damage caused by Storm Éowyn across the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords areas. Crews dealt with approximately 80 trees down in the Swords/Donabate/Portrane area and approximately 90 trees down in the Balbriggan/Skerries/Rush-Lusk area.

Crews clearing debris in the Balbriggan / Rush – Lusk LEAs (below).

Tree down at Killougher.



Tree down on Balbriggan Street (below).



Crews clearing debris in the Swords LEA (below).





Tree down across the path in Ward River Valley Park.



Railing down at Lioscian, Swords.



Works ongoing beyond the weekend at Ballintrane Woods to clear debris.



Area Roads and General Maintenance Programme

Road sign cleaning in the Donabate/Portrane Area.



Tree planting at Balheary along the riverbank.





Removal of a wreck that washed up on Balbriggan Beach.



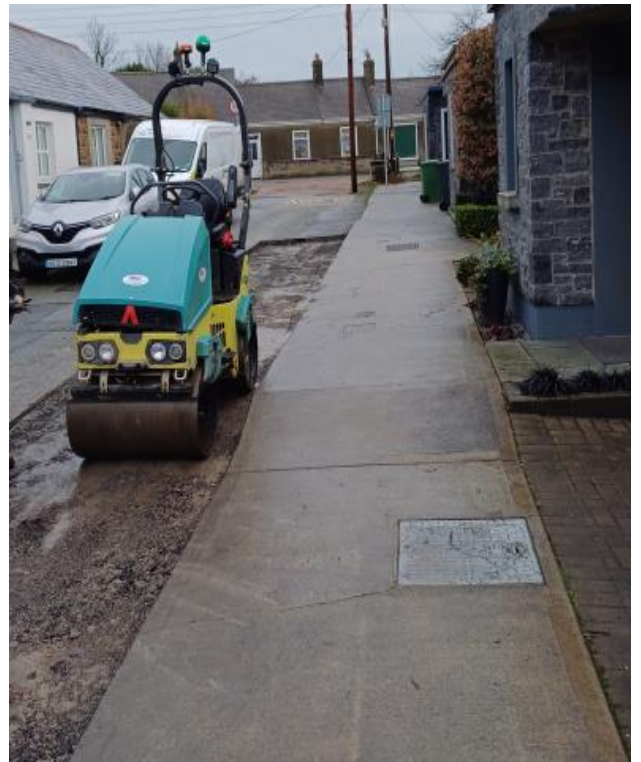
Howth Malahide Area

At the Howth-Malahide Area Committee Meeting held on the of 15th January 2025 the Programme of Works 2025 was approved by Councillors.

Roads



Roads crew replaced storm damaged footpath at Limetree Avenue Portmarnock



The Bawn Malahide – Patching repair works

Burial Grounds and Beaches



Winter works by our Burial Grounds staff at St. Fintan's Graveyard



New pathway to new section at Balgriffin burial grounds



New bicycle racks at our Fingal Balgriffin Burial Grounds

Storm Eowyn

Various locations dealt with by the Howth/Malahide Crews during Storm Eowyn. Approximately 88 trees down in 84 locations in the Howth/Malahide Area including Malahide Demesne and over 200 cases branches debris etc removed from roads and paths etc. Also, some damage to half acre glasshouse in Malahide Depot where a support wall collapsed during the storm.

Seapark Malahide

Crew removing tree wind thrown and leaning on wall.





Ashley Rise



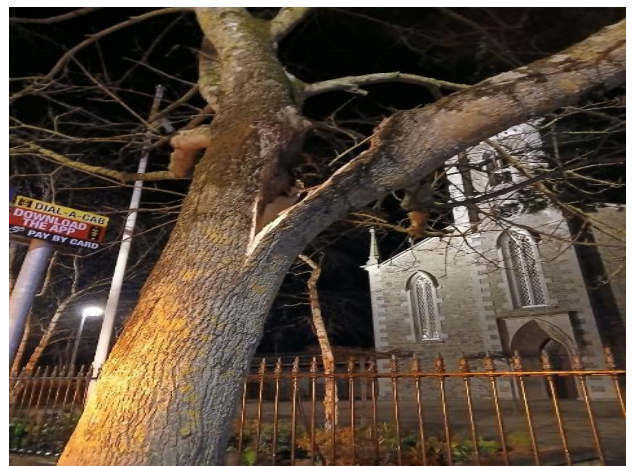
Tree blocking entrance down at Gaybrook, Malahide



Seamount Park



Tree fell on car (photo blurred intentionally)



Opposite St Sylvesters Church



Outside Duffy's Pub Malahide



Tree damage on Mc Alister's gate, Crew dealt with limb on the ground and tree surgeon brought in to make safe the remainder of the standing tree



Cut Back to allow access to property and cleaned and processed on Monday.



Large tree down on Wood Road in Malahide Demesne

Malahide Demesne



Christmas trees shredding in Malahide Demesne and area.

Approximately 11,500 trees have been chipped in the Malahide area:



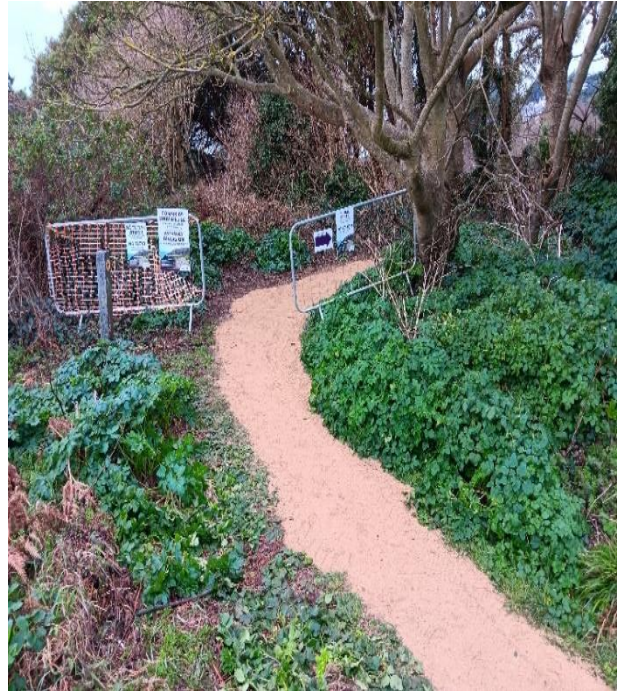
Howth Pathways – Bog of frogs Loop



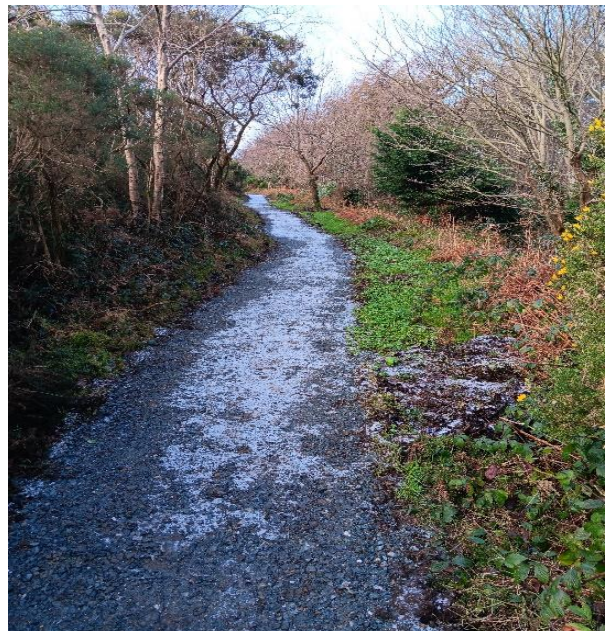
Foot fall on the Howth pathways has grown on each of the loops, with this increase in popularity the surfaces are more worn. Some areas have become waterlogged and near impassable at times especially after rainy spells.

Sections of the Bog of Frogs loop have been closed off temporarily to accommodate these essential works.

Raising the pathway in sections will accommodate the flow of water allowing it to drain away from the path.



S.A.A.O Pathways



SAAO pathway off Windgate Road needs resurfacing work to alleviate

Castleknock Mulhuddart Operations



Christmas Tree Shredding

Millennium Park - 5,380 trees chipped,
Hartstown Park - 310 trees chipped.
St Catherines Park- 141 trees Chipped



Hedge cutting carried out in Dunshoughly 200M of hedging cut back along walls on open space



Footpath Widening St Catherine's Park



Before and after photos of Footpath upgrade works carried out in the walled garden in Millennium Park.



Edging works been carried out at Corduff Green

Storm Éowyn

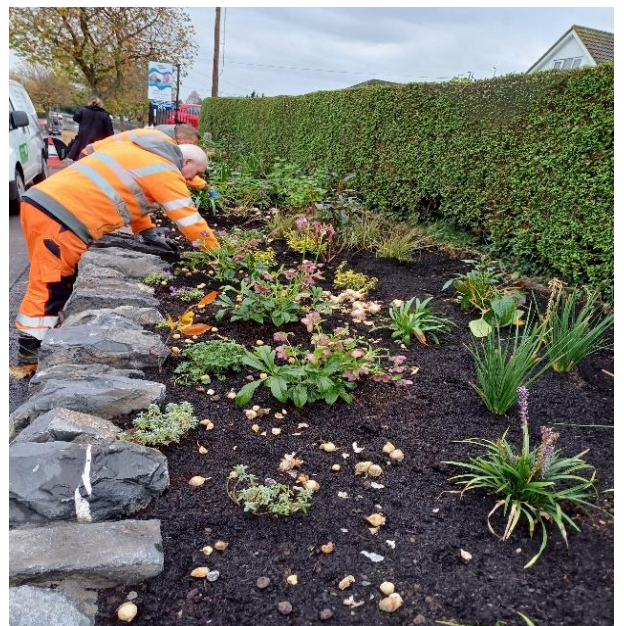


Planting Works carried out in Luttrell Park Court as part of Programme of Works.





A variety of images of fallen trees following Storm Eowyn. Approximately 111 trees fell in total.



Photos of 120 newly planted Grass plants on Roundabout at Blackwood Estate on Ongar Road.

Car Parking Services

December 2024

There was a total of 975 parking tickets issued during December 2024.

Breakdown of Parking Offences

Top 10 Offences

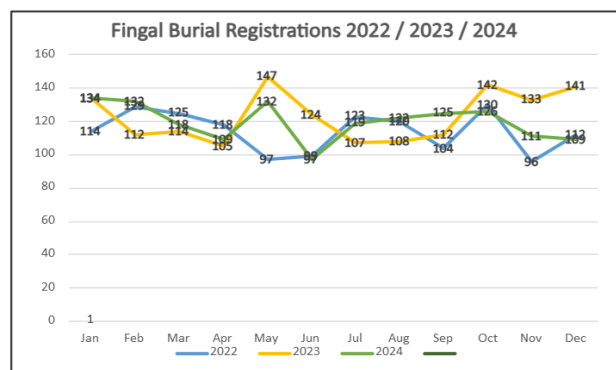
Offence	Main Ticketing Offences - December 2024
9A - A VEHICLE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE CONTRARY TO PAY AND DISPLY/PERMIT PARKING	490
04G - PARKING A PRIVATE VEHICLE IN A LOADING BAY	129
08A - PARKING A VEHICLE ON A FOOTPATH	89
9A - A VEHICLE OUT OF TIME TICKET	84
9D - PARKING A VEHICLE ON A DOUBLE YELLOW LINE	82
9F - PARKING/STOPPING A VEHICLE IN A DISABLED PERSONS PARKING BAY	32
04E - OBSTRUCTING AN ENTRANCE	11
04C - PARKING A VEHICLE IN A TAXI BAY	11
07A - OBSTRUCTION TO OTHER ROAD USERS/PEDESTRIANS	9
04F - EXCEEDING THE TIME LIMIT IN A LOADING BAY (GOODS VEHICLE)	6

Main Ticketing Locations:

Location	Main Ticket Locations December 2024
North Street - Swords	65
Main Street - Swords	60
Bridgefield Car Park - Malahide	50
Church Road - Malahide	42
The Green - Malahide	39
Old Street - Malahide	36
Strand Street - Skerries	36
The Mall - Malahide	33
Longlands - Swords	33
Drogheda Street - Balbriggan	32

Burial Ground Services

There were 109 Interments in Fingal Cemeteries during December 2024.



Kellystown Burial Ground

A Letter of Acceptance for the development of the Cemetery was issued in late October.

The contractor is currently reviewing requirements for the development. FCC expect contractor to commence mobilisation to the site in new year and construction works on site are expected to take 12 months to complete before the operation of the cemetery can commence. This development will provide approx. 650 grave plots, structures for the storage of ashes including columbarium walls and memorial plots, a small services building, a carpark and extensive site infrastructure and landscaping.

Traffic Operations County-Wide Balbriggan/Swords Area

➤ Road Markings Balbriggan-Swords



Swords – The Nurseries off Forest Road – New Double yellow lines



Swords - Brookdale Green – Rivervalley Park Entrance - New Double yellow lines



Oldtown- New Road Markings and Signage

**Castleknock/Mulhuddart
Road Markings Castleknock/Mulhuddart**



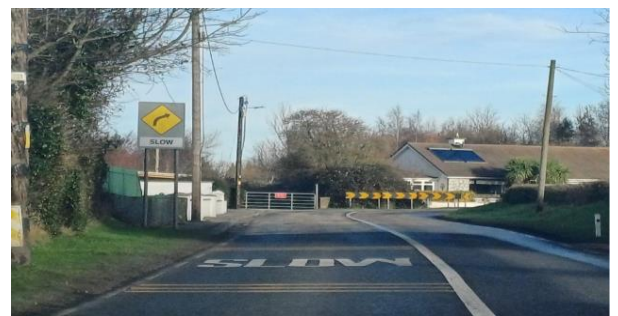
New SLOW Road marking and yellow rumble strips added to Tinkers Hill.



New SLOW Road marking and yellow rumble strips added to Tinkers Hill.



Yellow box and STOP markings repainted at the bottom of Tinkers Hill.



SLOW markings associated yellow rumble strips repainted on Westmanstown Road.

Howth Malahide Traffic Line Marking Works



New Double Yellow Lines for Balgriffin Park

Fleet Management & Plant Hire Unit

79 Plant Hires were put in place from 02/01/2025 to 28/01/2025, engaging 20 suppliers.

Large Loading Shovel on hire to facilitate the delivery of Salt for gritting to the Salt Barn in Watery Lane



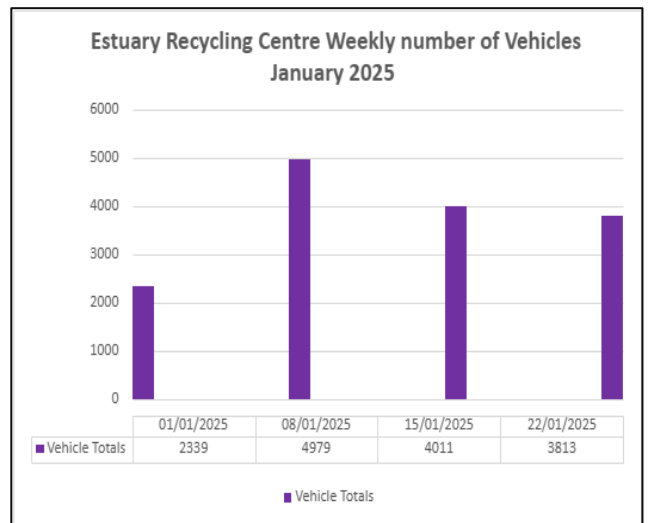
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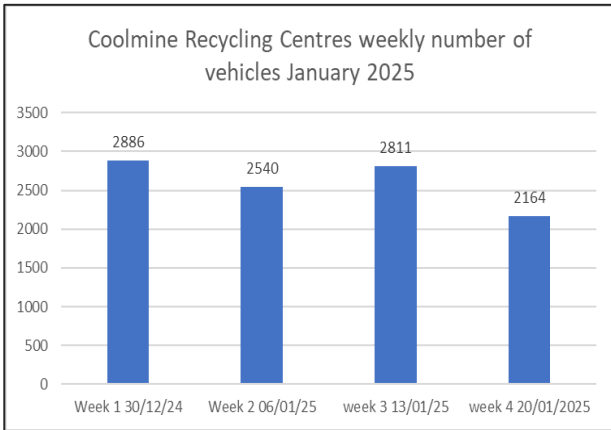
Orders are being placed for all public lighting materials required for the 2025 Public Lighting Programme of Works.

Recycling Centres Update

Provision was made in the 2025 Revenue Budget for Increases in charges which commenced on 1st January 2025.

The Council is currently in the process of recruitment of additional Recycling Centre Operators to commence the new opening hours at Coolmine



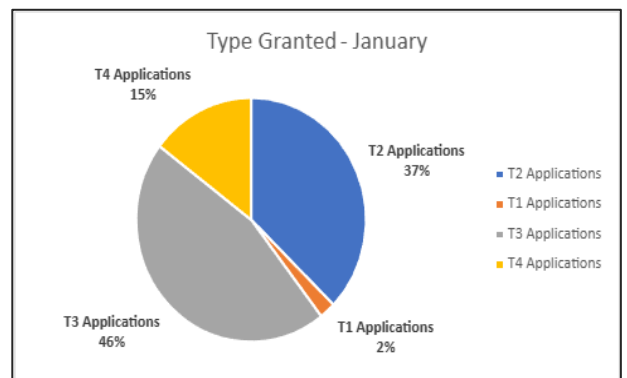
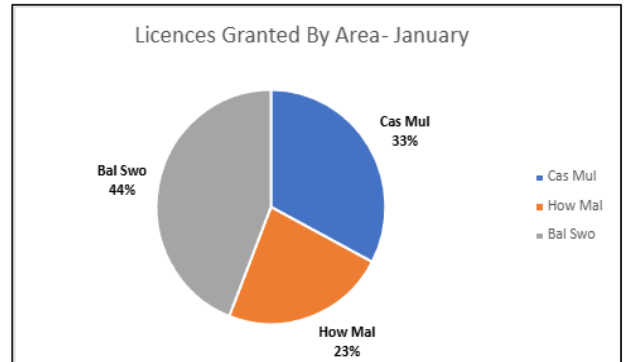
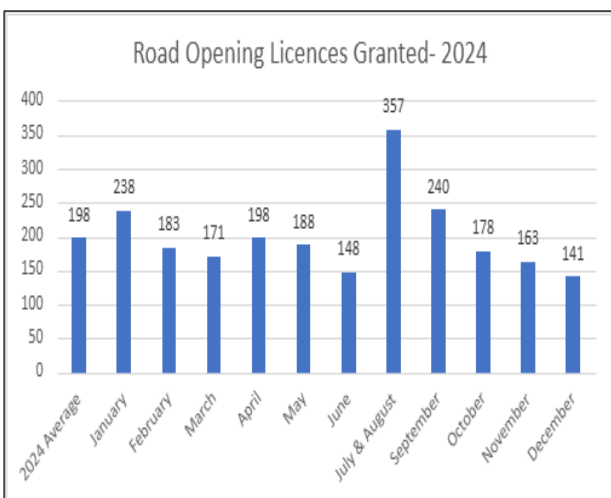


Licenses

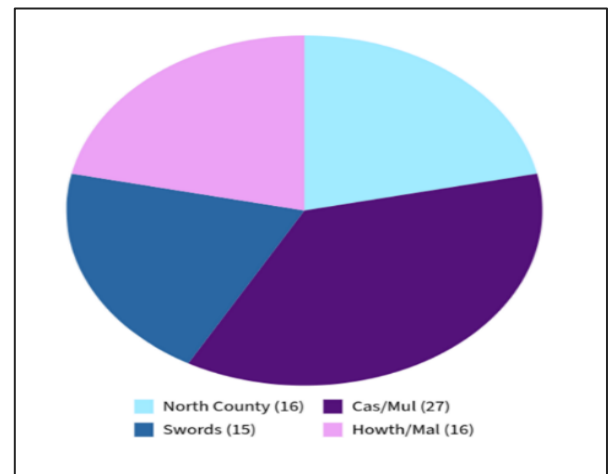
- Road Opening Licenses

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.

177 Licences were granted in the month of January, **61% 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.



Pitch Playability Applications 2024/25



See above Pie Chart outlining the number of Pitch Playability Applications received for the 2024/25 playing season, in total we have received 77 applications as outlined above including three from schools.

We have received a total of €64,160 as of the 27th of January in Grass Pitch Allocation Fees for the 2024/2025 playing season.

Casual Trading License

Fingal County Council have a total of 37 valid Casual Trading Licences for the 2024/2025 trading year throughout Fingal administrative area covering the trading of Hot Food, Tea & Coffee, Ice Cream and Flowers.

Currently Licences expire on the 28th of February 2025 & current traders are being given the opportunity to renew their licence at the same location. This gives the businesses the chance to grow & built a relationship with the local community.

Any pitches that are not renewed or that remain available will be advertised and new applications will be accepted.

The Operations Department is in regular communication with our traders and area inspectors continue to be carried out to assist in delivery of quality service and ensure compliance.

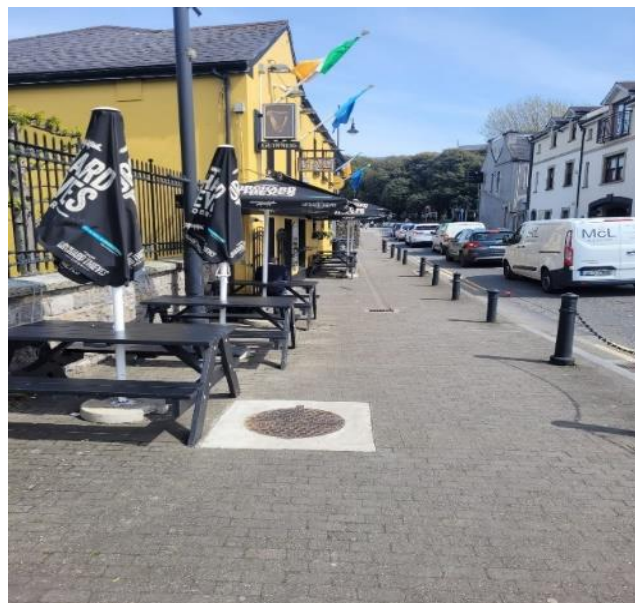
- Street Furniture Licences & remaining Parklets

A total of 19 Street Furniture Licences have been issued in 2025.

All 19 business have paid their licence fee & have been issued with their Licence, which must be displayed prominently in the front window of their business premises.

The Council is currently arranging the removal of all remaining parklets by the Council's contractor.

For those businesses which had a parklet and have requested a footpath buildout, work will commence in February/March following the removal of the parklets. The areas have been assessed and any which have been deemed suitable will be progressed accordingly in each area taking into consideration drainage, adjoining trees, public lighting etc.



Surface Water

Stormwater Capital Programme 2025-2027

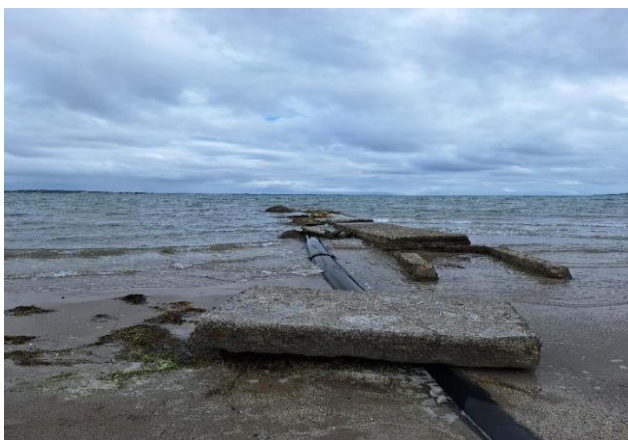
Fingal County Council are continuing to progress projects in the 2025-2027 Stormwater Capital Programme. The 3-year programme includes 16 projects estimated at €1.7 million with this figure under review as the projects are developed. Below is a brief update in relation to the status of some of the projects that have commenced and planned upcoming projects.

➤ Howth Stormwater Culvert

This project consists of the design and construction of a Stormwater culvert replacement on Howth main street (Work Package A) and the separation of a combined sewer on Tuckett's Lane. Howth (Work Package B). Optioneering and Investigation phases are complete for both Work packages and Preliminary design is completed for WPB. The GPR survey has been completed for work package B, this has informed the detailed design which is currently being finalized. Associated tasks for WPB which include an AA screening report and traffic management plan are also being progressed. It is expected that WPB will be completed internally by FCC personnel with works to commence later this year.

➤ **Burrow Beach**

The proposed remediation of the surface water outfall pipe has gone through all stages of design and various consents. 30 Nr Precast concrete anchor blocks were delivered in October and procurement/delivery of other materials is ongoing. Placement of the anchor block units is scheduled for Spring 2025 by an FCC Minor works crew, with technical assistance to be provided by design consultants, Malachy Walsh and Partners.



- **Ballyboughal Main St Storm water Extension**

Phase 1 of this project was completed in 2021. Discussions were ongoing with landowners to complete phase 2. As no agreement could be reached a new route was confirmed. GPR and utility surveys and Slit trenches were completed to inform a redesign.

Since the start in December 2024, 140m of new pipework, two manholes and several road gullies has been constructed. Installation works will be completed in early February with road & footpath reinstatement works commencing shortly after.



