

Information and news from Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council WINTER 2016

dlr Budget 2017

The adopted Budget for 2017 provides for expenditure of €171,664,500, an increase of €5m on Budget 2016. The focus of this budget is on the provision of housing, measures to generate economic growth and job creation, and also around quality of life initiatives for people living in the County.

Budget 2017 allows for increased service levels across a range of departments. Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council uses this money to provide a wide range of services to which every person living in the County has access. According to the census of 2016, the population of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown has increased by 5.3% to 217,274. This effectively means that the Council will spend €790.10 on providing services for each resident in 2017.

What Does This Mean For You?



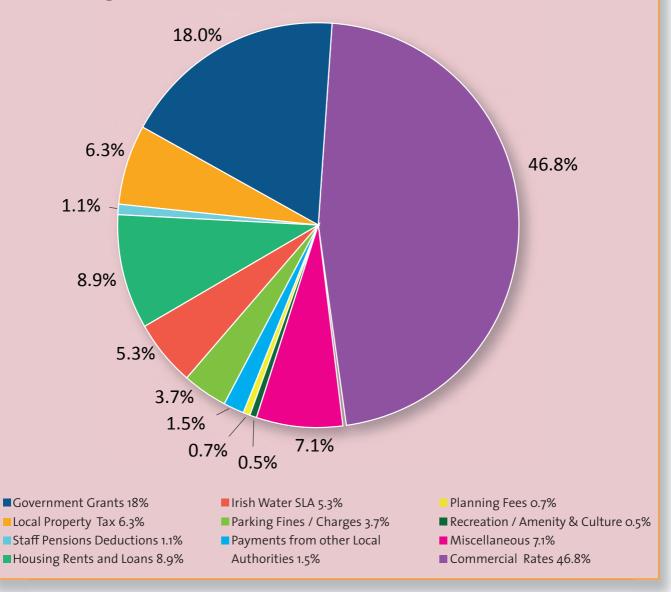
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Breakdown of income sources for 2017

Income Type	Amount	% of total Income	Income Type	Amount	% of total Income
Commercial Rates	€80,306,900	46.8	Parking Fines/ Charges	€6,405,000	3.7
Government Grants	€30,925,800	18.0	Payments from other Local	€2,601,400	1.5
Local Property Tax [*]	€10,853,500	6.3	Authorities Planning Fees	€1,278,300	0.7
Staff Pension Deductions	€1,865,100	1.1	Recreation/ Amenity &	€846,500	0.5
Housing Rents and Loans	€15,293,600	8.9	Culture Miscellaneous	€12,179,600	7.1
Irish Water SLA	€9,108,800	5.3	Total	€171,664,500	100.0

Percentage of income sources for 2017



* See graph on page 3 for further information on the Local Property Tax

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Breakdown of property tax



LPT Allocation 2017 – €51.652m

€10,330,412 (20%) 20% to be paid into equalisation fund

€7,747,809 (15%) 15% reduction as agreed by Elected Mem

€5,724,579 (11%) Replaced Local Government Fund Allocation from 2014

- €2,546,340 (5%) Replaced Pension Related Deduction from

■ €5,141,000 (10%) Replaced previous Housing Grants

- €3,497,531 (7%) Replaced previous Roads Grants

- €14,081,785 (27%) Housing capital

€2,582,603 (5%) Amount left for discretionary spend

Environment

The Council provides a wide range of environmental services that contribute to achieving an overall objective - which is to protect and enhance the environment of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. We have highlighted some of the services below - we also run the Tidy Schools & Tidy Districts Competitions, continue to take measures to reduce dog fouling and investigate complaints about illegal dumping, air pollution and noise pollution.



Housing

The main purpose of our Housing Department is to facilitate the provision of suitable, cost effective, quality accommodation and housing support for people in need of housing. This is achieved through a range of different schemes and initiatives throughout the County.



spent on homeless services



4,530 number of social houses



€1.9M available for home adaptation grants



weeks to re-let vacant dwelling



implementation of Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Scheme



€10.1m spent on maintaining and improving our housing stock



€180ĸ for downsizing initiatives piloted in dlr

Miscellaneous Services

In addition to providing the obvious services that everyone associates with their Local Authority, the Council also provides a range of different schemes and initiatives throughout the County.



6,910 Number of dog licences



156,639 People on the Register of Electors 2016/2017



80 Council/Committee meetings



62,000 Visitors to our new website every month



School meals



19,000 Visits to our online Public Consultation Hub



Transportation

The primary objectives of the Transportation Department are to provide the physical infrastructure necessary for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown to grow and develop to its maximum potential and to maintain the County's road network for the benefit of all citizens.



