



# 2019 Annual Report of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee

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## 1 Background to the formation of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee:

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The governing legislation underpinning the establishment of Local Community Development Committees (LCDC) is set out in Section 36 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014, which provides for the establishment of LCDCs in all local authority administrative areas *“for the purposes of developing, coordinating and implementing a coherent and integrated approach to local and community development”*.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown was one of ten “front Runner” LCDC’s established in the country. This process began with the passing of a resolution by the County Council on February 10<sup>th</sup> 2014, approving the establishment of a Local Community Development Committee for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and the initial membership of the committee.

At a meeting of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council held on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2014 a resolution to establish the DLR LCDC and its membership of 19 seats was approved.

## 2. The role and functions of the DLR LCDC

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Accordingly, and in accordance with the functions detailed in the Act, the LCDC will:

*have primary responsibility for co-ordination, planning and oversight of local development spend, whether that spend is delivered by local authorities or on behalf of the State or by other local development agencies and structures; LCDC’s will bring a more coherent approach to the implementation of local and community development programmes and interventions, seeking to ensure an integrated approach to local community and local development services between providers and delivery structures; LCDC’s will drive meaningful citizen and community engagement in the scoping, planning, delivery and evaluation of local and community development programmes;*

- LCDC’s will ensure a more efficient administration of local and community programmes and delivery structures, the appropriate matching of resources to priorities and the achievement of value-for-money in the delivery and governance of programmes and the management of local delivery arrangements;
- LCDC’s will develop approaches that focus on learning and feedback, enhancing the links between practice and policy development, and
- LCDC’s will explore and pursue opportunities for additional funding resources for the area, whether Exchequer, EU, private or other sources.

***Section 128B of the Local Government Act 2001 (inserted by Section 36 of the 2014 Act) sets out the functions of LCDCs. These functions are —***



- To prepare the community elements of a 6-year Local Economic and Community Plan.
- To implement or arrange for the implementation of the community elements of the Plan.
- To review the community elements of the Plan at least once within the period of 6 calendar years and if necessary, to amend the community elements of the Plan.
- To monitor and review on an on-going basis the implementation of the community elements of the Plan and, if appropriate, to revise the actions and strategies set.
- To achieve the objectives of the community elements of the Plan,
- To co-ordinate, manage and oversee the implementation of local and community development programmes that have been approved either by the relevant local authority or by agreement between the LCDC and a relevant public authority (e.g. Government Department, State agency)
- To seek to ensure effectiveness, consistency, co-ordination and avoidance of duplication between public funded local and community development programmes, in addition to public funded programmes, to pursue the co-ordination generally of all local and community development programmes within the functional area of the Committee,
- To consider and adopt a statement for consideration of the Council in respect of the economic elements of a draft of the Plan prepared by the local authority,
- To prepare an annual report to the performance of its functions.

### **Publication of Review of the Local Community Development Committees (LCDCs)**

The Department of Rural and Community Development published a Review of Local Community Development Committees in July 2019. The review commenced in late 2017 with the overall objective to inform the ongoing development of the LCDC structures. The Department examined four themes.

- *Governance and Structure*
- *Strategic effectiveness*
- *Participation and Engagement*
- *Administrative Support and Development*

The review identified key findings, set out objectives to be achieved and recommendations. A presentation was provided to the LCDC in October 2019.

## **3. LCDC Meetings in 2019**

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The Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Local Community Development Committee held seven meetings in 2019 and one workshop. Sub Committee meetings also took place in 2019 for SICAP and Community Enhancement Programme.



2019 LCDC Meetings - 27<sup>th</sup> February, 13<sup>th</sup> March, 10<sup>th</sup> April, 10<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> September, 23<sup>rd</sup> October and 4<sup>th</sup> December

LCDC members participated in an LECP Workshop for continued development of Local Economic and Community Plan community objectives on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

Meetings took place either in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Hall or in Harbour Lodge and commenced at 8.30am, unless an earlier start was required and agreed to in advance.

#### **4. Membership of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Local Community Development Committee 2019.**

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Mary Ruane, Community and Cultural Development, DLRCC served as Chief Officer for the LCDC during 2019. The Chief Officer's role is to support the establishment and development of the LCDC in line with national policy requirements and support the committee in the implementation of its role and functions.

The Council established an LCDC support team in 2017, with two posts partially funded from the Department of Rural and Community Development, and this funding continued in 2019.

The LCDC was chaired in 2019 by Dearbhla Lawson (Director Community and Cultural Development DLRCC). The Chairperson confirmed towards the end of 2019 that her term as Chair was coming to an end and noted that the Chief Officer had circulated a report on the role of the Chair, which was now up for nomination. Arrangements for the LCDC to nominate a new chair will take place early in 2020.

There were a number of changes to membership of the LCDC in 2019.

