

Council continues to roll out its Housing Programme



Works nearing completion at Rochestown House Phase 2

Rochestown House Phase 2 is the latest part of the County Council's Housing programme to be rolled out. The works commenced in November 2014. This building originally consisted of 34 bed-sit units, a small number of which had been converted into one-bed dwellings and a communal room/dining room.

This building has now been fully refurbished to a very high standard, the bed-sits have been eliminated and all are now 1 bedroom dwellings. This has been achieved by the addition of a third floor to the building. The dwellings are suitable for eligible older people on the Council's social housing list with priority being given to those who are willing to downsize from a larger Council owned rental property. Spread over 3 floors they have been carefully designed to ensure long term sustainable living for older people. All the units on the ground and 2nd floor have level access showers and those on the 1st floor have a step in shower. All floors are fully accessible by

means of a lift. There is also a nurse's station, laundry room and communal room/dining room. The dwellings are warm and bright and should be very comfortable to live in.

The building has been refurbished to the Passive House Institute 'EnerPHit' Standard and includes triple glazed windows, district gas central heating and energy efficient lighting.

Funding for this refurbishment has been provided mainly by the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government with the SEAI funding some of the energy works.

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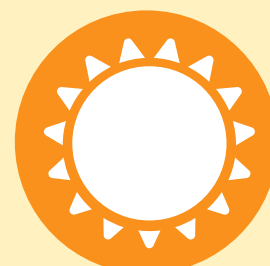
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Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Housing Supply Report

A Report on Private and Public Housing Supply was presented by the Chief Executive to the Council at its meeting on the 4th July. This Report reflects the Council's commitment to increase housing supply both in the private sector and in public housing, which is consistent with Government policy, and is a key challenge facing this Council.

In addressing private housing provision, the Report recognises that to maintain the population growth rate anticipated for the County, there is a need for circa 3,300 units per annum. To address this issue will require significant investment in infrastructure to support housing development and in advancing the Cherrywood SDZ, which the Council is actively progressing.

The Government's social housing targets for dlr from 2015 to 2017 is 681 units. There has been good movement on delivery. Currently there are 53 social housing units on site to be completed mid to end of 2016 and 149 units that have planning approval and a funding mechanism. Over 500 housing units will also be delivered using the rapid delivery mechanism, under Part V, through Approved Housing Bodies, acquisitions, leasing and Rental Accommodation Schemes.

Some national solutions have progressed such as the recently established Infrastructure Fund, solutions around the planning process are being discussed at Government level and the Council's

own sites may be used to kick-start the provision of an affordable housing model for the County.

Addressing housing supply is multi-faceted and complex requiring progress across a number of areas namely funding, planning and infrastructure to support development and construction.

The full Report can be read on the Council's website www.dlrco.ie

Works under way at Cromlech, Enniskerry Road.



Council opens indoor tennis hall at Shankill

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council officially opened a new state-of-the-art indoor tennis hall at Shankill Tennis Club in June. The new facility comprises three tennis courts which are covered with a double layer of semi-transparent fabric with LED floodlighting

and cushioned acrylic surfaces.

This is a regional facility and will be used extensively by Shankill Tennis club along with other tennis clubs in the locality. It will also be used by Leinster Tennis for coaching purposes.



New Cathaoirleach for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

Councillor Cormac Devlin, who has represented Fianna Fáil in the Dún Laoghaire Electoral Area since 2004, was elected Cathaoirleach at the Annual General Meeting of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council on 13th June.

Councillor Devlin (36), serves as a member of the 'Environment, Climate Change & Energy' and 'Social Housing' Strategic Policy Committees. He also serves on the Dún Laoghaire Area Committee, the Association of Irish Local Government, Dalkey Heritage Town Company, Joint Policing Committee, Mounttown Community Development and Southside Partnership DLR

Councillor Devlin was educated at Harold Boys National School, Dalkey, Presentation College, Glasthule, the Institute of Public Administration and the Institute of Public Relations. He is married to Jennifer Allen Devlin and they have three young children.

Speaking at the AGM, the newly-elected Cathaoirleach outlined his priorities for his term, including tackling the housing crisis, promoting civic engagement and supporting local enterprise throughout



the County. "I am honoured and privileged to be elected as Cathaoirleach of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown by my fellow Councillors. There is a long history and tradition attached to this position and I very much look forward to carrying out my role on behalf of the people of our County over the next twelve months."

Councillor Shay Brennan was also elected Leas Cathaoirleach at the meeting. Councillor Brennan, a representative of the Fianna Fáil Party, was elected in the Dundrum Electoral Area in 2014. He was educated at Blackrock College and UCD, and holds a BA in Economics and a MBS in Financial Services and his career spans a range of roles in the financial services industry. Shay grew up in Dundrum and has been active in local politics, policy and community work for over two decades.

