

DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

JANUARY TO MARCH QUARTERLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

1st January – 27th March 2024

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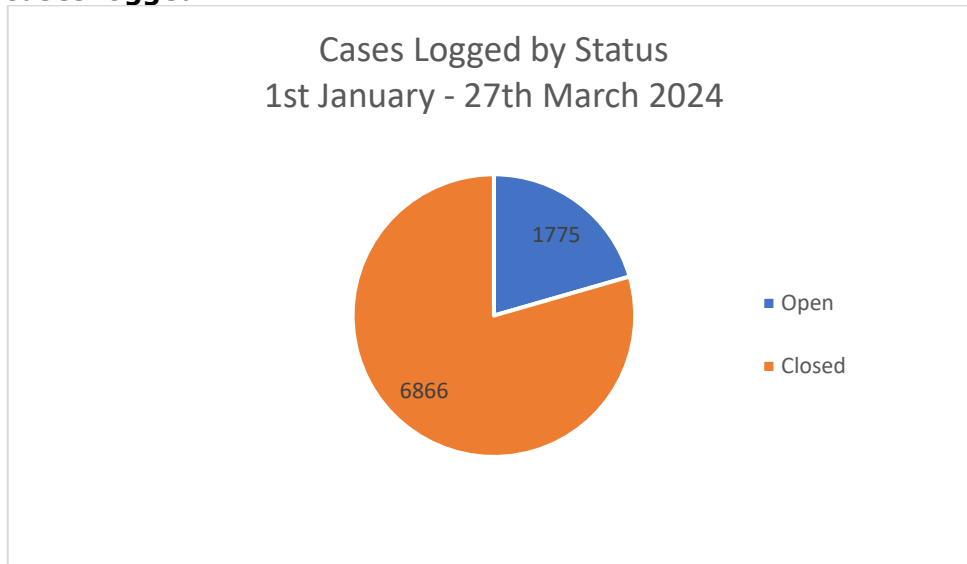
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CRM Statistics

Cases logged



Open	1775
Closed	6866

Cases logged by section

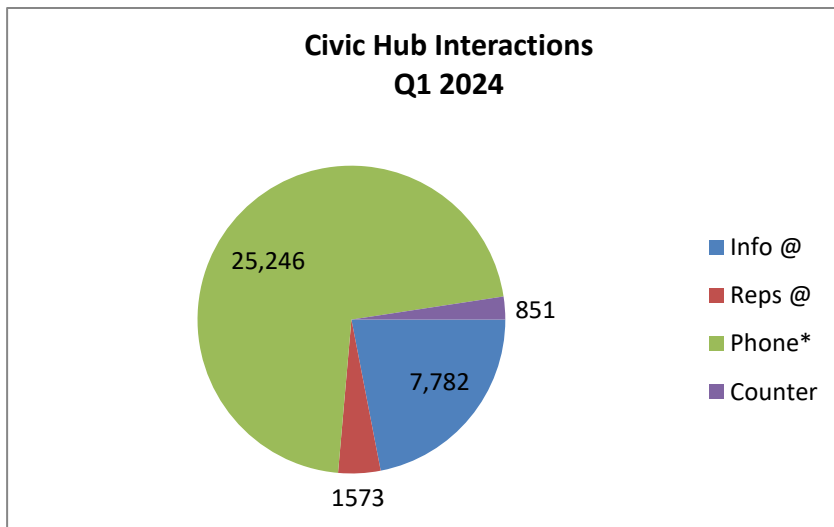
Section/Dept	Active	Inactive	Total
Architects	4	16	20
Arts	1		1
Ballyogan Depot	1		1
Communications	28	1232	1260
Community	10	16	26
Corporate Services	4	12	16
DEACTIVATED USERS		4	4
dlrcoco	26	60	86
Enterprise		3	3
Environment	5	16	21
Finance	21	650	671
Forward Planning Infrastructure	5	2	7
Harbour	3	18	21
Housing	87	582	669
ICC	1061	3348	4409
IT	1	2	3
Libraries	4	6	10
Parks	459	791	1250

Planning	13	42	55
Property	17	9	26
Transportation	2	3	4
Water Services	23	55	78
Grand Total	1775	6866	8641

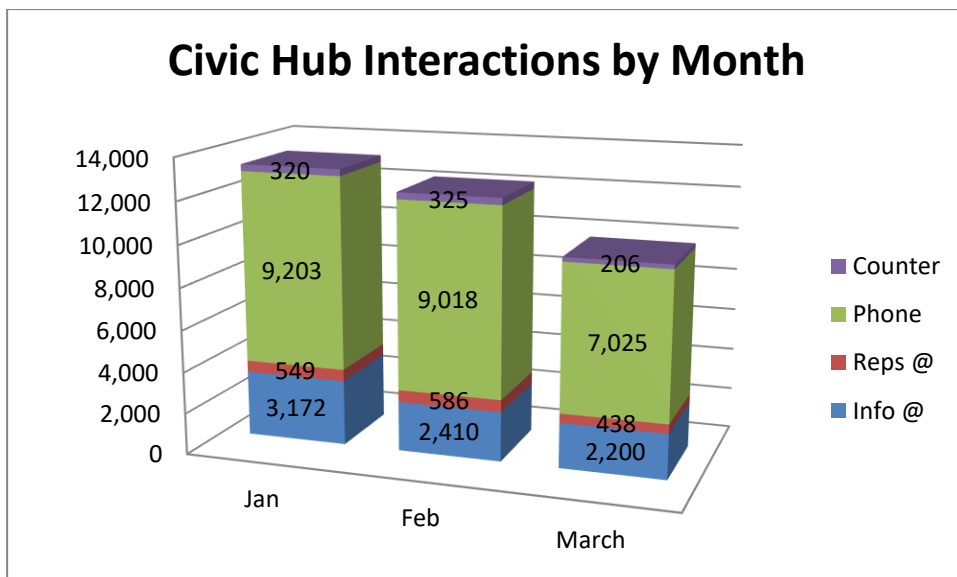
*This does not fully reflect the interaction of the Housing Department as they also directly deal with calls, emails and post.

Dlr Civic Hub:

In Quarter 1 of 2024, the Civic Hub has dealt with over 35,452 customer interactions.

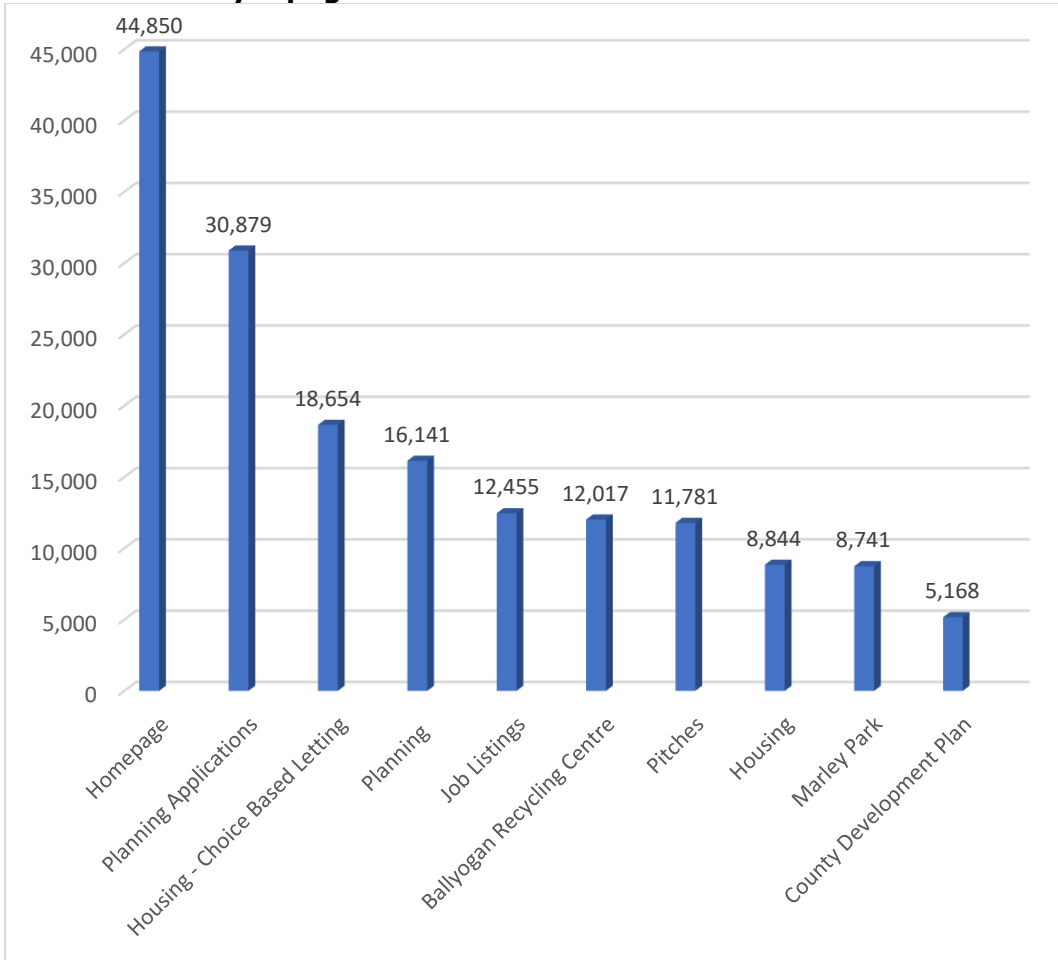











Over the past 3 months the figures break down monthly as follows:



Website	Page Views
Dlrcoco.ie	448,025
dlrLibraries	108,749

Website Activity – page views



Profile [▲]	Audience [⚠]	Net Audience Growth [⚠]	Published Posts	Impressions [⚠]	Engagements	Engagement Rate (per Impression)	Video Views
Reporting Period Jan 2, 2023 – Mar 27, 2023	82,812 ↗ 1.7%	1,345 ↗ 27.9%	2,467 ↘ 34.2%	3,215,532 ↘ 17.7%	105,104 ↘ 33.7%	3.3% ↘ 19.4%	34,303 ↘ 37.3%
Compare to Oct 9, 2022 – Jan 1, 2023	81,466	1,052	3,749	3,909,148	158,531	4.1%	54,672
 @DLR_Libraries	8,769	14	172	114,346	2,673	2.3%	1,102
 @dlrArts	3,010	24	77	54,513	1,496	2.7%	4,399
 @dlrcc	19,629	196	653	896,407	17,353	1.9%	21,058
 @dlrheritevents	3,996	7	7	3,368	207	6.1%	15
 @leo_dlr	5,616	14	182	19,013	357	1.9%	23
 dlrcoco.ie	6,870	262	560	422,077	4,835	1.1%	3,013
 dlrevents	12,991	66	8	30,747	2,063	6.7%	67
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	18,002	518	595	1,412,673	65,020	4.6%	3,560
 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership	3,929	244	213	262,388	11,100	4.2%	1,066

Press Queries:

There were 44 press queries received during this period.