The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Chamber confirmed the re-nomination of Dr Josephine Browne to the committee in April 2019.

The Local Elections were held in May 2019 and the four out-going members of the LCDC were Councillors Peter O'Brien, John Kennedy, Kate Feeney and Anne Colgan. The following were appointed by the Council at the annual meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to membership of the LCDC: Councillors Kazi Ahmed, Kate Feeney, Daniel Dunne and Lettie McCarthy.

The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Public Participation Network confirmed the re-nomination of Kay Gleeson and Tom Kivlehan in June 2019 and in October 2019, Michael O'Brien's term was extended to early 2020.

It is noted that the maximum term for LCDC members nominated from the PPN and from other civic society or local community interests is six consecutive years on the LCDC.



Roisín Cronin was welcomed to the Committee as the representative of the Head of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Enterprise Office in July 2019.

The committee undertook a review of representation from 'Other civic society or local community interests' in April 2019, having regard to the aims of the LCDC, the guidelines and LECP priorities. The LCDC recommended that a representative from both Crosscare and the UCD Community Programme be sought to fill two vacancies in that sector. The LCDC at their meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were informed that the County Council at its meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 had considered a report submitted in accordance with Section 128C of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 and resolved to appoint the two nominees listed for membership to the Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown LCDC without omission or addition.

The two vacant seats on the Committee under the 'Other civic society or local community interests' pillar were subsequently filled during 2019. Professor Joe Carthy (UCD) and Conor Hickey (Crosscare) were appointed as members of the LCDC at a meeting of the County Council on the 9<sup>th</sup> of September 2019.

Bernard Kelly, Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection, resigned his membership in October 2019 and his replacement, Stephen Fitzgerald, was appointed by the Department in December 2019 and will attend meetings in 2020.

**The membership at 31st December 2019 is as follows:**

<b>Statutory Interests 9</b>		
<b>Sector</b>	<b>Members Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<i>Local Authority Elected Members</i>	<b>Cllr Daniel Dunne</b>	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
	<b>Cllr Lettie McCarthy</b>	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
	<b>Cllr Kazi Ahmed</b>	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
	<b>Cllr Kate Feeney</b>	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
<i>Local Authority Officials</i>	<b>Dearbhla Lawson</b>	Chief Executive Nominee
	<b>Roisín Cronin</b>	Head of Local Enterprise Office
<i>State Agencies</i>	<b>Siobhan Fitzpatrick</b>	Health Service Executive
	<b>Stephen Fitzgerald</b>	Department of Social Protection
	<b>Lorna Kerin</b>	Tusla (in advisory role)
	<b>Derek Elders</b>	Dublin and Dún Laoghaire Education & Training Board
<b>Non Statutory Interests 10</b>		



Sector	Members Name	Organisation*
<i>Local &amp; Community Development</i>	<b>Cormac Shaw</b>	Southside Partnership DLR
	<b>Alan Wyley</b>	Southside Partnership DLR
<i>Social Inclusion Public Participation Network</i>	<b>Ibrahim Al Kaddo</b>	PPN Social Inclusion Pillar
	<b>Sharon Perry</b>	PPN Southside Women's Action Network
<i>Community &amp; Voluntary Public Participation Network</i>	<b>Kay Gleeson</b>	PPN Glasthule / Sandycove Residents Association
	<b>Michael O'Brien</b>	PPN Cabinteely Residents Association
<i>Environmental Interests Public Participation Network</i>	<b>Tom Kivlehan</b>	PPN Environment Pillar
<i>Other civic society or local community interests</i>	<b>Prof Joe Carthy</b>	University College Dublin
	<b>Conor Hickey</b>	Crosscare
	<b>Dr. Josephine Browne</b>	DLR Chamber
<b>Total No. of Members</b>	<b>19 + 1 Advisory Member</b>	

## 5. Main achievements of the LCDC in 2019

There were five key priorities progressed in 2019 by the LCDC, as follows:

- Monitoring and reviewing progress on implementation of the SICAP Programme in 2019 for SICAP Programme 2018-2022
- Supporting and monitoring implementation of the six year Local Economic & Community Plan for Dún Laoghaire Rathdown, 2016 – 2021
- Supporting the Dublin Rural LEADER Programme 2014 – 2020, including developing work of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Rural Task Force
- Supporting and promoting community interests including the development of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Public Participation Network
- Supporting and evaluating the role and remit of the LCDC- including developing collaborative support for inter-agency strategic engagement, and administering government grant funding in support of community development and wellbeing in dlr



## 5.1 Monitoring implementation of the SICAP programme in 2019

The Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme is a key focus for the LCDC with regular reports and consideration of progress at LCDC meetings. The contract in 2019 was valued at €934,490 for which a contribution comes from the European social Fund (ESF) Programme for Employability, Inclusion and Learning (PEIL) 2014-2020 and the Youth Employment Initiative.