New Councillors for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

Following on from the recent Seanad elections and the success of Neale Richmond (FG), Victor Boyhan (IND) and Gerry Horkan (FF) in getting elected to the 25th Seanad Éireann, there were three vacancies in the Council Chamber to be filled. When a Councillor leaves during their tenure,

their political party or grouping opts in a replacement. The parties or groupings follow their own selection criteria and identify replacements. At the June Council Meeting the three new Councillors introduced in the Council Chamber were Emma Blain for Fine Gael (Glencullen/Sandyford area),

Anne Colgan, Independent (Blackrock area) and Dónal Smith for Fianna Fáil (Stillorgan area). We would like to wish the new Councillors every success in their new role of representing the residents of their electoral areas.



Cllr. Anne Colgan



Cllr. Emma Blain



Cllr. Dónal Smith

Kick Start Your Own Food Business

This 'Kick Start Your Own Food Business Programme' is a short two day programme designed to help those with a food idea, or those at a very early stage of starting up a food business (typically the first 24 months).

The objective is to provide the participants with a base knowledge of what is involved in setting up a food business. The content is designed to provide you with information which will allow you to avoid the pit falls normally associated with this journey.

The next course is taking place in Finnstown Castle Hotel, Lucan from

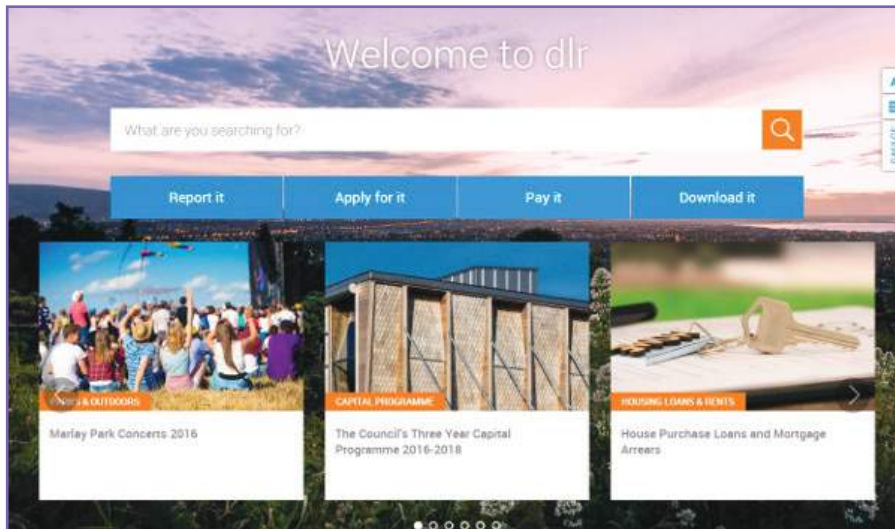


9.30am-4.30pm each day and the cost is only €100. Further details available at www.localenterprise.ie/dlr

New Council website launched

We are delighted to have launched our newly redesigned website, which includes a dynamic new look and enhanced navigation experience.

We will be rolling out new pages and functionality over the coming months and hope that you enjoy visiting our new website.



Illegal Waste Collections

If you receive promotional literature through your letter box advertising waste collection services, please satisfy yourself that the waste collector is licensed to operate this service in the dlr area. It is important to note that while it is in breach of Waste Management legislation to collect waste in the absence of a valid waste collection permit, it is also an



offence to hand over control of your waste to anyone other than a permitted waste collector. If you are found guilty of such an offence you may be prosecuted.

If you are in any doubt about the validity of a waste collector's authorisation, please contact the Council on 2047954 or email wasteenforcement@dlrcoco.ie and we will be happy to provide advice and clarification. Alternatively, the National Waste Collection Permit Office (NWCPO) has a full list of registered waste collectors and can be found at www.nwcpo.ie/permitsearch.aspx.

Seapoint and Killiney Beaches retain their Blue Flags for 2016 Bathing Season

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is delighted with the news that our two Blue Flags at Seapoint and Killiney beaches are to be retained for the 2016 bathing season. The awarding of the Blue Flags for another year confirms that excellent water quality standards have been achieved at both beaches and

demonstrates the continuing commitment of the Council to best practice in managing our unique and diverse coastline.

The Council will continue to carry out our extensive beach-cleaning programme on all beaches and wish to acknowledge the importance

to the community of such a valuable amenity. The results of all bathing water quality tests carried out at the County's Beaches can be viewed on the Councils website www.dlrcoco.ie under the heading 'Bathing Water Quality'.



