

DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

ANNUAL SERVICE DELIVERY PLAN 2016

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1. Introduction:

The preparation of an Annual Service Delivery Plan is a requirement of Section 50 of the 2014 Local Government Reform Act; this Plan sets out the principal services which we intend to deliver in 2016.

Our aim is to deliver our services to our residents, businesses and visitors effectively and efficiently, always striving to ensure that such services represent good value for money.

The guiding principles of this Plan are informed by the Council's suite of policy documents, underpinned by the overarching policy as set out in the Local Government Reform Act 2014

- Corporate Plan 2015-2019
- Budget 2016, adopted in November 2015
- Capital Programme
- County Development Plan 2010-2016 and Draft County Development Plan 2016-2022
- Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 2021

2. Corporate Goals & Objectives

In 2019 following the implementation of our Corporate Goals and Objectives Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County and County Council will be:

- The locality of choice for a thriving business sector with a high quality of life
- A network of confident communities with the best quality of life in the region
- A Council whose residentsknow they are in receipt of a strategic, dynamic, professional, well managed and future proofed local government service
- A major contributor to the Dublin Region benefitting the Region's and County's social, economic and cultural wellbeing.
- A Council which is recognised for its collaborative approach with Elected Members, Business Sector, Government Departments, State Agencies, the Community and Residents in the development of our County
- The second tier of government supporting all aspects of life in the County

3. Financial Landscape – Budget 2016

The Revenue budget for 2016 provides for expenditure totalling €166.6m. As the wider economy continues to stabilise the positive impact of this recovery is reflected in the Council's budget as it has been possible to provide for a range of additional initiatives and to expand services beyond current levels in a number of areas. In particular, it has been possible to make increased provision in areas including housing, transportation, parks and additional business support initiatives.

CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH



DRIVING QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL



TRANSFORMING HOW WE WORK



4. Services to be delivered in 2016

Planning and Organisational Innovation Department

Principal Services	Timetable of Delivery/Service Performance Standard
Development Management – planning applications	Compliance with Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended
Section 48 Development Contribution	
Scheme	Application of new scheme to commence in January 2016
Adoption of the County Development Plan 2016 - 2022	To be adopted in accordance with timeframe set out in the Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended, by March 2016
Planning Enforcement	Complaints investigated and processed in accordance with timeframes set out in the Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended.
Building Control	 New Developments: 12% – 15% inspection rate. Taking in Charge: 4-5 developments to be taken in charge.

Infrastructure and Climate Change

Principal Services	Timetable of Delivery/Service Performance Standard
 Waste Management Adopt the Eastern-Midlands Region Waste Management Plan 2015 - 2021 Develop proposals for the delivery of actions under the Plan Waste awareness and Promotion of waste reduction programs Liaise with the Local Enterprise Office to identify enterprises for the development of secondary material markets Participate in the LAPN (Local Authority Prevention Network) Programme Support Enterprises and Producers in their repair reuse recycle initiatives Green Enterprise Programme Christmas tree recycling Meet with the Local Enterprise Office (LEO) and promote awareness regarding rethinking raw materials for new and established enterprises 	 Delivery of actions under the plan Deliver a project under LAPN subject to funding Number of mattresses recycled and kgs of paint and lawnmowers reused. Batteries and packaging recycled Selected Suppliers have EcoMerit Certification and Sustainability Report. EPA's funding criteria is met. Christmas tree recycling LEO offices promoting enterprises in the development of secondary materials market