Freedom of Information

There were 37 FOI requests received during this period.

Finance and Water Services

Rates

The Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act (LGROMA), 2019 was passed by the Oireachtas and enacted on 11th July 2019. Only certain provisions of the Act relating to rates commenced in 2019. The Historic and Archaeological Heritage and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 2023 was identified as the vehicle for carrying Rates Act amendments. That Act was signed into law by the President on 13th October 2023.

Section 4(3) of the Local Government Rates & Other Charges Act, 2019 which states:

‘The rate calculated under this section in any year shall be due and payable on the first day of January of that year’.

Has been enacted which results in changes to how rates will be levied from 1st January 2024.

Rates will now be due on 1st January and will no longer be payable in two moieties.

From 1st January 2026, interest will be applied on overdue rates (Section 12).

Main Process Changes resulting from the commencement of the LGROMA 2019

- Removal of two moieties – there will now be a single bill for the year. The due date is 1st January of each year.
- Amendments to a valuation list will be effective immediately i.e.:
 - *Revisions;*
 - *Additions and Removals; and*
 - *Appeals (Valuation Tribunal and Courts).*
- There will now be provision for pro-rata liability and billing where occupation ends or begins mid-year.

The annual rate on valuation was agreed at the Budget meeting on 28th November 2023 The commercial rate for 2024 was levied at 0.2077. The vacancy abatement rate for 2024 will be 35%, as agreed at the Annual Budget meeting.

The Council continues to facilitate businesses who are experiencing difficulties paying their rates and where possible payment plans are entered into which are mutually acceptable to the business and the Council. There has been a continued increase in the number of accounts paying monthly instalments by direct debit.

We have increased enforcement including the use of a Debt Collection Agency, who have issued reminders to Commercial Rate’s customers who are in arrears.

ICOB

The Increased Cost of Business (ICOB) grant was introduced as part of the 2024 Budget. This one-time grant, amounting to €257 million, will be disbursed to small and medium-sized businesses nationally at the start of the second quarter of 2024.

This grant is intended as a one-time financial aid to help businesses with increased costs associated with running a business. It’s important to note that this is not a waiver for

commercial rates, and businesses are expected to continue paying their commercial rates as usual.

To be eligible for this grant, businesses must operate from a location that is commercially rateable by a local authority and must be compliant with their rates arrangements with their local authority.

The grant value for qualifying businesses is calculated based on 2023 rates bill for their property. Businesses with a 2023 rates bill for their property of up to €10,000 will receive a grant that equals half of their bill. For those with a 2023 rates bill for their property ranging from €10,000 to €30,000, a fixed grant of €5,000 will be provided. Businesses with a 2023 rates bill for their property over €30,000 do not qualify for this grant.

We issued an invite to register for the grant on MyCoCo.ie/icob to 4,974 businesses. The portal opened on the 14/03/24 and over 480 businesses have registered on 26/03/24. The closing date for businesses to confirm eligibility and to upload verification details will be **1st May 2024**

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable continues to work to ensure suppliers are paid as quickly as possible to assist with their cash flow requirements. Invoices from over 3,700 suppliers, totalling €340m, have been processed in 2023.

Financial Management

Budgets and cash flow continue to be monitored closely. The 2024 Revenue Budget was adopted by the Members at the annual budget meeting held on 28th November, 2023. The consideration of the Report on the Capital Programme 2024 – 2026 was deferred at the budget meeting to the December Council meeting.

Overdraft Facility

The Council agreed a resolution at the Council meeting in September to keep the overdraft facility in place for 2024 with a limit of €10m. Sanction was received from the Minister in November. The facility has not been used to date this year

Annual Financial Statement 2023

The unaudited Annual Financial Statement for 2023 has been prepared and submitted to the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage .

Housing

Housing Progress Report Q1/2024

1. Executive Summary

1.1 Overview

In accordance with Guidelines issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Council's Corporate Plan, this Report is produced to give an overview of the Housing portfolio at Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. The report covers the provision, maintenance and management of housing stock and the housing supports available for those who need them.

The data included in this report covers data for 2023 up to 31st December and Q1 2024 from 1st January to 15th March inclusive. The data regarding the activity of this department prior to this report can be found on our website at <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/housing/housing-statistics>.

The Government's new housing plan, *Housing for All*, was published on 2nd September 2021. The plan can be found at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/ef5ec-housing-for-all-a-new-housing-plan-for-ireland/>.

This Report considers the following areas:

Housing Delivery

- Build
- Acquisition
- Part V
- Social Leasing
- Traveller Specific Accommodation
- HAP / RAS
- Cost Rental
- Affordable Purchase

Support

- Management, Maintenance and Improvement of Housing Stock
- Retrofits
- Housing Adaptation Grants
- Allocations & Assessments
- Choice Based Letting
- Homeless Services
- Private Rented Housing Standards
- Tenancy Management & Anti-social Behaviour
- Local Authority Home Loan Scheme
- Tenant Purchase Scheme

2. Housing Delivery

2.1 Overview

The Social Housing Target 2022-2026 for delivery by this Council is 1,994 homes.

Table 1: Homes Delivered

		2023 Total	2024 Q1	2024 Target
DLR Build		77	0	372
DLR Part V		190	0	
AHB Build		197	0	
AHB Part V		205	0	
DLR Acquisitions (includes Tenant-in-Situ)		9	7	
AHB Acquisition	CAS	0	1	
	CALF	4	0	
Total Build & Acquisition		682	8	
DLR Lease		144	0	101
AHB Lease		0	0	
RAS		42	6	
HAP - Standard		154	29	
HAP - Homeless		84	16	
Total RAS & HAP & Leasing		424	51	
Total Delivery – all social housing delivery streams excluding bad relets		1106	59	473

Table 2: Traveller Specific Accommodation

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Refurbishment Works and New Sites	2	0
Casual Vacancies/Relets	3	1
Standard Housing	4	0

2.2 Housing Construction

The Housing Department recognises the importance of managing the development process as part of the effort to achieve the targets set by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH). To this extent, the schemes are closely monitored from inception through to completion.

DLRCC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME 2022 – 2026 Includes SHIP, Major Refurbishments and AHB New Build

The following tables provide an overview of the different schemes under the Housing Construction Capital Programme, their current status and estimated completion date. It should be noted that dates indicated for handover are estimates and are subject to change. In some cases, the figure includes social and affordable housing. Schemes being delivered under the Planning and Development (S.179a) Regulations 2023 are identified.

Table 3: Schemes on Site

Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Rockville Green	13	Re-Tendered. Stage 3 approval received.	Q2 2024	TBC
Park House	4	On Site	Q3 2022	Q4 2024
Shanganagh Residential Lands	597 (200 social)	On Site	Q3 2022	Phased delivery from Q3 2024
37A Rollins Villas (infill)	1	On-Site	Q1 2023	Q2 2024
Loughlinstown View (AHB)	42 (34 social)	On-Site	Q1 2023	Q2 2024
St. Laurence's Park	88 (48 social)	On Site Q4 2023	Q4 2023	Q4 2025
Roebuck Road Infill	4	Commenced	Q1 2024	Q1 2025
Total	749			

Table 4: Schemes with Part 8 Planning Approval

Site Name	No. Units (estimated)	Status Detail	On Site Date estimated	Handover estimated
Ballyogan Rise (Phase 2)	52	Phase 2 Tender being progressed	Q2 2023	TBC
Woodpark TAU	3	Stage 3 approval received. To be tendered	Q2 2023	Q2 2025
Total	55			

Table 5: Schemes at Design/Tender Stage

Site Name	No. Units estimated	Status Detail	On Site Date estimated	Handover estimated
Infill Site at Rockville Drive	1	Awaiting Stage 3 approval to go to tender.	Q2 2024	Q1 2025
27 Patrick Street Infill (Formerly Cross Ave)	4	Stage 2 approved. Site investigation work carried out. S179a	Q2 2024	Q3 2025
St Michaels TAU	3	Part 8 Approved February 2023 Council Meeting. Tender documents being progressed.	Q2 2024	Q2 2025
Old Connaught TAU	6	Stage 2 approved. Due to go out to consultation under S179a	Q4 2024	Q2 2026
Blackglen Road Phase1	125	Stage 1 Approved. Preliminary Design stage. To go out to public display S179a	Q4 2024	Q4 2026
Balally PPP – Bundle 5	52	Being developed under S85 Agreement.	TBC	TBC
Lambs Cross PPP – Bundle 5	25	Being developed under S85 Agreement.	TBC	TBC
Ballyman	300 (includes 150 for Affordable)	Accelerated Delivery Site Stage 1 Approved. S179a	Q4 2024	TBC
Lehaunstown	80	Accelerated Delivery Site Stage 1 Approved. S179a	Q4 2024	TBC
Old Connaught Avenue Housing site	60	Accelerated Delivery Site Stage 1 Approved. S179a	Q4 2024	TBC
Mount Anville	25 (Affordable)	At design stage. S.179a	TBC	TBC
Total	681			
OVERALL TOTAL	1,485			

3. Housing Support

3.1 Management, Maintenance and Improvement of Housing Stock

Table 6: Re-lets and Retrofits

Re-lets & Retrofits	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Non-Standard Voids	0	0
Relets	101	26
Retrofits - Energy Upgrade Works	94	18

Table 7: Maintenance Requests

Routine Maintenance	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Requests received	8083	2035
Requests in progress	469*	243
Requests completed	7614	1792

*469 is the total number of maintenance requests outstanding when the Q4 report was issued. All other maintenance requests received in 2023 have been resolved and closed.