- **Lusk Network Remedial Works**

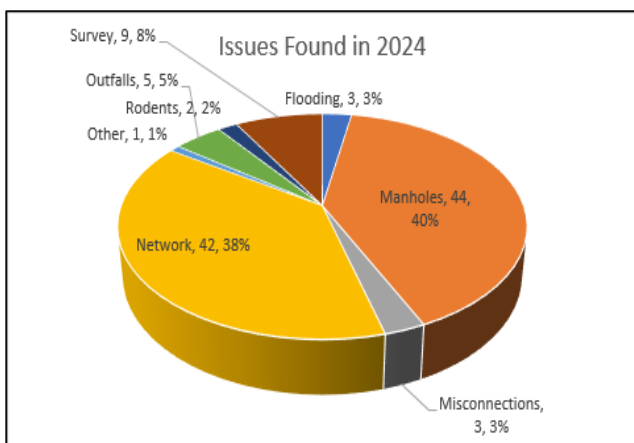
The above project consists of Stormwater infrastructure provision and improvement in the Lusk urban area. It includes second level/follow up investigation, surveys, non-invasive interventions, jetting, root removal, pipe lining, replacement and new lay – using conventional cut and cover.

Direct Labour crews have completed the first tranche of repairs on localised damaged pipelines. The next phase of these works commenced in January, 2025. Site investigation works took place and a final design completed. The works will include alterations to the existing network to remove localised restrictions, involving an eight week road closure.



- Storm Water Maintenance

Maintenance of the network and much of the capital works programme is generated by inspections which are tabulated on a Works Planner. The types and volumes of issues reported are shown in the chart.



- Storm Water Connections:

2 new connection applications have been processed to date in 2025.

> Networks

Swords

Following historical reports of blockages and overground flooding in Rivervalley, Swords, a Contractor was engaged and has completed 95% of a programme of CCTV survey and mapping works in the Hilltown, Forrest Avenue, Rathingle Rd, Cherry Garth and Rivervalley Lawns estates. Following completion the condition of the network will be assessed and the feasibility of follow-on works will be discussed.



A long outstanding road reinstatement was completed outside the **Forty-Four Hotel**, in December. Works included the raising and replacement of two ancillary manhole cover and frames.

A Contractor has also been procured to assist our colleagues in the Operations Department with network surveys in **Brackenstown Park** for an upcoming project.

Malahide/Portmarnock

Chalfont – CCTV surveys were carried out in May in the Chalfont area of Malahide to ascertain the condition of the network within the estate and the cause of localised road flooding during periods of intense rainfall. These surveys are now complete, and a number of distinct work packages have been developed for project costing and planning. An AA Screening exercise has been carried out externally and its recommendations will be incorporated prior to commencement in March.



Sutton Creek

Following recent bad weather, the protection Armour around a number of outfalls at Sutton Creek was damaged. Remedial works were carried in December to replace the Armour and Silt that had been washed away.

A Contractor has been engaged to clean, and jet wash a swale at the rear of two of these out falls. Works were completed in December 2024.

Dublin 15

Surveys were carried out in Edgewood Lawn, Grove Road, Mullhuddart and & Damastown to determine the condition of the networks in these areas and determine the cause of blockages and overground road flooding. Remedial works will require additional dye testing, surveys and the installation of a UV CIPP liner to repair a defect.

Quotations have been sought for surveys in Grove Road, Mullhuddart and & Damastown to determine the condition of the networks in these areas and determine the cause of blockages and overground road flooding.

➤ **Assets**

Ironworks

The Stormwater manhole cover and frame replacement programme for replacing assets at the end of life is ongoing. A contractor has been engaged to replace covers in Main Street, Swords.

Underground Stormwater storage Assets

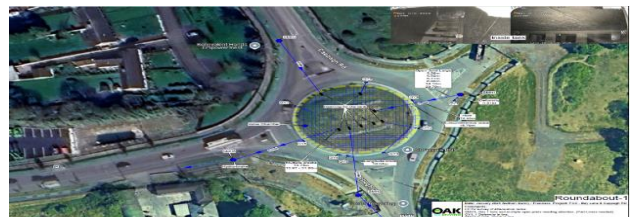
Identification and recording of underground storm water management assets has begun county wide. With new best practice guidelines in place these assets are expected to be phased out in future planning applications and should be replaced with above ground natural features. Below is an example of a system currently employed to manage storm water on new developments



A sharefile location has been created and shared with some of the main suppliers and installers of attenuation systems. This should assist with the capture and recording of existing assets and inform a future maintenance schedule.

Cappagh/N2/N3 Link Road SUDS

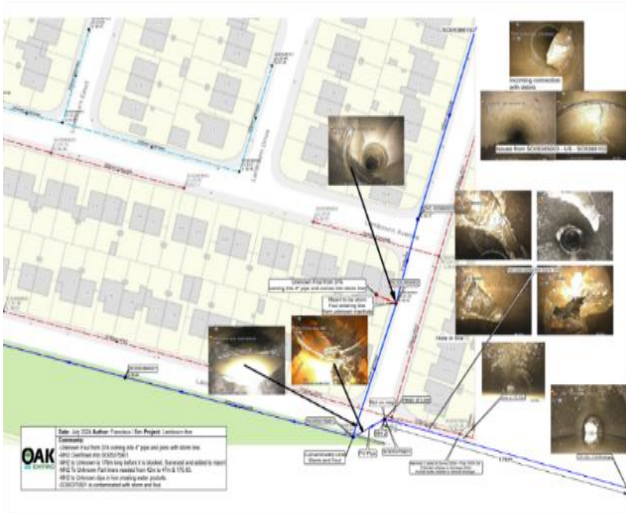
An example of the above along the N2/N3 link road was visited and inspected. In order to ascertain the condition of these assets and the local catchment additional surveys are required. A contractor has commenced surveys and cleaning of two tanks in January 2025 to help determine future maintenance costs and challenges for SUDS devices of this type.



➤ **Water Quality**

Lambourne Road

While conducting surveys in this area during an operation to identify the source of malodours an unmapped Stormwater line was identified and the route of this needs to be confirmed by additional dye testing.



The Environment department are following up with owners of properties misconnected to the surface water network.

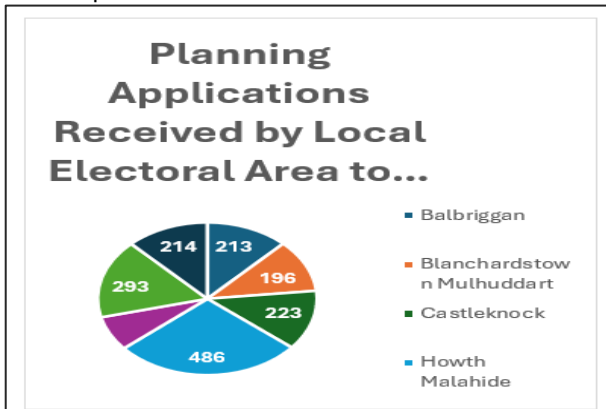
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Planning Applications

There have been 1757 planning applications received from 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024. This is including 794 E applications via the LGMA portal. 180 applications were invalid leaving a total of 1577 valid applications. The volume of applications received by Local Electoral Area (LEA) are detailed in the table below. From 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024 there have been 12 Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) applications made to the Local Authority. From 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024, 19 decisions have been made on Large Scale Residential Developments. Of these 19 decisions made, 10 have been to grant Permission and/or to grant amendments to existing applications, 5 decisions have been made to refuse permission and 4 requests for Further Information has been made.

An Bord Pleanála have issued one decision on SHD applications in the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024, this decision was to refuse permission.

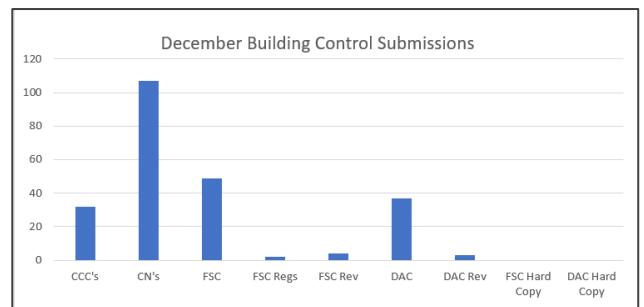


Planning Decisions

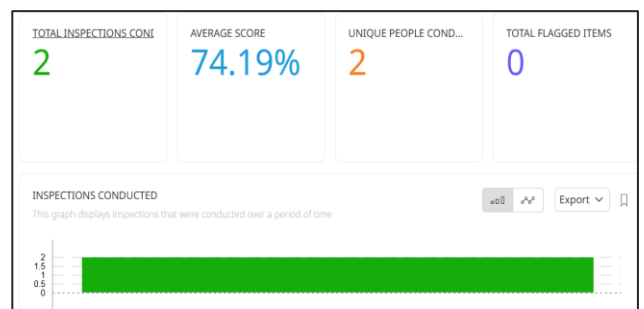
A total of 1434 planning decisions have been issued from 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024. There have been 1013 decisions to grant permission and 236 refusals of permission.

Building Control Admin

In December 2024, there were 234 building control submissions made via BCMS. This was made up of 107 Commencement notices, 32 Compliance of Completion Certificates, 55 Fire Safety related Certificates and 40 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 172 decisions in December 2024 relating to Fire Safety and Disability Access Certificates. This was made up of 66 decisions to grant and 106 extensions of time.



Built Environment Division

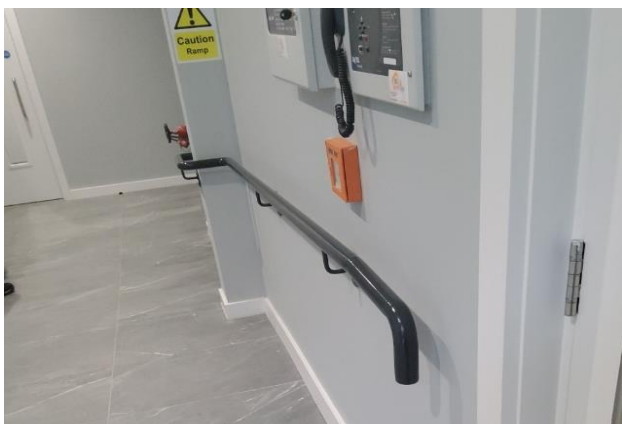


- There were 2 Building Control Inspection carried out with 6 houses inspected in January so far.
- We have 2 estates advertised for taking in charge for the February 2025 meeting. These are Hamilton Park and Cruise Park in Dublin 15.
- We have a procurement notice up on Etenders for a single party framework for Consulting Engineers to project manage Taking in Charge works for estates where we have sequestered the bond. The closing date for this competition is the 24th of February 2025.

Pictures



Checking level access to a house being built in Castleknock



Checking Handrails in an apartment block in Finglas

Transportation Planning

PSI 001 Snugborough Interchange upgrade

The contractor is continuing to carry out snagging at the interchange. It is expected that the active travel route into Waterville Park will open in Q1 2025.

PSI 002 Ongar Barnhill Road

Bam Civil Ltd. constructed most of the new bridge over the railway line during 2024. Road surfacing will continue during Q1 along the length of the scheme. Installation of surfacing, subbase, ducting, watermains, kerbs and footpaths will also continue during Q1. At Barnwell roundabout wearing course surfacing was completed in December. It is intended that traffic will be diverted onto some of the new Barberstown Lane South in Q1 2025 following surfacing works. There will be temporary traffic management on the R149 in Q1 at the junction with Barberstown Lane South while the new junction is being formed. The overall scheme is expected to be completed in Q2 2025. Updates for the scheme will be posted on www.fingal.ie/ongar-barnhill



PSI-039 – R132 Connectivity Project

Project summary

Consultation with the National Transport Authority (NTA) and with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), regarding the connection with Metro Link is ongoing with Monthly Coordination/Progress meetings.

Detailed design stage is currently underway with information results received from all the surveys recently undertaken to make evidence based informed decisions on the design and this is progressing as programmed. Meetings continue to be held with the various departments of Fingal County Council together.



Meetings and Workshops

A workshop meeting was held in December at Malahide Castle to discuss all the Swords projects that are being planned and may be carried out on site over the next 5 years in Swords, as well as knowledge sharing on its projects timelines and phasing plus also gathering feedback on them. Planning & Strategic Infrastructure will be undertaking analysis of how these projects and associated timelines may impact Swords, with a view to looking at what mitigation measures may be required.

Coordination/Progress meetings with NTA and TII/Metrolink which are being held monthly will continue in 2025.

Peer Review

A tender was published in December 2024 for peer review of the technical review of the tender documents for the R132 Connectivity Project. The tender closing date was in Mid Jan 2025. The tender received will be assessed next month followed with the contract documents signing.

PSI-005 Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route

The Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route for this key infrastructure project for Balbriggan consisting of 3km fully segregated Pedestrian and Cyclist Route connecting 6 schools in Balbriggan. This Project is now at substantial completion. The Contractor is currently working through the snagging list with the Design Team. The works to Millpond Park have been completed and all the additional tree planting carried out. The last of the planting for the civic space adjoining the Dublin Road Roundabout is almost complete. The official opening for the project is currently being organised.

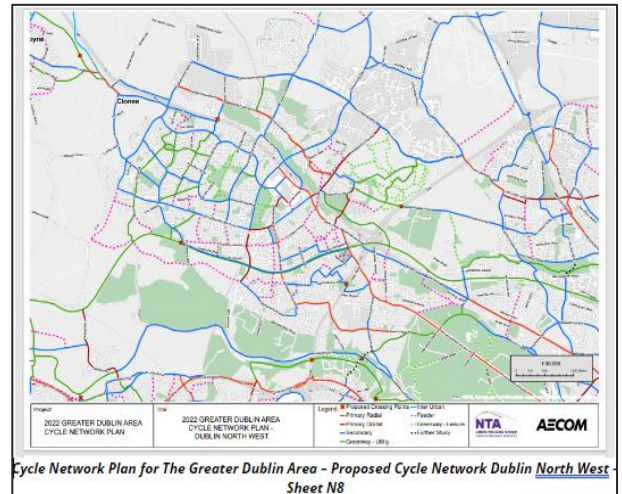




To assist with communication to the community a dedicated project website is setup which is updated throughout the project, highlighting the projects progression and key milestone stages; [Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian & Cycle Route | Fingal County Council](#). A video of the latest drone footage has been added to the website.

Consultancy Framework for Dublin 15 Walking and Cycling Projects

The Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department recently signed a Single Party Framework for Engineering Consultancy Services for Pedestrian and Cycling Route Projects in the Dublin 15 Area.



RPS Engineers Consulting Ltd was appointed Fingal County Council Consultants for the Framework for Dublin 15 Walking and Cycling Projects.

<https://www.fingal.ie/news/council-sign-contract-consultancy-framework-dublin-15-pedestrian-cycling-projects>

PSI 063 – Pedestrian and Cycling Bridge at Granard Bridge Castleknock

The first contract as part of this framework will be to undertake phases 2 to 4 for a new Pedestrian and Cycling Bridge at Granard Bridge Castleknock Road which will cross the Dublin Maynooth railway and Royal Canal, adjacent to the existing road bridges over the canal and railway, with access for pedestrians and cyclists only. This 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. This will also improve pedestrian and cycle safety at Granard Bridge and further promote the use of more sustainable travel patterns, in line with Government Policy and the cycle network plan for the greater Dublin area.

Monthly meetings with Fingal County Council and RPS consultants are taking place to progress the project, such as route options and possible constraints as shown by some photos below



View of the Granard Bridge towards Castleknock



View of the Granard Bridge and the existing underpass

The outline project programme for this project will be developed by the design team with the Concept Development and Options Selection phase 2 beginning first. Then moving onto phase 3 preliminary design before to phase 4 the statutory processes to obtain planning for the project. Throughout these phases there will be the requirement for regular consultation with all stakeholders including public representatives.

A meeting with Irish Rail / Dart+ West Team was held this month to discuss both projects and align them. Some important points and highlights were raised for further discussions.

This project design will allow for a much-needed Pedestrian and Cycling link from the new Bridge north to the Roselawn Road/Castleknock Road junction and south to the Laurel Lodge Road/Castleknock Road junction. No alternations are proposed to these existing junctions only to tie into the existing junction's infrastructure.

For more information and keep updated on the project, please see a recent set-up web page for the new Pedestrian and Cycling Bridge at Grange Bridge Castleknock Road.

[Pedestrian & Cycling Bridge at Granard Bridge, Castleknock Road, Dublin 15 | Fingal County Council](#)

PSI -036 Clonsilla-Damastown Cycle Route

Fingal County Council have been working on the Clonsilla-Damastown Cycle Route project brief and the tender documentation are now finalised for tender publication under the Single Party Framework for Engineering Consultancy Services for Pedestrian and Cycling Route Projects in the Dublin 15 Area.

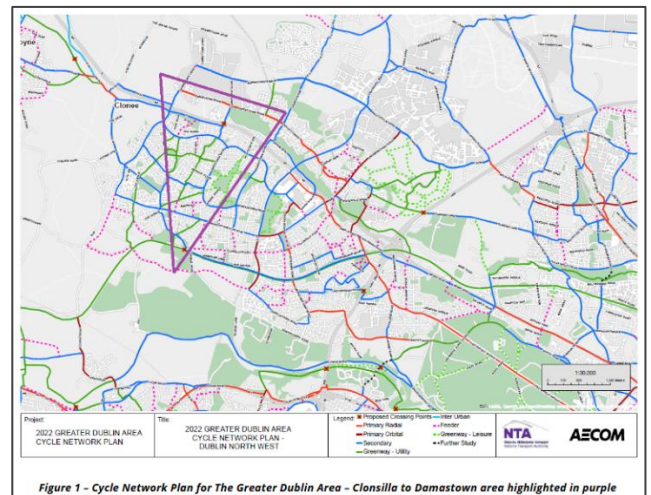


Figure 1 - Cycle Network Plan for The Greater Dublin Area - Clonsilla to Damastown area highlighted in purple

PSI - 004 Royal Canal Urban Greenway

Dialogue continues to be held 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.

The project is currently at preliminary design stage and requires the need to hold additional meetings with all the relevant key stakeholders to agree a revised design in lined with the new National Cycling Manual. These meetings will continue over the coming month to ensure a coordinated, high quality final design which compiles with the new cycling manual is achieved at interfaces between existing facilities and the proposed scheme. Landowner searches and land referencing are ongoing also.

Following completion of the preliminary design, all the required documents including the Environmental Impact Assessment Report will be prepared for a planning application to An Bord Pleanála. Irish Rail have been contacted and the changes to the bridge crossings that form part of the permitted DART+ West project are being assessed with additional discussions to be held with Irish Rail consultants soon to determine their impact on the greenway and the design drawings which are being updated as required.

PSI – 065 Seamount Road Footpath Connectivity Project

Seamount Road Footpath Connectivity Project will provide for improved accessibility for all road users, in particular pedestrian users as there were no pedestrian footpaths along the eastern end of Seamount Road on the approach to the new development's entrance.

The route forms one of the local health walks (Sli Na Slainte) in the area tying into the coastal walk between Malahide and Portmarnock. The route also connects to the park lands at Robswall and Paddy's Hill. This public walk further increased the pedestrian movements along Seamount Road and through the development lands with direct link to and from the only local secondary school, Malahide Community School (MCS) - reducing a 4km route by bike or car to a c. 1.5km walk/cycle while simultaneously promoting active travel as a preferable way of getting to and from school and helping to reduce traffic volumes through the centre of the town.

Consultants from a newly formed framework will undertake this project. As part of the procurement process a project Brief and contract documentation was prepared for issued. An initial meeting has been held in relation to the landownership maps. The maps are now being reviewed, and the landowners have been identified.

The Tender for consultancy services to progress the project and take it through the Planning process was issued in Mid-December with closing date for submission for mid Jan 2025. A clarification has been received requesting an extension to the timeframe for the tender submission to the end of January. This time extension has been accepted. The assessment will begin upon receipt of the tender documents in early Feb 2025.



S2M Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme –

The preliminary design drawings have been reviewed by the FCC project team and forwarded to the NTA for comment. The recently published Cycle Design Manual has led to some improvements being incorporated into the overall scheme design including revised layouts for crossings and bus stops to comply with the new standards. Following this review and, the preliminary design will be frozen in Q1 2025.

Ground Investigation Works have been complete with final reinstatements scheduled in January 2025. Design for structures along the route is progressing using the findings from the Ground Investigations. Following the results from the ground investigation report, further localised testing is required. We are liaising with the works contractor and landowner to progress this additional work.

Following completion of the preliminary design, documents will be prepared for a planning application to An Bord Pleanála. This includes preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement, Natura Impact Statement and Compulsory Purchase Order documentation.

Engagement with potentially impacted property owners, businesses and stakeholders is ongoing. Meetings have been held with Irish Water to ensure coordination of the scheme with planned and existing assets. A search of unregistered lands is ongoing for production of the deposit maps for the land acquisition. On completion of the preliminary design, the project team will contact landowners to discuss the compulsory purchase order process and the scheme and acquisition requirements. Draft documents are being prepared for the submission to An Bord Pleanála.



Artist visual of the Sutton to Malahide Pedestrian and Cycle Route at Portmarnock

Swords Cultural Quarter Public Realm

The new proposed Public Realm is a key feature of the overall Swords Cultural Project. The pedestrian priority public spaces framed between the Castle, the SCC Building and Fingal offices (County Hall) will serve as a civic amenity space providing a place for festivals, events, markets as well as an everyday meeting place for the local community.

Swords Cultural Quarter Public Realm Enhancements



Above- visualisation of the Part 8 proposals for the SCQ public realm layout at North Street

The Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department has procured a Multi-Disciplinary Consultancy team for the detailed design and construction supervision of the public realm at Swords Cultural Quarter. Stakeholder engagement and design workshops have been held with internal FCC departments and the consultants are now progressing with the detailed design phase for the Swords Cultural Quarter Public Realm.

Swords Main Street Transformation

Swords Main Street is a key recommendation from the Sustainable Swords Strategy. The project aims to enhance and transform Main Street, the heart of Swords into a destination, which encourages people to stay longer and enables a more attractive, people-friendly, diverse, and enjoyable town centre experience for local residents, businesses and visitors alike. At its core, this ambitious transformation seeks to reimagine Main Street as a hub of urban activity, with distinctive character and vitality while fostering a sense of community and connectivity through the provision of high-quality public realm to enhance the human experience of the place.

The Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department has appointed a multi-Disciplinary Engineering Consultancy for the Option Selection, Preliminary Design and preparation of the application for Planning Consent for Swords Main Street Transformation Project.

Kinsealy Walking and Cycling Routes

The Kinsealy Walking and Cycling scheme aims to provide a high-quality walking and cycling routes between Kinsealy and Portmarnock train station, and between Kinsealy and Malahide Castle and gardens. These two walking and cycling routes will form a link from Kinsealy to sustainable transport at Portmarnock and Malahide train stations.

A successful non-statutory public consultation yielded more than 100 meaningful and helpful submissions, and the aim now is to progress swiftly from the Emerging Preferred Route stage to the Preferred Route stage and the ensuing statutory process required to deliver this part of the project. The Malahide to Kinsealy section of the project will be brought forward as phase 2 of the project at a later date.



Artist visual of the greenway from Kinsealy to Portmarnock



Artist visual of the proposed upgrades to Station Road

Fingal Coastal Way

Preliminary design work is progressing along urban roads. Coordination continues with affected landowners to work towards finalising the position of the route in rural areas.

Liaison with Irish Rail, Gas Networks Ireland, Eirgrid, TFI and Dublin Bus continues to ensure coordination of the proposed scheme with existing infrastructure and utilities.

Broadmeadow Way Greenway

Various ecological surveys are ongoing. Progress on the detailed design phases of the other elements of this project continue.

The tender period for the SAQ to establish a framework for works contractors for the various landward works contracts is complete and evaluation to take place in February 2025. It is expected that the landward elements of the Broadmeadow Way in Donabate i.e. from Newbridge Demesne, through Kilcrea lands to the east side of Corballis railway underpass will be open for use once that works package is complete.

Construction of this environmentally and technically challenging project has been divided into different works packages which will be delivered in stages:

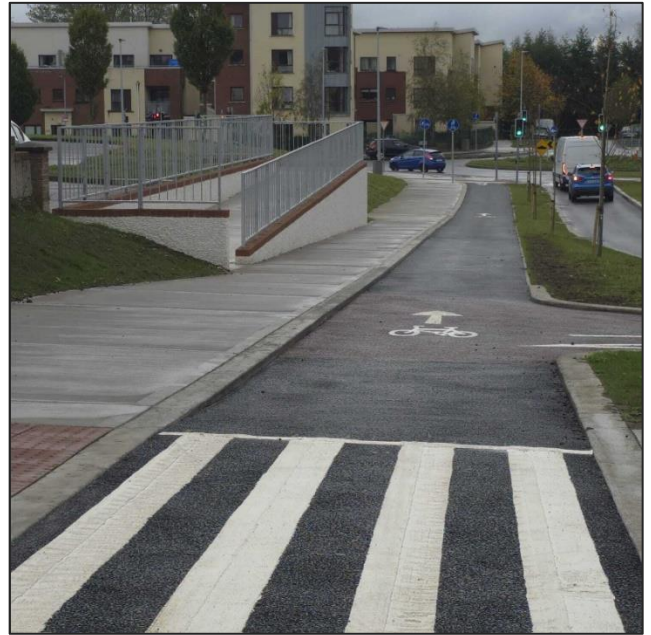
- Construction of the Broadmeadow Estuary Bridge took place in 2024. Works are complete.
- Construction of the greenway along the Northern Causeway will commence during the summer months of 2025.
- Construction of the greenway along the Southern Causeways will commence during the summer months of 2026.
- Construction of the Donabate landward works and the Malahide landward works will take place during 2025 and 2026.
- It is anticipated that the opening of Broadmeadow Way will be in 2026. However, because of the seasonal constraints of working within the estuary, along with the technical challenges of building on the Northern Causeway, works may push in to 2027.