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Waste Enforcement	Improved compliance with Waste
Monitoring and Enforcement of Waste	Management Regulations
Regulations	
Meet inspection targets set out in	
RMCEI Plan 2016	
Recovery and Recycling	Compliance with contracts and Waste
Provide Recovery & Recycling	regulations
Facilities at Civic Amenity sites and	Large scale residential and commercial
the network of Bring centres	developments include the provision of
Ensure contracts are operating	Bring Banks as a condition of planning
satisfactorily at Ballyogan, Eden Park	permissions.
and Shanganagh Recycling Centres	
and at bring banks. Identify sites for bring banks.	
 Identify Bring Bank sites in planning 	
applications to serve occupants	Event hosted and a record is kept of the
 Hosting a hazardous waste event as 	types and weights of waste collected
per the DOELG Department	types and weights of waste conceted
promotion	
Litter Warden Service	
Implement Litter Pollution Acts	
Litter Wardens investigating	Compliance with legislation resulting in
complaints and carrying out	reduced levels of littering/dumping
inspections and issuing fines	ensuring a cleaner environment.
Control of Dogs -Dog Warden & Pound	
Service	Compliance with legislation regarding
 Implement Control of Dogs Acts and 	control and licencing of dogs resulting in
Regulations	reduced number of stray dogs and
 Dog Warden service investigating 	increase in dog licences.
complaints /collecting stray dogs,	
carrying out licence inspections and	
issuing dog licences.	
Control of Horses- Horse Seizure and Pound	
Service	Solzuro of stray barges from public areas
 Implement Control of Horses Act Soizuro of stray borses and 	Seizure of stray horses from public areas
 Seizure of stray horses and investigating complaints 	resulting in reduced number of stray horses.
investigating complaints. Education & Environmental Awareness	
Manage all Environmental Awareness	Increased public awareness regarding
• Manage an Environmental Awareness Programmes. Management of Tidy	environmental issues.
Districts, Green Schools Projects,	Increased and continued participation in
Collaborating with DLR Chamber for	the Awareness programs/Awards and the
Envirocom Awards	associated publicity for entrants
 Seek to broaden public, including 	
schools, and business participation.	
Provide assistance and advice to local	
residents/ community groups.	
Climate Change & Energy Efficiency	
To support, encourage policies,	Adoption of Government and Local
educational programs and actions	strategies and actions to combat Climate
that support renewable energy	Change
resources, drives energy efficiency	
and combat climate change.	
Green Procurement	
 National Climate Change Strategy. 	
National Climate Change Adaptation	
Framework.	

Green Procurement Guidance for the	Application of the Green Procurement
Public Sector	guidelines where possible in tenders
Property Management	
Ensure the good management and	
protection of Council owned Property	Properties are in active use or available for
Regular monitoring of properties	use
 To implement the new Property 	
Interest Register (PIR)	
Derelict Sites	
Continue to monitor derelict sites.	Reduce the number of Derelict Sites
Provide the Derelict Sites register	
Carry out inspections across the	
county. Initiate follow up actions as	
required. Compulsory Purchase Orders (CPO's)	
Acquire lands as required to meet the	
Corporate Objectives of DLR	Procedures for CPO's are complied with
 Follow the appropriate legislation and 	ribecultes for ere s are complied with
procedures for CPO's	
DLR Capital Program Report	
• A Capital program is prepared that is	
aligned to the Corporate Objectives	
of DLR and submitted to the Elected	
Members	Agreed Capital Program by February 2016
Cherrywood SDZ	
Development of Cherrywood	Ensure compliance with the Cherrywood
Cherrywood Strategic Development	SDZ Planning Scheme
Zone Planning Scheme	

ECONOMIC, COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Principal Services	Timetable of Delivery/Service Performance Standard
Economic Development and tourism development initiatives including	
• Support the promotion of local business areas including managing spaces and facilities for temporary retail - Pop Up Shops, dlr Design Gallery, Shop Fronts and Vacant Shop incentive schemes	Ongoing
• Tourism marketing and development including management of Tourist Information Centre, development of a DLR Tourist Strategy and tourism promotion support for 'Destination Dublin' and Way finding initiatives	Ongoing
• Co-ordinate economic development initiatives a local and regional level including Implementing actions from the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP), support for Footfall initiatives, Enterprise Week in March and liaison with partners to support business expansion and promote new investment in the County	March 2016
DLR Local Enterprise 'First Stop Service for local Businesses	
Business information and advisory services including enterprise support services– advice, training, mentoring and grants and promotional activity and promotion of enterprise and entrepreneurship in schools and third level colleges and online enterprise information and marketing.	Ongoing
Support the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) to ensure an integrated approach to community development and implementation, co-ordination and oversight of programmes and funding (SICAP and LEADER)	Compliance with legislative and funders requirements during 2016