Table 8: Disabled Persons Alteration Scheme

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Works on hand at beginning	191	144
Works Requests Received	129	31
Works Completed/Closed	176	31
Works on hand at closing	144	144

3.2 Allocations

Table 9: Allocations

Allocations	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Social Housing List	317	90
Transfer List	191	54
Total Allocations	508	144

3.3 Choice Based Letting (CBL)

Table 10: CBL Adverts by Area of Choice

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Area 1 (South West of M50)	37	11
Area 2 (Between M50 & N11)	25	6
Area 3 (North West of N11)	63	16
Total	125	33

Note: Figures shown are for adverts which may represent multiple properties. Under the new Allocation Scheme there are now three areas of preference as shown above.

3.4 Homeless Services

Table 11: Homeless Services

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
No. of Homeless Families	85	86
No. of Homeless Individuals	155	150
No. of Allocations to homeless individuals/families	75	17
No. of social housing offers made to homeless individuals/families who have signed for or accepted a tenancy (still residing in EA)	18	16
No. of Housing First Tenancies	23	2

3.5 Housing and Disability Steering Group

The Steering Group held their first meeting of 2024 on the 6th March. Up to the end of March this year, 19% of all housing allocations were made to Disabled People. The Group has commenced a review of the Housing & Strategic Plan 2021 – 2026. This Plan can be found [here](#). An update from the steering group was given to the Housing SPC on the 27th March 2024.

3.6 Grant Assistance to Older Persons and Disabled People

Table 12: Breakdown of Grant Assistance to Older Persons and Disabled People

Housing Adaptation Grant for Disabled People

Housing Adaptation Grant for Disabled People	2023 Total	2024 Q1
No. of Applications received	202	31
Provisional approvals issued	145	29
Grants paid	133	29
Value of Grants paid	1,351,058	351,903

Housing Aid for Older Persons

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
No. of Applications received	100	26
Provisional approvals issued	77	25
Grants paid	55	19
Value of Grants paid	252,845	72,187

Mobility Aids Grant

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
No. of Applications received	45	13
Provisional approvals issued	25	5
Grants paid	16	5
Value of Grants paid	72,494	20,013

2024 Budget

Budget Provision (3 Schemes)	€2,570,000
Budget Spent	444,103
Budget % Spent	17%

Note: Some applications may be received in one year and processed in the following year as it can take some time before full documentation is submitted by the applicant.

3.7 Rent Arrears

Table 13: Rents

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Rent Charged	€17,205,366	€4,013,596
Rent Payments Received	€17,823,928	€3,978,557
Accrued Rent Arrears	€748,418	€17,391

3.8 Private Rented Housing Standards

Table 14: Private Rented Housing Standards

Private Rental Inspections	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Inspections carried out	5128	495
Dwellings Inspected	2819	485
Dwellings Inspected Compliant with Housing Regulations	949	114
Dwellings Inspected non-Compliant with Regulations (this may include more than one inspection)	1870	371

Note: Dwellings deemed compliant in a quarter are only deemed compliant with the Regulations at a particular point in time.

3.9 Tenancy Management and Anti-social Behaviour

Table 15: Estate Management

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Pre-tenancy courses	3	0

Table 16: Anti-social Behaviour

Anti-social cases	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Received	149	38
Completed	136	28
Ongoing	19*	10*
Tenancy Warning	12	0
Tenancy Notification	10	3
Verbal Warning	12	3
Advice Given	77	17
Refer to Other Depts	11	1
No Further Action	6	4
Successful Possession Proceedings	3	0
Ongoing Possession Proceedings	2**	1
Successful Exclusion Order Proceedings	1	0
Ongoing Exclusion Order Proceedings	1**	1**

*These cases are ongoing and carried over each quarter

** These cases are carried over if ongoing or if not completed

Table 17: Tenancy Management Interviews

	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Tenancy Management Interviews	50	30

3.10 Loans

Table 18: Local Authority Home Loan Scheme

Local Authority Home Loans	2023 Total	2024 Q1
Applications received	43	6
Applications approved in principle	16	0
Loan Drawdowns	7	0
Applications declined	10	1
Incomplete/Invalid - Closed Applications	8	2
Applications in Progress	5	9

Planning & Economic Development

Section 48 and Glenamuck Scheme:

Section 48

01/01/2024 – 27/03/2024	Invoiced= €2,911,194.97	Received = €1,518,690.43
01/01/2023 – 27/03/2023	Invoiced= €4,034,250.25	Received = €1,961,606.65
29/9/2021 – 31/12/2021	Invoiced= €662,331.88	Received = €5,347,480.06

Glenamuck

01/01/2024 – 27/03/2024	Invoiced = €0.00	Received = €1,173,537.29
01/01/2023 – 27/03/2023	Invoiced = €0.00	Received = €500,384.84
01/01/2022 – 27/03/2022	Invoiced = €0.00	Received = €25,372.40

Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) Applications:

Planning Applications received under Section 5 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) (Large-scale Residential Development) Act 2021.

Case No	Applicant's Name & Brief Description of Development	Date Application Received	Last Day for Submissions Observations	Application Website	Decision due date by DLR
LRD24A/0004	Dundrum Retail GP DAC: The proposed development relates to modifications to a permitted Strategic Housing Development (ABP-305261-19) and therefore constitutes a Large-scale Residential Development (LRD). The development will consist of the construction of a ventilation stack (12.4sq.m) at podium courtyard level with associated reconfiguration of the podium and insertion of plant rooms (totalling 64.8sq.m) at Basement Levels -1, 1 and IM. The proposed development results in the loss of 2no. car parking spaces at Basement Level -1 and reconfiguration of parking spaces at Basement Levels 1 and IM within Dundrum Town Centre. No modifications are proposed to the permitted unit types or residential building at "The Ironworks". The application may be inspected online at the following website set up by the applicant: www.ironworks-lrd1.ie	03/01/2024	06/02/2024	www.ironworks-lrd1.ie	27/02/2024 Decision to Grant Permission 26/02/2024
LRD24A/0018	KW Investment Funds ICAV acting for and on behalf of its sub- fund KW Investment Fund XVII, intend to apply for planning permission for a Large Scale Residential Development consisting of alterations to the Strategic Housing Development permitted under ABP Ref.: 305176-19, as amended by LRD23A/0165, which is currently under construction, on a site at the former Stillorgan Leisureplex, Old Dublin Road, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin, A94NY56. The subject site also includes 62 and 63 St. Laurence's Park, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin	15/01/2024	19/02/2024	www.cornerstone-lrd.ie	08/03/2024 Decision to Grant Permission was Granted on the 05/03/2024.

	<p>(buildings now demolished, and no development is proposed in this location as part of the subject development).</p> <p>The proposed alterations primarily comprise of the provision of an accessible roof terrace of 238 sq.m. at Level 06 above Block 4, accessed from Block 3. The proposal also includes the increase in green roof areas by 75.9sq.m. to provide a total of 2,946.4 sq.m. green roof areas across the entire development.</p> <p>No alterations are proposed to the overall unit numbers (232 no. permitted) or floor area of the permitted development. The application can be viewed online at www.cornerstone-lrd.ie.</p>				
LRD24A/0111	<p>Murphystown Land Developments DAC</p> <p>Apply for planning permission for a Large-scale Residential Development consisting of alterations to the Strategic Housing Development permitted under ABP Ref.: 308227-20 on a site at Murphystown Way, Dublin 18. The site is bound by the M50 motorway to the north, the Luas Green Line to the east and Murphystown Way to the south west. Glencairn House and its curtilage, which is a protected structure under RPS Ref. No. 1643, and the Glencairn SHD residential development (permitted under ABP Ref.: ABP-302580-18) is located to the east of the application site. The proposed alterations to the permitted development consists of the replacement of the residential amenity space (with a gross floor area of 450 sq.m) at the ground floor of Block 1 with 5 no. apartments (2 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 2 no. 2 bedroom apartments, and 1 no. 3 bedroom apartment), the provision of external storage space and a bicycle store for the proposed apartments. This results in an increase in apartments in Block 1 from 116 no. to 121 no. apartments. The proposals include associated alterations to facades, and external alterations to provide private amenity space for the proposed apartments, and all associated development. The permitted SHD development (under ABP Ref.: 308227-20) is for 249 no. apartments, and the proposed alterations would result in the overall increase to 254 no. apartments.</p> <p>Details are available online at https://mwshdamdt1.com/</p>	27/02/2024	02/04/2024	https://mwshdamdt1.com/	22/04/2024

LRD24A/0004 - <https://planning.agileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/97930>

LRD24A/0018 - <https://planning.agileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/97988>

LRD24A/0111 - <https://planning.agileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/98335>

Planning Statistics: 1st January 2024 – 27th March 2024

	Outline Permission	Full Permission
New application Received*	0	329
Decision Deferred	0	53
Decisions to Grant**	0	262
Decision to Refuse**	0	22
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	0	238
Invalid Applications	0	54

*Includes 37 Applications for Retention.

*Includes 38 Web Applications (1 Invalid January)

- 2 January
- 12 February
- 24 March

**Decisions are as follows:

234 Grant Permission (1 SDZ)

9 Grant Permission & Grant Retention

14 Grant Permission for Retention

5 Grant Permission & Refuse Permission are entered in as a decision under both "Decision to Grant" and "Decision to Refuse".