New estuary bridge and ramps looking northwards towards Donabate



New estuary bridge and ramps looking southwards towards Malahide



Southbound segregated cycle track and new ramp on Wellview Road

Portrane Road, Donabate

The Portrane Road Enhancement Project involves works to widen the existing narrow footpath on the northern side of the 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 Cailíni). The project also involves works to provide safe pedestrian crossings and appropriate traffic calming facilities. Third-party lands are required to widen the path and in this regard, An Bord Pleanála recently approved the Council's application for a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for the project so that the Council can acquire the necessary lands. However, an affected landowner has commenced Judicial Review proceedings against An Bord Pleanála's decision to approve the CPO. The Council is engaging with its legal team to see if the Judicial Review process can be expedited but a full hearing of the case is not expected before Q3 of 2025. The Council has also reached out to the affected landowner to see if the issues raised can be resolved without the need for a Judicial Review so that the project can proceed without further delay.

Church Fields Link Road

Works at the Church Fields Link Road and Cycle Network project, which includes the upgrade and reconfiguration of the existing Wellview Avenue, Damastown roundabout 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, are substantially complete as of 11th October. There are snags to be addressed with is a normal part of any construction contract. A one-year defects period has commenced as of 11th October.

Donabate Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge

Work is progressing well on site. Support structures to take the weight of the bridge have been constructed on either side of the railway. Bridge beams, spanning over the railway, were lifted into place under night-time railway possession at the start of January. The concrete deck of the bridge has been poured, and temporary working platforms and edge protection railings have been installed to allow works to be carried out on the bridge with the minimum number of further railway possessions. Kalwall parapets are due to be installed in the coming weeks with ancillary works such drainage, public lighting etc. to follow on thereafter. Works on the bridge are expected to be completed in March 2025.



Image of the bridge over the railway (looking towards Donabate)



Image of the bridge and works area east & west of the railway from the camera installed to capture the works

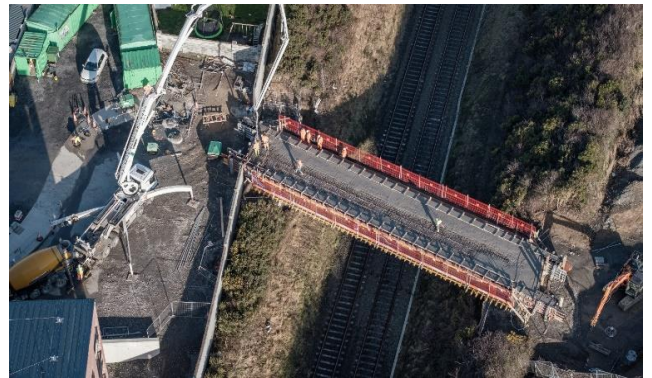


Image of the concrete bridge deck pouring works underway (aerial view looking straight down on the bridge)



Image of the bridge over the railway (looking towards Malahide)

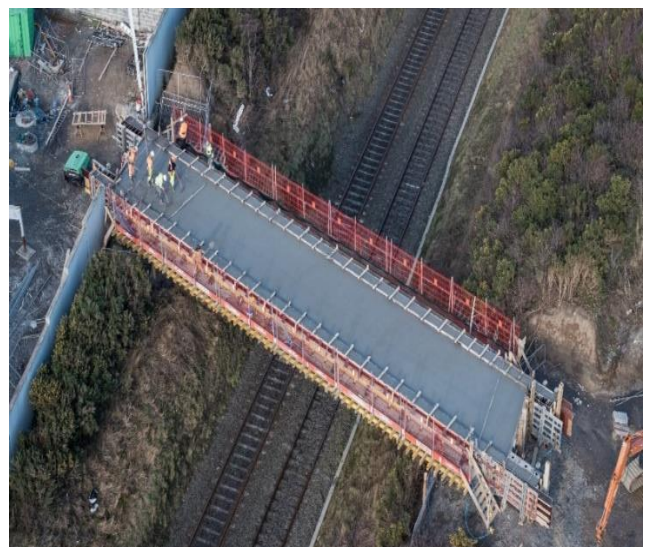


Image of the bridge over the railway (aerial view looking straight down on the bridge)

Donabate Transport Projects

Work is progressing on the early phase development of 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 Transport Infrastructure Ireland, to assess all technical and operational traffic issues associated with this strategic motorway junction;
- 7no. Active Travel Routes which encompass a number of related local projects which aim to increase local connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists.

Data-gathering and concept development stages of the Donabate Transport Projects continue and include topographical and ecological surveys of relevant areas of Donabate. Fingal County Council, working in collaboration with Transport Infrastructure Ireland, has completed a traffic study of the M1-Lissenhall Interchange.

Separately, a number of potential options have been identified for both Phase 2 of the Donabate Distributor Road and the Blakes Cross Junction Upgrade. These options are currently being assessed using multi criteria analysis to determine the emerging preferred route alignment and the emerging preferred junction layout. Once the emerging preferred options are determined, public consultation exercises can be undertaken, most likely in Q2 2025.

Further stages of work, relating to environmental assessment, planning consent, etc. will follow on later in 2025 and in subsequent years, as appropriate.

PSI-019 N3 M50 to Clonee

Aecom/ Roughan O'Donovan are appointed to assess bus priority measures on the N3 between the M50 and Clonee. This scheme is funded by Transport Infrastructure Ireland. They are also examining active travel links across the N3. The focus is between the Mulhuddard interchange and Clonee as the NTA bus connects project has already a scheme in development from Junction 3 into the city. A topographical survey was carried out during recent months to aid the design. Also, some traffic surveys were carried out to allow for modeling of the traffic flow. Route options are being considered and when an emerging route option has been developed a public engagement will be carried out. This is likely to be in Q2 2025.

PSI-068 Portmarnock Railway Bridge Pedestrian & Cycle Improvement Works

Improvement works to existing overpass railway bridge OBB21 will facilitate a safe and direct active travel route from Drumnigh Manor to Portmarnock Train Station and beyond via a new linear park which runs north-south, parallel to the railway track within the Saint Marnock's Bay Development.

The proposed works involve re-surfacing the existing bridge deck which will become a shared two-way footpath/cycleway and will tie-in to the existing paths on either side.

Engagement with Irish Rail on the required Bridge Agreement is ongoing. Engagement with both Developers on required wayleaves for access for maintenance is also ongoing. Once the agreements/licenses are finalised, construction can follow.



Heritage Officer



Parks and Green Infrastructure

The new Overflow Car Park at Bath Road, Balbriggan opened to the public on Wednesday 29th January. The new car park has 50 No. parking spaces and will be open for weekday and weekend parking. The opening of the new car park will allow for the temporary closure until April 2025 of the existing Bath Road car park which is undergoing a major upgrade.



Fingal Heritage Forum

The first Fingal Heritage Forum meeting of 2025 was held on 22nd January. Reconstituted for a new term after the elections of 2024, the non-statutory advisory group was established to assist in the formulation and implementation of the Fingal Heritage Plan

<https://www.fingal.ie/FingalHeritagePlan2024-2030> . The Fingal Heritage Forum consists of four councillors, eleven departmental staff and fifteen members that reflect the broad reach of heritage, from State agencies to the business, education, tourism, community and volunteer sectors.



Heritage X Climate

While investigating the shoreline of Malahide Estuary, Stephen of the Heritage X Climate group spotted a flint butt trimmed blade. Dating to the Late Mesolithic this is evidence of some of the earliest human activity in Fingal, from at least 7,000 years ago. This is a citizen science project which is looking at the ongoing impact of climate change on heritage around Fingal

<https://www.fingal.ie/fingal-heritage-x-climate>



Fingal Heritage Network

Members of the Fingal Heritage Network met for the first of our monthly meetings on January 15th. The historical societies and heritage groups are planning for an extensive range of activities in 2025 including talks, publications, schools' projects and

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Affordable Home Purchase Scheme & Cost Rental

Link to Affordable Housing landing page can be found [here](#).

In 2024 The Affordable Housing team worked through seven Affordable Housing schemes across Fingal to bring 491 affordable Homes to the market with 353 homes going sale agreed.

In 2025 the team plan to increase the number by a further 476 affordable home across 3 schemes in Ballisk Park, Donabate, Church Fields, Mulhuddart and Mooretown in Swords.

For anyone interested in making an application for an affordable home it is important that they view the eligibility criteria on www.fingal.ie/affordablehousing and have all required all documents ready to upload **before** submitting an application on the portal.

Launch of Ballisk Park Affordable Housing Scheme.



Glenveagh Homes is partnering with Fingal's Affordable Housing team to provide new Affordable Homes to purchase at a reduced price in Ballisk Park, Donabate.

The scheme will be comprised of 112 homes, ranging in size from 2, 3 to 4-bed.

The application portal for this scheme will open on 12 p.m. Wednesday, 26 February 2025.

For eligibility criteria log on to www.fingal.ie/affordablehousing

Glenveagh Homes, are hosting an information event on the 8th of February 2025 for people interested in purchasing home in Ballisk Park, Donabate. For more information and registration for the event <https://shorturl.at/MLiHn>

Affordable Housing Schemes Update

Scheme	Status	Affordable Homes
Balleally Rise	Closed	20 Homes Sold
Kilmartin Grove	Closed	36 Homes sold
North County Homes	Closed	16 Homes sold
Aster Park, Rush	Assessment of applications ongoing	51 of 96 Homes sold
Balmoston, Ballymastone, Donabate	Assessment of applications ongoing	74 of 86 Homes sold to date
Churchfields 3A	Assessment of applications ongoing	102 of 180 Homes sold to date
Wilkinson's Brook	Assessment of applications ongoing	54 of 57 Homes sold to date
Ballisk Park, Donabate	Portal opening 26 th February	112 homes for sale
Church Fields 3B	Portal opening Q2	127 homes for sale
Baile na Mona, Mooretown, Swords	Portal Opening Q2	151 homes for sale

Cost Rental

On 27th January, the Fingal Housing Department published Stage one of a Tender process seeking tender applications for the Management of Cost Rental housing in Fingal with the initial contact for 80 Cost Rental apartment in Church Fields, Mulhaddart. It is anticipated that the cost rental scheme will be available for in Q3 2025.

Stage 1 of the tender process will remain open until 25th February 2025. For more information <https://shorturl.at/iUHBj>

Social Housing Delivery Acquisition Programme 2022 - 2026

LA Units Delivered				
Units Delivered	2022	2023	2024	Total
AHB CALF Acquisition		6	2	8
CAS Acquisitions	7	169	15	191
LA Acquisitions	74	58	125	257
Total	81	233	142	456

Please note the end of year figures for 2024 are still to be verified.

Construction Programme

Summary of delivery of social unit numbers in the pipeline	Units
Under Construction	544
Schemes with Planning Approval and Tender Stage	44
Planning and Design	376
Part V	792
TOTAL	1,756

Units Delivered				
Units Delivered	2022	2023	2024	Total
Build	361	386	360	1,107
Leasing	140	74	63	277
Total	501	460	423	1,384

Units Projected For Delivery				
Units Projected	2024	2025	2026	Total
Build	30	803	1,201	2,034
Total	30	803	1,201	2,034

Please note the end of year figures for 2024 are still to be verified.

Scheme Update since last month (Further detailed information available in Appendix 4)

Recently Completed

18 Social Turnkey homes delivered in Station Road, Portmarnock, Co. Dublin

49 Part V homes delivered in Kilmartin Grove, Hollystown, Dublin 15



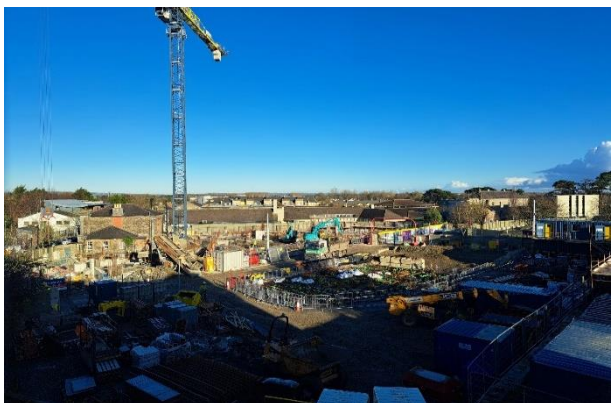
11 Part V homes delivered in Folkstown Park, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin



Schemes on Site

Seatown Road, Swords - 36 dwellings

Works for the delivery of 36 social homes at Seatown Road, Swords is progressing well. This work is being delivered in tandem with the delivery of the civic and cultural building for Swords Cultural Quarter.



Ballisk Park, Donabate

On behalf of Fingal County Council, Glenveagh have commenced the construction of 175 new homes on a site at "Ballisk Park", New Road, Donabate following the granting of planning permission under the S179A process. The development will be a mixed tenure scheme of 63 social and 112 affordable homes.



Church Fields 3A, Dublin 15

Works are continuing on the mixed tenure scheme of 300 new homes at Churchfields 3A. There will be 40 new social homes being delivered in this phase. The first 8 new social homes were delivered in Q4 2024.



Church Fields 3B, Dublin 15

Fingal County Council recently signed contracts for the delivery of a further 217 homes as part of Phase 3B, comprising of 121 houses and 96 apartments. As a mixed tenure arrangement, it will include 107 social and 110 affordable homes.



Balmoston Phase 1, Ballymastone, Donabate

Construction is continuing on Phase 1 of Balmoston. This is a mixed tenure development, which will deliver 87 new social homes. The first 19 new social homes were delivered in Q4 2024.



Mourne View, Skerries

Construction has commenced on the delivery of 14 new homes at Mourne View, Skerries. Planning for this development was granted under the S179A process.

Mooretown, Swords

Construction has commenced on the delivery of 274 new homes at “Baile na Móna”, Mooretown, Swords. This will be a mixed tenure scheme of 123 social and 151 affordable homes. Planning for this development was granted under the S179A process.



Remount Court, Lusk

Construction has commenced on the delivery of 18 new homes at Remount Court, Rathmore Road, Lusk. Planning for this development was granted under the S179A process.

Holywell, Swords

Construction has commenced on the delivery of 57 new homes at Holywell, Swords. Planning for this development was granted under the S179A process.



Housing Asset Management Report

Energy Efficiency/Retrofitting Programme

Fingal County Council carried out energy efficiency upgrade works on **127** properties in 2024, exceeding our allocation by **29** units. Planning is underway for the 2025 programme, with the list of potential properties to be confirmed. Contractors are currently onsite at 13 no. void units carrying out EERP works.



Pre & Post-works – Strandmill Estate, Portmarnock (external wall insulation, new windows and doors, Heat pumps, Attic Insulation and heating controls).

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:

Casual Voids for Re-letting	27 th Jan 2025
In the letting process	49
Undergoing re-let repairs / in tender process	68
TOTAL	117

Planned Maintenance Programmes

The planned maintenance programme provides for external painting and joinery repairs to Council housing stock, Boiler Replacements and Smoke and heat detector replacements.

Programme	Completed 2024
Scheme Painting	1022 homes
Boiler Replacements	87
Smoke & Heat Detectors	150



Scheme Painting Before (L) & after (R) Grace O'Malley Estate

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 20 new tenancies in 2025 to date with approximately 4234 tenancies set up since HAP began in 2017.

The HAP team is 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 at 01 8905000 via the CCU or through email at hap@fingal.ie.

Rents

Fingal County Council are in the process of implementing an improvement plan for rent collection and arrears management. Approx. 3,700 tenancies in arrears have now received a statement of account with all remaining tenancies not in arrears to receive their statement of account by end of February 2025.

The Rents team will continue to encourage any tenant who is having trouble paying their rent to engage with the Council to examine possible solutions and offer support to ensure that arrears do not continue to escalate.

However, there are instances where tenants do not engage or make alternative payment arrangements, and, in those situations, the Council will take further action.

The Rent Arrears Team have issued 19 Tenancy Warning Letters in January 2025. 12 possession order cases are listed for court hearing in Q1 2025 and a further 15 to be lodged with Courts for a hearing date in 2025.

Housing Loans

- **Local Authority Home Loan (LAHL)**

The Local Authority Home Loan (LAHL) remains a popular option for first-time buyers and certain other applicants who are unable to obtain home loan financing from a commercial lender.

2024 Home Loans Activity	
LAHL Applications received:	225
Approval in Principal issued:	75
Value of AIP:	19.78m
Number of Loan Drawdowns:	37
Value of Loan Drawdowns:	8.11m
Cumulative Loan Book Value (LBV):	136m

The Home Loans Team will continue the promotion of the LAHL Scheme with attendance at future Housing Events.

Further information on the Local Authority Home Loan and the eligibility criteria can be found at www.fingal.ie/localauthorityhomeloan & www.localauthorityhomeloan.ie or by contacting the team by email at loans@fingal.ie

- **Housing Loan Arrears**

Borrowers who are struggling to repay their housing loan are encouraged to contact the Mortgage Support Team at the earliest opportunity to examine & agree the best solution for them.

The Mortgage Support team continued to engage with borrowers in arrears on a regular basis in 2024 and will continue to do so in 2025. This engagement has resulted in the cumulative Loan Arrears figure decreasing from 2.13m at the start of 2024 to 1.9m as at 31/01/2024.

Various options are available to borrowers in mortgage arrears under the Mortgage Arrears Resolution Process (MARP). Failure to contact the Team will leave the Council with no option but to progress the matter further. The Mortgage Support team can be contacted by email loans@fingal.ie

- **Tenant Purchase**

The Tenant Purchase Scheme is available for eligible Tenants who wish to purchase their Council home under the Tenant Purchase Scheme. Tenants are encouraged to find out if their property is eligible for consideration before progressing an application as certain property types are not eligible for purchase.

Further information on the scheme and the eligibility criteria is available from the Tenant Purchase Section by emailing tenantpurchase@fingal.ie

Private Rented Inspections

It is expected that the 2025 target for inspections will be similar to that of 2024. The Inspections team will receive their target from the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage in the coming weeks. However, the inspections programme for 2025 has commenced.

To date 534 properties have been inspected of which 530 were classified as dwellings. The team will continue to work with the contractor improving and streamlining the process and utilising all avenues to ensure that compliance improves and the target is reached.

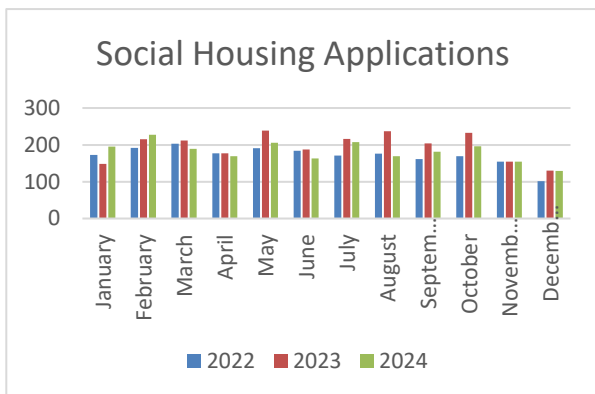
Housing Tenancy Services Report

Housing Support

Housing Support issue list positions to applicants on a yearly basis. Applicants will be updated accordingly. Annually a Social Housing Assessment Summary is completed in accordance with Section 21 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009. The purpose of the Assessment is to capture the total number of households qualified for social housing support. The Summary of Social Housing Assessment (SSHA) was returned to the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage on 2nd December 2024.

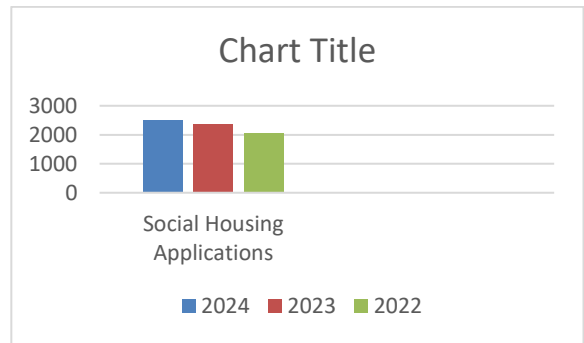
Housing Support receive a large volume of Housing Applications, Medical Applications, Amendment requests and appeals.

Year on year comparison by month.



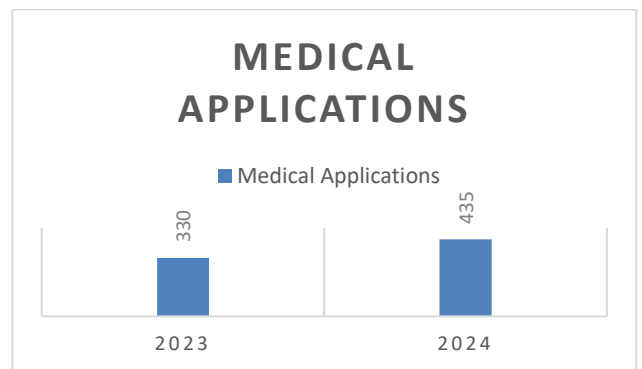
Circular 48/2022 and changes being implemented via the Social Housing Assessment (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022, the Social Housing Eligibility Bands increased with effect from 1st January 2023. As a result, an increase of Social Housing Applications was received. Figures for 2024 depict a consistent growth in applications being received in comparison to 2022 figures.

Overall yearly comparison of Social Housing Applications received.



A total of 2497 Social Housing Applications were submitted to Fingal County Council in 2024, **312** of these applications had been re-submitted after being returned to applicants due to incomplete applications received.

Medical applications reviewed



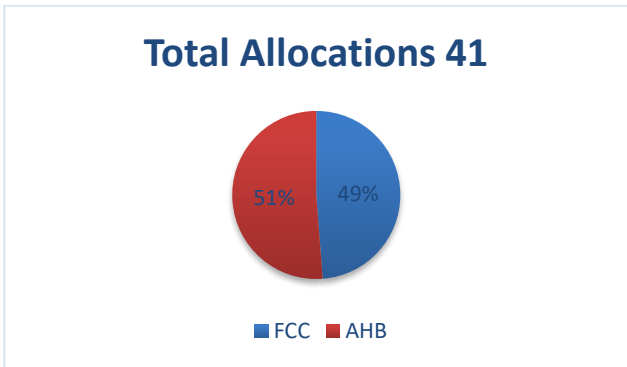
Applications received

Applications	January 2025
Applications	141
Appeals	14
Medicals	41
Amendments	30

Housing Support Appeals

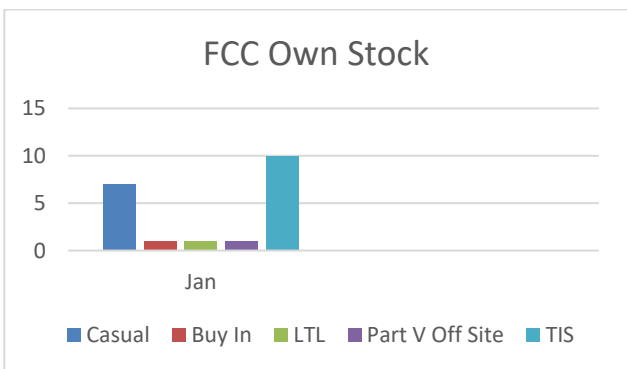
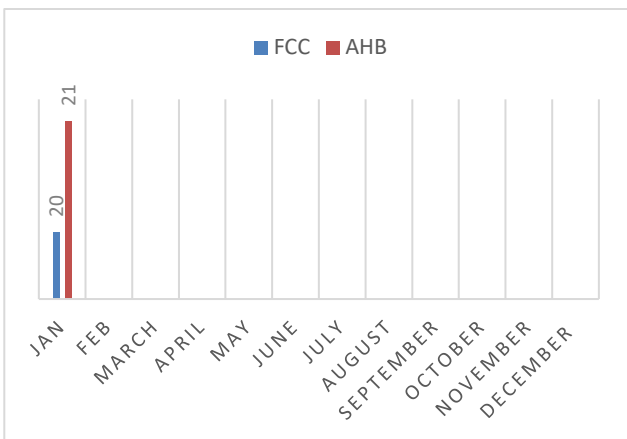
Applicants are reminded, that an appeal must be received within 28 days of a decision being communicated in writing to be eligible for review.

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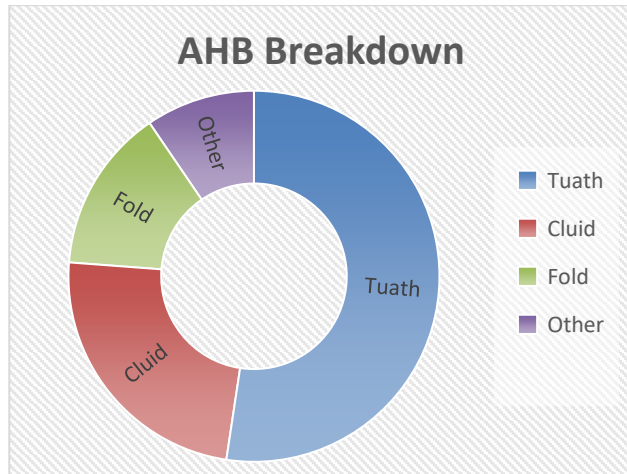


The above chart depicts the total number of properties allocated since the beginning of 2025.