The SICAP Annual Plan 2019 was approved in principle at the LCDC meeting of the 28<sup>th</sup> of November 2018 and was given final approval following ratification of the 2018 Annual Report at the LCDC meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Sub Group Meetings of the LCDC were held in 2019 to conduct reviews of the mid-year and end of year processes for SICAP and to review the SICAP Annual Plan 2019.

Members of the LCDC and support staff participated in a range of consultation and training events held by the Department and POBAL concerning the on-going implementation and monitoring of the SICAP 2018 – 2022 programme. LCDC support staff and LCDC SICAP subgroup members attended the SICAP Regional Support event on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.

Training on the EU E-Cohesion system for reporting on ESF funded programmes was held in the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and attended by LCDC support staff.

Internal audit staff tasked with responsibility for overseeing the audit for the SICAP programme attended an Audit Training event on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

The annual engagement meeting with the POBAL Development Coordinator took place in DLR on the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and was attended by LCDC SICAP subgroup members, the Chief Officer and LCDC support staff, with Southside Partnership staff attending for part of the session.

POBAL continued to provide an online monitoring system (IRIS) to track the implementation of the SICAP programme nationally. In 2019, the DLR LCDC was fully compliant with all national requirements.



*The Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) 2018-2022 is funded by the Irish Government through the Department of Rural and Community Development and co-funded by the European Social Fund under the Programme for Employability, Inclusion and Learning (PEIL) 2014-2020*



There was good progress in the SICAP Programme and Southside Partnership DLR was successful in achieving their annual plan KPI targets for 2019 and the significant majority of targets were achieved. Some key SICAP indicators / targets achieved in 2019:

<b>603</b> Individuals	Worked with on a one to one basis
<b>38</b> Community Groups	Received advice and development support
<b>362</b> Children	Received educational or developmental support
<b>287</b> Individuals	Received employment support
<b>102</b> Individuals	Supported into self-employment

## 5.2 Implementation of the DLR Local Economic & Community Plan 2016-2021

2019 was the fourth full year of implementation of the DLR Local Economic and Community Plan. It was a busy year for both the DLR Local Community Development Committee and the Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee whose role is to oversee the development and implementation of the Local Economic and Community Plan for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The LECP is structured around 8 high level goals, 21 thematic objectives and 156 actions. The LCDC has a key role in overseeing progress in relation to the implementation of the Community and shared community objectives of the LECP.

It is important to acknowledge the very positive multi agency and community organisations' participation and support in the process of implementing LECP actions.





## LECP Implementation – Workshop 2019

The LCDC held a workshop to focus on the LECP on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019. The workshop explored a number of areas identified throughout the course of LCDC meetings in 2019 as being of importance to the implementation of the LECP in dlr. The workshop took the format of a round table discussion guided by a number of presentations on key topics; Philanthropy, supporting families in areas of disadvantage and LEO supports for developing communities. The workshop also examined the LECP mid-year progress report to the LCDC. Further discussion took place at an extended LCDC meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to consider key areas and presentations.

### 2019 Highlights – Shared Community actions

- SICAP programme implemented by Southside Partnership dlr to assist and support community and enterprise development and support with access to employment and learning for individuals during 2019 – achievements are set out in section 5.1.
- Social Enterprise Development Fund promoted with stakeholders and on dlr social media platforms. <http://www.socialinnovation.ie/social-enterprise-development/>
- Exhibition held with judging for the dlr Community and Volunteer Awards, the awards ceremony in October recognised and celebrated the work of community groups and volunteers in dlr.
- The Volunteer Centre is continuing to work collaboratively with local stakeholders to further encourage the spirit and practice of volunteering by all. <http://www.volunteerdlr.ie/>
- Five events were supported by the Volunteer Corp including the Age Well Expo and DLR Community 5k
- In 2019, Music Generation Dlr highlights included:
  - Completion of Pilot Programmes in Primary Schools and Early Years settings of Academic Year 2018/2019 and increasing from 13 schools to 28 to 2019/2020
  - Completion of the Youth Music Programme in the Grainstore, dlr's Youth Arts Facility.
  - Google.org Impact Challenge Dublin Awards Ceremony – Music Generation dlr was awarded €50,000 for Music Technology for Special Educational Needs based on a proposal submitted by Music Development Officer.
  - A collaboration in Early Years Music between the 4 Dublin Local Authorities as part of Crinniú na nÓg