Building Control	1st January 2024 – 27th March 2024
Fire Safety Certs applications received *	44
Fire Safety Certs Applications Granted *	45
Fire Safety Certs Applications Refused/Invalid	0/0
Disability Access Cert Applications Received **	32
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted/Refused **	21/0
Commencement Notices Validated ***	171
7 Day Notices received	21
Completion Certs Validated	35

*Includes FSCs, Reg Certs & Rev Fire Certs

**Includes DACs, Dispensation/ Relaxation

*** Includes 7 Day Notices

Taking in Charge

Taking in Charge requests are submitted under Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

TIC Applications Received:	Planning References:
None	N/A

Customers to Planning Counter:	Customers
1st January – 27th March, 2024	792

The Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2018 (Commencement) Order 2021 (SI 714 of 2021), provides that points of detail relating to a grant of permission be agreed between the planning authority and the person carrying out the development

and, accordingly— (a) where for that purpose that person has submitted to the planning authority concerned such points of detail, then that authority shall, within 8 weeks of those points being so submitted, or such longer period as may be agreed between them in writing either-

- (i) reach agreement with that person on those points, or
- (ii) where that authority and that person cannot so agree on those points, that authority may—
 - (I) Advise that person accordingly in writing, or
 - (II) refer the matter to the Board for its determination,

This came into effect on 17th December 2021.

The following number of compliance submissions have been received in the last quarter:

Month	No. of submissions
January	77
February	84
March	108

Local Area Plans

Since the adoption of the dlr County Development Plan 2022-2028, the Council have been progressing three separate LAPs, as part of the overall six-year programme for the County.

Dundrum Local Area Plan

The Draft Dundrum LAP was made by way of a resolution, with minor amendments at a Special Council Meeting on the 10th of October 2023. The LAP then came into effect, 6 weeks later, on Tuesday, 21st November 2023.

The Dundrum LAP is available to view online at www.dlrcoco.ie/dundrumlap

Old Connaught Local Area Plan

Pre-Draft public consultation for the Old Connaught Local Area Plan finished on the 6th June 2023 and 38 submissions were received. A Chief Executive’s Report on the submissions made to the Pre-Draft public consultation stage was prepared and issued to the Elected Members on 4th September 2023.

The Council have now commenced the preparation of a Draft LAP for Old Connaught, taking into consideration the submissions made during the Pre-Draft public consultation stage. Once prepared, the Draft LAP will be placed on public display this year for a further period of public consultation.

Kiltiernan/Glenamuck Local Area Plan

The Pre-Draft public consultation stage for the Kiltiernan/Glenamuck Local Area Plan concluded on the 17th of October 2023. A total of 109 submissions / observations were received following well attended public consultation events.

A Chief Executive’s report on the submissions / observations received was circulated to the Elected Members on the 26th February 2024 and is available to view online at <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/KGLAP2024>. Work on the Draft LAP has now commenced with a view to having a Draft Plan ready for public display in September.

Active Land Management

Housing Task Force

The Housing Supply Coordination Task Force, established by the DHLGH, tracks the quantum of residential development in the four Dublin Local Authorities on a quarterly basis for residential schemes consisting of 10 or more homes. The data has been collected since 2016 and provides detailed insight into planning and construction activity in the residential sector. The Housing Returns exclude all Part 8 planning applications.

Dublin Local Authorities 'Tier 1' Housing Task Force Returns – Q4 2023

The most up-to-date data available for the 4 no. Dublin Local Authorities relates to Q4 2023. The Table below details the Q4 2023 Returns for the four Dublin Local Authorities as published by the DHLGH. The data comprises residential developments (schemes consisting of 10 or more homes) where a final grant of planning permission has been obtained from the Local Authority or An Bord Pleanála. The data includes schemes that are both commenced and not commenced but does not include schemes which have been completed.

The data indicates still comparatively high levels of construction activity in DLR although there has been a slight decline since Q3. At Q4 2023, there were 2,946 homes under construction in DLR which comprised a rate of c. 19% of all homes under construction across the four Dublin Local Authorities.

Tier 1 (Permissions) Subcategories								
	Total Number of Permitted Units		Total Number of Units Built to Date		Total Number of Units Under Construction		Total Permitted but not Commenced	
	Houses	Apartments	Houses	Apartments	Houses	Apartments	Houses	Apartments
DCC	452	30,681	81	1,010	38	5,687	333	23,984
DLRCC	1,913	15,280	708	1,874	556	2,390	649	11,016
SDCC	5,281	11,653	2,051	1,669	968	3,142	2,262	6,842
FCC	7,795	14,050	2,555	753	1,108	1,908	4,132	11,389
Total	15,441	71,664	5,395	5,306	2,670	13,127	7,376	53,231

* 2,982 of the 11,665 units in DLR classified as 'Permitted but not Commenced' at Q4 2023 are currently caught up in Judicial Review proceedings.

DLR 'Tier 1' Housing Task Force Returns – Q4 2023

The following Table details the confirmed Housing Task Force Returns for DLR at Q4 2023.

	Total Number of Permitted Units		Total Number of Units Built to Date		Total Number of Units Under Construction		Total Permitted but not Commenced	
	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.	Houses	Apts.
DLR	1,913	15,280	708	1,874	556	2,390	649	11,016
Total	17,193		2,582		2,946		11,665	

* 2,982 of the 11,665 units in DLR classified as 'Permitted but not Commenced' at Q4 2023 are currently caught up in Judicial Review proceedings

DLR 'Tier 2A' Housing Task Force Returns – Q4 2023

The following Table details the data relating to sites in DLR which were subject to a 'live' planning application for residential development at Q4 2023. The data relates to sites where: a planning application was lodged with the Planning Authority (Local Authority or ABP); or was within the appeal period of 4 weeks of the date of the decision of the Local Authority; or was the subject of an appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

At Q4 2023, there were planning applications in the system for 5,921 potential new homes. 2,851 of the units in the planning system at Q4 2023 were for Build-to-Rent residential schemes. The ratio of houses to apartments for units in the planning system was 1:18.

	Houses	Apartments	Total
DLR Q4 2023	315	5,606	5,921
(% mix)	(5.3%)	(94.7%)	(100%)

Based on the Q4 2023 Housing Task Force Returns for DLR, the following is noted:

- There were 761 residential units completed in DLR, in schemes of 10 units or more, in Q4 2023. A total of 4 residential schemes were recorded as fully completed in Q4 and there were residential completions recorded in 14 other schemes that remain under construction.
- Compared to the year previous, there was a 1.8% increase in the number of sites with planning permission from 114 in Q4 2022 to 116 in Q4 2023. In terms of the total number of units with planning permission, there was 5.7% increase from 17,095 in Q4 2022 to 17,193 units in Q4 2023. These increases reflect the ongoing progressive levels of residential completions in DLR from Q4 2022 to Q3 2023 (a total of 21 no. schemes were fully completed and removed from monitoring between Q1 and end of Q4 2023).
- Compared to the year previous, there was a 12.8% decrease in the number of active sites from 47 sites in Q4 2022 to 41 sites in Q4 2023, and a 40% decrease in the number of units under construction from 4,926 in Q4 2022 to 2,946 in Q4 2023. These decreases reflect both recent high levels of residential completions in DLR and a moderation in residential commencement levels (see chart below).
- At Q4 2023, there were 8,683 homes that had the benefit of planning permission which were not commenced and could be progressed to implementation stage. This figure excludes residential schemes subject to Judicial Review proceedings.
- At Q4 2023, there were planning applications in the system for c. 5,921 potential new homes. This represents a 46% decrease from the 10,896 units that were in the system at Q4 2022.
- In terms of housing mix, the ratio of houses to apartments for permitted units at Q4 2023 was approximately 1:8. The ratio of houses to apartments for units in the planning system was 1:18.

Housing Trends

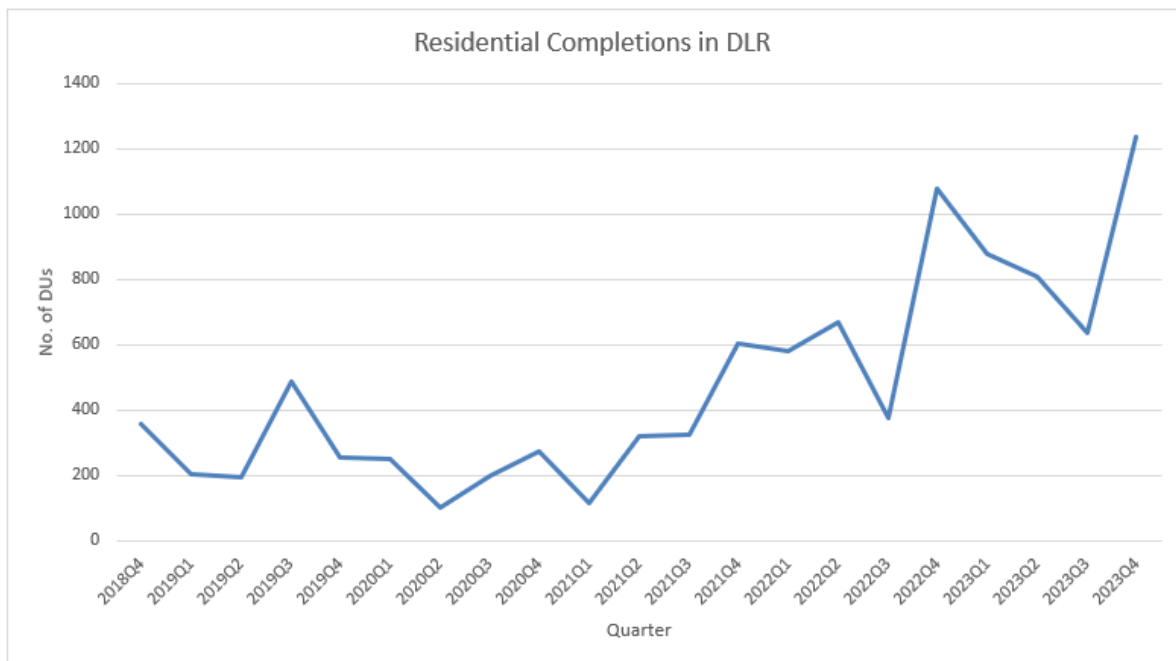
The following section illustrates housing trends in DLR using data from a range of data sources. Each data source is referenced and is based on its own methodology.

Residential Completions in DLR

The following chart details new housing completions in DLR for the period Q4 2018 to Q4 2023. The data is sourced from the CSOs 'New Dwelling Completions' database which comprises a comprehensive data set capturing all completions in the County.

In Q4 2023, there were 1,239 residential completions recorded in DLR (12% of the national total). 81% of the completions in Q4 were apartments (1,004 units). DLR has had the second highest number of total completions between the four Dublin authorities this past quarter.