The chart below shows the breakdown of allocations per month.



21 of the **41** allocations have been in collaboration with several Approved Housing bodies. The other **20** properties were allocated using Fingal County Councils own stock.



Tuath have received the most nominations from Fingal County Council during the month of January.

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

The Approved Housing Bodies inform Fingal County Council when an applicant has accepted and signed a tenancy following a nomination from Housing Lettings.

Choice Based Letting's Advertised Properties in January



Internal image of advertised property at Lanesborough Close, Finglas, Dublin 11

Advertisement Period	Property	Bed	Type	Number of Views	Expressions of interest
8 th – 14 th January	Avondale Park, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15	2	Apt	1184	192
8 th – 14 th January	Golden Ridge Mews, Rush, Co Dublin	3	Apt	888	71
15 th – 21 st January	Parnell Drive, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15	2	House	1533	304
15 th – 21 st January	The Hermitage, Balgriffin, Dublin 13	2	Apt	1186	244
22 nd – 28 th January	Parslicktown Court, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15	2	Apt	1098	181
22 nd – 28 th January	Lanesborough Close, Finglas, Dublin 11	3	House	1409	182
			Total	7298	1174

Applicants who do not have access to this portal should contact Choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie to request their unique username and password.

Homeless Services.

Homeless Exits 2025

During January 2025, 34 households exited homeless circumstances into various forms of social housing support - including privately rented tenancies under the Homeless HAP Scheme.

Please see the table below for a breakdown of the figures:

Type of Exit	HHAP Tenancy	Allocation of Tenancy	EA to HUBS	Total
EA	4	8	3	15
Homeless Prevention	9	10	0	19
Total	13	18	3	34

There was a total of 19 homeless prevention cases and 15 who exited emergency accommodation comprising:

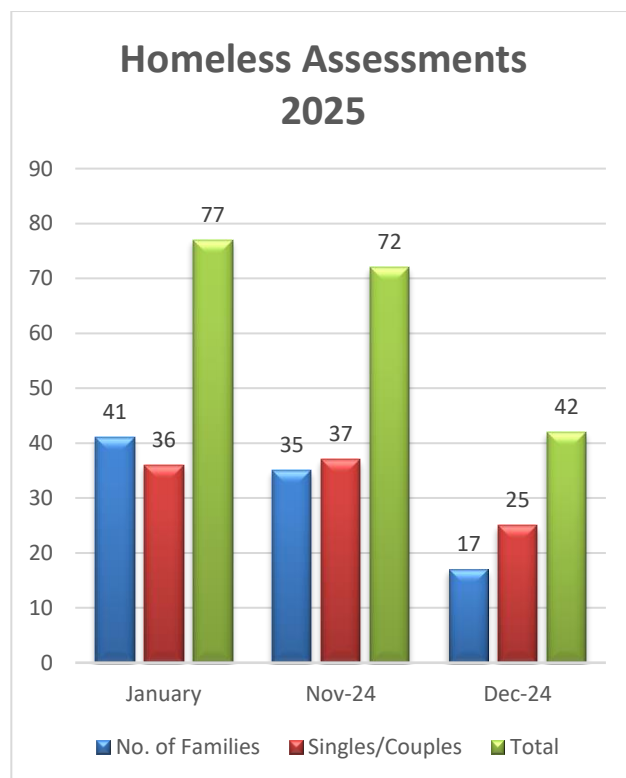
10 allocations of social housing support to homeless prevention cases, 8 exited emergency accommodation and 4 from Homeless HAP Tenancies.

13 Homeless HAP tenancies, comprising 9 homeless preventions and 4 who exited emergency accommodation and 0 from Direct Provision.

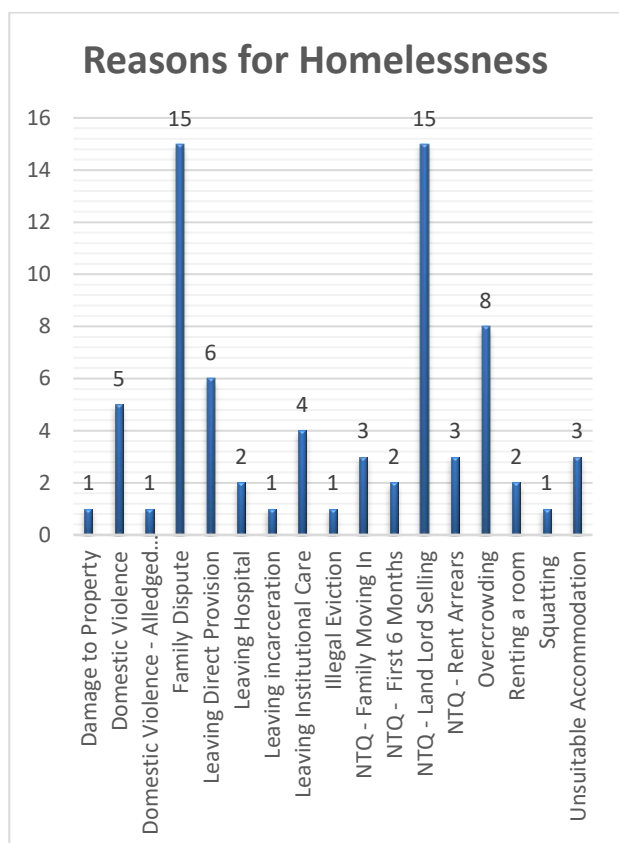
Homeless Assessments

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

In January 2025, there were a total of 77 full homeless assessments completed - comprising 41 families and 36 singles/couples.



During January 2025, of the 73 Homeless Assessments carried out, 31% cases resulted from a Notice to Termination (NOT) having been served and 19% of cases result from family/relationship breakdown. Most of the other presentations to the Homeless Section are from overcrowding (10%), leaving Direct Provision (9%) and renting a room (4%). The remaining 26% comprise various reasons outlined in the next chart;



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 continues to liaise with the DRHE Outreach Team regarding any reports of rough sleeping, to establish their names and circumstances and to offer support.

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 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 Coordination 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.

There have been 99 reported rough sleeping cases in 2024. 26 of the clients have taken up Emergency Accommodation and we continue to work with 1 other in an effort to provide a suitable solution.

There is only 1 registered long term entrenched rough sleepers (males) from the Fingal Area. We will continue to work with him to provide him with suitable supports.

Cold Weather Strategy 2024/2025

As part of the Cold Weather Strategy for 2024/2025 the DRHE has provided for a total new capacity of 192 permanent beds. There are an additional 104 beds that can be activated as part of the Extreme Weather Emergency Protocol for 2024/25 when a weather warning is triggered.

There is emergency accommodation available through the 4 Dublin Local Authorities and the DRHE along with our outreach providers will monitor the weather and likely changes to weather warnings over the coming days and activate extreme weather emergency accommodation as required. The Dublin Region Outreach Service is working directly with rough sleepers from 7am to 1am daily and assists any individuals they meet to take up emergency accommodation.

We would also continue to ask the public for their assistance during this time to let us know if they come across someone sleeping rough on our website [here](#) or call 01 872 0185 or via our free app Dublin City Rough Sleeper Alerts available on both Apple & Android Platforms.

Dublin Street Outreach Service Tel: 01 872 0185 from 7 am to 1 am

The DRHE in partnership with Dublin Simon. Outreach and the PMVT Intake team are assertively working on the streets offering accommodation to all rough sleepers. The teams are very familiar with the locations of people sleeping rough across the Dublin Region and persistently work with individuals to support them into emergency accommodation. This process can take time and multiple contacts, as some people do not want to engage but the teams persevere with every person working to achieve a successful outcome.

The service operates 365 days a year, until 1 am. The Outreach Teams also ensure that people sleeping rough are linked with other appropriate health services such as addiction and mental health services to prevent further rough sleeping. PMVT's Housing First Intake team links rough sleepers to permanent accommodation with long-term support.

All emergency accommodation is now 24-hour, with food and shower facilities provided.

National Housing Strategy for Disabled People 2022-2027 Implementation Plan

Action 1.2.2 of the National Housing Strategy for Disabled People 2022-2027 Implementation Plan states that Local authorities and the HSE must work together to plan and deliver on housing targets for disabled people in the community (including de-congregation) in line with the forthcoming Disability Services Action Plan.

The HSE Mental Health Housing Coordinator from Parkgate Hall liaises with the Homeless Services Team on a monthly basis.

Currently 16 Fingal County Council clients have been identified, five have been housed and three more are going through the nomination process

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**.

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.

Fingal County Council and the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive (DRHE) would like to advise anyone affected of the services that are available to them in these circumstances.

We strongly encourage tenants residing in the Fingal area, who have been issued with a notice of termination, to contact Fingal County Council as soon as they receive a notice from their landlord. The contact details for Fingal County Council are provided at the bottom of this page.

When the tenants contact Fingal County Council, staff in the Housing Department will take note of the termination date.

The Council advises the tenant to refer the notice to Threshold, a service funded by the DRHE to provide a Tenancy Protection Service for private renters in the Dublin Region, including Fingal. Threshold can also be contacted directly on Freephone 1800 454 454 or via their website www.threshold.ie which contains more information and advice on the validity of your notice.

The Council's first response will be to try to prevent homelessness. This includes assessing the person's position on the social housing list, providing advice on applying for Choice Based Lettings, advising the person on the level of Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) they may be eligible to receive, and, in some cases, assessing if the Council can acquire the dwelling where the tenants reside if it is being offered for sale.

Placement in emergency accommodation will be a last resort if no other alternative can be identified.

The Council will continue to deal with notice of termination queries and cases as expeditiously as possible and progress tenant in-situ acquisitions while taking account of funding limits, circulars and guidance issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Fingal County Council continues to liaise with other Dublin and neighboring local authorities to deal with tenancy issues that may require an inter-authority approach. In particular, we are working closely with our colleagues in the other Dublin Local Authorities on the implementation of the Government policy and guidance, with a focus on the needs of tenants.

Whilst the Council will, in the context of current circumstances, adopt flexibility in dealing with potential acquisitions of properties with tenants in situ, any acquisition is subject to appropriate due diligence and checks before any commitment is made to acquire, including, for example, determining that a valid notice of termination is in place, the tenant has a social housing need, and the condition and valuation of the property.

The Government has put forward options to allow tenants who are not eligible for social housing to remain in their homes, including schemes to support the purchase of homes and a Cost Rental in-situ Scheme. The Cost Rental Tenant-in-Situ Scheme is available for tenants who are not eligible for social housing and are at risk of homelessness. The DHLGH has advised that local authorities are to be the first point of contact for this scheme, but it is managed by the Housing Agency.

Under the scheme, the Housing Agency can purchase a property and rent it to the tenant. Fingal County Council will undertake an initial assessment of the tenant's circumstances and refer details to the Housing Agency for consideration, where the tenant is at risk of homelessness and the Cost Rental Tenant-in-Situ scheme applies. The Housing Agency will then contact the landlord about the purchase of the property.

Where a tenant wishes to purchase their home from the landlord, local authorities can provide advice about the Local Authority Home Loan scheme. The Government is examining implementing a 'right of first refusal' for tenants to purchase their homes, as well as expanding the First Home shared equity scheme. The Council will be able to provide more information on these when available.

Works around preventing homelessness, assessing notices of termination, and responding to tenant and landlord in-situ queries are being led on by the Council's Homelessness section, taking a tenant-centred approach, supported by staff dedicated to dealing with tenant in-situ housing acquisitions.

The contact details below, including a dedicated email address NTQEnquiries@fingal.ie, should be used by tenants who may have received a notice of termination or a landlord who has issued a notice of termination to their tenants and who may wish to sell their property to the Council.

The key contact details are:

Fingal County Council Housing Department

Monday to Thursday, 9 am to 5.00 pm,

Friday 9 am to 4.30 pm:

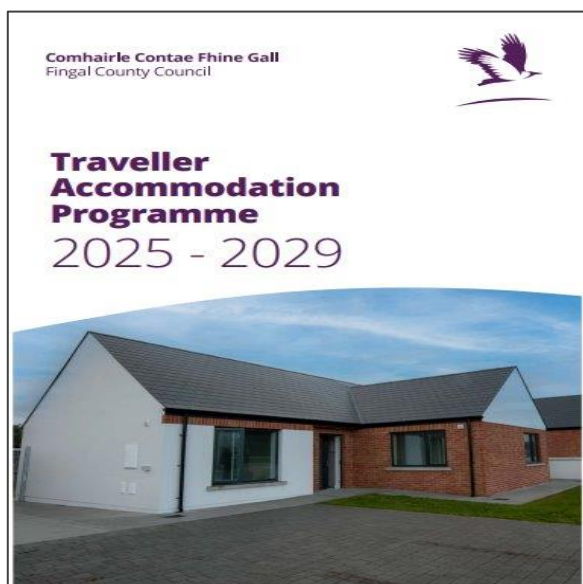
Tel. **01 890 5000** or homeless@fingal.ie

Email: NTQEnquiries@fingal.ie

Dublin Region Homeless Executive, Central Placement Services:

Freephone: 1800 707 707

Traveller Accommodation Programme



The Traveller Accommodation Programme Accommodation Programme 2025 – 2029 is available from Libraries, CCU in Blanchardstown, Swords and on the Council's website: - <https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/traveller-accommodation-programme-consultation>

Through the implementation of the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025 – 2029, the Council will endeavour to meet the accommodation needs of the Traveller Community of the County.

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



Storm Éowyn

Estate Management received 96 reports of damage to Council properties following Storm Éowyn; 79% of which were damage to rooftops. All jobs were logged and issued to Contractors.



Boiler Servicing Programme 2025

The 2024 Programme had a 82% completion rate across the County.

Preparation for the 2025 Works Programme is underway with servicing scheduled to start in the coming weeks.

Anti-Social Behaviour/Inspectorate Unit

The Council is committed to investigating all reports of ASB and will take all preventative measures possible. All complaints are received in confidence by the ASB Unit.

A number of Tenant Induction Courses will be scheduled in 2025 for new developments.

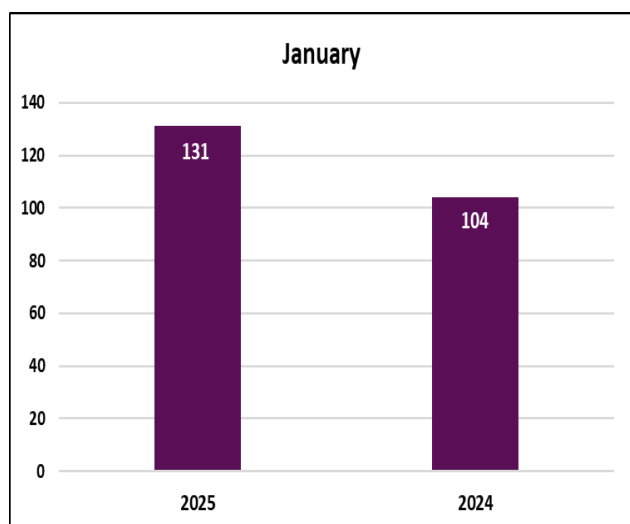
ASB Caseload Management

Complaints January 2025	Total	Active	Monitoring	Closed
Balbriggan	22	12	9	1
Rush / Lusk	13	8	3	2
Swords	26	14	5	7
Howth / Malahide	18	8	0	10
Blanchardstown / Mulhuddart	37	9	3	25
Ongar	14	5	3	6
Castleknock	1	0	0	1
Total	131	56	23	52

Surrenders on Estate Management Grounds 2025

Total number for January = **(5)**

Monthly Breakdown of January ASB Complaints Received 2025/2024



Anti-Social Behaviour Interventions

Interviews Held 2025	10
Interviews Held 2024	108
Tenancy Alerts 2025	1
Tenancy Alerts 2024	36
Tenancy Warnings 2025	0
Tenancy Warnings 2024	9

Inspectorate February 2025

Traveller Specific Site Inspections 2025	106
Traveller Specific Site Inspections 2024	2072
Housing Inspectors Report January 2025	575

Housing Ukraine Response and Vacant Homes

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, accommodation and policy changes for Ukrainian Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection are available on the following links

www.gov.ie/ukraine

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/9957c-designated-accommodation-centres-current-availability/>

The Council's Community Integration Forum continues to meet regularly to co-ordinate the response of the various statutory agencies and voluntary groups in the county to assist the Ukraine community and other new arrivals with the most recent meeting held on the 2nd December 2024. The forum meets again on the 11th February 2025. There is regular interaction among forum partners in between the bi-monthly meetings.

The Forum was originally tasked with assisting the Ukrainian Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection. However, considering Departmental guidance and the work of the Council's newly formed Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT) in assisting the target cohorts below the remit of the Forum has expanded to include

1. Applicants for International Protection (IP Applicants)
2. Those with Refugee, Subsidiary Protection, or Permission to Remain status
3. Programme Refugees
4. Beneficiaries of Temporary Accommodation (BOTPs).

The support provided by the Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT) is set out in this link

<https://www.fingal.ie/LocalAuthorityIntegrationTeam>

OfferAHome\ Pledge Accommodation

The monthly recognition payment is **€800** per month for vacant properties and **€800** to host a Ukraine person in your home. To pledge fully Vacant accommodation, please visit the national portal at <https://offerahome.ie> or for enquiries, e-mail offerahome@fingal.ie.

To pledge a room in your home, this can be done through the Irish Red Cross via www.redcross.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

The Vacant Homes Team continues to engage with owners of vacant properties to encourage owners to bring them back into use and advise of schemes that are available to assist this with on-going follow up of properties reported as vacant to the Council and those identified by way of survey.

The Vacant Homes Team commenced the statutory CPO process with respect to 3 vacant dwellings in 2024, one of which came back into occupation and An Bord Pleanála have confirmed the Compulsory Purchase Order on a second property. The Vacant Homes Team continue to engage with owners of vacant properties with a view to bringing vacant properties back into use. This work is on-going and will lead to the further vacant properties coming into occupancy.

The Croí Cónaithe Vacant Homes Refurbishment Grant Scheme is also in utilisation to address vacancy and dereliction and provide homes with increasing enquiries, applications, and grant approvals regarding the scheme.

Croí Cónaithe Vacant Homes Refurbishment Grant

This scheme was launched in July 2022. On the 1st May 2023, the scheme was further extended with the eligibility criteria allowing for properties built pre-2008 to qualify and grants increasing to €50k (vacant) and €70k (vacant and derelict). The expansion of the scheme allows for properties to be rented on the private rented market whereas previously the property had to be the applicant's principal private residence. **187** applications have been received since launch of the scheme. **10** new applications received in **January 2025** with additional applications expected in **Q1 2025** based on engagement with potential applicants. **126** applications are approved which equates to **€6.3m** in approved funding.

Promotion of the scheme is ongoing by the Vacant Homes Team. **6** information events were held to promote the scheme in 2024.

For enquiries on the scheme and other schemes to bring properties back into use, please contact the Council's Vacant Homes Office via e-mail at vacant.homes@fingal.ie. Vacant properties can also be reported to this address for investigation.

Recently Approved Grant Awards



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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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. This month the Community Development Office worked in partnership with a number of community groups and partners to support many projects/initiatives including.

Failte Isteach Donabate

Failte Isteach Donabate was established with the support of the FCC Community Development Department and the project has been selected to showcase the work of Failte Isteach nationally, at the upcoming Aontas Adult Educations awards in the Social Inclusion category. Tutor Helen Flaherty and Student Serhii Yanovskyi will be interviewed by Aontas to tell the story of their learning journey, since Sergey arrived in Donabate seeking temporary protection from the war in Ukraine in 2022.

Helen is one of its founding members. Failte Isteach Donabate takes place every Thursday in Donabate Portrane Community Centre where volunteer tutors support migrants and members of the international community with their conversational English skills. The project is now planning for its spring inclusion trip, in partnership with other north county failte projects and is open to new members each week.



Blakestown Drive and Coolmine Lodge CitiVerde Project

The Community Department were delighted to support Blakestown Drive Community Group at a tree planting event in Coolmine Therapeutic Centre. This event is part of the CitiVerde Project "Imagining an Urban Oasis," which Blakestown Drive have been working on for the past number of years. This first planting event of 2025 continues to deliver biodiverse rich wellness spaces in the form of stepping-stone Forests across Dublin 15. To date, the group have created a network of 5 forests and 10 ponds across D15. The Blakestown Drive Community group will also take part and represent Dublin 15 in the 2025 Pride of Place Awards later this year.



Community Outreach with new Fingal social housing tenants in Monastery Court, Lusk

The community office, in partnership with Lusk Cultural Centre facilitated a Meet your Neighbours community engagement event for the new residents of Monastery Court, a passive housing development in Lusk. The residents, who received the keys to their new homes before Christmas, met with the staff of the Cultural Centre and enjoyed a presentation on the centre and all activities and services available there and in the community of Lusk. The Community Office also addressed the event and will continue to work with the residents, who plan to attend an upcoming meeting, hosted by the Lusk Action Group, aimed at encouraging new residents' associations and community groups to establish in the town, with support from the Community Development Office and community organisations in Lusk.



Facilities Management Support

The Building Facilities Unit provides financial and management support to 35 community facilities across Fingal. The Unit also manages the Capital Works programme for the Community Development Office.

Meakstown Community Council

THE Community Office has met with Meakstown Community Council to review their activities in the past year and to plan for the work of the group into 2025. The group is excited to plan for the year ahead with a new community centre as a base to host local events.



Tyrellstown Community Centre



The first phase of remediation works carried out by ARUP on behalf of the Department of Education and Skills at Tyrellstown Community Centre, St Lukes National School and Tyrellstown Educate Together have reached completion. As part of the remediation works, the following upgrades were carried out at Tyrellstown Community Centre. MEP works (Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing) included induction loop upgrades on the fire alarm, lighting upgrades, PV solar Panels installed, new heat recovery units in new multipurpose room which will replace the existing small multipurpose space and a changing room, replacement fire doors, painting, CCTV upgrade, new exterior panels of the front of the building and set up for the proposed wood pellet burner to be installed when all three buildings have been refurbished. All remediation works and upgrades are funded by the Department of Education and Skills as part of the Schools Remediation Programme. The official hand over of the Community Centre to Fingal County Council will take place on the 4th of February. Groups will gradually start to return to the Community Centre from the evening of the 4th of February pending a successful hand over, with all groups and activities back in place from Monday 10th of February.

TradFest in Community Centres



The Community Facilities Engagement Team supported three Community Centres in hosting TradFest events in their centres over the weekend of 25th & 26th January. Balscadden Community Centre and Garristown Community Centre hosted Ceili's on Saturday 25th and continued with a Trad session of their own when the formal TradFest event closed. Laurel Lodge Castleknock hosted on Sunday 26th where it was standing room only.



Meakstown Community Centre Research

The Community Development Office received the first draft of the Meakstown Community Centre research in January. The draft report has been shared with the Board of Directors along with the research sub-committee. Meetings were held with the sub-committee and local board of management to gather feedback and suggestions. The feedback will be compiled and reported back to the research team with the final draft due to be completed by late February.

Community Centre Managers Network D15

On Thursday, the 23rd of January 2025, the D15 Community Centre Managers Network convened its inaugural meeting of the year to explore potential collaborations and initiatives for the forthcoming months. This local network serves as an indispensable resource for community centre managers, fostering a supportive environment that encourages cooperation, knowledge exchange, and access to valuable resources. The localised network is a platform for community centre managers to support their local community in the D15 area with the support of the community office. This network, provides a local support structure that fosters collaboration, sharing of best practices, and access to resource opportunities for those involved in managing community centres.

By connecting community centre managers within a local area, this network helps ensure that community centres are providing projects that meet the diverse needs of local residents. Regular meetings and workshops enable support, cross learning and the development of new skills, ultimately strengthening the impact of community centres in the D15 area.



Community Supports for Meakstown Community Centre

The Community Office is actively engaging with various community partners to promote the delivery of services and supports at Meakstown Community Centre. Organisations including Crosscare, Barnardos, and CDET B have expressed interest in offering programmes designed for both adults and young people in the area.

By facilitating connections between these groups and the local community, the community centre will be better equipped to meet the diverse needs of all residents.



Interagency

The Community Development Office actively seek to work in collaboration with agencies to maximise service delivery and resources to communities across Fingal.

Balbriggan Diversity Forum

The Community Office, in conjunction with the Our Balbriggan Integration & Inclusion pillar took part in the inaugural meeting of the Balbriggan Diversity pillar, convened by An Garda Siochana. The forum represents all minority groups in Balbriggan and is intended to provide a forum for positive interactions with community policing and community safety in the town. The Community Office will encourage and support local groups and projects to positively interact with the forum on issues of community safety and with a view to making sure all voices are heard on this important issue in Balbriggan.



Thrive Balbriggan

The Community Development Office is delighted to continue supporting Thrive Balbriggan who have been shortlisted for the LAMA awards under the Best Mental Health category. Their project: Great Places & Spaces Wellbeing Map is one of the many initiatives designed and delivered by Thrive Balbriggan which was launched in 2021 with the aim to create a happier and healthier community of Balbriggan.



An evening of Inspiration – Overcoming challenges with David Gillick, will take place in the Lark, Balbriggan, on Wednesday 26th February at 7.30pm supported by Fingal County Council and Thrive Balbriggan.