Community

The Council recognises that it is not sufficient to simply provide basic physical infrastructure such as housing, roads and parks for new communities, but that it is also necessary to provide for the human dimension. The aim of the Community Department is to help people to help themselves and they do this by providing comprehensive support and advisory services to voluntary community-based organisations in the County.



Continued promotion of Community Grants Scheme



Age Friendly County



Community Centres

DLR PPN

Public Participation Network



Youth Friendly County

Building Business in dlr

Budget 2017 contains provision to further business objectives that will drive job creation and promote dlr as a high quality, smart, attractive place to do business. Local Enterprise Office dlr works to promote entrepreneurship, foster business start-ups and develop small businesses. The Budget has also made a €300k provision for Business Promotion Grants, Shop front improvement grants, Vacant shop grants, retail development and Springboard.



€50,000 for shop front improvement grants





Over 3,800 SME's will have a benefit equivalent to a 2.5% reduction in rates



869 attended networking events



109 vendors trading weekly at CoCo Markets



promote and develop tourism



participants on training and development programmes



343 availed of small business mentoring support



Promoting Entrepreneurs through Ireland's Best Young Entrepreneur competition



no increase in car parking charges



Parks & Recreation

We are very lucky in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown to have some of the finest parks, beaches and leisure facilities in the Country that cater for all types of recreational activity.



Events

Every year the Council provides an extensive programme of events that includes something for all ages and abilities. The programme aims to have free events each month of the year for residents of the County across each of our Electoral Areas. We also provide grants under the dlr Grants Scheme to aid in the running of local events.

This is a sample of our events that you can look forward to in 2017. To keep up to date with our programme of events please check out our dedicated events website - **events. dlrcoco.ie**



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Dún Laoghaire Christmas Festival on Ice

Dún Laoghaire Christmas Festival on Ice, presented by dIr in association with the Dún Laoghaire BID Company, will run until January 8th 2017.

The festival includes a whole host of exciting events including a real Ice Rink at dlr LexIcon Garden at Moran Park which will be open every day.

The merry Christmas Market on the Metals is a feast for the senses with delicious festive fare, handcrafted gifts and decorations and there is an oldworld children's carousel for younger visitors. See events. dlrcoco.ie for further details.







An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Cormac Devlin, launched Dún Laoghaire Christmas Festival on Ice with Olympic star Annalise Murphy, helped by Holly Walker and Sophie Bracken.

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The maximum time limit will continue to apply to encourage turnover in parking spaces

> Happy Christmas to all our customers

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Christmas Tree Recycling

Christmas tree recycling will take place from Tuesday 3rd– Sunday 15th January 2017 inclusive between 9.30am and 3.30pm at the following locations:

Blackrock Park Main Entrance Cabinteely Park Car Park Killiney Hill Car Park Marlay Park, Grange Road Car Park dlr Parks Depot, Sandyford Road, (Near Kilcross Estate) Shanganagh Recycling Centre Car Park West Pier Car Park, Dún Laoghaire.

Please do not leave Christmas Trees before or after these dates or outside the designated areas. The provisions of the Litter Pollution Acts 1997 – 2009 will apply.

One Christmas tree per car will also be accepted free of charge at Ballyogan Recycling Park for the month of January 2017 except on New Year's Day when the facility will be closed.





Recycling arrangements during Christmas 2016 and New Year 2017

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Ballyogan Recycling Park:

Saturday 24th – Monday 26th December 2016 Tuesday 27th December 2016 Wednesday 28th - Friday 30th December 2016 Saturday 31st December 2016 New Year's Day Monday 2nd January 2017

Closed Open10.30am - 5.30pm Open 8.30am - 5.30pm Open 9.30am - 5.30pm Closed Open 10.30 - 5.30pm

Normal opening hours will apply from Tuesday January 3rd 2017 onwards

Eden Park and Shanganagh Recycling Centres:

Saturday 24th - Tuesday 27th December 2016ClosedWednesday 28th - Thursday 29th December 2016Open 8.30am - 4pmFriday 30th - Saturday 31st December 2016Open 8.30am - 3.30pmNew Year's DayClosedMonday 2nd January 2017Closed

Normal opening hours apply from Tuesday 3rd January 2017 onwards

Happy Christmas from your Councillors

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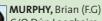
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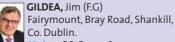


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