- LEO DLR continues to provide a full range of supports including finance and advice to support the development of micro enterprises across the County.
- SSP and DLR LEO collaborating to explore Social Innovation supports, including a hub
- Southside Partnership- European Funded Integration Project, WEMIN funded by AMIF funds concluded in 2019
- DLR County Childcare Committee continued to roll out of the national childcare schemes to all services on behalf of the DCYA
- DLR worked with the NTA to identify bus priority measures helping deliver better bus routing in the County and assisted in developing Bus Connects
- Dublin Mountains Partnership developed 5 year strategic plan to include recreation and events <https://www.dublinmountains.ie/home/>

### 2019 Highlights – Community actions Dun Laoghaire

- Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Healthy County Plan 2019--2022 launched in May
- Healthy Ireland Round 2 actions completed and Round 3 Joint LCDC/CYPSC application submitted to POBAL
- Sports Partnership organised and delivered training courses, workshops and targeted physical activity programmes for all ages, levels of ability and sporting types – 9,100 individuals engaged.
- HSE launched Community Healthcare East Directory of Services in 2019 and it is available [online here](#).
- DLR CYPSC continued to make good progress with interagency work to develop a Plan for Children and Young People in dlr. Draft CYPSC Plan 2020-2022 submitted to National CYPSC review panel in Q4 2019 and consists of 26 key priority areas with allied implementation plans to improve outcomes for children and young people (0-24)
- Implementation of Age Friendly Strategy is on-going, including Dlr Age Well Expo 2019 held in June
- Age Friendly Alliance Inter-Generational book project – “*A Window to my World, An Intergenerational Project*” produced in conjunction with IADT and launched in October 2019
- Exit 15 community arts programme continued to deliver innovative programme of events within the Ballyogan and surrounding areas. <http://exit15.ie/>
- 2 Joint Policing Committee and 18 Local Policing Forum meetings held in 2019
- 62 “Street Feasts” involving over 5,700 residents took place throughout dlr in May 2019 <http://streetfeast.ie/> with financial assistance from DLRCC
- DLRCC approved grants support through 232 community grants to a value of €221,014 in 2019
- The LCDC approved 32 Community Enhancement Grants to a total of €142,108



- SICAP programme continued to work with the most marginalised groups in the county working with some 38 community groups and in excess of 1,000 individuals in both caseload and non-caseload capacity
- Festival of Inclusion which was themed "Celebrating Generations" took place from the 4th-12th of October, with events taking place countywide.  
<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/news/general-news/dlr-festival-inclusion-2019>
- 570 groups registered with the PPN at the end of 2019, an increase of 76 groups compared to 2018 - <http://dlrppn.ie/>
- Comhairle na nÓg continued to grow in dlr in 2019 and held meetings on monthly basis to progress their 2019 work plan. The AGM took place in County Hall in November with 126 young people from 20 schools across the county in attendance

### 5.3 Support for Dublin Rural LEADER Programme 2014 – 2020

As part of the implementation of the LEADER Programme 2014 -2020, there is one Dublin Rural LEADER programme which covers selected rural areas within the three Dublin local authority areas of Fingal, South Dublin and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown areas included in this programme cover the Local Electoral Areas of Glencullen and Tibbradden. The Dublin LEADER Local Development Strategy (LDS) was approved by the Department for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs in August 2016.

The Dublin Rural LEADER programme is led by Fingal LCDC and by Fingal County Council as lead financial partner for the LEADER Local Action Group (LAG). The total funding allocation budget for the 2014 – 2020 Dublin LEADER programme is €6,370,438. Fingal LEADER Partnership (FLP) was appointed as the programme implementer for the 2014 - 2020 Programme and signed the contract in October 2016.



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The programme is being managed by a LAG drawn from the LCDC's of each of the three local authorities in Dublin with rural communities.

The DLR LCDC nominated three representatives to sit on the LEADER LAG, as follows;

Cllr Lettie McCarthy	DLRCC (Local Authority Member)
Tom Kivlehan	DLR PPN (Environmental)
Cormac Shaw	Southside Partnership DLR (Local development)

At the LCDC meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019, Cllr Lettie McCarthy filled the vacancy on the LAG for a DLR elected member to replace Cllr Peter O'Brien.



LCDC representatives attended 7 LAG meetings in 2019.

**The current round of LEADER funding has three themes:**

1. Economic Development, Enterprise Development and Job Creation: Sub-themes: Rural Tourism, Enterprise Development, Rural Towns.
2. Social Inclusion: Sub-themes: Basic Services targeted at Hard to Reach Communities, Rural Youth
3. Rural Environment: Sub-themes: Protection & Sustainable Use of Water Resources, Protection & Improvement of Local Biodiversity, Development of Renewable Energy.

The implementing partner, Fingal LEADER Partnership, continued to organise public animation events, road-show events, and hold one-to-one meetings with individuals, businesses and organisations across the Dublin Rural LEADER area. Fingal LEADER Partnership continues to provide targeted promotion on their website, the link is as follows: <http://dublinruralleader.ie/>.