Age Friendly Fingal

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

Fingal Age Friendly Strategy 2025-2029

Following consultations with older people and key stakeholders throughout Fingal, the consultants engaged to develop the Strategy are in the process of identifying actions to address challenges faced by older people. The proposed actions together with the lead and supporting partners will be presented to the Age Friendly Alliance at their next meeting. Once agreed, the Strategy will be presented to the Council for approval.

Fingal PPN



Líonra Rannpháirtíochta Phoiblí Fhine Gall
Public Participation Network Fingal

Fingal Public Participation Network (PPN) is a network of community, voluntary, social inclusion and environmental organisations, working to build a better county for the community of Fingal.

PPN members are being encouraged to take part in consultations such as Fingal County Outdoor Recreation Plan Consultation Survey, Clonsilla Framework Plan and Fingal's Litter Management Plan for 2025-2027.

The January PPN Secretariat meeting will take place on 29th January in Civic Offices, Swords where new applications for memberships to the PPN will be considered.

Integration Office

Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT)

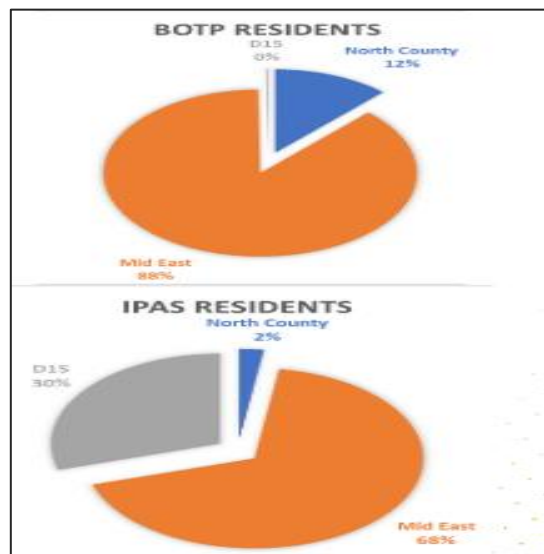
The role of the Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT) is to provide ongoing integration supports to International Protection (IP) applicants, Programme Refugees and Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection (BOTP) to enable them to live independently in the community.

The LAIT continue to host clinics across the three geographical areas of North County, Mid-East, Dublin 15 in IPAS Accommodation Centres and Designated Accommodation Centres (DAC).

The latest accommodation statistics have been provided by the LGMA (Local Government Management Agency) and UCTAT (Ukrainian Crisis Temporary Accommodation Team).

Geographical Area	BOTP Residents	IPAS Residents
North County	70	57
Mid-East	509	1655
Dublin 15	1	724
Total	580	2436

A further breakdown of total population percentages can be seen in the graphs below:



The integration office provided funding to support Integration events and initiatives for both IPA and BOTP cohorts as follows:

Balbriggan Integration Forum - to enable them to exhibit their Demystifying Integration Campaign
Ukrainian Volunteers of Ireland - to showcase their Older and Wiser Group.

Fingal Ukraine Volunteer Support Group - to host St Nicolas Day which provided activities for 100 children.

Children for World Children - to celebrate Mediterranean Day.

Ukrainian Volunteers of Ireland Showcasing Older and Wiser Group

The team attended the Older and Wiser showcasing event in Blanchardstown, which featured a vibrant showcase of Ukrainian culture, including traditional food, song and creative art display.



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R132 Blakes Cross to Quickpenny Lane

Works on the R132 have been complete with the Contractor carrying out some of the snagging items along the route. The final lining and road markings have been applied. The installation of the bollards and lane separators provide protection to the vulnerable road users. The periodic speed limit signs that were installed and are operational during the set times are proving to have the desired effect in controlling traffic speeds.

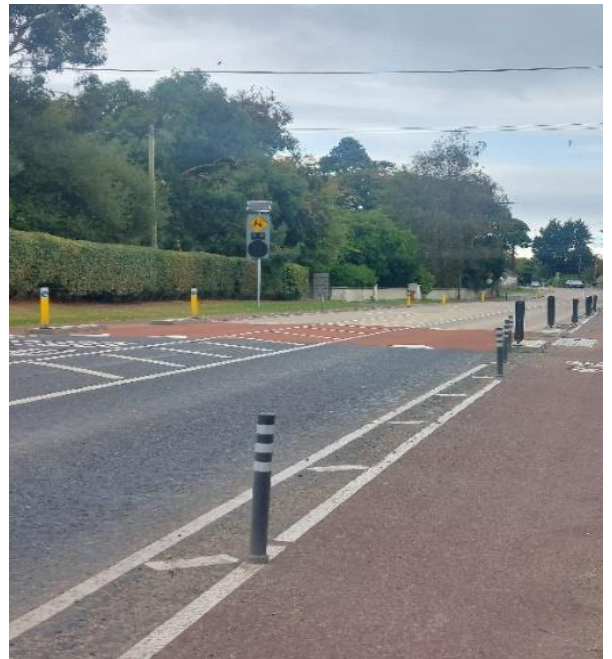
An Garda Síochána traffic division have been active along the route, and this has helped improve driver behaviour and speed control. Kilhedge Lane Quiet Zone is a welcome link back to Lusk and is a safer space for pedestrians and wheelers.

A full cleaning of the scheme has been undertaken in the last week. An independent Road Safety Audit is underway and nearing completion.

During this project consideration has been given to the views of the local farming community and hauliers which informed the final design. Driver behaviour has changed, and it is notable the speed has reduced along this regional road and at the school zone.

A final walk through of the project was conducted with the design consultant, main contractor, Active Travel project team and members of Fingal's Operations Department which have been addressed.

The final requirements for handover of the completed scheme to the Operations Department is currently underway and is expected to occur in the next few weeks.



Enabling works have been completed to provide connectivity from Paddy's Hill Car Park to St. Helen's Junior School and Limetree Avenue. This included tree surgeon works, footpath works, new access points to the school, ramps, table-top crossings, dropped kerbs and ramps on the carriageway on Paddy's Hill.

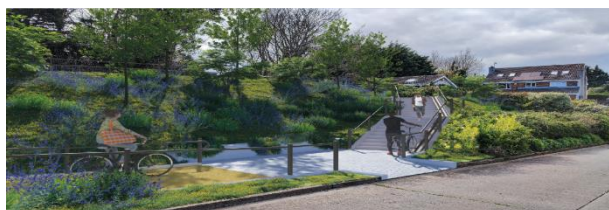
The indicative study area for the Paddy's Hill to Broomfield scheme is outlined below.



Seapark Hill to Old Golf Course Link Park

A temporary footpath was constructed in December 2023, to provide safe access from Seapark Hill to the Old Golf Links site and paths through the park, providing safe connectivity to Seamount Heights. The Developer on the Seamount Road side has recently reopened the access, which is now through the new development, linking Seamount Road to the temporary footpath in Seapark Hill.

The design brief and tender documents have been prepared for the permanent link, and negotiations with the single-party framework operator are ongoing. Once negotiations are complete, it is intended to publish this tender to progress this project from the design phases through to completion.



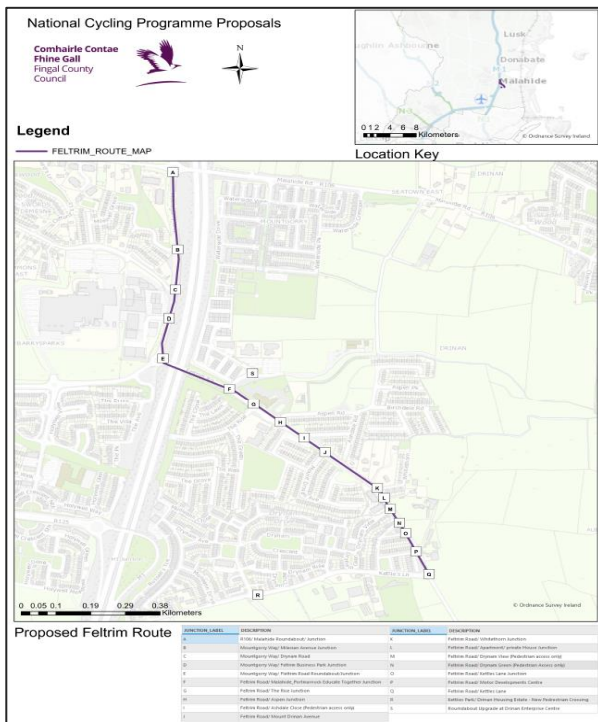
Feltrim Road Cycle Infrastructure

The webpage for the Feltrim Road Active Travel Project is kept updated with latest developments and is located here: <https://www.fingal.ie/activetravel/Feltrim>.

The baseline topographical and traffic surveys have been completed. An initial non-statutory consultation took place in the Riasc Centre on Thursday 28 November, and a draft consultation report (including processing of survey results) has been received from the consultant.

The consultant has carried out information gathering and the project has progressed to the 'Options Development' Stage. This stage is currently programmed to run to the end of Q1, 2025, with preliminary design to commence thereafter.

The route of the Feltrim cycle scheme is shown on the map below, commencing at Kettles Lane, along the Feltrim Road to Mountgorry Way and on up to the Swords Road Roundabout. The study area is from the Mountgorry Way/Swords Road roundabout via Mountgorry Way and Feltrim Road, tying into the Feltrim Road/Kettle's Lane junction. This map outlines the route of the proposed improved active travel infrastructure with the addition of a pedestrian crossing facility to be provided at/near the entrance to Kettles Park on Kettles Lane, and treatment of the three roundabouts at Swords Road/Mountgorry Way, Mountgorry Way/Feltrim Road, and Drinan Enterprise Centre/Liam Rogers Centre/MPETSS.



A further site meeting was held with a representative from Meath County Council where this scheme will link with the Dunboyne to Clonee active travel scheme. A workshop was recently held with the NTA who provided feedback on the emerging preferred option. Gateway approval has now been granted to enable the project to proceed to preliminary design. A stage 1 road safety audit is about to commence, and environmental & appropriate screening is underway.

Castleknock to Dunsink Lane

A non-statutory public consultation on the scheme has closed and all submissions have been collated and reviewed. There have been a number of changes to the preliminary design due to the submissions received. These changes were presented to the BMCO area committee in December. The public consultation report has now been published online and is being communicated over social media. Gateway 4 approval has been received and detailed design has commenced. Tenders have taken place in January for tree removal works and associated new tree planting. This work is due to take place in February.

BMCO Area:

Snugborough Road - NAC to Ongar

The preliminary design phase is ongoing. The consultant has received the stage 1 road safety audit on the emerging preferred option. The drawings have been updated taking this audit into account. Stakeholder engagement continues with the Bus Connects project team for a new signalised junction at Waterville which is now constructed. A draft preliminary design report has been issued to the Active Travel Unit with comments sent back. Draft screening reports have been issued with feedback sent back to the ecologist. Further updates will be provided over the coming months, through this report and at ACM level.

Clonee to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre

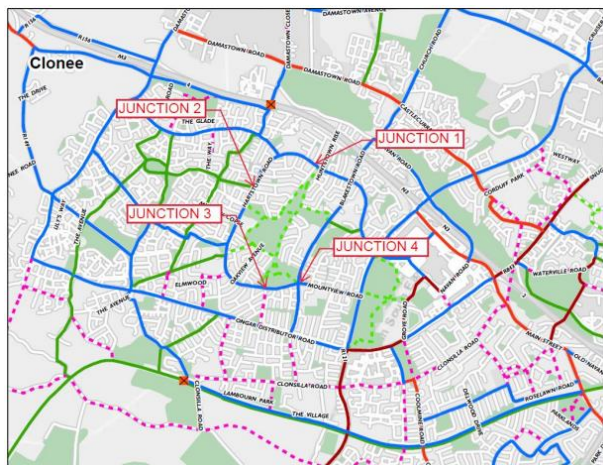
All data collection has been collated and has informed the initial development of the options report. Initial discussions have taken place with local landowners and site meetings have taken place.



Hartstown/Huntstown/Mountview Road

Fingal County Council are progressing on finalising the design for roundabout and junction upgrades. Improvements to 2 signalised junctions at Hartstown Road/Hartstown Link Road and at Hartstown Road/Mountview Road with Blakestown Road/Shelerin Road are planned along with 2 roundabouts at the junction of Huntstown Way with Ashfield Way/Huntstown Park and at the junction of Huntstown Way with Castlewood.

A stage 1 road safety audit has been completed and draft environmental screening reports have been issued to the Active Travel team for comment.



Castleknock to Blanchardstown via Farmleigh

The feasibility study has started, and traffic and drone surveys have taken place. A topographical survey has been completed and has been issued to the designers to inform the study. Feasibility and route options are currently being discussed between the design team and Active Travel.

Towns & Villages

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

New Street

Judicial Review proceedings challenging the Part 8 approval for the Public Realm Improvements are ongoing.



Balrothery Active Travel Plan

The webpage for the Active Travel Plan for Balrothery is kept updated with latest developments, and is located here:

<https://www.fingal.ie/activetravel/balrothery>

A newsletter, Engagement Summary Report and live survey are currently available on this webpage.

A draft Active Travel Plan was presented to the public during a non-statutory consultation event in the Heritage Centre on the 20 November, 2024. The Active Travel Plan is currently being finalised, and a preferred approach is emerging. After the plan is finalised, the options development phase is currently scheduled to commence during Q1, 2025.

Skerries Active Travel Plan.

The Project Team together with the Consultant are working through the process and data collection and surveys. The information collected and collated as part of the public consultation will guide the team with the initial concepts and ideas for Skerries Active Travel Plan. We are planning to have our initial concepts and ideas prepared in Q1 2025 so that we can engage with the local representatives and present the concepts.

The initial baseline report has been completed. Traffic and Parking surveys have been conducted in Q4 2024. A report outlining a Long List of Options will be generated by the consultant and the Active Travel Department.

Skerries Harbour Road & Red Island Loop:

This project has gone through full non-statutory consultation with the local stakeholders in advance of progressing Part 8 process. The project team had engaged M-CO Communication Consultants to assist with the non-statutory stakeholder engagement and help manage a number of local engagement events and workshops with residents, businesses and other local groups throughout September 2024.



Feedback received from the stakeholders has been reviewed and considered by the project team which has resulted in some changes and amendments in the overall design. The team are working to provide a full report on the non-statutory consultation. The Consultation process was well received and proved a very informative process for everyone involved including the wider community.

The Project Team will be briefing the local Cllr's in advance of going to Part 8 in Q1 of 2025.



Connectivity/Permeability

We are continuing to receive various requests for Permeability and Connectivity improvements from various stakeholders across the county. 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. Several projects identified through this process are being developed through the design phases for execution on the ground.

Other projects are being progressed in the areas at either design or construction stage. These Connectivity and Permeability improvements are being delivered in cooperation with our Operations Department. These projects will enhance local communities and provide improved walking and cycling infrastructure within the county.

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:

The tender assessment process is currently being finalised, and it is envisaged that a contractor will be appointed in February 2025. Works on the project will commence soon after subject to availability of the successful contractor.

Wild Cat Lane:

Connectivity improvement works will be undertaken along Wild Cat Lane in Skerries over the first two weeks in February. These works will consist of public realm improvements along the laneway to provide a pleasant and appealing active travel route to Realt na Mara NS in Skerries.

The project team are liaising closely with local stakeholders to ensure the scheme meets the needs of the intended users.

Balgriffin Park Shared Pedestrian and Cycle Path:

Works are complete at this connectivity piece which provides a shared pedestrian and cycle path from the county boundary with Dublin City on Balgriffin Park, to the junction with the R123.

This provides a pedestrian and cycling connection for many dwellings on/near Balgriffin Park to the newly constructed pedestrian and cycling facilities on the R123.



Howth Summit Inn to Bus Stop 567:

Dropped kerbs with tactile paving have been provided on the route between the Summit Inn and Bus Stop 567. This work has been completed.



Offington, Howth:

Junction tightening and provision of tactile paving is complete at three junctions in Offington, Howth. This will slow turning movements by motorised vehicles while providing a shorter crossing distance for pedestrians and other vulnerable road users. Newly landscaped areas have also been provided. The works and snagging are now complete.



Donabate Permeability - Phase 1:

This project involves the provision of a walking and cycling path in Beverton open space. The footpaths from the end of the cul de sacs in Turvey Green, Turvey Drive and Turvey Woods will be extended into the Beverton open space to join the new pathway being provided in the green open space.

A Non-Statutory Consultation is open to residents and locals in the Donabate area to provide observations on Phase 1 of this project. The consultation period will run from Friday 20 December 2024 until 23.59hrs Friday 31 January 2025.



<https://maps.app.goo.gl/MpYTPWvURvnoBCoP7>
[Donabate Permeability - Phase 1 | Fingal County Council Online Consultation Portal](#)

Secure Bicycle Parking Infrastructure

A number of locations across the county are being reviewed to increase the number of bicycle parking facilities across the county. Further works are planned in Swords in Q1 2025.

Safe Routes to School

Round 1 - Tranche 1

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

All works are complete for this project.

Castaheany ETNS / St.Benedict's NS

All works are complete for this project.

Bayside Junior & Senior School

All works are complete for this project.

Round 1 - Tranche 2

The works contractor for the Safe Routes to School Tranche 2 contract is making great progress at each of the four 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.

Ladyswell National School, Mulhuddart

Works are now complete at Ladyswell NS. Junction tightening has taken place at a number of locations in Dromheath estate along with new tactile paving. Footpaths have been widened across green open space and ducting has been installed for new public lighting.

The road surface outside the school has been upgraded and a new coloured surface has been laid to further highlight the school zone.



Ladyswell NS, Dromheath Gardens

Scoil Ghráinne Community NS, Hansfield

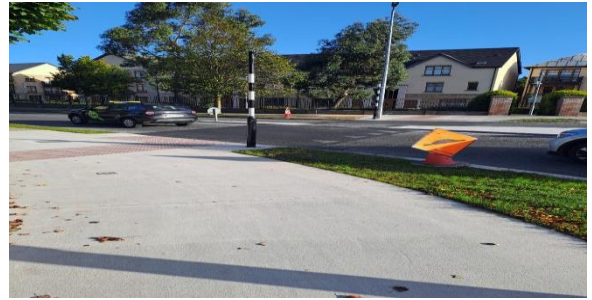
The Contractor is now in the final stages of delivery for this school's works. All footpath repairs, new bus parking area, bollard installation, new zebra crossing, road resurfacing works are now complete. The final outstanding works include the laying of coloured epoxy resin has now been completed.



Scoil Ghráinne CNS

Scoil Choilm Community NS, Porterstown

Works are complete at Scoil Choilm where 3 new zebra crossings have been installed at various locations to make it safer for both pedestrians and cyclists. All bollards are now installed with protected kerbs included at the busy 4 arm junction.



Scoil Choilm CNS

Pope John Paul II NS, Malahide

Substantial Completion for the Safe Routes to School project at Pope John Paul II National School, Malahide, was achieved in December 2024. The proposed resurfacing works are scheduled to follow shortly, with anti-skid works planned in the coming weeks.

Safe Routes to School Round 2

- An Taisce has announced Round 2 of the Safe Routes to School Programme. Fingal County Council, as the client, has appointed Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates as the Project Supervisor for the Design Process (PSDP) in compliance with Regulation 6 of the Safety, Health, and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2013, for the following Fingal schools selected:
- St Helen's SNS, Limetree Avenue, Portmarnock, Co. Dublin
- Scoil Bhríde, Cailíní & Buachaillí, Church Avenue, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15
- St Colmcille's Girls NS, Chapel Lane, Swords, Co. Dublin
- Holy Family JNS, Forest Fields, Swords, Co Dublin

As part of the scope of works, **Murphy Geospatial** are currently on-site conducting topographical surveys.

The Drynam Heath Quiet Street

Project is focused on identifying and addressing potential road safety issues during the preliminary design phase. The primary objectives of the project include enhancing pedestrian and cyclist safety, reducing traffic speeds, and ensuring accessibility for all road users. To support these goals, consultants have been hired to conduct a comprehensive Road Safety Audit (RSA), as well as an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA).

Rush National School:

Active Travel together with Rush National School will be implementing a school street during February 2025. The contractor will be undertaking the bollard installation over the next two weeks with a view to commencing the operation of the school street after Training and supports has been put in place.

Mobility & Behaviour Change

Walking and Cycling Buses

Walking buses have started again and we are looking forward to working with more schools and parents in 2025. Our goal is to increase the number of walking and cycling buses in Fingal.



Learn2Cycle with a Disability

Learn2Cycle with a Disability lessons are off to a flying start this January! Three courses are now running, and we are using a new venue, the Liam Rodgers Community Centre Drynan.

The current courses are as follows:

Fridays- Fingal Liam Rodgers Centre from 4pm – 6pm

Mondays – Flemington Community Centre from 4pm – 6pm

Saturdays- Corduff Sports Centre from 12pm – 1pm.

A full list of 2025 Courses is available on our website

<https://www.fingal.ie/activetravel/mobility/learn2cycle>

With over 40 courses planned for 2025, it promises to be a very busy year.



Picker Pals & Fingal Active Travel

The Active Travel Unit is excited to announce a collaboration with the environmental organization Picker Pals. Together, we are developing engaging communication materials to promote sustainable transport among schoolchildren in a fun and interactive way. These materials will include games, posters, and photo boards, designed to capture children's interest and spread awareness.

We recently met with some of the Picker Pals reporters to discuss the benefits of active travel <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h34UdMx6GZI>

There are also plans to use these resources to further engage with schools and parents, reinforcing the message of sustainability and encouraging active travel habits in the community.

Bleper Lease E-Bike for Staff

The Bleper lease bike trial is available for staff based in Blanchardstown. Staff of FCC can avail of a free trial of Bleper LeaseBike, with the trial lasting from four weeks (with potential to extend, depending on level of demand).

- Choose from a folding e-bike or trekking e-bike- see example images below.
- Starts from mid-February 2025.
- Staff must collect the bike from the Blanchardstown Civic Offices, and return the bike to the same location at the end of the trial.

For more information, please email emma.court@fingal.ie

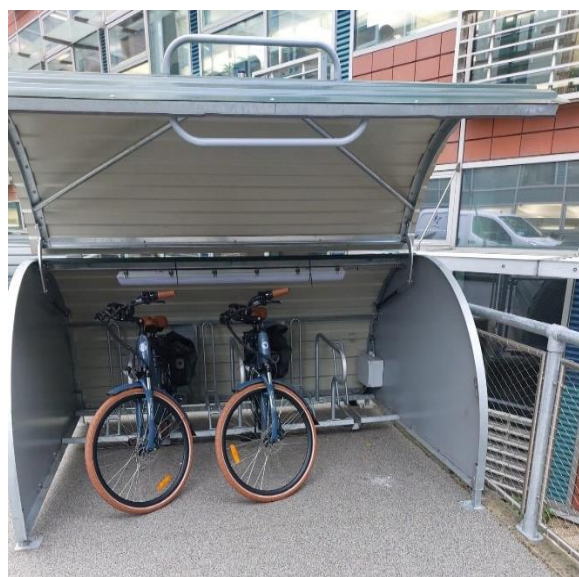


Staff Pooled Bikes

The new staff pooled bike scheme was launched in Swords, County Hall in December with two eBikes available through the Bleper Bike App. To sign up for shared eBikes

- Email Building Facilities for Bike Bunker access
- Download the Bleper App
- Register with your FCC email
- Search 'My Private Scheme'
- Enter Scheme name: 'Fingal Staff Bikes'
- Await the confirmation from Bleper

The bikes are available from the middle Bike Bunker in Swords, and we plan to have the two bikes available in the Civic Offices, Blanchardstown in January 2025. For more information, please email active.travel@fingal.ie



HER Move TY Girls Cycling Course

The Active Travel Unit, in collaboration with Cycling Ireland, is excited to bring the HER Move cycling course, as a pilot course in Fingal. The program aims to equip Transition Year (TY) girls with essential cycling skills, while also providing an opportunity to develop videography and photography skills. Participants will learn how to safely navigate on bikes, while also capturing their journey through media, making for an engaging and educational experience.



The course will not only help students develop cycling proficiency but will also empower them to tell the story of their experience through creative media, fostering confidence, teamwork, and leadership. We are scheduling in the course and hope to run it in the next academic term.

Sofa to Saddle March 2025

Two new Sofa to Saddle courses are starting in March 2025, and will be held in Catherines Park and Newbridge House.

Sofa to Saddle is a 6-week course run by Age & Opportunity and The Active Travel Section of Fingal County Council. The goal of the course is to get people over 50 years of age back cycling. These courses have proven to be hugely popular.

The course will help participants to relearn the basics of cycling independently, focusing on balance, bike control, gearing and braking.

The course is free to take part in, but registering is vital as places are limited.

Course dates below:

Tuesday 18th March in Newbridge House from 11am to 12:30pm.

Wednesday 19th March in St Catherine's Park from 11am to 12:30pm

For more information, please email active.travel@fingal.ie

Cycling Courses 2025

In addition to the Learn 2 Cycle with a Disability Courses we have a full range of other courses planned for 2025. These range from Balance Bike Buddies for toddlers right up to our very successful Sofa to Saddle Course for older adults. The full list of dates and venues will be circulated to Councillors in January 2025.



Old Irish Goat Herder eCargo Bike

In January, the Active Travel Unit provided Katie, the Goat Herder, with an e-cargo bike to support her daily operations. The bike was specifically chosen for its ability to handle rough terrain, its powerful motor, and its capacity to carry a suitable cargo load. Katie uses the bike to deliver supplies for the goats while promoting a sustainable mode of transport.