There were 3,563 residential completions in DLR in the last 12 months (from the end of Q4 2022 to end of Q4 2023). This comprises 11% of the national total over the same period.

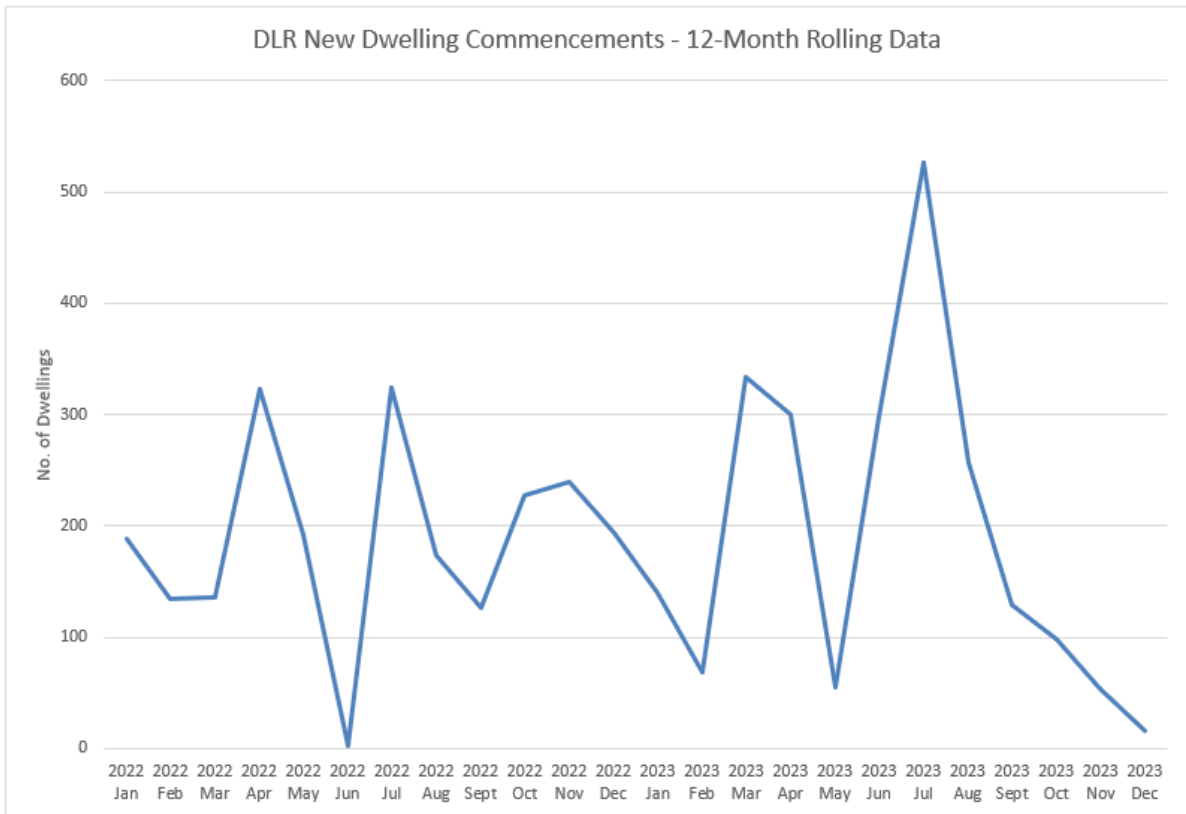


Source: CSO New Dwelling Completions (Table NDQ06: <https://data.cso.ie/table/NDQ06>)

Residential Commencements

The following data comes from the Building Control Management System and is based on Commencement Notices recorded on a rolling 12-month average basis.

The chart illustrates an increase in commencement levels in DLR post pandemic with a high of over 3,400 commencements recorded in the 12-month period up to March 2022. More recently, the level of commencements in DLR has been somewhat moderated yet remains robust with 2,276 commencements recorded in the 12-month period up to the end of December 2023. This comprises 6.9% of the national total, over the 12-month period, and is 6th highest of all Local Authorities in the State.



Source: CSO – Commencement Notices (Table HSM13: <https://data.cso.ie/table/HSM13>)

Residential Construction Activity

The data in the following chart is taken from DLR’s Housing Task Force Returns for Q4 2023 and illustrates the number of homes under construction in the County at each Quarter from Q1 2020 to Q4 2023.

The graph illustrates an upward trend in the number of homes under construction in DLR from c. 2,500 at Q1 2020 to c. 5,850 at Q2 2022. At Q4 2023, c. 2,956 homes were under construction in the county. The decrease in the number of units under construction in DLR between Q4 2022 and Q4 2023 reflects the high number of residential completions recorded over the same period.

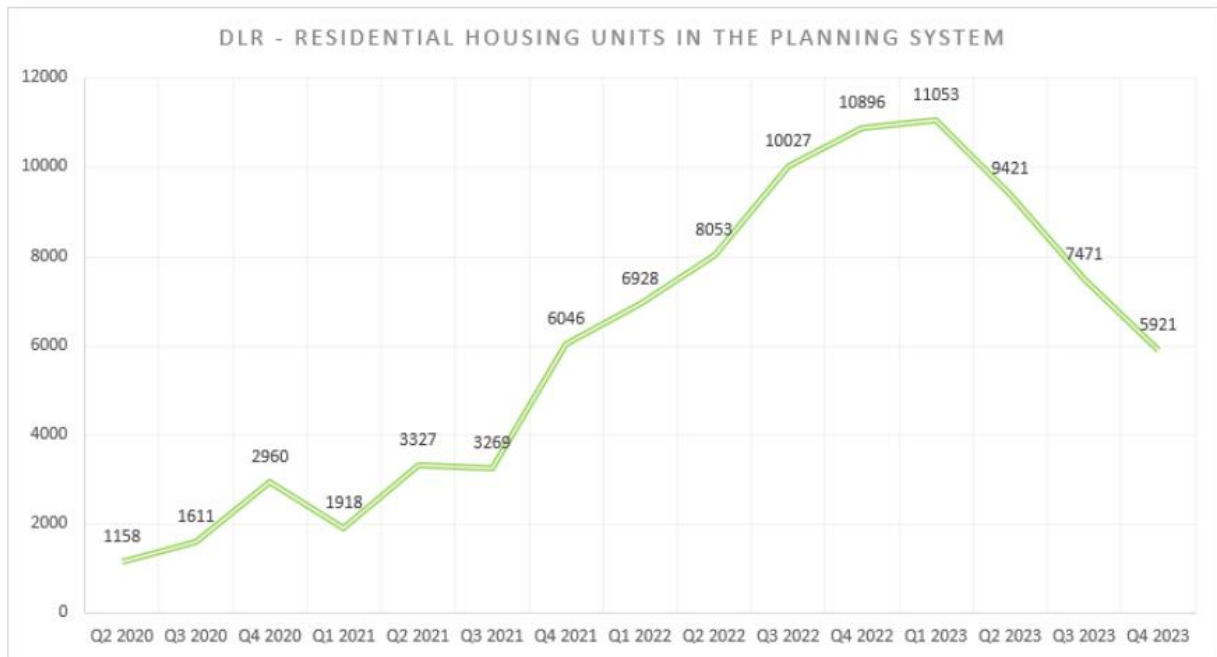


Source: DLR Housing Task Force Returns

Planning Applications in the System Pending Decision

The data in the following chart is taken from DLR’s Housing Task Force Returns (HTF Tier 2A) and illustrates the number of residential units in the planning system pending decision from Q1 2020 to Q4 2023. The graph indicates a relatively high number of units in the planning system with c. 5,920 units awaiting decision at Q4 2023 however this is notably fewer than the previous quarter.

This trend reflects both the high number of planning applications submitted before the ending of the SHD process with an indication that the backlog of cases awaiting decision with An Bord Pleanála is being reduced as SHD figures awaiting decisions has lowered. At Q4 2023, there were SHD and LRD planning applications for c. 4,370 homes with An Bord Pleanála. While the Board has a statutory objective to try to decide cases within 18 weeks, all SHD planning applications in DLR currently with ABP have exceeded this timeframe.



Source: DLR Housing Task Force Returns

Residential Zoned Land Tax

Under the Finance Act 2021 the Planning Authority have a statutory requirement to prepare a map identifying lands that will be subject to the new Residential Zoned Land Tax (RZLT). The administration of the tax is then a matter for the Revenue Commissioners. A Draft Map was prepared and placed on display in late 2022 and a Supplemental Map, showing additional land, was placed on display mid-2023. Following a process of submissions and appeals, the Final Map for 2024 was published on 1st December 2023. However, following changes announced by the government in budget 2024, the tax will not now become liable until February 2025 to allow for another round of submissions and possible rezoning requests.

The legislation requires that the mapping is reviewed annually and the display of the first draft annual map commenced on 1st February 2024. Submissions can be made by members of the public up until 1st of April who wish to challenge the inclusion of a given piece of land on the map (or to suggest additional land for inclusion).

It will also be possible for landowners to seek a rezoning of their land up until 31st May 2024.

Local Enterprise Office

Student Enterprise Awards – County Final

This year is the 22nd year of the Student Enterprise Programme (SEP) run by the Local Enterprise Offices. SEP provides second level students in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown with practical skills of planning, teamwork and time-management and a better understanding of the critical aspects of running a business.

The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Final of the Student Enterprise Awards took place on Wednesday 28th February in the Royal Marine Hotel.

At the final, nearly 50 students from 7 local secondary schools, representing 25 different businesses presented a high calibre of entries to our three judges.

County winners from Holy Child Killiney and St Andrew's College will go on to represent DLR at this year's Student Enterprise Programme National Final on Thursday 9th May.

Local Enterprise Week

This year Local Enterprise Week took place from 4th – 8th March. Throughout the week LEO DLR held a series of business events and initiatives to help small businesses plan, start, sustain and grow.