- 46 Expression of Interests received during 2019, 4 were from the DLR region
- 19 projects were approved and contracts issued and 3 provisional projects approved
- 1 project approved for DLR: Extension of Bike Trails, the GAP, Glencullen, amounting to €93,500 under Rural Tourism sub-theme

The LEADER Programme is a standing item on the agenda of the DLR LCDC meetings.

**Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Rural Taskforce**

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Rural Taskforce was established as a sub group of the LCDC to facilitate the integration of the Rural Development and SICAP programmes and as a communication channel to the LEADER LAG. Updates from the Dublin Rural Task Force meetings were provided during the year to the LCDC.

Three meetings of the Rural Task Force took place in 2019; on the 12<sup>th</sup> February, the 30<sup>th</sup> May and the 2<sup>nd</sup> October. An update on the Dublin Rural LEADER programme was given at each meeting by representatives from the Fingal LEADER Partnership.

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**5.4 DLR Public Participation Network**

The DLR Public Participation Network continued to develop and establish itself as the main link through which the local authority connects with the community, voluntary and environmental sectors, without prejudice to other consultation processes. The aim of the



structures and processes is to facilitate and enable the public and the organisations to articulate a diverse range of views and interests within the local government system.



## **DLR PPN**

**Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown  
Public Participation Network**

570 groups were registered with the PPN at the end of 2019, an increase of 76 groups compared to 2018. This includes 392 Community & Voluntary, 88 Social Inclusion and 14 Environment groups.

The PPN Secretariat met on monthly basis to plan and organise and monitor the implementation of the 2019 programme of work. Two (2) plenary meetings of members were held in 2019 on April 19th and October 15<sup>th</sup>

- Memorandum of Understanding between DLR PPN and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council continued in 2019.
- Publication of monthly DLR PPN E Zine, along with a special edition in October for the dlr Festival of Inclusion.
- E Zine podcast production in conjunction with Dublin South FM – ‘Community Connections’ produced 8 times in 2019
- 17 nominees represented the PPN on six Strategic Policy Committees following elections for these positions organised in Q3 20219
- The PPN was also represented on the Local Community Development Committee, Joint Policing Committee, Rural Taskforce, and the Smart Dublin Advisory Group.
- Participation in PPN Regional Meetings and PPN Workers Network meetings.
- Information meetings and consultations in 2019
  - Two information sessions about becoming a representative were organised ahead of the SPCs elections.
  - Two workshops were organised to help inform the new DLR Digital Strategy, on 23rd July and in August 2019.
  - Representing groups on the Age Well Expo on Wednesday, 22nd of May 2019.
  - Two workshops on the dlr Corporate Plan 2020 - 2024 were organised on 8th October 2019
  - DLR PPN, in collaboration with South County Dublin PPN organised an Insurance Workshop on September 26th.
- The PPN delivered 9 training sessions for members in September, October, November and December 2019:
  - Writing Good Grant Applications –October 3rd 2019
  - Writing Good Grant Applications –October 10th 2019
  - Email Marketing for Community Groups –Oct 23rd 2019



- Graphic Design for Community Groups – November 20th 2019
- Committee Skills Training –November 26th 2019
- Committee Skills Training –November 27th 2019
- Good Governance:1 Advancing your charitable purpose and behaving with integrity (Principle 1 & 2) - September 11th 2019
- Good Governance: Leading People and Exercising Control (Principle 3 & 4) - October 9th 2019
- Good Governance: Working effectively, and being accountable and transparent, (Principle 5 & 6) - November 13th.

### 5.5 DLR Children’s and Young People’s Services Committee (CYPSC)

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Children and Young People’s Services Committees (CYPSC) are a key county-level structure identified by Government to plan and co-ordinate services for children and young people in every county in Ireland. Their age remit spans all children and young people aged from 0 to 24 years. The overall purpose is to improve outcomes for children and young people through local and national interagency working.



CYPSC’s provide a forum for joint planning and co-ordination of activity to ensure that children, young people and their families receive improved and accessible services. Their role is to enhance interagency co-operation and to realise the national outcomes set out in *Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures: the national policy framework for children and young people 2014 - 2020*.



The DLR Children and Young Persons Services Committee (DLR CYPSC) is one of the most recently established CYPSC structure in Ireland. The developmental focus has been firmly on building the interagency strategic and operational structures of the CYPSC, developing a



robust population data baseline, mapping existing services and engaging a wide range of statutory, community and voluntary stakeholder services as well as young people in a county-wide consultation to inform the DLR CYPSC three-year plan.

DLR CYPSC has continued to make good progress with interagency work to develop a Plan for Children and Young People in dlr. The draft CYPSC Plan 2020-2022 was submitted to the National CYPSC review panel in Q4 2019 and consists of 26 key priority areas with allied implementation plans to improve outcomes for children and young people (0-24).