We plan to follow up with Katie soon to learn how she and the goats are adapting to this innovative solution.





Dunsink Observatory eCargo Bike

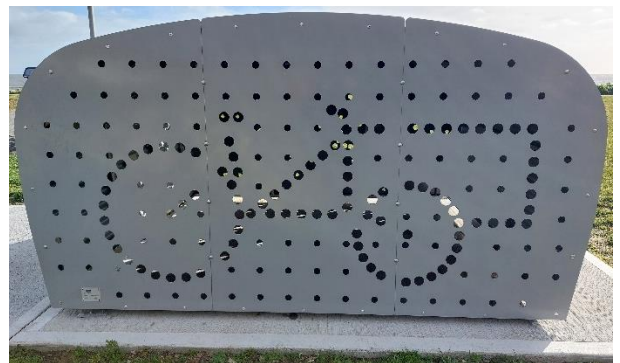


Dunsink Observatory became the newest member of our eCargo Bike Trials, recently taking possession of a new Dolly eCargo front loader cargo bike for work around the campus as well as travelling to their other campuses around the city. If you have a community group or small business who would be interested in taking part in the trials, please contact active.travel@fingal.ie



Public Shared eCargo Bike

We have extended the Dublin 15 eCargo Bike Share scheme with Bleeper Bike for another 12 months. The bike has been relocated to Laurel Lodge where it is available to hire through Bleeper Bike.



Wheelchair Tandem Bike Service

The Wheelchair Tandem Bike will be available free of charge to the public and training in how to use it and operate the Bike Bunker will be provided.

The Bike is a unique and innovative bicycle designed to be a tandem vehicle for individuals with mobility impairments. It combines a wheelchair with a tandem bike, allowing the person in the wheelchair to participate in cycling activities with another cyclist.

This type of bicycle offers an opportunity for individuals with disabilities to experience the outdoors, get exercise, and engage in cycling activities in a way that wouldn't be possible on a traditional bike.

If you'd like more information, email cyclingwithoutage@fingal.ie and we'll get back to you.

Cycling Without Age

The Cycling Without Age initiative will launch from Malahide Castle in January 2025. The Trishaw will be co-located with the Wheelchair Tandem Bike and be available to book by emailing Cyclingwithoutage@fingal.ie and requesting a trip.

We are on the lookout for new volunteers in the Malahide area. If you would be interested in signing up or getting more information, please email stephen.mcgin@fingal.ie



Staff Lunch & Learn Sessions

As part of staff engagement work, we held a staff lunch and learn session in Swords with the Bike Hub on Wednesday 4th December at 1pm in Blanchardstown. The session provided attendees with a great insight into cycling in the colder, darker winter months. We look forward to more sessions like this in 2025.

Skerries Community Car

The Skerries Community Car is available to book for local trips to the doctors, pharmacist, shops and for social occasions. This volunteer led scheme is vital for fighting social isolation and a valuable service to the people of the Skerries and the surrounding areas.

The car has completed over 30 trips in December, helping people get to everything from visits to the shops to trips to mass.

To book the service or to sign up as a volunteer simply call Flexibus on 046 9074830 or email flexibus@locallinklmf.ie



Car Share Schemes

There are three car share providers operating in Fingal. Go Car, Yuko and Drive You. Between them, they are helping to reduce the number of private vehicles on our roads and contributing to lower emissions.

Month	Number of Trips	Number of Shared KMs
August	1802	166,577km
September	1713	142,466km
October	1724	145,767km
November	1479	105,383km

Community eCargo Bikes

The Active Travel unit have been promoting the Community eCargo Bike initiative and are receiving applications from interested community groups. We are looking forward to providing more community groups with cargo bikes in 2025.

We have partnered with various Tidy Towns Groups, Picker Pals, Dunsink Observatory, The Old Irish Goat Herders as well as our own Operations Team in Newbridge House and The Mayor of Fingal. The bikes have been a valuable asset for the groups and have replaced countless journeys by motor vehicle. We are keen to expand the programme in 2025 and are interested in hearing from Community Groups and small businesses who wish to apply, interested groups can email active.travel@fingal.ie

Bleeper Bike

From 1 December a new operating zone came into effect in Fingal. The model will focus on Community Hubs, placing bikes at key locations close to where people are starting their commutes.



The addition of these new zones will lead to more structured and better parking habits by users and will also increase rebalancing times by Bleeper.

The new service saw the introduction of the Fingal Pass. This pass gives residents of Fingal their first 30 minutes of every Bleeper trip for free. There have been nearly 100 sign ups to the Fingal Pass to date. After 30 minutes users will be charged the standard rental fee of €0.04 per minute and €0.02 per minute while a trip is paused. The new service will also see the number of available Bleeper Bikes in Fingal rise from 125 to 150 vehicles.

Bleeper Bike Monthly Report

635 Bleeper bike journeys started within Fingal operating zone in November
617 bike journeys ended within existing Fingal operating zone
Sundays (17%) and Saturdays (15.9%) recorded the highest usage
Howth, Sutton and Castleknock were the most popular starting points.
Estimated emissions avoided: 157kg of CO2

Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall Fingal County Council

ECARGO BIKES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

- Who is eligible?**
 All Community Groups and small businesses who rely on motor vehicles to undertake their daily tasks and deliveries are eligible to apply
- What is the Scheme?**
 The Active Travel Section in Fingal will provide your group with an eCargo bike for a 12 month period.
- How to Apply?**
 Simply email active.travel@fingal.ie with your group name and we will contact you with more details.
- What are you responsible for?**
 Your group will be responsible for storing your bike in a secure, weather proof location and will be required to send in monthly usage reports.
- What type of bikes are available?**
 We have a range of eCargo Bikes. They include; open box front loaders, three wheelers, closed box front loaders and longtail eCargo bikes.

www.fingal.ie

Bike Share Schemes



TIER eBike Update

Tier are in the process of removing the last of their bikes from service in the Fingal area. They hope to have a full withdrawal by December 20. If you come across a Tier bike in your area after this time, please email support@tier.app and report the location.

Tier eBike Monthly Report

280 Tier eBike journeys started within Fingal operating zone in December
35 Active Vehicles were operational in Fingal in December.
101 customers used a Tier eBike in December
The average journey length was 3.1km for a total of 10.12mins

ENVIRONMENT

CLIMATE ACTION

Climate Action Plan Implementation team

The CAPIT, a multi departmental senior committee, met in Dec 2024 to review the implementation of the CAP

Reporting on Climate Action Plan

Climate Action Team began collating reports on the implementation of the actions in the Fingal CAP and preparing 2024 LGMA Key Performance Indicators report on the Fingal CAP of the Climate Action Plan.

Our Balbriggan- Sustainability, Climate Action and Biodiversity Pillar

The Climate Team contributed to the development of the Sustainability, Climate Action and Biodiversity Pillar Action Plan.



Climate Action Training

Climate action team attended Climate Action Work Engagement and Communications Training event, facilitated by DCU trainers.

Climate Stories

Climate action Projects across the various service department of Fingal County Council are being compiled into a searchable map and database

CLIMATE ACTION AWARENESS

The Environment team, working together with VOICE Ireland are delighted to welcome VYTAL on board to help with the roll-out of the Pilot 'Fingal Coffee Cup Project' which will launch in Malahide and Rush during this year's Climate Action Week.

Vytal is Ireland's first digital platform for reusable takeaway packaging. They are on a mission to make reusables the new standard for takeaway packaging with a scalable, deposit-free reuse system.



The Environment team continue to work with key stakeholders to ensure buy-in from local businesses for this sustainable initiative which will be a great example of Circular Economy.

Workshops will be held in the coming weeks for all retailers who currently sell coffee in single use plastic cups to encourage them to sign up to the initiative which intends to remove single use coffee cups from circulation in both towns at the end of the 6-month pilot.



COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION FINGAL

Projects funded under Community Climate Action Fingal have been progressing. The Millbank Theatre in Rush had solar PV installed, the old clubhouse at Ballyboughal GAA had windows and doors replaced offering better conditions for the club members and a quality building structure. Donabate Portrane Community Centre has installed vegetable growing beds and has purchased a bike repair station for installation.

Weekly fashion upcycling sessions will be starting there using five sewing machines purchased for that purpose. Turvey Allotments has completed their projects including an off-grid solar system for charging garden tools, rainwater harvesting systems for the allotment holders, reusable seed trays and a composting system for the site.

The Community Climate Action Officer is visiting new potential applicants in Fingal for the next round of funding will be expected to be announced in the coming months. Community groups and non-profit organisations are provided with guidance and assistance in preparing for the application process. The following have been assisted recently: Sophia Housing Donabate, St Michael's House, Donabate Scouts, Baldoyle Racecourse Community Garden, Tennis clubs, GAA clubs and North County Cricket Club in Balrothery. All non-profit groups are encouraged to have a look at details of the Community Climate Action Fingal grants [Community Climate Action Fingal | Fingal County Council](#)

Water Quality

Having completed a review of the environmental performance of Section 4 licensees in 2024, Fingal County Council carried out 4 audits of Section 4 licensees in January 2025.

Each audit included an administrative review of the licensee's performance in terms of its licence conditions compliance followed by an on-site inspection of the wastewater treatment system and discharge to waters serving the activity.

Each licensee is advised of the identified non-compliances which require address, and which are also detailed in the audit findings report issued to each licensee after the audit has been completed.

Fingal County Council will continue to audit more Section 4's in 2025 and is also considering reviewing some of the Section 4 licences were deemed necessary to do so.

Farm inspections

Additional resources have been allocated to farm inspections under the good agricultural practice regulations in order to meet the EPA target for 2025. The Environment Department were invited to the Irish Farmers Association Dublin Branch AGM to discuss the farm inspections.

Litter Management

The Litter Wardens started 2025 by dealing with large amounts of littering and dumping. All the bring banks in the Fingal area were inspected daily to ensure that there was no dumping. Any evidence found was dealt with under the Litter Pollution Acts.



They reported any dumping and littering to the Operations division for removal and took enforcement action as required where evidence was found. They also followed up on witness statements submitted by Fingal citizens.



At this time of year muck on the roads from building developments and farming activities is continually monitored by Litter warden. They call to sites and ensure that the roads are being kept clean of muck and that the building sites have a road sweeper in operation.



The Litter wardens continue to raise awareness of the issue of dog fouling on beaches, pathways, road by targeting hot spots for dog fouling and highlight the impact dog fouling has on the environment and the responsibilities of dog ownership. Anti dog fouling signs are erected in areas where complaints are received.



The Litter Warden conducted walking patrols, engaged with business regarding their responsibilities to keep outside their premises clean and free of litter. They also checked to see if any issues have arisen for the Operations crews, and they carried out inspections and followed up with fines/warning notice if evidence found.

The Litter Warden also investigated reports of abandoned cars, taking photographs, and updating the litter app and the CRM system.

Month	Fines	Warning Notices
January	21	1

The Litter Management section received numerous complaints regarding litter enforcement and **the following cases were assigned to the Litter Warden under the CRM system.**

CRMs January 2025	Amount
Fly tipping 1-20 bags Equivalent	6
Dumping – 20 bags Equivalent	3
General Litter Issue	22
Muck on road	5
Abandoned cars	23
Inspection of bring banks	351
Inspection of dumping black spots	293
Unauthorised signage	5
Env Miscellaneous	1
Dog fouling reports	5
Littering at bottle banks	3
Request for Dog fouling signs	3
Walking patrols	4
Councillor rep inspection	3

ABANDONED CARS

There were 470 reports of alleged Abandoned Vehicles received in 2024. Burnt-out vehicles are also reported to the Environment Department.

In January 2025 there have been reports of 24 alleged abandoned vehicles, all of which are being investigated.

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
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Information on Abandoned Vehicles can be found on the Fingal County Council website: <https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/abandoned-vehicles>

	Abandoned Vehicles Lifted		Burnt out Vehicles Lifted	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
January	0	0	6	0
February	2		0	
March	2		3	
April	2		0	
May	0		0	
June	1		0	
July	0		0	
August	0		0	
September	0		0	
October	0		0	
November	0		0	
December	0		1	
	7		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 byelaws and Beach and Foreshore byelaws. 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 do not do door-to-door licence checks on the run up to Christmas but will recommence in mid-January. 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 to 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.

There were 10 x 10 Day Notices, and 3 Fines issued by the dog wardens during January 2025.

Month	10 Day Notices		Fines Issued		Fines Paid	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
January	217	10	20	3	€1997.50	€550
February	297		38		€2135	
March	234		40		€2525	
April	277		35		€2073	
May	408		38		€2420	
June	247		58		€2180	
July	29		88		€3550	
August	15		52		€4600	
September	29		23		€2919.70	
October	15		13		€2321	
November	104		19		€2185	
December	0		5		€1700	
TOTAL	1872	10	429	3	€30,606.20	€550

Dog Licences and Fines

The below table shows the number of annual and lifetime licences purchased during January 2025 in comparison with the same months in 2024. 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 fine.

Month	Annual Licences Purchased		Lifetime Licences Purchased		Income from Licences	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
January	1078	843	87	54	€33,740	€24,420
February	1010		62		€28,880	€
March	810		58		€24,320	€
April	918		64		€27,320	€
May	1193		90		€36,460	€
June	1045		87		€33,080	€
July	843		49		€23,720	€
August	865		67		€26,680	€
September	762		47		€21,820	€
October	804		65		€25,180	€
November	654		46		€19,520	€
December	310		20		€9000	€
Total for year	10,292	843	742	54	€309,720	€24,420

We will continue to advertise the requirement for dog owners to hold a licence for their dogs on social media platforms.

Does your dog have a licence?

Purchase at any Post Office or online at [licences.ie](https://www.fingal.ie/licences)

Annual Licence Fee: €20.00. Lifetime Licence €140.00.

Failure to purchase a licence can result in on-the-spot fine of €100 or court prosecution and fine of €1,270

The Animal Welfare Section received 22 complaints in relation to dogs from 1st of Jan 2025 to 29th Jan 2025.

Service	No of complaints per service from 1 st of Jan 2025 to 29 th of Jan 2025
Env - Dog Fine Appeal	1
Env - Dog on Dog Attack	1
Env - Dog on Person Attack	2
Env - Dog warden assistance, garda request	0
Env - Pollution - Issue with Dog	11
Env - Restricted Breed Dog	5
Env - Surrendered Dog	1
Env- Stray Dog	8
Grand Total	29

XL Bully Legislation



From October 1st, 2024, new regulations prohibit the importing, breeding, selling, and re-homing of XL Bully type dogs and from February 1st, 2025, it will be illegal to own an XL Bully type dog without a 'Certificate of Exemption' issued by the local authority in which the dog resides. This certificate of exemption will be unique to each XL Bully type dog and owner and will specify the dog's licence details, microchip details, neutering details, age and description. It will also specify the dog owner's name, address, date of birth and contact number. Owners may be required to present their Certificate of Exemption to a Dog Warden within 10 days of a request to do so.

To date we have received 155 Certificate Of Exemption applications, of which 64 have been fully processed and exemption certificates have been issued to the owner.

See <https://www.fingal.ie/dogs/xl-bully-regulations-and-certificates-exemption>



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 January 25 there were 17 dogs in the shelter. Up to 29th of January 2025, 11 dogs were brought to the shelter by the dog wardens as stray or surrenders and no dogs were surrendered by members of the public. Of these 17 dogs, two were reclaimed by members of the public, 5 were rehomed to Rescue and 1 was PTS. At the 29th of January there were 15 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 Jan 2024	27	Dogs in Shelter at start of Jan 2025	17
Stray/Seized dogs brought to Shelter	11	Stray/Seized dogs brought to Shelter	11
Surrendered by owners	3	Surrendered by owners	0
Reclaimed	1	Reclaimed	2
Rehomed to Rescue	6	Rehomed to Rescue	5
Rehomed to Public	5	Rehomed to Public	5
PTS	1	PTS	1
Dogs in Shelter at the end of January 2024	28	Dogs in shelter at 29.12.2025	15

Horses

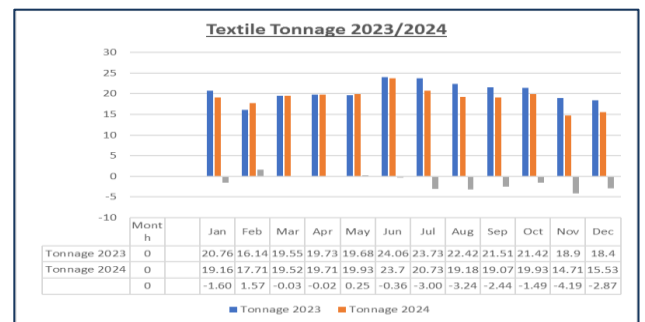
Welfare inspections continue on Dunsink Landfill to monitor the numbers and welfare of the horses onsite. There are 12 hay feeders being filled by the Operations Department on a weekly basis to ensure adequate forage for the horses on the landfill. During the recent cold spell and bad storms staff ensured extra hay was put out for the horses.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

Queries and requests from schools and community groups are being addressed, these include requests for musical instruments, litter pickers, environmental workshops and presentations which are being scheduled. Picker Pals is ongoing in primary schools and the composting for Schools program is progressing whereby participating school teachers are provided with training, wormeries and garden tools for food waste and assistance with reducing and managing all their waste.

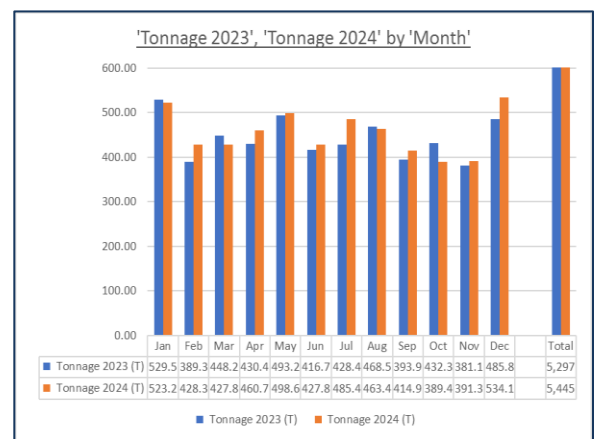
Bring Banks

Textile Banks



Textile volumes collected in December 2024 were 16 (T). This compared with a collection volume of 18 (T) collected in 2023.

Bottle Banks



Glass volumes collected in December 2024 were 534 (T). This compared with collection volumes of 486 (T) in 2023.

SPORTS OFFICE

Fingal Sports Programmes

Fingal on the Move kickstarts again in Rush, Balbriggan, Swords, Mountview and Howth. The programme is designed to introduce adults back into fitness and physical activity through gentle/beginner exercise.



Fingal's Parent and Toddler programmes start back in February, these classes are designed for both parent and toddler to get active and involved in the community. The classes can be found in community centres in Swords Holywell and Applewood, Balbriggan, Baldoyle, Meakstown and Lusk.



Fingal Sports Office Active For Life classes cater for adults over 55 and will run for 10 weeks. These classes are available in Balbriggan, Blakestown, Mulhuddart, Baldoyle, Lusk and Swords.



All classes above can be signed up online on www.sports.fingal.ie or through Fingal Sports Office ClubZapp.

Fingal Sports Awards 2025

The first Fingal Sports Awards took place on Monday 27 January at the Carlton Hotel Blanchardstown, honouring the exceptional contributions of sports volunteers and clubs across the county. Hosted by David Gillick, the event began with an opening address from Mayor of Fingal, Cllr Brian McDonagh.

The ceremony recognised 82 volunteers for their outstanding service to local sports clubs. In addition to individual awards, several clubs were acknowledged in various categories, with the following winners announced:

- **Green Club of the Year:** St. Finian's GAA
- **Sports for All Club of the Year:** Balbriggan Rugby Club
- **Community Club of the Year:** Corduff FC



Photos of the Event can be found [here](#)

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MSPI - Overview

The Museum Standards Programme for Ireland (MSPI) is a programme established by the Heritage Council to raise standards of care across Irish museums and galleries. The programme sets out professional standards in:

- collections care,
- museum management,
- education,
- exhibition and visitor services.

The programme accredits museums that achieve those standards.

The programme started in 2006 and now has 57 museums participating in it. The programme benchmarks and promotes professional standards in the care of collections and recognises through accreditation, the achievement of those standards within the Irish museum sector. Accredited museums can have confidence they know how to look after their collections and understand the needs of their visitors.

Fingal County Council – MSPI Application

Fingal County Council applied for Malahide Castle and Gardens and Newbridge House and Farm to enter the programme, and both were accepted in 2023.

During 2024, extensive work and preparation was carried out by Fingal Staff, the commercial operator and the curatorial staff to make a submission seeking acceptance onto the MSPI scheme.

The scheme documentation was submitted in September 2024. During this the first assessment stage, the properties underwent a two-day site visit and examination in November 2024 by two nominated external Assessors.



Figure 1 Newbridge House

The Assessor's report has stated that both sites were well on their way to achieving interim standards. Work will continue during 2025 in advance of the 2nd assessment visit with a view to achieving Interim accreditation in 2026. This is a significant step in the development of the custodianship by Fingal County Council of these two properties in public ownership that are of national significance.



Figure 2 The Great Hall - Malahide Castle

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Rates

The 2025 rates bills issued to 6,307 customers on the 15th of January. Overall Commercial Rates collection to the 31st of January 2025 is 5.88%.

Rates Collection	
Rates collected €m	€9.87m
Rates collected %	5.88%

Development Levy Income

Development levy income collected to the end of December is €71.2m.

Development Levy Income YTD Dec 2024	
Levies Received	€71.2 m
Levies Collected as a % of 2023	142%

Payroll

Overall payroll spend to the end of December was €90.3m which is c. 101.5% of the outturn.

Payroll	
Salaries & Wages €m	€90.3m
Percentage of Budget YTD.	101.5%

Financial reports

Monthly financial reporting of the Revenue/Capital accounts and on Debtors will commence, as normal, from the period ending February 28, 2025 for the March Council meeting.