Events included; 3 Steps to Becoming Financially Competent, Meet the Food and Drink Entrepreneurs (Dublin Region Event), Understand and Leverage Future Trends for your Business (National Spotlight Event), LGBTQ+ in Business Breakfast, Executing a Winning Digital Marketing Strategy using AI Tools, Business Advice Sessions and our highly requested Pier to Peer Networking Walk. LEO DLR also supported a Dublin Region Battle of the Start-ups competition, the DLR Chamber & WIBA International Women's Day Lunch and LEW Southside Partnership Events

DLR Tourism Development

DLR Tourism Strategy 2024 – 2028

The new DLR Tourism Strategy 2024 – 2028 has been completed and is now being prepared for noting at the April council meeting.

Festivals & Participative Events Grant 2024.

A call for Festivals & Participative Events Grant 2024 was opened to applications on 8th January. 18 applications were received and 17 small grants have been awarded.

Dun Laoghaire St Patricks Day Parade

The first Dun Laoghaire St Patricks Day Parade took place with 47 community groups on Sunday 17th March. The Tourism Unit was involved in organisation and promotion of the event. The route ran from the green area at Sandycove up along the coast to Marine Road/Harbour Road. This event was very successful and will run again in 2025.

City to City EU project

DLRCC is collaborating with the City of Alessandria in Northern Italy on a project City to city EU project. The aim of this project is to exchange knowledge on the topic of "Green Mobility for sustainable Tourism and Community Participation".

Three representatives from Alessandria visited Dun Laoghaire on 4th-8th March 2024.

The programme included presentations of the development of the Coastal Mobility route and Living Streets initiative as well as visiting James Joyce Tower & Museum, Airfield Estate and the Oratory.

Social Media Analysis Quarter 1 2024				
	<i>No of followers</i>	<i>No of New followers</i>	<i>No of posts</i>	<i>Impressions</i>
Facebook	9,721	249	32	131,075
Twitter	4,019	60	27	6,958
Instagram	3,842	248	32	75,074

Dún Laoghaire Harbour

Cruise Ship Business

The 2023 Cruise season was very successful with positive feedback from Ships Agents, Cruise Ships officers and crew and most importantly the visiting cruise guests. Bookings for 2024 are strong with 85+ vessels currently booked into Dun Laoghaire Harbour. We are working with the Tourism Department, the Dun Laoghaire Business Association and the Dun Laoghaire Chamber of Commerce to maximise the local benefits of the cruise visitors.

The first ship for 2024 will arrive on Monday 15th April.



A Cruise Tender arriving into Dun Laoghaire Town

Projects:

National Watersports Campus

DLRCC in partnership with Irish Sailing and the Irish Underwater Council have been approved in principle for Stream 1 Grant funding for the development of a National Watersports

Campus. We have responded to requests for additional information and are now finalising the grant process and agreements with the project partners. An MOU has been signed with Irish Sailing and Diving Ireland in order to set out and agree the objectives of the project.

A concept brochure was presented to the Elected Members during the February Council meeting and has since been published. It is hoped that this initiative will assist in building momentum and support for the project. This document was presented to Councillors in February 2023.

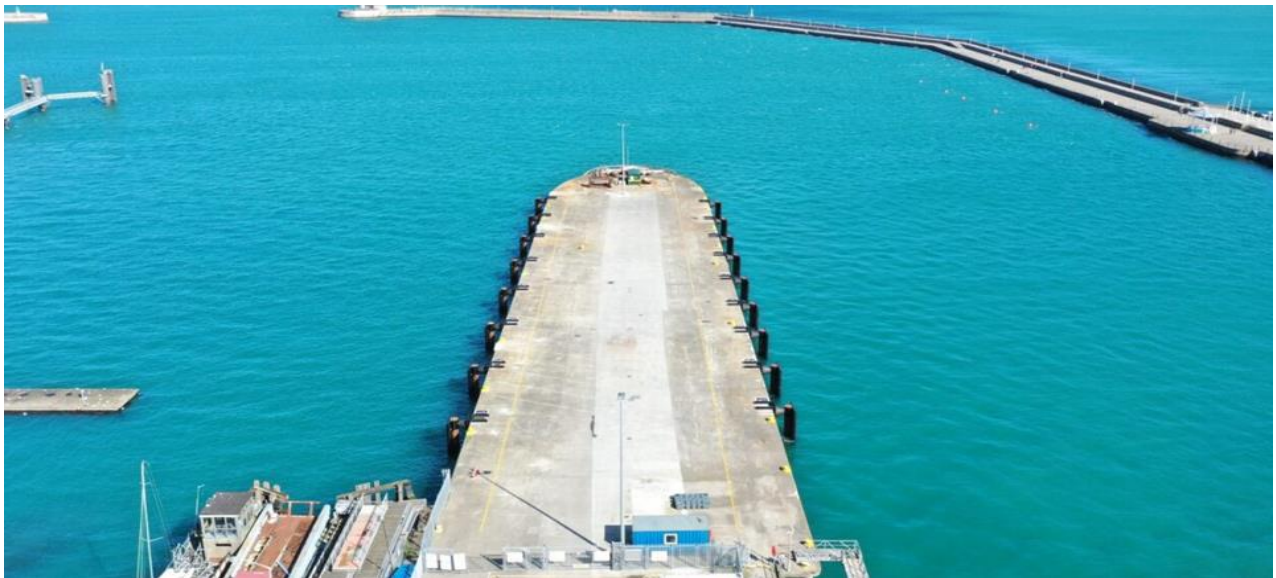
A scheme to apply for additional “top-up” funding was announced in July and DLRCC have been successful in securing an additional €410,952 for this important project. We are working to complete the grant contracts and hope to tender for a design team in Q2 2024 to commence the Stream 1 design phase.

Berth 2 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)

A project to replace the Berth 2 fenders has been given approval to proceed to procurement stage. RPS Group have been appointed to carry out the design and procurement for this project. This project was tendered, and Sorensen Construction have been appointed to deliver the project. The project is now completed, and this berth is back in use.

Berth 3 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to replace the Berth 3 fenders from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. This project was tendered, and Sorensen Construction have been appointed to deliver the project. The project is now on site and Berth 3 will remain closed to shipping for 2-3 months to facilitate the new fender installation. The project is now completed, and this berth is back in use.



New fendering(both sides) and deck repair complete – Carlisle Pier

Dublin Array Windfarm

The developers of the Dublin Array Windfarm have approached the Harbour about the possibility of establishing an Operations and Maintenance Base for the windfarm. It is hoped that there might be synergies with the Ferry Terminal project. Early engagement is ongoing with the developer’s team to establish the exact requirements.

Skate Park

Due to delays with Irish Water in the original location, a temporary BMX was constructed in the car-park in Apna Park, behind the West Pier. The track is very popular with local young people. An adjacent Skateboard ramp has also been completed.

Harbour Masterplan

A project to create a Masterplan to guide the future development of the Harbour has been approved. Tender documents were issued for an Urban Design led multidisciplinary team to deliver this important project. Tenders have been received and are undergoing final evaluation at present. The proposal includes significant public and stakeholder consultation and will likely commence early in Q2 2024.

Forward Planning Infrastructure

(Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund (LIHAF) and Cherrywood Urban Regeneration Development Fund (URDF) - Progress Report

LIHAF

The Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage (DHLGH) as part of their 'Rebuilding Ireland' programme announced on 28th March 2017 that DLR were successful in their LIHAF application in respect of 4 projects, for which final approval for 3 of these projects was received in March 2018.

The underlying principle of LIHAF is to provide public off-site infrastructure to relieve critical infrastructure blockages which have been identified as one of the main impediments to the development of key sites for housing, thus enabling the accelerated delivery of residential units on these sites in both Dublin and urban areas of high demand for housing.

As previously advised to the Members, there is 1 remaining active LIHAF project in DLR, an overview of which is as follows;

Project Name	Detail of Infrastructure	Total LIHAF allocation €M	Amount to be funded by DHLGH €M (75%)	Amount to be funded by DLR (S48 Cherrywood specific dev contributions) €M (25%)
Cherrywood	Druid's Glen Road (road only); Druid's Glen bridge - (short bridge structure traversing valley); New N11 junction 'Q' at Druid Glen Road; Druid's Glen Road (bridge feature)	€15.19	€11.39	€3.80

A table of summary details was published by the Minister on 28th March 2018 for all 30 LIHAF sites across the State.

http://www.housing.gov.ie/sites/default/files/publications/files/lihaf_information_table_-_march_2018.pdf

A status of the Cherrywood LIHAF project is as follows:

➤ **Phase 1 – Complete**

Construction works on Phase 1 of this project comprising Junction Q (a new signalised junction on the N11) and part of the Druid's Glen Road (130m in length).

➤ **Phase 2 – (P* - P3) – at Construction Stage**

The next section of road comprises of circa 315m of road and a 40m short bridgespanning the Cabinteely Stream. The project was recently awarded to the preferred contractor Clonmel Enterprises Limited. Mobilization commenced at the end of September 2023 and works are progressing well. The requisite land transfers are complete. The construction programme is circa 12 months.

➤ **Phase 3 – Appointment of Consultant Stage**

The final section of the road comprises c. 55m of road and a 120m significant bridge feature.

DLR has appointed a consultant to bring the final Phase of the Druid's Glen Road infrastructure project from concept design through to completion.

LIHAF affordability proposal - update

DLR has had extensive discussions with the Cherrywood Landowners and the DHLG&H in relation to landowner commitment to LIHAF given the passage of time and expiration of the original landowner affordability proposal. A revised landowner affordability proposal is required and currently DLR awaits formal notification from the Cherrywood landowners on their decision to renew their commitment.

DLR wrote to the landowners on a monthly basis since November 2023 and reiterated the Department's position in that the provision of exchequer support is dependent on the landowners renewing their commitment to LIHAF.

DLR currently awaits formal notification from the Cherrywood landowners following the most recent meeting in January 2024, which is anticipated to be received shortly.

The Council will continue to work with the DHLG&H and the Cherrywood Landowners in addressing infrastructure deficits required in opening up land for development, particularly for housing.

Within Cherrywood SDZ, grants of planning, further information stage, commencements and residential completion stats are all highlighted in the Planning update below.

The commencement of the remaining units granted will be dependent on developer construction programmes, but it is envisaged that the momentum of development that has accrued on the site will continue, and these developers will commence as soon as practicable.