## **5.6 LCDC Administered Grant Schemes 2019: Community Enhancement Programme & Mens Shed Grant & Big Hello National Community Weekend**

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The LCDC was responsible for the administration and allocation of three grant schemes announced by the Department of Rural and Community Development in 2019.



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### **Community Enhancement Programme 2019 - €142,108**

The Community Enhancement Programme was announced by the Department of Rural and Community Development in May 2019. Funding of €142,108 was made available for small capital projects which benefit the local community, with special criteria being adhered to, and to address the needs of key target groups. The information was circulated to the PPN, through Community networks and was available on the Council website. Applications were required to demonstrate complementarity with the strategic objectives and actions from the DLR LECP. An LCDC Sub Group was established to review applications received under the scheme and make recommendations to the LCDC on the appropriate distribution of the funding.

The Subgroup met on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of July to consider and access the applications received. Recommendations were made to the LCDC to provide funding to over 32 separate project proposals. The LCDC approved the recommendations at its meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Big Hello National Community Weekend 2019 - €10,000**



The DRCD announced the Big Hello National Community Weekend Grant Scheme to take place over the May Bank Holiday weekend in 2019. €10,000 was made available to Community groups in the dlr area to support events that encouraged development of community relations. The application form and guidelines were circulated through the LCDC, the PPN and on the DLR website in March 2019. The funding was allocated across 27 separate community groups to help with running a broad range of community events. The events ranged from open days in community centres, estate parties organised by residents, barbeques hosted by Men's Sheds, a family fun cycle, an intergenerational choir event and many more. In total these events engaged more than 2,500 dlr residents in their communities.



### **Men's Shed Grants Scheme 2019 - €11,780**

The DRCD announced funding of €500,000 for Men's Shed Groups nationally in June 2019. The funding allocated to each LCDC under this programme was based on the number of sheds in the area registered with the Irish Men's Shed Association. The total funding allocated Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown LCDC was €11,780. The scheme is to provide funding for small scale capital grants and can be accessed by any registered Men's and Women's sheds in the county.

Funding recommendations were brought to the LCDC meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September and were approved, distributing the fund across the ten eligible sheds in the county.





**(See Appendix 1 which lists the grants approved in 2019)**

## 5.7 Town & Village Renewal Schemes 2019

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The scheme was announced by the Department of Rural and Community Development in May 2019. Information on the scheme was circulated to community groups through the LCDC, Cllrs in the relevant ward, the Rural Task Force and through the County Council and expressions of interest for funding were sought with a deadline of the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2019.

Projects based in the qualifying areas of dlr (Kiltarnan, Glencullen, Stepside, Sandyford Village Centre) were eligible for consideration.

Consultations were held with interested community groups proposing projects for their area but these early stage proposals were not subsequently developed into expressions of interest in 2019.

## 5.8 Healthy Ireland – the national framework for improved health and wellbeing

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Round 2 Strand 1 Healthy Ireland projects concluded in June 2019 and a final report was presented to the LCDC for Round 2 Strand 1 at the LCDC meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> July. It was recorded that all projects were completed on budget and within the timeframe set out by POBAL for this strand. Healthy Ireland funded projects across the county have impacted positively on the health of over 1,000 adults and 2,000 children during the life of the projects.



An application was made for dlr to join the Healthy Cities and Counties Network of Ireland in June 2019. The Healthy Cities and Counties Network of Ireland is directly accredited to the World Health Organisation's *Healthy Cities Network*. At the close of 2019 the LCDC is awaiting a response to the application.

Round 3, Strand 1 funding was announced in 2019 with an extended time frame from July 2019 until June 2021. A draft programme of work for a joint application between CYPSC and the LCDC was proposed at the LCDC meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019. This joint application was for the maximum available funding of €374,100 and contained 13 separate actions impacting on the health of a broad range of citizens in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown area. The LCDC funding under this application is €246,050. Approval was granted by the LCDC to proceed with the joint application and it was submitted to POBAL for review. Approval from POBAL to proceed with the proposed work plan is expected in early 2020.



The Healthy Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Plan 2019-2022 was officially launched in Marlay Park in May 2019, alongside a Sports Partnership Daily Mile event for over 1,300 local primary school children. Approval for the publication and launch of the County Plan was granted by the LCDC on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

A Healthy County is a county that continually works collaboratively to support the health of the population. It is envisaged that the Healthy Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Plan 2019-2022, together with a range of national and local policies, programmes and plans, will support Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown's vision to achieve a Healthy County. The development of this plan was led by the Healthy Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Steering Committee which included cross-sectoral representation from Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, the Health Service Executive, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Children and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC), Southside Partnership DLR, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership, University College Dublin and TUSLA Child & Family Agency.