Procurement

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

No. of contracts awarded (details below) for year to date	280	
Value €m	118.36m	
Procurements ongoing at end of December		
No. of procurements awaiting tender responses	5	(i)
Value €m	5.1m	
No. of procurements under evaluation	38	(ii)
Value €m	44.34m	
No. of procurements at approved	24	(iii)
Value €m	99.1m	

Notes:

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

Appendix 1
Number of Contracts Awarded to the end of September

Dept	Description of Procurement	Supplier Name	Current Value of Contract (excl. VAT)	Contract Start Date (actual)	Contract End Date (actual)	Contract Award Date	Contract End Date per CE Order	Actual Duration (months)
Information Technology	ICT Managed Services	ATOS IT Solutions & Services Ltd	€ 3,500,000.00	30/09/2024	29/09/2027	30/09/2024	31/07/2027	36
Operations	Road Lining for the Castleknock, Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart Area including PSCS and Traffic Management	Nuzum Road Services Ltd	€ 51,447.00	01/10/2024	31/12/2025	01/10/2024	31/12/2025	16
Operations	Security Services for Coolmine Recycling Centre	Secure Management Solutions	€ 30,375.00	01/07/2024	31/12/2024	11/09/2024	31/12/2024	6
Operations	Road inlay/Overlay & ancillary works, Turvey Ave, Donabate overlay	Roadstone Ltd	€ 155,626.24	01/10/2024	01/12/2024	10/09/2024	16/11/2024	2
Corporate Affairs	Fire Alarm Maintenance Services	Masterfire Life Safety Systems Ltd	€ 95,930.00	08/10/2024	07/10/2026	08/10/2024	07/10/2026	24
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Engineering Consultancy Services for Corduff Park (Blanchardstown) Improvement Works	Donnachadh O'Brien & Associates Consulting	€ 47,250.00	09/09/2024	09/09/2026	06/09/2024	09/09/2026	24
Operations	Lay Tarmac finish on the footpaths on the open space at the Portmarnock Sports and Leisure Centre	McGinty Plant Hire	€ 49,445.00	16/09/2024	24/09/2024	05/09/2024	17/09/2024	1
Corporate Affairs	Fixed Voice services (Interim Contract)	Eir Ltd	€ 140,000.00	01/09/2024	31/08/2025	01/09/2024	31/08/2024	12
Operations	Resurfacing of Broomfield, Malahide and Ancillary Works	Pavement & Road Surfacing Ltd	€ 39,385.00	03/09/2024	10/09/2024	27/08/2024	20/09/2024	1

Operations	Footpath Improvement Works Parkview/Lodge Co Dublin	John Browne Construction Ltd	€ 29,997.00	26/08/2024	26/11/2024	26/08/2024	26/11/2024	3
Information Technology	Design, Maintain Digital Signage for FCC Community Centres	image Supply Systems AV Ltd	€ 97,491.00	28/08/2024	28/08/2027	23/08/2024	28/08/2027	36
Libraries	Appointment of Employer's Representative Services - Completion of Skerries Library Refurbishment and Extension Project	Nyland Consulting	€ 60,000.00	12/08/2024	31/05/2025	13/08/2024	31/05/2025	8
Corporate Affairs	Funding as part of Community Recognition Fund to install smart benches across Fingal	Civic Integrated Solutions Ltd	€ 50,666.24	15/08/2024	31/12/2024	12/08/2024	31/12/2024	4
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Design and project management of works related to the construction of a full-size all-weather soccer pitch at Corduff Park, D15	Alan Lewis Ltd	€ 28,031.00	06/09/2024	07/03/2026	11/08/2024	07/03/2026	19
Operations	1 Ford Ranger Double cab 4 x 4 jeep with automatic transmission and 1 Ford Ranger single cab 4 x 4 jeep	Henry Ford & Son	€ 66,370.45	09/08/2024	08/08/2025	09/08/2024	06/08/2025	12
Operations	Solar Power Signage Contract 2024	PWS Signs Ltd	€ 47,610	07/08/2024	07/01/2025	08/08/2024	30/11/2024	4
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Civil engineering works at Cloch Choirneal to bring the estate to a TIC standard	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd	€ 114,430.00	02/09/2024	18/10/2024	02/08/2024	31/10/2024	3.5
Operations	Preplacement of defective Concrete Footpaths at Ard na Mara, Chalfont and Texas Lane, Malahide	Citius Ltd	€ 51,745.00	19/08/2024	13/09/2024	01/08/2024	13/09/2024	1
Operations	Roadmarkings for the Howth/Malahide Area	Nazum Road Services Ltd	€ 59,096.00	26/08/2024	31/12/2024	01/08/2024	31/12/2024	5

Operations	MPFA for the Collection, Auditing and Banking of Monies from Pay and Display Parking Machines located in Fingal County Council Administrative Area with an Initial Two Year Contract for these Services	Sonoma Valley Ltd (T/A GSLS)	€ 136,500.00	01/08/2024	31/07/2026	01/08/2024	11/06/2024	24
Active Travel	Traffic Calming Works at Balscadden, Co. Dublin	KT Civil Ltd	€ 53,245.00	05/08/2024	05/09/2024	25/07/2024	30/11/2024	3
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	3 Year Goat Grazing at Howth	Old Irish Goat Society	€ 240,000.00	01/08/2024	01/08/2027	25/07/2024	01/08/2027	36
Information Technology	Additional development & support of Sharepoint online applications	Storm Technology	€ 350,000.00	14/08/2024	13/08/2025	24/07/2024	13/08/2025	12
Operations	Public Lighting Maintenance and new works services	Al Read Electrical Co Ltd	€ 1,758,345.00	24/07/2024	01/03/2026	24/07/2024	01/03/2026	20
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	R132 Connectivity Project (PSI-039) Ground Investigation	IGSL Ltd	€ 145,165.00	23/07/2024	23/10/2024	23/07/2024	15/10/2024	3
Operations	Footpath improvement works at Hunters Run, Co Dublin	D M MORRIS	€ 37,365.00	22/07/2024	22/09/2024	22/07/2024	22/09/2024	2
Operations	Footpath improvement Works Pheasants Run/Hunters Run	D.M. Morris	€ 37,365.00	22/07/2024	22/09/2024	22/07/2024	22/09/2024	2
Operations	Concrete footpath works as per Lanesborough, Finglas	John Browne Construction Ltd	€ 33,000.00	22/07/2024	22/10/2024	22/07/2024	22/10/2024	3
Operations	Footpath Improvement works at Willow Wood, Ashfield, Co Dublin	Joe Duke & Co Ltd	€ 31,700.00	22/07/2024	22/10/2024	22/07/2024	22/10/2024	3

Operations	Concrete footpath improvement works at Castleknock Grance	Joe Duke & Co Ltd	€ 32,600.00	22/07/2024	22/10/2024	22/07/2024	22/10/2024	3
Operations	Surface Restoration and ancillary works at Old Ballymun Road	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€ 44,189.00	22/07/2024	22/12/2024	22/07/2024	22/09/2024	2
Corporate Affairs	Provision of Post Collection Services	Print Post Ltd	€ 45,000.00	01/07/2024	30/09/2024	19/07/2024	30/09/2024	3
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	2 no. car parks at Bath Road, Balbriggan	Dancor Civil Engineering Ltd	€ 1,758,381.25	19/07/2024	18/01/2026	19/07/2024	03/12/2026	18
Active Travel	Hartstown Huntstown protected cycle lanes phase 2b design	Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates Ltd	€ 276,920.00	19/07/2024	18/03/2026	19/07/2024	12/03/2026	20
EETCD	Requirement for services of Event Management Co to design, build & manage the Malahide Family Fun Day	Davis Events Agency	€ 54,439.00	03/07/2024	15/07/2024	12/07/2024	15/07/2024	1
Community	Event Management Services for Vintage Picnic 2024 in Swords Castle	Invictus Event Management Ltd	€ 60,000.00	09/07/2024	25/07/2024	11/07/2024	25/07/2024	1
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Construction of New Sports Facilities & refurb/upgrade & main. of existing facilities within FCC Admin Area. Initial contract to develop 2 GAA pitches & works at Balymastone Recreational Hub, Donabate	Tony Patterson Sportsgrounds Ltd	€ 1,147,868.85	29/07/2024	17/11/2025	11/07/2024	20/10/2025	16
Operations	Slip kerbing, footpath & ancillaries, Seatown Road East	Postmount Buildings Ltd., t/a/ Jim Hayes	€ 40,120.00	15/07/2024	15/10/2024	05/07/2024	15/10/2024	3
Operations	Supply and delivery of washed surface dressing chips - 6mm and 10mm	Tullyraine Quarries Ltd	€ 27,125.00	22/07/2024	22/11/2024	05/07/2024	22/11/2024	4

Operations	Resurfacing of sections of Broughan Lane, Newpark Road, St. Margarets (Amalgamated with FCC/131/24)	Roadstone Ltd	€ 176,347.50	05/07/2024	31/12/2024	05/07/2024	31/12/2024	6
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Repair Works to Cascades and Colocated Historic Structures Ward River Valley Park, Swords	Francis Haughey Building & Civil Engineering Contractors	€ 1,379,864.25	05/07/2024	03/01/2025	05/07/2024	26/12/2024	6
Operations	Installation of Posts at Portmarnock Beach	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd	€ 26,901.00	01/07/2024	12/07/2024	04/07/2024	12/07/2024	1
Active Travel	Feasibility Study and Business Case for a swimming pool at Castlelands, Balbriggan	ReCreation	€ 48,720.00	03/07/2024	15/07/2024	03/07/2024	01/09/2024	3
EETCD	Management & Maintenance Service for ducting network for FCC	Novegen Ltd	€ 373,200.00	01/07/2024	30/06/2025	01/07/2024	26/05/2025	12
Operations	Resurfacing of a section of Strand Road, Portmarnock, Co Dublin	DM Morris Ltd	€ 98,955.00	01/07/2024	19/07/2024	28/06/2024	19/07/2024	1
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Topographical Surveying Services for Donabate Transport Projects	Metroscan Utility Locating Ltd	€ 71,196.00	08/07/2024	20/12/2024	28/06/2024	25/11/2024	6
Corporate Affairs	3 Staff Safety Liasion Officers for 3 months for CCU Desk/Atrium Civic Offices Grove Road	NOC Consultancy	€ 52,000.00	01/07/2024	30/09/2024	27/06/2024	30/09/2024	3
Libraries	Baldoyle Improvement & Modification Works	Demac Construction Ltd	€ 856,619.98	06/08/2024	06/05/2026	27/06/2024	19/12/2024	9
Housing	Construction of Multi-Unit Residential Development at Seatown Road, Swords	Duggan Brothers (Contractors) Ltd	€ 17,724,000.00	27/06/2024	26/06/2027	27/06/2024	06/06/2027	36

Libraries	Construction of Swords Civic & Cultural Centre Building (a mixed use development consisting of a County Library & Arts Centre	Duggan Brothers (Contractors) Ltd	€ 45,688,305.00	27/06/2024	26/06/2027	27/06/2024	06/06/2027	36
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction in a series of batches from 3-7 m at Binn Eadair, Sutton, Co Dublin	Citius Ltd	€ 53,150.00	25/06/2024	12/07/2024	25/06/2024	31/05/2024	1
Operations	Purchase of 1 Electric and 1 Diesel Van	Gowan Motors	€ 39,133.00	24/06/2024	23/06/2025	24/06/2024	23/06/2025	12
Operations	Concrete footpath in batches at Seapark, Malahide, Co Dublin	Joe Duke & Co Ltd	€ 28,250.00	01/07/2024	19/07/2024	21/06/2024	19/07/2024	1
Housing	Refurbishment Works at 37 Hazelbury Park, Clonee, Dublin 15	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€ 103,485.00	29/07/2024	05/12/2024	20/06/2024	20/12/2024	6
Community	Community Centre Upgrade Works at Hartstown Community Centre, Hartstown Road, Dublin 15	Vision Contracting Ltd	€ 1,899,235.04	17/06/2024	17/03/2026	17/06/2024	17/03/2026	21
EETCD	Provision of Traffic Management Svcs for Flavours of Fingal '24	Freeflow Traffic Management	€ 49,315.00	27/06/2024	01/07/2024	13/06/2024	01/07/2024	1
EETCD	Provision of vintage carnival stalls, games, sensory/additional needs for flavours of Fingal '24	Event Dimensions	€ 45,025.00	28/06/2024	07/07/2024	13/06/2024	01/07/2024	1
Corporate Affairs	Provision of Security Services	Manguard Plus Ltd	€ 200,000.00	18/05/2024	18/11/2024	12/06/2024	18/11/2024	6
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works, Glen Ellen Road, Swords	DM Morris Ltd	€ 62,127.80	17/06/2024	17/10/2024	11/06/2024	17/10/2024	4
Operations	Special works, Slip Form Kerbing and Ancillaries, Balheary Road, Swords	KT Civil Ltd	€ 44,819.00	01/07/2024	01/11/2024	10/06/2024	01/11/2024	6

EETCD	Project Management Services related to design and planning of Balbriggan Harbour & Coastal Amenity Area Feasibility Study & Tidal Pool	Turner & Townsend	€ 43,742.00	20/05/2024	20/11/2024	01/06/2024	20/11/2024	6
Corporate Affairs	Consultancy Services for the preparation, creation & publication of the Corporate Plan 2024-2029	RPS	€ 51,045.00	01/06/2024	31/12/2024	01/06/2024	31/12/2024	7
EETCD	Coach Hire, Staff, Ticket and Website Management for Flavours of Fingal 2024	Marathon Training & Events	€ 126,230.00	30/05/2024	01/07/2024	31/05/2024	01/07/2024	1
Housing	Refurbishment of Dwellings on Parochial Avenue, Baldoyle, Dublin 13	CTS Projects Ltd	€ 586,550.00	01/07/2024	20/12/2024	31/05/2024	20/12/2024	6
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Construction of the Donabate Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge	Jons Civil Engineering Company Ltd	€ 1,495,685.00	31/05/2024	31/03/2025	31/05/2024	31/03/2025	9
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	SCFT Prep of Old School House Clonsilla Masterplan	RMLA Ltd	€ 185,965.00	31/05/2024	31/05/2025	31/05/2024	13/05/2025	12
Operations	Road resurfacing and reconstruction Bremore Estate, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€ 74,945.00	04/06/2024	14/06/2024	30/05/2024	14/06/2024	1.5 weeks
Operations	Phase 3, Extension of Balgriffin Cemetery	Clar-Con Construction Limited	€ 236,152.50	07/06/2024	19/07/2024	29/05/2024	19/07/2024	2
Operations	Footpath construction in a series of batches from 3 - 8 square meters at Seagrange Rd, R809, Strand Rd Baldoyle Co Dublin	John Browne Construction Ltd	€ 30,522.50	04/06/2024	14/09/2024	29/05/2024	14/09/2024	3

Corporate	Stewarding Services for Local Elections in National Show Centre	Invictus Event Management Ltd	€ 32,079.00	31/05/2024	10/06/2024	28/05/2024	10/06/2024	1
EETCD	Consultancy Services for Fingal Skills Strategy	Grant Thornton Corporate Finance Ltd	€111,750.00	28/05/2024	27/11/2024	28/05/2024	07/10/2024	6
EETCD	Engagement of consultancy services for the Fingal Skills Strategy.	Grant Thornton Finance Ltd	€ 111,750.00	28/05/2024	30/11/2024	28/05/2024	07/10/2024	6
EETCD	Malahide Castle & Visitor Centre Energy Centre & Rainwater Harvesting Systems Upgrades	Francis Haughey Building & Civil Engineering Contractors	€ 298,516.00	25/05/2024	24/08/2025	25/05/2024	07/06/2025	15
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works Bridge Street, Swords (Swords Castle to Watery Lane).	DM Morris Ltd	€ 84,800.50	06/05/2024	06/08/2024	24/05/2024	06/08/2024	3
Operations	Construction of a Tarmacadam Path & Associated Works at Glebe Park, Balrothery	KT Civil Ltd	€ 63,000.00	26/08/2024	30/08/2024	24/05/2024	31/07/2024	1
Community	Construction of new lifts shaft, installation of new lift and renovation of existing toilets in Rivervalley Rathingle Community Centre, Swords	Vision Contracting Ltd	€ 159,048.85	04/06/2024	16/09/2026	24/05/2024	16/09/2024	16
Operations	Concrete footpath improvement Works at Pinebrook Co Dublin	John Browne Construction Ltd	€ 49,500.00	30/05/2024	30/08/2024	23/05/2024	30/08/2024	3
Operations	Footpath Improvement works Deerpark Road, Drive & Ave Castleknock	Citius Ltd	€ 54,800.00	27/03/2024	27/09/2024	23/05/2024	27/09/2024	6
Operations	Resurfacing of Roselawn Road Junction Clonsilla Road	Roadstone Ltd	€ 84,738.98	30/05/2024	30/09/2024	23/05/2024	30/09/2024	4

Operations	Plant hire with driver/operative for Beach and Burial Ground Works	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd	€ 64,483.00	07/05/2024	30/09/2024	21/05/2024	30/09/2024	5
Digital Services	Renewal of Microsoft 365 Licences (non-profit classification) for Libraries & Draíocht	MicroMail Ltd	€ 30,107.12	26/05/2024	25/05/2025	21/05/2024	25/05/2025	12
ANCA	Aviation Noise Expert Consultancy Services	Noise Consultants Ltd	€ 800,000.00	20/05/2024	19/05/2026	20/05/2024	31/05/2026	24
Digital Services	Nathean Additional Logix Bi & Housing Support Days 2024	Nathean Technologies Ltd.	€ 42,500.00	15/05/2024	15/05/2025	15/05/2024	15/05/2025	12
Housing	Proposed Works For Energy Efficiency Retrofit Programme (EERP) to Whitestown - Phase 2	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€ 2,000,000.00	01/04/2024	01/04/2026	15/05/2024	01/04/2026	24
Digital Services	Civica ModernGov Hosted Application 2024 - 2026	Civica UK Ltd	€ 79,729	15/05/2024	15/04/2027	15/05/2024	15/04/2027	36
Housing	Provision of legal advice and services relating to the delivery of an affordable housing scheme at Ballealley Rise, Lusk, Co. Dublin	Mason Hayes & Curran LLP	€ 26,000.00	01/04/2024	31/12/2024	14/05/2024	31/12/2024	8
Operations	Road Markings at various locations within the Fingal Area	Nuzum Road Services Ltd	€ 41,234.55	17/06/2024	17/06/2025	14/05/2024	14/06/2025	12
Operations	Concrete Footpath Construction Baldoyle Industrial Estate	Joe Duke & Co Ltd	€ 100,750.00	04/06/2024	21/06/2024	13/05/2024	21/06/2024	1
Operations	Supply and delivery to site of 29 Nr Precast Concrete Anchor Blocks with marine grade stainless steel lifting eyes	Shay Murtagh Precast Ltd	€ 79,357.68	04/06/2024	30/05/2024	10/05/2024	30/05/2024	3

Housing	FM Strategy Development Support (Phase 1 - Strategy Development Support And Phase 2 – Document Review & Finalisation)	KSN Project Management	€ 29,250.00	23/05/2024	23/11/2025	10/05/2024	10/11/2025	18
Libraries	Supplementary Call for Tender (SCFT) for the Design, supply, installation, commissioning and maintenance of library building automation solution (My Open Library) at Malahide Library	Spectrum Communications Ltd	€ 30,760.00	10/05/2024	09/05/2026	10/05/2024	20/04/2026	24
Libraries	Supplementary Call for Tender (SCFT) for the Design, supply, installation, commissioning and maintenance of library building automation solution (My Open Library) at Blanchardstown Library	Spectrum Communications Ltd	€ 29,200.00	10/05/2024	09/05/2026	10/05/2024	20/04/2026	24
Libraries	Design, supply, installation, commissioning and maintenance of library building automation solution (My Open Library) at Skerries Library	Spectrum Communications Ltd	€ 37,060.00	10/05/2024	09/05/2026	10/05/2024	20/04/2026	24
Operations	Flavours of Fingal County Show 2024 Hire of Generators, Portalo, Cabin Electricians And Teleporter	GH Energy Rentals Limited	€ 90,000.00	26/06/2024	03/07/2024	09/05/2024	03/07/2024	1
Operations	Pipe Rehabilitation Works Carpenterstown Road, Castleknock, Dublin 15	Oak Underground Services T/A Oak Enviro	€ 48,950.00	07/05/2024	22/10/2024	07/05/2024	22/10/2024	6
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Provision of CCTV Drainage Survey, R132 Connectively Project Swords	McBrenn Environmental Drain Services Ltd	€ 162,280.00	10/06/2024	10/09/2024	03/05/2024	10/09/2024	3

Community	Consultancy Services to develop an Age Friendly Strategy 2024-2028	McAdam Consulting Services Ltd T/A MCA Consulting	€ 53,550.00	07/05/2024	31/01/2025	03/05/2024	31/01/2025	8
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Landscaping works and the supply & installation of the pleached tree Steel Support Frames	Martin King Landscaping Ltd	€ 73,334.00	02/05/2024	02/10/2025	02/05/2024	10/08/2025	18
Operations	Path refurbishment works Tir Na nOg park	KT CIVIL LTD	€ 69,650.00	01/05/2024	30/07/2024	01/05/2024	25/06/2024	1
Libraries	Provision of legal advice and services relating to Contractual Matters	Mason Hayes & Curran LLP	€ 50,000.00	29/04/2024	28/04/2025	01/05/2024	01/05/2025	12
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Provision of Landscape Architect-led Integrated Design Team Consultancy Services for the Park Development Project for Ward River Regional Park, Swords	Dermot Foley Landscape Architects	€ 1,878,533.90	13/05/2024	02/02/2026	01/05/2024	18/01/2026	20
Finance	Collection and Delivery to the bank of cash from the Cash Offices of Fingal County Council	Sonoma Valley Ltd (T/A GSLS)	€ 40,000.00	01/05/2024	30/04/2026	01/05/2024	30/04/2026	24
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Provision of Coastal Path Relocation, Howth, Co. Dublin	James Oliver Hearty & Sons	€ 86,942.20	30/04/2024	19/07/2024	30/04/2024	30/04/2024	1.5
Operations	Road Inlay and Ancillary Works Swords Fire Station to Estuary Roundabout and North Street, Swords	DM Morris Ltd	€ 135,864.80	13/05/2024	13/08/2024	30/04/2024	13/08/2024	3
Operations	Road surfacing Eight (8) local roads, North County Fingal	DM Morris Ltd	€ 586,205.50	03/06/2024	03/10/2024	30/04/2024	03/10/2024	4

Operations	Purchase of Wide Area Trailed Wing Roller Mowers - Lot 1 Purchase of two 4m Wide Trailed Wing Roller Mowers	Maher Tractor Sales Ltd	€ 51,000.00	29/04/2024	28/04/2025	29/04/2024	26/03/2025	12
Operations	Purchase of Wide Area Trailed Wing Roller Mowers - Lot 2 Purchase of three 5m Wide Trailed Wing Roller Mowers	Baytown Machinery Ltd	€ 103,500.00	29/04/2024	28/04/2025	29/04/2024	26/03/2025	12
People Services	Provision of Driver Training Programme to include Driver Licence Upskilling Training Lessons, ECO Drive Training & Vehicle Safety Check Training for Fingal County Council Staff (Single Supplier Framework with Initial contract)	Alexandra School of Motoring	€ 500,000.00	29/04/2024	28/04/2027	29/04/2024	07/04/2027	36
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Works at Bath Road Car Park, Balbriggan	Postmount T/A Jim Hayes Civil Engineering	€ 28,000.00	26/04/2024	25/07/2024	26/04/2024	25/07/2024	4
Corporate Affairs	Provision of Catering Services for Ballycoolin Regional Training Centre, Ballycoolin, Dublin 15	Fitzpatrick Catering Ltd	€ 80,000.00	25/04/2024	24/04/2026	25/04/2024	25/02/2026	24
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply & Install of 5no. synthetic tennis court surfaces, removal & disposal of existing carpet & arisings, LED flood lighting upgrade and associated works	Sole Sports & Leisure Ltd	€ 124,807.75	20/04/2024	20/04/2026	24/04/2024	20/04/2026	24
EETCD	Appointment of a Resident Engineer for Quay Street Environs Public Realm Project, Balbriggan, Co Dublin	Waterman Moylan	€ 170,000.00	07/05/2024	07/05/2026	24/04/2024	07/05/2026	24

Community	Community Centre Construction Work at Baldoyle Community Facility	Vision Contracting Ltd	€ 7,486,275.25	01/05/2024	31/10/2026	24/04/2024	22/04/2026	28
Operations	Installation of new drainage works to 2 soccer pitches in Tyrrelstown Park	Peter O'Brien & Sons	€ 111,771.20	22/04/2024	21/06/2024	22/04/2024	28/06/2024	2
Information Technology	Provision of VMware Licensing for the Fingal VSAN	Triangle Computer Services	€ 305,283.00	22/04/2024	21/04/2027	22/04/2024	19/04/2027	36
Community	Community Centre Upgrade Works at Mourne Estate Community Centre	Vision Contracting Ltd	€ 449,464.49	20/05/2024	14/08/2025	19/04/2024	14/08/2024	17
Community	Community Centre Upgrade Works for Fingal County Council Mourne Estate Community Centre, Skerries, Co Dublin	Vision Contracting Ltd	€ 449,464.49	19/04/2024	18/09/2025	19/04/2024	18/08/2025	17
Operations	Surface Restoration Glenville Road	John Browne Construction Ltd	€ 42,800.00	30/04/2024	31/12/2024	18/04/2024	31/12/2024	8
Operations	Greys Lane Rd Inlay (Howth)	DM Morris	€ 107,130.00	22/04/2024	08/05/2024	16/04/2024	08/05/2024	1
Operations	Supply of Bitumen Emulsion, Fingal Area 2024 (80%)	Irish Tar and Bitumen Suppliers Limited	€ 124,800.00	01/05/2024	01/12/2024	16/04/2024	01/12/2024	7
Operations	Supply of Bitumen Emulsion, Fingal Area 2024 (20%)	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€ 31,650.50	01/05/2024	01/12/2024	16/04/2024	01/12/2024	7
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply & Install New Solid Bar Railings, Gate & Limestone Kerb at Bremore Castle, Balbriggan	McAvoy Contracts Ltd	€ 86,570.00	15/04/2024	30/04/2024	15/04/2024	30/04/2025	2 weeks
Environment, Climate Action	Junction realignment works at Coach Road/School Lane junction in Balrothery on foot of completed enabling works by ESB Networks.	Integrated Utility Services Ireland	€ 49,641.11	01/05/2024	31/05/2024	10/04/2024	31/05/2024	1

EETCD	Social Media Contract for Balbriggan Rejuvenation Plan 2019-2025	Often Partisan T/a Media Consult	€ 62,000.00	09/04/2024	08/04/2025	09/04/2024	08/04/2025	1
Operations	Walkway Design and Installation in Tolka Valley	Knife Edge Fencing Ltd.	€ 84,500.00	17/04/2024	14/05/2024	08/04/2024	30/09/2024	6
Operations	Repair to the existing boardwalk through the dunes leading to Portmarnock Beach	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd	€ 78,995.00	23/04/2024	23/05/2024	08/04/2024	30/04/2024	1
Operations	Purchase of up to 30 Fully Electric 3.5 Tonne - 4.25 Tonne Flatbed Tipplers	Setanta Vehicle Sales North Ltd	€ 1,250,250.00	08/04/2024	07/04/2025	08/04/2024	20/03/2025	12
EETCD	Public realm redevelopment and associated works at Quay Street & Environs – Repair & renewal works including re-roofing and provision of new services to existing RNLI Boathouse – Contract B , Balbriggan, Co Dublin	John Craddock Ltd	€ 575,535.18	05/04/2024	05/04/2026	05/04/2024	05/04/2026	24
EETCD	Public realm redevelopment and associated works at Quay Street & Environs – Contract A , Balbriggan	John Craddock Ltd	€ 16,378,905.65	05/04/2024	05/09/2026	05/04/2024	05/11/2026	19
Housing	Extension works at house at Sheepmoor Crescent	Mullacurry Construction Ltd	€ 124,800.97	13/05/2024	31/10/2024	04/04/2024	18/11/2024	6
Corporate Affairs	Postal Collection Services for 2024 (interim)	Print Post Ltd	€ 36,250.00	01/04/2024	30/06/2024	01/04/2024	30/06/2024	3
Environment, Climate Action	Environmental Awareness cinema campaign 2023	Pearl & Dean Ireland Ltd	€ 26,100.00	14/08/2024	09/01/2025	01/04/2024	09/01/2025	6