Cherrywood URDF Infrastructure

The URDF 2018 (first call) was established to support more compact and sustainable development, through the regeneration and rejuvenation of Ireland's five cities and other large towns, in line with the objectives of the National Planning Framework and National Development Plan (NDP). This is to enable a greater proportion of residential and mixed-use development to be delivered within the existing built-up footprints of our cities and towns and to ensure that more parts of our urban areas can become attractive and vibrant places in which people choose to live and work, as well as to invest and to visit.

DLR was successful in obtaining funding under the URDF in respect of the Category A Cherrywood Parks, Greenways and Attenuation Project, the total cost of which is estimated at €17.8M and for which formal approval of the total project was received in June 2020. Funding is by way of 75% direct government funding and 25% funded by the separate Section 48 Cherrywood Development Contributions.

This will see the development of 4 distinct sub-projects comprising the Linear Park, surface water attenuation ponds 2a and 5a and completion of Tully Park Phase 2.

A brief update on the current status of each sub-project is as follows –

➤ **Linear Park – Part 8 Planning secured**

The statutory Part 8 was approved by the Elected Members on the 13th of June 2022. It is DLR's intention to progress this project in the second half of 2024 to procure a multi-disciplinary design team to progress the detailed design, procurement and construction stages of the project.

➤ **Pond 2a – at Detailed Design and Tender**

Statutory Part 8 stage is complete. Site clearance for ground investigations, ground penetrating radar and topographical surveys is complete. site investigations including pre-development archaeological investigations have been completed. The detailed designs and tender documents are currently being finalised. Tender documents are intended to be issued in Q2 2024.

➤ **Pond 5a – at Implementation Stage**

Following a competitive tender process, DLR has identified a preferred contractor and is in the process of formally appointing this contractor to undertake the construction works. It is intended that construction will commence in May 2024. The project is estimated to be completed in Q1 2025.

➤ **Tully Park Phase 2 – Project complete**

Construction commenced on site on the 24th June 2021 and has now been completed, with the whole of the Tully Park area (Phase 1 and Phase 2) opened to the public on 31st May 2023.

Urban Regeneration & Development Fund (URDF) Call 2

A second call for proposals under the URDF 2020 was advertised in January 2020. DLR submitted 5 applications for consideration under this Call 2 process on 29 May 2020.

These 5 applications are listed in their ranked order as follows:

1. Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity
2. Dundrum – Civic & Community Centre
3. Dún Laoghaire Greening Project
4. Sandyford Green Infrastructure
5. Shanganagh Park

In addition, a standalone request to initiate a study for Blackrock Village was also submitted.

On the 5 March 2021, DLR was notified by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, that two of the applications submitted by the Council for funding, under Call 2, were successful. The DHLGH formally confirmed preliminary approval of the €44,361,115 funding on the 25 of August 2021 for the Dundrum and Cherrywood projects for the inclusion in the URDF supported capital programme and approval to move to the next stage of the project lifecycle, the preliminary business case stage.

Information in relation to the national announcement may be found via the following link: <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/56ef8-urban-regeneration-and-development-fund-urdf/>

Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity

The infrastructure being provided under 'Call 2' consists of the following:

- **Castle Street Link** - Completion of Cherrywood's bus priority route to connect it to the existing Park & Ride facility at Carrickmines Luas stop. DLR has appointed a consultant to advance a flood mitigation review to inform the Castle Street Link project and this study is underway.

- **Ticknick Park – Ballycorus Access** – development of cycle, pedestrian and vehicular access to Ticknick Park, which opened to the public on 31st May 2023

A report on this project was brought to the April 2023 Council Meeting and DLR is now progressing to preliminary design stage of the project. Engagement with landowners is ongoing with regards to the acquisition of lands. A consultant was appointed in Q4 2023 to consider a number of options to inform the preliminary design to ensure the optimum option is progressed.

- **Town Centre Pedestrian & Cycle Link** – development of an elevated pedestrian and cycle bridge within the Cherrywood Town Centre. This project is at concept design stage.
- **3 Public Parks** – creation of centrally located, multi-functional spaces providing a focal area for each of the associated village communities.
 - **Lehaunstown Park** – Planning Permission in place
 - **Priorsland Park** – To be progressed in line with Castle Street Link project.
 - **Parade Green** – To develop concept and commence preliminary design stage.
- **Smart Parking Study** – research and application of measures to create efficiencies in Cherrywood’s required parking provision. A tender brief has been completed to appoint a consultant to complete the study. This study will be the commission awarded to the successful tenderer for the new technical consultant Framework currently being procured by DAPT.
- **Beckett Link (& Barrington Rd Connection)** – development of pedestrian, cycle and vehicle link from the Kiltarnan Link to the Cherrywood Town Centre, to include the uncompleted portion of Barrington’s Road.

It is envisaged this project will be delivered in 2 Phases - The landowner secured planning permission for Phase 1 of this project on 14th November 2022 and DLR has engaged a consultant to progress Phase 1 through detailed design, tender, construction and handover and final close out. DLR is currently progressing with the Detailed Design stage for this project.

DLR received confirmation on 14th of March 2023 from the DHLG&H, that five URDF Call 2 projects will be approved to proceed to Decision Gate 2 of the Public Spending Code subject to further information being provided by DLR. This information was issued through an addendum to the Department on the 3rd of May 2023. The final URDF 2 project ‘Beckett Link’ was determined to require a standalone Preliminary Business Case, given the scale of the project, which was subsequently approved by the Department on the 24th of July 2023. The project is progressing well and is currently at the completion of the detailed design stage. Stage 1 of the 2 stage procurement process to appoint a contractor was completed in Q1 2024.

Cherrywood SDZ – Progress Report.

The **current Main Work Streams** include:

- Cherrywood LIHAF - as reported above;
- URDF Call 1 Projects (2018) - Cherrywood Parks, Greenways and Attenuation – as reported **above**;

- URDF Call 2 Project (2020) – Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Amenity - as reported above;
- The Cherrywood Steering Group, comprising the Chief Executive and Directors of Services in key service departments met 21 times since it was established in 2017. The Steering Group has been convened to provide oversight in all key aspects of the delivery of the Cherrywood SDZ that cover multi – disciplinary themes;
- Progressing the required Common Infrastructure Agreements for the provision of the common infrastructure in the build out of Cherrywood;
- Proposed Amendment No. 8: Building Height and Density Review: - This proposed amendment came into effect following the withdrawal of a third party appeal on 31st May 2023;
- Proposed Amendment No. 9: Car Parking Standards Review – DLR as Development Agency for Cherrywood submitted this proposed amendment to An Bord Pleanála on 31st May 2023 under Section 170a of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended). The purpose of this review was to update the approved Planning Scheme 2014 (as amended) to align with National, Regional and Local policy, promote sustainable public and active travel modes and address Climate change mitigation measures. This is now with an Bord Pleanála for determination as the competent authority, who advised on 10th January 2024 that they will determine the file as soon as practicable;
- DLR is progressing a plan-led review of the Cherrywood Town Centre and Environs, the purpose of which is to ensure an appropriate mix, quantum and phasing of uses in this area to secure a balance of employment, commercial, retail, residential, community and social uses. A non-statutory Have Your Say public consultation concluded on Wednesday 31st January 2024. The DAPT are now progressing the Review with the intention of lodging a proposed amendment with An Bord Pleanála in late Q2 2024; and
- The DAPT has established a cycling review group to draw from the expertise of the NTA and the dlr Sustainable Mobility Group to scope out enhancements to what has been provided in the area and explore new experiences in cycling (including technology). It is intended to bring a Report on findings and recommendations of this group to a future meeting.

Planning Applications – FOR NOTING

The Status of applications from 8th December 2023 to 28th March 2024 inclusive is as follows:

- DZ23A/0028 - 56 Residential Units, Cherrywood – Decision to Grant issued 11/12/2023.
- DZ23A/0812 - amendments to the development permitted under DZ23A/0005 - Decision to Grant issued 14/02/2024.
- D23A/0805 - Transitional Care Facility (St. Laurence College) – Proposal adjacent to Planning Scheme - Decision issued 21/02/2024.
- DZ24A/0017 - 200 Residential Units, Cherrywood – Request for Further information issued 06/03/2024.

There are currently no live SDZ applications for which reports are being prepared.

To date, the total no. of residential units permitted is 4,867 (this figure includes the application that was previously subject to Judicial Review which is now resolved). An additional 204 units are at Further Information Stage. There are 616 homes under construction and 1,416 units completed. The Tully primary school is well advanced on site also with permission granted for the first post primary school also.

The total amount of non-residential development permitted is circa 113,724 sq.m of Town Centre Mixed use (retail/non-retail/commercial including HIE) including circa 35,340sq.m

of High Intensity Employment (HIE).

Stakeholder Engagement

The delivery of the Scheme is complex requiring a number of stakeholders to engage and DLR as Development Agency continues to actively promote the implementation of the objectives of the approved Planning Scheme through collaboration and engagement with all relevant stakeholders.

With the Government's focus on the housing crisis the DHLGH has taken specific interest in progressing the Cherrywood Planning Scheme and has designated it 1 of 23 key strategic national Major Urban Housing Delivery Sites (MUHDS). Meetings with all key stakeholders are on-going with the DAPT facilitating progress meetings on key issues, as they arise, that require a coordinated approach from a number of state agencies and service providers including high-level engagement with the DHLGH on the main issues.

Funding

The new Development Contribution Scheme in respect of development in the Cherrywood Planning Scheme Area 2023-2028 ("the Cherrywood Scheme", was adopted at a meeting of the Council on 9th October 2023 having undergone the statutory process in accordance with Section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. All planning applications for development in the Cherrywood Planning Scheme area will be subject to financial conditions relating to development contributions under this Scheme.

In addition to the Cherrywood Scheme, government funding, LIHAF and URDF (Call 1 and Call 2) have been secured and contribute to the funding of internal common infrastructure. These current funding mechanisms, along with the new Cherrywood Scheme resolve the current funding gap that existed in relation to the provision of the entire common infrastructure. The Report indicating the current Programme of Capital Projects 2024 – 2026, due to be presented at the April 2024 Council Meeting provides further detail.