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## 5.9 Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Volunteer Corps

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Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Volunteer Corps is a joint project of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Volunteer Centre and Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council. Established on a pilot basis in 2017, as part of on-going discussions about promoting volunteering in the County and where relevant to assist in achieving the following actions, in the Local Economic and Community Plan 2016-2021



*To encourage the spirit and practice of Volunteerism and its support by residents, local businesses and others connected to the County.*

*Align the skills of volunteers with the needs of the communities and enterprises and increase the visibility of volunteering in the County*

2019 saw continued development of the project. Local Volunteers took part in a range of events across the County and Volunteer feedback has indicated that 100% of our Volunteers would Volunteer again.

### 2019 Events and Highlights

- Events supported in 2019 included:
  - dlr Core Credit Union Community 5k
  - An Taisce Autumn Clean Up Booterstown Nature Reserve
  - Dlr Age Well Expo
  - Woolapalooza Festival at Airfield
  - The Vinyl Festival



## 6. LCDC Members Attendance Record 2019

Members Name	27th Feb	13th Mar	10th April	10th Jul	18th Sep	23rd Oct - Meeting	23rd Oct - W/shop	4th Dec
<b>Cllr Peter O'Brien</b> DLRCC	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Cllr John Kennedy</b> DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Cllr Anne Colgan</b> DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Cllr Kate Feeney</b> DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies
<b>Cllr Daniel Dunne</b> DLRCC	N/A	N/A	N/A	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Cllr Lettie McCarthy</b> DLRCC	N/A	N/A	N/A	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Cllr Kazi Ahmed</b> DLRCC	N/A	N/A	N/A	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Dearbhla Lawson (Chair)</b> DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Mary Ruane (Chief Officer)</b> DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Owen Lavery</b> DLRCC LEO	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Roisin Cronin</b> DLRCC LEO	N/A	N/A	N/A	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Siobhan Fitzpatrick</b> HSE	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Bernard Kelly</b> DEASP	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	N/A	N/A	N/A



Members Name	27th Feb	13th Mar	10th April	10th Jul	18th Sep	23rd Oct - Meeting	23rd Oct - W/shop	4th Dec
<b>Lorna Kerin</b> Tusla (in advisory role)	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Derek Elders</b> DDLETB	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Cormac Shaw</b> Southside Partnership	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Alan Wyley</b> Southside Partnership	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies
<b>Ibrahim Al Kaddo</b> DLR PPN	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Sharon Perry</b> DLR PPN	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Kay Gleeson</b> DLR PPN	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Michael O'Brien</b> DLR PPN	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended
<b>Tom Kivlehan</b> Vacant	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Attended
<b>Dr. Josephine Browne</b> DLR Chamber	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Prof Joe Carthy</b> UCD	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies
<b>Conor Hickey</b> Crosscare	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Attended



## 7. Conclusion

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2019 was a very busy year for the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee and the Sub Committees of the LCDC.

The work of implementing the Local Economic & Community Plan, implementing and administering the SICAP Programme 2018-2022, developing the Dublin Rural Task Force and LEADER Strategy, supporting the development of the DLR CYPSC Plan, supporting the development of the DLR Public Participation Network, supporting the development of the Volunteer Corp, and implementing and administering wide-ranging grant funding for the LCDC to target the achievement of LECP objectives, has required a significant commitment from all the members of the LCDC and Sub Committees. All the national programme requirements for the LCDC have been fully met in 2019.

It is important to acknowledge the significant level of inter-agency collaboration and active engagement by all our partner organisations and representatives on the Committee.

With such a significant and growing agenda in support of community development in dlr during 2019, the roles of the Chair, and Chief Officer and support staff to develop and drive the ambitious agenda of the DLR LCDC is also acknowledged. The LCDC also acknowledges the support provided by a range of government departments, including the Department of Rural and Community, Department of Health and by Pobal.

We look forward to working with all our partners in 2020 as we continue the implementation phase of the Local Economic and Community Plan.