Ócáid Chomórtha Céad Bliain 1916 ag Comhairle Contae Dhún Laoghaire-Ráth an Dúin i Reilig Ghráinseach an Déin

Ba í Reilig Ghráinseach an Déin an áit inar eagraíodh ócáid chomórtha shollúnta agus mheasúil i mí an Mheithimh in ómós na ndaoine úd go léir a fuair bás in Éirí Amach 1916. Creidtear go bhfuil an reilig ar cheann de na láithreacha is suntasaí a bhain le 1916, gan lár Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath a áireamh, mar go bhfuil beagnach 50 duine, idir fhir, mhná agus pháistí a maraíodh san Éirí Amach adhlactha ann. Díol suntais ó thaobh an athmhuintearais de ba ea uaigh áirithe amháin mar gur inti atá a dtaisí seo - An tÓglach, an 2/Lt. Seán Mac Coisteala, An tÓglach Aindriú Seosamh Ó Broin, An tOifigeach Peadar Ó hAonais, Na Gardaí Albanacha agus na sibhialtaigh Liam Mac Concharráige, Seosamh Ó Cléirigh agus Tomás Mac Coinín. Tuigtear dúinn gurb í seo an t-aon uaigh amháin sa tír a bhfuil taisí marbhán ón dá thaobh curtha inti chomh maith le taisí sibhialtach.

Shiúil an slua mór a bhí bailithe i ndiaidh píobaire de chuid Óglaigh na hÉireann i mórshiúl poiblí ar a raibh Cathaoirleach Dhún Laoghaire-Ráth an Dúin, An Clr. Cormac Devlin agus Attaché Cosanta na Breataine, An Cor. Max Walker chomh fada leis an uaigh speisialta seo ar leag Óglaigh na hÉireann fleasc uirthi.



C-D Tim Carey, Oifigeach Oidhreacht CCDLR, An Cathaoirleach, An Clr. Cormac Devlin, Thomas Glendon, ealaíontóir agus dealbhóir, An Cor. Max Walker, Attaché Cosanta na Breataine



Tar éis nóiméad sollúnta ciúnais a bheith cois uaigh agus marbhna a bheith seinnte ag an bpíobaire, lean a raibh i láthair an píobaire arís i mórshiúl go dtí an bealach isteach go dtí Reilig Ghráinseach an Déin mar a raibh saothar uathúil agus an-fheiliúnach dealbhóireachta le tiolacadh. Saothar é a ndearnadh é a choimisiúnú ón ealaíontóir cáiliúil Thomas Glendon chun ómós a thaispeáint dóibh siúd a fuair bás san Éirí Amach agus atá faoin bhfód i Reilig Ghráinseach an Déin.

Cuireadh clabhsúr leis an ócáid nuair a d'ardaigh buíon brataí Óglaigh na hÉireann bratach na tíre le tionlacan ó dhrumadóir agus ó bhuabhallai.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown confers County's highest honour to LauraLynn founders

At a ceremony in County Hall in June, Jane and Brendan McKenna were awarded the County's highest honour - the Civic Honour. Mr and Mrs McKenna received the honour for their tireless work in fundraising and raising awareness for families with children with life-limiting or threatening conditions requiring respite care. Jane and Brendan McKenna are the founders of the LauraLynn Children's Hospice Foundation, which they set up in 2001 following the death of their two daughters, Laura and Lynn, within two years of each other.

Mr and Mrs McKenna were joined by family and friends at the civic reception. This is only the second civic honour conferred by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Mr and Mrs McKenna were presented with a Certificate of Honour and sterling silver scroll, crafted by a local silversmith, which bears a specially commissioned stamp for the centenary year.



Taking place on July 30th & 31st, the **Beatyard** is a melting pot of everything great in the world of music, food, drink, tech, science, games, sports, arts, design and discussion.

Music will provide the backdrop to the overall event with international headliners including Boney M, George Clinton and Parliament Funkadelic, Roy Ayers, Lee Scratch Perry, Snarky Puppy, and many more.

The **Sing-A-Long Social** will be rounding up people to stretch their vocal chords along to the Beach Boys "Pet Sounds" album and the **Eatyard** will feature up to 30 food & drink vendors, chefs, demos, classes, and food competitions. A new area, **Banteryard**, will cover talks, panels, debates & discussions covering tech, science, health, fitness, politics, literature, gadgetry to name but a few topics! The **Gamesyard** will feature sports & carnival games, retro video gaming and inflatables as well as a 60ft shark.

The **Studioyard** will hone in on design, art & science with installations from Science Gallery Dublin among others. There will also be a draw session with the legendary Don Conroy.