Implement key actions from the Local Economic and Community Plan to ensure integrated community and economic development	LECP Implementation Plan April
Support for the development of the DLR Public Participation Network and rollout to develop capacity and role.	 Ongoing support during 2016 Annual work plan to be agreed by July 2016 Recruit a resource worker by May 2016
Publish Age Friendly Strategy and implementation of Strategy Aims	 Age Friendly Strategy Published March; Implementation Plan agreed July
Support 30 Community Facilities provide advisory, training and financial support	Ongoing
Support Community Employment including sponsoring 3 Community Employment Schemes with 150 Learners	Ongoing
Grant Scheme to provide Community Grant & Summer Project Grants funding	Call for Grants October/ November
Support Estate Management Programme and build capacity through training, support and funding	 12 Estate Management Fora progressing 2016 Service Plans
 Develop & Deliver a library and Arts service which meets the information, learning and cultural needs of the community including; Manage the dlr Lexicon, the 8 branch libraries, the Municipal Gallery and the Grainstore, dlr's Youth Arts Facility Implement Countywide Arts Development Programme 	 Service Delivery aims on-going and implemented in line with DLR Corporate Plan and Library Development Plan objectives
Develop and deliver a programme of library, Arts and Cultural events to support community development including The	 Arts and cultural programme of activities published and updated regularly during 2016;

Mountains to Sea Develop and agree a 'Library Development Plan' 2016 - 2021 Continue to implement the National Library Management System and	 Support to Pavillion Theatre, Mill Theatre and Dance Theatre of Ireland and management of DLR Grainstore providing for Arts across DLR
Develop and agree an Arts Development Policy 2016 – 2020 and commence implementation once approved.	 Seek Council approval for the new 'Library Development Plan' By end of March 2016
	 Publish and implement an approved 2016 -2020 Library Development Plan by July
	Arts Development Policy 2016 – 2020 to be consulted on and agreed by end 2016.

Housing Department Services

Principal Services	Timetable of Delivery/Service Performance Standard
 Provision of Social Housing Deliver the maximum number of additional social units through 	December 2016 <u>Target number of units 2016</u>
 Construction, CAS Acquisitions Part V Leasing RAS as per annual programme 	54 36 12 140 45 38
 Management of tenancies/allocations Review Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy Undertake new Housing Needs Assessment as required Place a greater emphasis on promoting and 	October 2016December 2016April 2016
 marketing benefits of downsizing scheme Management and maintenance of housing stock Continue to maintain and improve existing housing stock Adapt an additional 35 units for tenants with disabilities Provide full Re-wiring of 90 units Provide new central heating systems in 85 units Annual servicing of 3545 boilers Manage and deliver homeless services including prevention services in accordance with the Dublin Homeless Action Plan 	 Ongoing December 2016 December 2016 December 2016 December 2016 December 2016 December 2016
 Continue to improve customer service Undertake a review of our systems in conjunction with IT and Corporate Services Continue to upgrade OHMS system to improve IT capability in order to meet business and customer needs Commence role out of CRM Re-vamp housing section of website Continue focus on customer service training 	 Ongoing September 2016 January 2016 June 2016 Ongoing
 Comply with Corporate Governance Update information for customers and staff from any new legislation, regulations and circulars Continue to achieve best value for money through ensuring best practice and ensuring adequate frameworks are in place Provide monthly report on housing business to the elected members 	OngoingOngoingMonthly

•	Work in partnership with the Housing and	Ongoing
	Disability Steering Group to implement the DLRCC Strategy pursuant to national disability	
	guidelines	

Finance & Risk Management Department

Principal Services	Timetable of Delivery/Service Performance Standard
To maximise income collections thereby maximising resources available to Service Departments for infrastructural and service provision and to ensure the efficient and effective use of those resources.	Ongoing
The continuous achievement of a balanced budget and adherence to the highest standards of accountability and financial probity	Ongoing
To ensure, within the resources available, compliance with the Department's statutory obligations with particular reference to the preparation of annual budget, annual financial statement, returns to Revenue and other state bodies/agencies.	Annually
Participation in the National Payroll Shared Services Project and participation in other sector initiatives aimed at reducing costs and improving efficiencies.	Ongoing
To manage and facilitate the implementation of a risk management strategy throughout the organisation.	December 2016