## Appendix 1

### CEP Grant List 2019

No	Applicant	Electoral Ward	Amount
1	ENABLE IRELAND	Glencullen - Sandyford	€564
2	ROCHESTOWN HOUSE SOCIAL ROOM COMMITTEE	Dun Laoghaire	€645
3	SANDYFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE	Glencullen - Sandyford	€850
4	HILLVIEW COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE	Dundrum	€895
5	ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY IRELAND	Dun Laoghaire	€909
6	Sallynoggin Community Preschool	Dun Laoghaire	€985
7	BROADFORD ROVERS F.C.	Dundrum	€1,000
8	Kilcross Resource Centre	Glencullen - Sandyford	€1,000
9	LBS MENS SHED	Killiney-Shankill	€1,000
10	Rosemount Residents' Association	Dundrum	€1,220
11	ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY IRELAND	Dun Laoghaire	€1,415
12	SHANKILL DAYCARE CENTRE	Killiney-Shankill	€1,800
13	Belarmine Community Centre	Glencullen - Sandyford	€1,834
14	SWAN (SOUTHSIDE WOMENS ACTION NETWORK)	Killiney-Shankill	€1,879
15	MOUNTTOWN EARLY YEARS SERVICE	Dun Laoghaire	€2,000
16	Sallynoggin Youth and Community Facility	Dun Laoghaire	€2,000
17	ENABLE IRELAND	Killiney-Shankill	€2,287
18	COIS CAIRN COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP	Killiney-Shankill	€2,600
19	8Ú CALFORT GASOGA MARA	Dun Laoghaire	€2,876
20	SHANGANAGH PARK HOUSE	Killiney-Shankill	€3,000
21	SHANGANAGH COMMUNITY GARDENS	Killiney-Shankill	€3,137
22	ST. JOHN OF GOD COMMUNITY SERVICE (DSE) CLG TRAINING & RESOURCE CENTRE	Dun Laoghaire	€3,563
23	BARNARDOS	Dun Laoghaire	€4,500
24	BARNARDOS	Dun Laoghaire	€5,000
25	Mounttown Community Facility CLG	Dun Laoghaire	€6,000
26	SSP Holly House community resource centre	Dun Laoghaire	€6,000
27	NUTGROVE AND LORETO MENS SHED	Dundrum	€9,149
28	GLENCULLEN COMMUNITY HALL	Glencullen - Sandyford	€10,000
29	SOUTHSIDE PARTNERSHIP	Dun Laoghaire	€10,000
30	BALLINTEER MENS SHED	Dundrum	€17,000
31	Rosemount Mulvey F.C.	Dundrum	€17,000
32	PATRICIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE	Blackrock	€20,000
			<b>€142,108</b>

### Men's Shed Grant List 2019

No	Applicant	Electoral Ward	Amount
1	Southside Travellers Mens Shed	Glencullen-Sandyford	€500
2	Glencullen Mens Shed	Glencullen-Sandyford	€1,100
3	Garden Shed – Shanganagh Community Garden	Killiney-Shankill	€1,200
4	Nutgrove & Lorreto Men's Shed	Dundrum	€1,283



5	Sandyford Men's Shed	Glencullen-Sandyford	€1,283
6	Ballinteer Men's Shed	Dundrum	€1,283
7	Blackrock Community Men's Shed (Urban Junction)	Blackrock	€1,283
8	Dundrum/ Windy Arbour Men's Shed	Dundrum	€1,283
9	LBS Men's Shed	Killiney-Shankill	€1,283
10	Dun Laoghaire Men's Shed	Dun laoghaire	€1,283
			€11,780

### Big Hello National Community Weekend Grant List 2019

No	Applicant	Electoral Ward	Amount
1	Recycled Teenagers	Killiney-Shankill	€300
2	Ballinteer Mens Shed	Dundrum	€200
3	Adult Community Choir; Loughlinstown Community Rooms	Killiney-Shankill	€300
4	Youth Group; Loughlinstown Community Rooms	Killiney-Shankill	€300
5	LBS Mens Shed	Killiney-Shankill	€420
6	Dun Laoghaire Mens Shed	Dún Laoghaire	€300
7	Patrician Residents Association	Blackrock	€300
8	Brennanstown Residents Association	Killiney-Shankill	€392
9	GROW in Ireland	Dún Laoghaire	€450
10	Cualanor Residents Association	Dún Laoghaire	€300
11	Shankill Day Care Centre	Killiney-Shankill	€300
12	Cois Cairn Youth and Community Facility	Killiney-Shankill	€332
13	Kilcross Resource Centre	Glencullen-Sandyford	€380
14	Llewyllen Residents Association	Dundrum	€300
15	Nutgrove / Loreto Residents Association	Dundrum	€300
16	Estate Management County Fora	Dún Laoghaire	€219
17	Mounttown Community Facility	Dún Laoghaire	€820
18	Rosemount Residents Association	Dundrum	€400
19	Dundrum Windy Arbour Men's Shed	Dundrum	€400
20	DLR Cycling Advocacy Group	Dún Laoghaire	€500
21	Blackberry Hill Residents	Killiney-Shankill	€500
22	Johnstown Residents Association	Killiney-Shankill	€500
23	Laurels and Sweetmount Residents Association	Dundrum	€300
24	Shanganagh Community Gardens	Killiney-Shankill	€400
25	Misfits - Ballyogan Parish Centre	Glencullen-Sandyford	€400
26	Lanesville Community Group	Dún Laoghaire	€300
27	Shankill Tidy Towns	Killiney-Shankill	€387
			€10,000