Operations	Planting and 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	€ 204,673.08	01/04/2024	31/01/2025	01/04/2024	31/01/2025	10
Housing	Demolition of the 6 houses on Seatown Road (phase 2)	Hegarty Demolition Ltd	€ 298,531	02/04/2024	08/06/2025	28/03/2024	08/06/2025	14
Operations	Road Inlay, Newcourt, Castlegrange & Mooretown, Swords, Co. Dublin	DM Morris	€ 194,026.80	18/03/2024	18/07/2024	26/03/2024	18/07/2024	4
Operations	Installation security fencing, gates and Razorwire at Brackenstown Wallen Gardens, Knocksedan, Swords, Co.Dublin.	Citius Ltd	€ 39,850.00	27/03/2024	27/09/2024	21/03/2024	27/09/2024	6
Operations	Road Inlay, 1 Kinsealy Lane	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€ 93,047.50	26/03/2024	02/04/2024	20/03/2024	29/03/2024	1
Active Travel	Footpath Installation and associated works at Beaverstown Road, Donabate	Integrated Utility Services Ireland	€ 44,994.41	12/02/2024	12/05/2024	20/03/2024	12/05/2024	3
Operations	Resurfacing of sections of Castleknock Woods, Oaks and ancillary works.	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€ 43,224.50	21/03/2024	31/12/2024	20/03/2024	31/12/2024	9
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Installation security fencing, gates and Razorwire at Brackenstown Wallen Gardens, Knocksedan, Swords, Co.Dublin.	Stirue Fencing	€ 29,750.00	25/03/2024	25/04/2024	19/03/2024	25/04/2024	1
Operations	Concession for Management, Operation and Maintenance of all Services at Corballis Golf Course and Elm Green Golf Centre	Euro Golf Services Ltd t/a Carr Golf	€ 23,589.00	01/10/2023	31/03/2024	14/03/2024	31/03/2024	6

Community	Provision of 24 hr Security at Liam Rodgers Community Centre	Apleona Ireland (Acacia Ltd)	€ 29,718.50	14/03/2024	14/05/2024	14/03/2024	14/05/2024	2
People Services	Provision of 2 Ignite Staff Development Courses	Mark Donovan & Associates Ltd	€ 33,500.00	13/03/2024	12/03/2025	13/03/2024	12/03/2025	12
Operations	Restoration Improvement, Glasmore, Swords, geogrid Inlay	MCM Surfacing Ltd	€ 95,573.50	23/02/2024	23/06/2024	12/03/2024	23/06/2024	4
Operations	Purchase 2 Diesel Vans	Henry Ford & Sons Ltd	€ 43,488.00	05/03/2024	04/03/2025	12/03/2024	04/03/2024	12
Housing	Provision of administrative support for the delivery of Affordable Housing Schemes	BCM Global	€ 525,000.00	12/03/2024	31/03/2025	12/03/2024	31/03/2025	12
Housing	Site Investigation Services at Mooretown	Site Investigations Ltd	€ 48,020	11/03/2024	11/07/2024	11/03/2024	12/06/2024	6
Corporate Affairs	Provision of Fire Alarm and Emergency Lighting Maintenance Services (Interim)	G4S- Secure Solutions	€ 50,000.00	08/03/2024	08/09/2024	08/03/2024	08/09/2024	6
Housing	Establishment of a Single Party Framework Agreement for the Provision of Services for Inspection of Private Rented Dwellings	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€ 530,000.00	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	08/03/2024	31/03/2026	24
Operations	Purchase 3 Peugeot ePartner Active Plus Long Van	Gowan Auto	€ 90,045.00	07/03/2024	06/03/2025	07/03/2024	06/03/2025	12
Operations	Supply of ready mix Concrete	Keegan Quarries Ltd	€ 55,800.00	04/03/2024	31/12/2024	04/03/2024	31/12/2024	8
EETCD	Provision of Economic Consultancy Services for the preparation of Applications under the Enterprise Ireland Smart Regions Fund on behalf of Fingal County Council	Grant Thornton Finance Ltd	€ 124,400.00	01/03/2024	30/04/2024	01/03/2024	30/04/2024	2

Corporate Affairs	3 Staff Safety Liason Officers for 3 months for CCU Grove Road	NOC Consultancy	€ 60,000.00	01/03/2024	28/06/2024	25/02/2024	28/06/2024	3
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Erection of a boundary bar railing at Seapart Hill, Malahide to ensure appropriate security in place for opening of Park	Ballymore Group	€ 81,000.00	01/07/2024	31/08/2024	01/03/2024	01/08/2024	1
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Consultancy Services for the Ward River Ecological Enhancement Scheme	RIVUS Ecological Engineering Ltd	€ 39,975.00	01/03/2024	31/12/2024	01/03/2024	31/12/2024	10
Operations	Road resurfacing and reconstruction Post Office Road, Lusk, Co. Dublin	DM Morris	€ 80,286.00	01/04/2024	15/04/2024	27/02/2024	15/04/2024	1
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Engineering Consultancy Services for the Bremore Recreational Hub Access Upgrade Works	Design ID Consulting Ltd	€ 56,334.00	26/02/2024	28/06/2024	26/02/2024	28/06/2024	4
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Undertake a Strategic Environmental Assessment, Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening and Appropriate Assessment, if required for LAP at Flemington	Brady Shipman Martin	€ 28,120.00	17/11/2023	17/11/2024	26/02/2024	17/11/2024	12
Operations	Purchase of 1 to 4 Towed Woodchippers	Global Machinery Solutions Ltd	€ 71,926.00	26/02/2024	25/02/2025	26/02/2024	23/01/2025	12
EETCD	Booking of Sledge Entertainment LLC f/s/o Sister Sledge	ICON Entertainments	€ 50,000.00	15/02/2024	28/07/2024	23/02/2024	28/07/2024	5
Housing	Civil & Structural Engineering Services for proposed housing developments at North Street, Swords and Rathmore Road, Lusk, Co. Dublin	Tobin Consulting Engineers	€ 110,000.00	01/12/2023	14/04/2027	23/02/2024	31/12/2026	37
Operations	Road resurfacing and reconstruction Channel Road, Rush, Co. Dublin	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€ 126,606.00	21/02/2024	06/03/2024	22/02/2024	06/03/2024	1

Corporate Affairs	Retro Fit and Upgrade of Lighting System - County Hall, Swords, Co. Dublin	Vincent Doherty Ltd	€ 55,183.00	15/07/2024	31/08/2024	20/02/2024	31/08/2024	2
Digital Services	Renewal of Licencing of AutoDESK Suites of Software	Diatec Group	€ 60,113.00	01/03/2024	28/02/2025	16/02/2024	28/02/2025	12
Digital Services	Provision of Web Based Applications for Housing Application	Interform Limited	€ 180,000.00	17/02/2024	31/12/2025	16/02/2024	31/12/2024	12
Digital Services	Managed Print Services	Datapac Ireland	€ 70,000.00	27/08/2024	26/08/2025	15/02/2024	26/08/2025	12
Corporate Affairs	Consultant Assigned Certifier Services for proposed housing developments at North Street, Swords and Rathmore Road, Lusk, Co. Dublin	Tobin Consulting Engineers	€ 29,000.00	14/02/2024	14/04/2027	14/02/2024	31/12/2026	37
EETCD	Upgrade of fire alarm system at Ardgillen Castle	Securitas Technology	€ 30,830.00	01/03/2024	31/03/2024	12/02/2024	31/03/2024	1
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Woodland Management Services	Redwood Tree Services Ltd	€ 45,500.00	10/02/2024	10/05/2024	09/02/2024	10/05/2024	3
EETCD	Our Balbriggan - Bathhouse and Boathouse Enabling Works	Hegarty Demolition Ltd.	€ 92,433.00	26/03/2024	28/07/2025	09/02/2024	11/03/2025	14
Housing	M&E Consulting Eng Services for 13 no. dwellings & associated site works at 30 & 32 North Street, Swords, Co. Dublin.	FLN Consulting Engineers	€ 32,070.00	01/02/2024	17/11/2027	09/02/2024	17/11/2027	33
Operations	Road Surfacing inlay, Lower Road, Garristown, Co. Dublin	Tarstone Road Maintenance Ltd	€ 41,284.50	05/02/2024	09/02/2024	08/02/2024	09/02/2024	1

Operations	Fingal Bridge Repair and Rehabilitation	Triur Construction	€ 268,762.00	01/02/2024	01/05/2024	08/02/2024	01/05/2024	3
Operations	Installation of Traffic Signals 2024	Traffic Solutions Ltd	€ 731,606.00	12/02/2024	31/12/2024	08/02/2024	31/12/2024	11
Operations	Hire of Excavator & Operator at the Former Dunsink Landfill & Environs	Anthony Patton Plant Hire Ltd	€ 82,000.00	16/01/2024	15/01/2025	08/02/2024	15/01/2025	12
Libraries	Demolition and Enabling Works at Former St. Michaels House Bungalow, Seatown Road	Hegarty Demolition Ltd.	€ 120,243.00	12/02/2024	29/03/2025	08/02/2024	29/03/2025	14
Corporate Affairs	Fixed Voice Services (interim contract)	Eir Ltd	€ 70,000.00	20/03/2024	31/08/2024	07/02/2024	31/08/2024	6
Corporate Affairs	Mobile Voice & Data Communications and Associated Products & Services	Vodafone	€ 1,008,052	01/11/2023	31/10/2027	07/02/2024	31/10/2027	48
Operations	Tree Works in the Dublin 15 Area	Redwood Tree Services Ltd	€ 64,880.00	04/02/2024	29/02/2024	06/02/2024	29/02/2024	1
Housing	Integrated Design Team Services to provide design, planning Consultancy Services to establish a design framework plan and achieve planning approval for c.300 Units at Mooretown, Swords, Co. Dublin	Brady, Shipman Martin	€ 510,963.00	01/11/2023	31/12/2024	01/02/2024	31/12/2024	56
Operations	Requirement for Road Lining Contract for the Fingal Swords, Balbriggan Areas Including PSCS	MacLochlainn (Roadmarkings) Limited	€ 58,796.60	24/01/2024	31/12/2024	31/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
Operations	Disposal of Marine Wrecks located in Balbriggan Harbour	Shanowen Plant Hire Ltd	€ 154,450.00	01/03/2024	30/04/2024	29/01/2024	30/04/2024	2
Operations	Supply & Delivery of Macadam to various locations in Fingal	Roadstone Ltd	€ 97,630.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	29/01/2024	31/12/2024	12

Digital Services	Cygnus Support Gemini Consultancy	Gemini Consultants Ltd	€52,443.12 (Stg)	01/04/2024	31/03/2025	29/01/2024	31/03/2025	12
Digital Services	Supply of Broadband to Malahide 9Avoca), Ardgillan House & Ballycoolin Training Centre	Viatel Ireland Ltd	€ 26,160.00	01/03/2024	28/02/2026	26/01/2024	28/02/2026	24
EETCD	Public consultation communications design and related project management services	Media Social (RPS Group Ltd)	€ 33,280.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	25/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
EETCD	Tradfest	TASCQ CLG t/a The Temple Bar Company	€ 120,000.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	25/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Landscape Architect Led Integrated Design Team Services Consultancy Services at Naul Village Park, the Naul	Dermot Foley Landscape Architects	€ 316,577.00	06/11/2023	05/09/2027	25/01/2024	05/09/2027	46
Housing	Provision of Selling Agent and associated services relating to the delivery of an affordable housing scheme around North County Dublin	Sherry Fitzgerald Cumisky Kelly	€ 87,700.00	25/04/2024	31/12/2024	24/01/2024	31/12/2024	8
Housing	Civil and Structural Consultancy Services (Pre-Planning and up to the grant of planning only) – Park Road, Kenure, Rush, Co. Dublin	Kavanagh Mansfield	€ 27,055.00	29/11/2023	30/09/2024	22/01/2024	30/09/2024	10
Housing	Quantity Surveyor Services for the residential portion of Church Fields Phase 3a (300 Units), Mulhuddart, Dublin 15	Austin Reddy & Co	€ 60,000.00	01/12/2023	30/12/2025	22/01/2024	30/12/2025	25
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Supply of Pleached Lime Trees and Yew Hedging	Annaveigh Plants Ltd	€ 29,895.00	30/10/2023	29/10/2024	19/01/2024	29/10/2024	12

Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Topographical and Underwater Survey at Ward River Park, Swords	Murphy Geospatial Ltd	€ 25,980.00	30/01/2024	30/03/2024	18/01/2024	30/03/2024	2
Digital Services	Supply an ICT Managed Service for Fingal County Council	ATOS IT Solutions & Services Ltd	€ 594,114.00	28/02/2024	27/09/2024	17/01/2024	27/08/2024	6
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Works for Naul Village Park Site Investigation	IGSL Ltd	€ 40,125.00	15/01/2024	20/02/2024	15/01/2024	09/02/2024	1
Digital Services	Departmental access to Lawlink	Dye & Durham Ltd	€ 43,944.00	16/01/2024	31/12/2024	15/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
EETCD	Programme Development Manager for Carnegie Library Swords	Linda Shevlin	€ 56,000.00	15/01/2024	14/01/2025	15/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
Corporate Affairs	Integrated Design Team Services for Workplace Strategy Project	MCO Projects Limited	€ 372,648.80	14/12/2023	13/10/2025	15/01/2024	13/11/2025	23
Operations	Resurfacing of Section of Bath Avenue, Malahide	John McQuillan Contracts Ltd	€ 52,957.00	05/02/2024	01/03/2024	11/01/2024	01/03/2024	3 weeks
Corporate Affairs	Post Collection Service	Print Post Ltd	€ 36,250.00	01/01/2024	31/03/2024	11/01/2024	31/03/2024	3
Environment, Climate Action	Environmental Monitoring & Reporting Services at Dunsink & Balleally Landfill Sites	McQuillan Environmental (John McQuillan Contracts Ltd)	€ 188,495.00	09/01/2024	08/01/2025	09/01/2024	08/01/2025	12
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Provision of Services for Independent Agronomist for the Fingal Coastal Way	Hackett Agricultural Consultants	€ 39,700.00	02/01/2024	31/12/2024	02/01/2024	31/12/2024	14

Operations	Provision of Maintenance of Earth Moving Equipment	Equipment Company of Ireland Ltd	€ 32,230.00	01/12/2023	30/11/2025	02/01/2024	30/11/2025	24
People Services	Occupational Health Services	Dr. Ted Murphy	€ 111,600.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2025	02/01/2024	31/12/2025	24
Housing	Inspections on Private Rented Dwellings located in the Admin Area of Fingal County Council	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€ 165,000.00	01/01/2024	31/03/2024	01/01/2024	31/03/2024	3
Housing	Property Management Services for Council Owned Unsold Affordable Properties at Parnell Estate, Ladyswell	Paula Barrett Properties Ltd	€ 240,000.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
Digital Services	Requirement for Support in the Development of an Investment Concept for FC EUCF Grant Funded Project	BABLE Smart Cities Gmbh	€ 50,000.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	12
Operations	Provision of Vehicle and Plant Inspection Services	Truck & Trailer works Ireland	€ 79,600.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2025	01/01/2024	31/12/2025	24

Appendix 2 - NTA Active Travel Allocations 2025

Active Travel Investment Grants: 2025 Allocations		
Project Code	Project Name	2025 Allocation
<u>Fingal County Council</u>		
FCC/12/0001	Broadmeadow Estuary Cycle & Pedestrian Bridge	€ 6,500,000
FCC/13/0001	S2M Extension Sutton to Malahide	€ 460,000
FCC/14/0001	Royal Canal Cycle Route (12th Lock-KCC) (CN2) inc. Deep Sinking Coolmine	€ 400,000
FCC/18/0001	Harry Reynolds Road Cycleway in Balbriggan	€ 3,000,000
FCC/20/0001	Donabate Ped and Cycle Bridge	€ 1,000,000
FCC/21/0001	National Aquatic Centre (NAC) to Ongar Village	€ 130,000
FCC/21/0002	Baldoyle to Howth Phase 2 (Dublin Road to Dublin Street)	€ 120,000
FCC/21/0004	Donabate Hearse Rd/Main St/Portrane Rd (Link 1 & Link 2)	€ 185,000
FCC/21/0005	Damastown to Clonsilla Cycle Route	€ 150,000
FCC/21/0006	Clonee to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre	€ 185,000
FCC/22/0001	Castleknock, Auburn Ave.	€ 1,820,000
FCC/22/0004	Hartstown/Huntstown/Mountview Rd D15	€ 135,000
FCC/22/0005	St Cronins Road	€ 25,000
FCC/22/0006	Rathingle/Rivervalley Rd Swords	€ 50,000
FCC/22/0007	Balbriggan road mill street and Drogheda st	€ 60,000
FCC/22/0009	Permeability Links North County	€ 250,000
FCC/22/0010	R132 Ministers Road to Blakes Cross and Kilhedge Lane	€ 300,000
FCC/22/0011	Skerries - Harbour Road	€ 140,000

Project Code	Project Name	2025 Allocation
<u>Fingal County Council</u>		
FCC/22/0012	Seatown Roundabout to Estuary Road (Swords to Malahide)	€ 725,000
FCC/22/0014	Balbriggan - Coney Hill From Devlin Bridge to Brempre Cottages	€ 40,000
FCC/22/0016	New Street Malahide Improvement Scheme	€ 500,000
FCC/22/0018	Data collection for Active Travel Projects (traffic, air, noise)	€ 50,000
FCC/22/0019	Skerries Active Travel Plan	€ 140,000
FCC/22/0020	Balrothery Active Travel Review	€ 165,000
FCC/22/0021	Seamount Heights to Old Golf Links Park Active Travel Route	€ 75,000
FCC/22/0022	Broomfield to Paddys's Hill via Naomh Marnog GAA Active Travel Route	€ 100,000
FCC/22/0026	Staff Costs Active Travel Team	€ 1,100,000
FCC/22/0027	Swords Cycle Network - Sustainable Swords	€ 100,000
FCC/22/0028	Castleknock to Blanchardstown via Farmleigh	€ 175,000
FCC/23/0003	SRTS (R1) - Ladyswell National School	€ 75,000
FCC/23/0004	SRTS (R1) - Scoil Ghrainne CNS	€ 25,000
FCC/23/0005	SRTS (R1) - Scoil Choilm CNS	€ 115,000
FCC/23/0019	SRTS (R1) - Pope John Paul II NS, Malahide	€ 350,000
FCC/24/0001	Feltrim Road cycle infrastructure	€ 160,000
FCC/24/0006	Donabate to Portrane (R126) - Distributor Rd to Portrane Avenue Active Travel Routes	€ 65,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R2) - Scoil Bhride Buachailli	€ 200,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R2) - Scoil Bhride Cailini	€ 200,000

Project Code	Project Name	2025 Allocation
<u>Fingal County Council</u>		
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R2) - St Colmcille's Girls National School	€ 200,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R2) - Holy Family Junior National School	€ 200,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R2) - St Helen's Senior National School	€ 200,000
FCC/25/XXXX	Castleknock Rd - Auburn Ave to gates of Pheonix Park	€ 60,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - St Nichola's of Myra National School	€ 10,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - Scoil Mhuire Junior National School	€ 10,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - Scoil Thomáis	€ 10,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - Donabate Portrane Educate Together National School	€ 10,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - Holywell Educate Together National School	€ 10,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - Malahide/Portmarnock Educate Together National School	€ 10,000
FCC/25/XXXX	SRTS (R3) - Broadmeadow Community National School	€ 10,000
Total:		€ 20,000,000
Allocations Through Other NTA Funding Streams		
FCC/24/xxxx	Bus Stop Enhancement Programme	€ 500,000
FCC/22/0029	R132 Junction Upgrade Design	€ 5,800,000
FCC/24/0005	Waterville Junction upgrade	€ 385,000
FCC/25/00XX	Sustainable Traffic Management Measures	€ 1,000,000
Subtotal:		€7,685,000

Appendix 3
Housing Delivery Construction Programme
Schemes on Site

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On-Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Hayestown, Rush 53°31'24.1"N 6°06'42.1"W - Google Maps	10 x Social 51 x Affordable	On-Site	Q2 2023	Phased delivery
Balbriggan/Rush -Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	St. Ita's, Portrane Portrane Ave - Google Maps	5 Restoration of existing cottages.	On-Site	Q4 2022	Q1 2025
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	Glenveagh Living Ltd	Mixed Tenure	Balmoston Ph1., Donabate 53°29'21.2"N 6°07'58.1"W	87 x Social 86 x Cost Rental 86 x Affordable	On-Site	Q3 2023	Phased delivery
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/ Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Church Fields 3A 53°24'44.7"N 6°23'39.0"W - Google	40 x Social 80 x Cost Rental 180 x Affordable	On-Site	Q4 2023	Phased delivery
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk /Swords	FCC	Social	Seatown Road, Swords 53°27'35.4"N 6°13'04.7"W Google Maps	36 36 x 2 Bed	On-Site	Q1 2024	Q4 2026
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/ Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Church Fields 3B 53°24'44.7"N 6°23'39.0"W - Google Maps	107 x Social 110 x Affordable	On-Site	Q4 2024	Q4 2026
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Ballisk Park, New Road, Donabate 53°29'02.6"N 6°08'27.5"W	63 x Social 112 x Affordable	On-Site	Q4 2024	Q4 2026
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social - Elderly	North Street, Swords 53°27'38.6"N 6°13'06.7"W - Google Maps	13 Social 6 x 1 Bed 7 x 2 Bed	Enabling works complete.	Q1 2025	Q2 2026

Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Holywell, Swords 53°26'48.1"N 6°12'42.8"W	57 Social 20 x 1- bed 29 x 2-bed 8 x 3-bed	On-Site	On-Site	Q4 2026
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Mourne View, Skerries. 53.580404, -6.122225	14 Social 11x2Bed 3x3Bed 1x4Bed	On-Site	On-Site	Q4 2025
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Rathmore, Remount, Lusk 53.521142, -6.161451	18 Social 2 x 1 bed 12 x 2 bed 4 x 3 bed	On-Site	On-Site	Q4 2025
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	TBC	Mooretown Phase 1, Swords. https://maps.app.goo.gl/R8eAG1aoLXh1nL2J9	123 x Social 151 x Affordable	On-Site	On-Site	Q4 2026

Appendix 3 - Continued
Schemes with Planning Approval and at Tender stage

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On-Site Date	Handover (Est.)
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	North and East Housing Association	Social - Elderly	Garristown 53°34'03.7"N 6°22'42.1"W - Google Maps	6 Social 3 x 2-bed 3 x 1-bed	Planning granted.	TBC	TBC
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social - Elderly TBC	Blakestown Cross, Mulhuddart 53.399869, -6.401776 Google Maps	30 Social 16 x 1 Bed 14 x 2 Bed	Consultants to be appointed	Q1 2025	Q4 2026
Howth/Malahide	FCC	TBC	Tuckets Lane 53.385248, -6.066128 Google Maps	8 Social 4 x 1 Bed 4 x 2 Bed	On-hold	TBC	TBC

Appendix 3 - Continued Schemes at the Pre-Planning Stage

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On-Site Date	Handover (estimated date)
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	TBC	O' Dwyers, Balbriggan. https://maps.app.goo.gl/inSEC4Qq3QSBHQHp8	80	Pre-Planning.	TBC	TBC
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Woodside, Swords. 53.453901, -6.210574 Google Maps	34	Part 8 initiated.	Q4 2025	Q1 2027
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Park Road, Kenure, Rush. 53.532278, -6.102176 Google Maps	32	Part 8 initiated.	Q4 2025	Q1 2027
Howth/Malahide	FCC	Social	Fingerpost, Malahide	4	Pre-planning.	Q4 2025	Q1 2027
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Balmoston Ph2, Donabate 53°29'21.2"N 6°07'58.1"W	86 Social 86 Affordable	Planning granted (in appeal period).	TBC	TBC
Blanchardstown	FCC	Social	Fortlawn, Blanchardstown	21	Pre-Planning.	TBC	TBC
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/ Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Mayeston, Dublin 11 53°24'28.4"N 6°17'02.1"W - Google Maps	119 39 x 1 Bed 68 x 2 Bed 12 x 3 Bed	Pre-Planning.	TBC	TBC

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

Appendix 3 - Continued
CALF Delivery in partnership with Fingal County Council

Area Committee	AHB	Funding Stream	Scheme Name	No. of Units	Projected Substantial Completion*
Balbriggan/ Rush-Lusk/ Swords	Tuath	CALF	Semple Woods	3	Q2 2025
Balbriggan/ Rush-Lusk Swords	Respond	CALF	Meadow Banks, Oldtown, Swords	84	Q2 2025
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Tuath	CALF	The Paddocks, Golf Links Road, Skerries	97	Q3 2025
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Tuath	CALF	Folkstown Park, Balbriggan	22	Q2 2025
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Oaklee	CALF	Harmans Rest, Donabate	44	Q3 2026
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Cluid	CALF	Hollyfield, Hollystown, Dublin 15	40	Q3 2025
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Tuath	CALF	Kilmartin Grove, Dublin 15	32	Q3 2025
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Tuath	CALF	Whitehaven, Northwood, Santry D9	94	2026
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Tuath	CALF	Niven Oaks, Santry D9	170	2026
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Respond	CALF	Pipers Square, Charlestown, St. Margarets Road, Finglas, D11	306	2026

*The above-estimated timelines are indicative and subject to change