This year the **Beatyard** is family friendly with a fully supervised and dedicated **Kidsyard** which will feature hula hoop workshops, face painting, air dry clay modelling, rainbow painting & washable nautical art tattoos.

Full festival details & tickets at www.the-beatyard.com.

dlr Summer of Sport

There is a wealth of sporting activities to take part in or to lend your support to over the coming weeks in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. First up is the **KBC Laser Radials World Championships** being held out of Dún Laoghaire-Harbour starting 22nd July with a field of world class sailors from 48 different countries. Find out more at www.laserradialworlds2016.com

There still time to register for the **Bay 10k**, our challenging annual 10k run that starts and finishes at the Harbour on 1st August. If you feel your legs can't manage that then please come out along the route and support the competitors instead! Full details at www.dlrbay10k.ie

On 14th August we will be hosting the start of the **Ironman 70.3** - an elite competition involving the world's best triathletes. This will be a spectacle not to be missed. More information at www.ironman.com

At a slightly more leisurely pace the popular **Park Runs** series will continue to operate on Saturdays at 09:30 in Cabinteely, Marlay and Shanganagh Parks. This is a timed run 5k run open to all - where your main competition is yourself - to see if you can beat your best time.



dlr Lexlcon and dlr Libraries

will host a wide variety of exhibitions during the summer months with topics varying from those with a local history interest to anniversaries marking Shakespeare's 400th and the Somme's 100th plus our first exhibition by the Irish Guild of Embroiderers. Check out the website libraries.dlrcoco.ie for further details or pick up a What's On brochure July-September 2016 in any branch library.

dlr Lexlcon, Library exhibitions

Christ the King Exhibition in partnership with UCD School of History. Find out more about the Christ the King sculpture in the grounds of dlr Lexlcon. 1 July-20 August.

Missing: A Contemporary Study of the Battle of the Somme Landscape by photographer Aidan Crawley. 1 July-30 August.

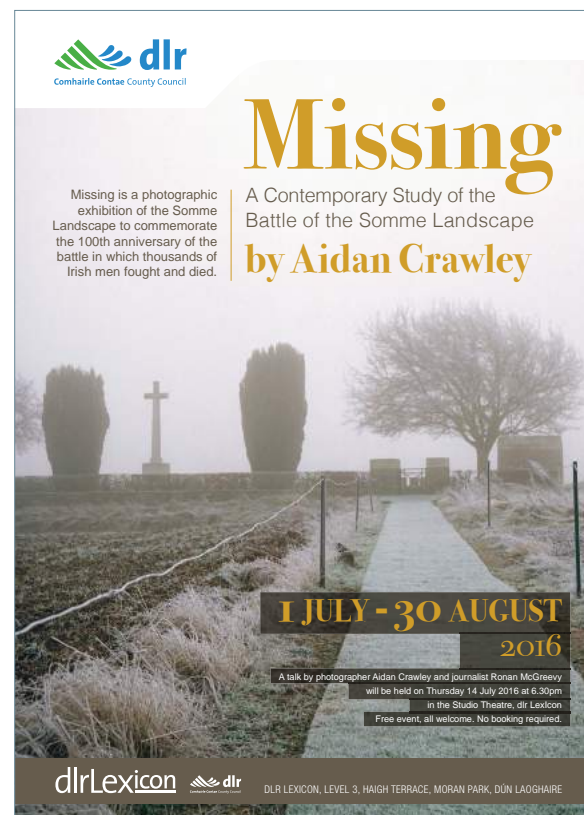
Shakespeare Lives Through Kenneth Branagh on Stage and Screen. In partnership with Queen's University Belfast and British Council. 1 July-14 August.

Edward Lee and the Lee Family in Dún Laoghaire. Curated by Michael Lee. 5 September-5 November.

Marine: An exhibition by the Irish Guild of Embroiderers. 9 September-5 November.

Dalkey Library and Marlay House

A.L. Kathleen King: 1916 Dalkey Diary Exhibition. Courtesy of the King family, Dalkey. Dalkey Library until 27 July. Marlay House 3-31 August.



Stillorgan Library

We Are What We Read. Exhibition curated by Colm Keegan, Writer in Residence dlr Lexlcon 2014-15. Until 30 July.

Martello Towers. Based on The Martello Towers of Dublin published by dlr and Fingal County Councils in association with the Heritage Council. 8 August-30 September.

Dundrum Library

Did You Know ...? Curated by Tim Carey. Celebrating forgotten aspects of our local heritage. Dundrum Library 5 July-31 August.

Deansgrange Library and Shankill Library

Memories and Times Gone By: Southside Writers. Deansgrange Library 5 July-31 August. Shankill Library 6 September-7 October.



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