Municipal Services

Principal Services	Timetable of Delivery/Service Performance Standard
 Co Co Markets To manage and develop the Co Co Markets Implementation of new Co Co Markets Marketing Strategy Roll-out of Events Programme to 	Ongoing

increase feetfall at Ce Ce Markets	
increase footfall at Co Co Markets	
 Village Renewal To roll-out and administer Free Wi-Fi Hotspots within the County To maximise potential of smart bins 	 Roll-out of additional locations during 2016
 Pay & Display Parking Control To continue to operate and develop the Pay & Display Parking System within the county Continued roll-out of Pay & Display meters with credit card facilities 	Ongoing
 Traffic Management To maintain and Improve Traffic Management within the County Continued roll-out of NTA funded sustainable transport measures Maintenance and improvement of junctions, and cycling and pedestrian facilities within the county On-going delivery of Traffic Management Schemes Maintenance and upgrading of Traffic Management Systems; traffic signals and Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) Improvement of facilities for mobility impaired and disabled road users. 	Ongoing
 Road Safety Accident Investigation Prevention Programme 2016 - 2020 Delivery of Road Safety Program Operation of school warden service 	Ongoing
 Cleansing Section To maintain all roads, laneways, footpaths, cycle lanes and gullies To strive to maintain IBAL Ranking Efficient response to flooding incidents Weed Spraying Programme 	Ongoing
 Roads Maintenance To provide and maintain a quality road, footpath and bridge network. Cross-departmental emergency response to severe weather conditions; specifically ice, snow, and floods 	 Adoption of 2016-2018 Roads Program Q1 2016 Adoption of 2016 Footpath Program Q1 2016
 Public Lighting To maintain and improve the public lighting system throughout the county Government Target 33% energy reduction by 2020 	Ongoing

 Parks and Landscaping Service To continue to manage, maintain and enhance the county's parks & open spaces 2016 Parks Capital Programme; roll-out of improvement works & new projects To deliver improved efficiencies in service delivery and the use of ICT To develop a policy on parks and 	 All open spaces to managed in accordance with the Open Space Strategy 2012 – 2015 Progress Asset Management, Easy Tree Survey and Fleet Management during 2016 Policy to be presented to the SPC and Council
 playing pitches usage Heritage Service To administer the County's Heritage Service To continue roll-out of Heritage Programme Implementation of the Heritage Plan 2013 – 2019 Coordination of 1916 Rising Commemoration Events, the Summer of Heritage, and Biodiversity Events 	Ongoing
 Events To manage DLR Events Programme To administer Events Grants 	Ongoing
 Cemeteries Service To continue to develop and administer the county's cemeteries. Maintenance of quality presentation of Shanganagh and Deansgrange Cemeteries Delivery of automated Cemetery Management System Part 8 Crematorium Project 	Ongoing
 Beaches Maintain water quality standards, and administer beach cleaning operations. Provision of seasonal Life Guards service. 	Ongoing Summer 2016
 Sports Development To deliver of Sports Development Programme To administer Sports Access and Sports Event Grants To develop Usage Policy on Park's Open Spaces 	Ongoing
 Sports Partnership To organise & develop a wide range of physical activity programmes/ events based on the County Sports 	Ongoing

 Participation Strategy 2013-17 To foster stakeholder participation Develop DLR Sports Forum 	
 Water & Drainage To maintain Surface Water Network Completion of Catchment Flood Risk Management Plans in conjunction with the OPW 	Ongoing
 Water & Drainage SLA To deliver Water Services Infrastructure through SLA Agreement with Irish Water 	Ongoing

Corporate, Communications and Governance

Principal Services		Timetable of Delivery/Service
		Performance Standard
•	Communications	Develop Communications Plan – end July 2016
•	Customer Service	Develop Customer Service Action Plan and
		Charter – end July 2016
•	Ethics Framework	Compliance with statutory requirements on
		donations and declarations
•	Corporate Governance	Audit of all aspects of the organisation to
		ensure compliance and improve governance
•	Irish Language Scheme	In place, to be reviewed evenue vegate
•	Insit Language Scheme	In place, to be reviewed every 5 years
•	Annual Service Delivery Plan	Annually
•	Annual Report	
		Annually
•	Service Indicators	Annually
		Annualiy
•	DLR Times	To be published 5 times per year
•	DLR Universal Grant Scheme	Grant applications evaluated annually
	Degister of Electors	Compiled annually and Register published
•	Register of Electors	

	within Statutory timeframe
Meetings	Service Monthly Council and Area Committee Meetings, Quarterly SPC Meetings, Deputations Meetings
 Support Elected Members in their representational role 	Support services, communications and information
• CRM	Continuing roll-out of CRM to all Departments and services
Customer Service Desk	Target of December 2016
New Council Website	To be delivered by April 2016
Develop an Internal Audit Plan	By Q4 2016
	Ongoing
Support the Audit Committee	