With regard to the application for Cherrywood Public Access, Permeability and Access under the URDF Call 2 DLR received confirmation on 14th of March 2023 from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLG&H), that five URDF Call 2 projects will be approved to proceed to Decision Gate 2 of the Public Spending Code subject to further information being provided by DLR. This information was issued through an addendum to the Department on the 3rd of May 2023. The final URDF 2 project 'Beckett Link' was determined to require a standalone Preliminary Business Case, given the scale of the project, which DLR issued to the Department on the 21st of April 2023 and subsequently approved by the Department on the 24th of July 2023. This project is progressing and is currently at the completion of detailed design stage.

Infrastructure and Climate Change

January to 27 March 2024

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Blackglen Road/ Grange Road Improvement Scheme – Significant progress has been made on the Blackglen Road Improvement Scheme with the completion of the wearing course installation on 13th March 2024. The remaining accommodation and landscaping works will be completed in the coming month. The scheme's completion is now estimated to be April 2024

Glenamuck District Roads Scheme (GDRS) including the Enniskerry Road/Glenamuck Road Junction Upgrade (Golden Ball) – Contracts were signed with the successful contractor BAM Civil Ltd. – on the 19th of March 2024, with a site start date of 18th April. The estimated construction period is 2 years.

Druids Glen Road Phase 2 - Clonmel Enterprises Ltd. has been appointed as the contractor and works are currently on site. Good progress has been made on this scheme, with road preparation works, bridge decking and kerbing installation completed. Utility ducting works are in progress. The scheme's completion is now estimated to be June 2024.

M50 Junction 14 Link Road - M50 Junction 14 Link Road - Consultants have been appointed to review / update the design and progress the scheme to completion. The site investigation contractor has been appointed and due to commence in April 2024. Tender documents are scheduled to be ready for June 2024 with October 2024 as construction start date. Estimated construction period is 18 months.

Dublin Bay Trail / S2S – The scheme now focuses on the link between Blackrock Park and Blackrock Dart station (Blackrock Link). Surveys have been completed and route options have been developed. Multi-criteria analysis has been carried out and preferred design has been developed to preliminary design. Part 8 documentation is being finalised and discussions with landowner ongoing. Part 8 due to start Q2 2024.

Bray Woodbrook Landfill Remediation Project - The Contractor has completed the revetment which stabilises the landfill from sea erosion. Following review of the landfill site as an amenity area, the contractor is importing material from nearby sites to complete the open space. Expected completion Q2-2024.

Hillcrest Road Improvement Scheme – Surveys and options report have been completed. Preliminary design is substantially complete. Plan to commence statutory processes (Part 8) early Q3 2024.

Cherrywood Road Improvement Scheme – At feasibility stage.

Special Projects

Lehaunstown Neighbourhood Road & Plot A Access – Projects Office is assisting the Client Department, Housing, for this project. SYSTRA has been engaged to carry out preliminary design (to 179A stage) of the neighbourhood road which connects Grand Parade to Lehaunstown Lane as per the Cherrywood Planning Scheme (CPS). Their brief also includes the preliminary design of an access point into the Council's Housing Plot A. Meetings have been held between the Design Team, Housing, ICC and the Development Agency Project Team (DAPT). On the request of DAPT, an Options Assessment Report has been

completed to identify preferred access to Plot A. Site investigations including topographical survey, ground investigations, arborist, archaeological and hydrogeological surveys have been completed. Preliminary design ongoing with projected internal circulation April 2024.

Infrastructure Capacity Assessment Study for Old Connaught and Rathmichael LAPs – Projects office is assisting Forward Planning with this project. ARUP has been engaged to carry out the study. Project expected to be completed Q2 2024.

Dundrum Community, Cultural and Civic Hub (DCCCH) - An Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) Call 2 project application was provisionally allocated funding support (up to max of 75% of eligible costs). Build out of the Taney Junction will be required for the project to be delivered on the preferred site, with possible use of URDF/NTA funding. Architects Department is developing the project design. Indecon Consultants have completed the Strategic Assessment Review (SAR) which has been agreed. Indecon Consultants have completed the draft Preliminary Business Case which is with DLR for review/comment.

Dún Laoghaire Baths - Phase 2 (accessibility ramps) works are ongoing with the section between the middle and lower levels due to finish June 2024.

Samuel Becket Phase 2A – Ballyogan Library - Construction ongoing – the main building works are due for completion Q2 2024. This will be followed by fitout works which will take 3 to 4 months. Thereafter Libraries will need to stock the building.

Samuel Beckett Phase 2B - Sports Centre Building (including Swimming Pools and Sports Hall) and Ancillary Amenities. Indecon Consultants have been appointed by the Projects Office to prepare the Preliminary Business Case. The Projects Office has prepared a project brief in consultation with the Working Group. €650K funding was granted under a LSSIF top-up application in December 2023 in addition to the original allocation of €5m. A briefing on the project design was held for elected members and the Part 8 public consultation commenced on 11 March, with a closing date for submissions on 23 April 2024. Two public information sessions to explain the scheme were held in the Samuel Beckett Community Facility on 14 and 26 March.

<https://dlrcoco.citizenspace.com/infrastructure-climate-change/proposed-development-sports-centre-building-incl/>

URDF Call 3 – dlr has been allocated €6m in funding under URDF Call 3 for an initial approved programme of 24 properties. Call 3 is designed to address long term vacancy and dereliction across URDF cities and towns and the acceleration of the provision of residential accommodation. A working group has been set up for this project. A workshop was held with Limerick County Council to discuss and optimise the project strategy. Property owners for the Approved Programme have been identified and issue of notices under the Derelict Sites Act have progressed. Eight properties have been added to Derelict Sites Register. Engagement to take place with the property owners.

Shanganagh Castle Buildings and Grounds - Building 'B' (the dormitory building) and Building 'C' (sports hall): The DHLGH has decided that the property is no longer under consideration for use under the refurbishment programme.

For Building 'A' (Castle – a Protected Structure, RPS No. 1845 refers) the contractor has completed all propping works for immediate works for safe access to the to the building. A Shanganagh Castle feasibility report prepared by conservation consultants 7L Architects with assistance from CORA Consulting Engineers has been received. To ensure that further deterioration is limited, ongoing maintenance is required until such time as major capital works can be commenced. The next steps will be an outline brief for roof repairs and review

of priority works identified in the conservation and structural reports prior to preparation for tender.

Offshore Windfarms and onshore grid connection - Dublin Array (RWE) will be one of Ireland’s first commercial offshore wind farms to be constructed, helping to meet the Government’s target of 5GW of offshore wind energy being connected to the Irish national grid by 2030. The project intends to apply for planning consent in 2024 and, subject to this being secured, construction of Dublin Array Project could begin in 2026. RWE have advised two consent applications will be submitted to An Bord Pleanála (ABP); one under section 291 [offshore array & O&M Base) and the onshore transmission system under section 182a.

IB-Green Corrig Park Sandyford Business Estate - This Sandyford Green Infrastructure Project, a collaborative effort between Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Sandyford Business District, aims to transform 0.8 hectares of land into the Sandyford Business District Civic Park, strategically positioned at the junction of Corrig Road and Carmanhall Road, (consistent with SLO 57 CDP 2022-2028). This undertaking not only seeks to enhance the overall quality of public spaces but also addresses heat stress within the business park area. This project is an integral part of the Interreg North-West Europe Programme (NWE) known as IB-Green.

The Council and Sandyford Business District are 2 of the 11 project partners from 6 NWE countries representing local authorities, business park operators and managers, networks, sector organisations and science institutions in the field of climate adaptation who are joining forces to work on this challenge. Special focus lies on older industrial and business parks from the last century which are becoming less attractive. Here, the need for change is high but complex.

The Council’s Property Management Section is progressing engagement with affected parties.

Active Travel Projects

Project Name	Project Description	Development update
Bride's Glen (Cherrywood-Shankill Bridge)	Pedestrian and cycle connection from Bride's Glen Luas Stop via St Colmcille's Hospital grounds and the old viaduct to the footbridge over the N11 north of the Loughlinstown roundabout.	A quick build option that avoids CPO (Compulsory Purchase Order) and land acquisition using the N11 is being progressed. Public consultation to commence in April
Clonskeagh Road Cycle Improvement Scheme (UCD to Ashtons)	Development of a cycle route between Sandyford and Dublin city centre, proposed in the GDA (Greater Dublin Area) Cycle Network Plan. This includes the provision of cycle facilities on Clonskeagh Road from UCD to Clonskeagh Bridge.	Construction completed

Rochestown Avenue Multi-modal Transport Improvement Scheme	Design of walking and cycling facilities and bus routes along Rochestown Avenue.	Part 8 completed. Detailed design underway
DLR Connector	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities east / west across the County	Stage 3 approval from NTA Board completed – Preliminary design ongoing.
Dun Laoghaire to N11 (Mounttown Road and Kill Avenue)	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities on Kill Avenue, Mounttown Road Upper / Lower, Glenageary Road Upper.	Detailed design ongoing. Tender for contractor in Q2 2024
Wyattville Road (Phase 2)	Design and implementation of walking and cycling facilities along Wyattville Road.	Construction completed
Cherrywood-Sandyford greenway	Design and implementation of a cycle route between Leopardstown Road and Ballyogan / Cabinteely area.	Options report received and being reviewed
Park to Park and Mountains to Metals Routes	Active School Travel Route commencing in Loughlinstown and ending in Blackrock via Loughlinstown Linear Park - Kilbogget Park - Clonkeen Park - Deansgrange - Rockville Park.	Deansgrange Road construction ongoing due to be completed in April
Seafield Safe and Quiet Streets	Traffic calming and public realm enhancement scheme developed in conjunction with residents.	Detailed design underway
Love our Laneways	Upgrade of the existing laneways in Sallynoggin.	Construction underway
Cabinteely Park Greenway	Cornelscourt Road to Cherrywood.	Pre-design engagement underway
Safe Routes to Schools	Carysfort NS, Holy Family, Holy Cross, St. Kevin's, St. Patricks, The Harold, Sion Hill	Lot 1 consultation completed and progressing to detailed design. Lot 2 design underway.
Living Streets: Dun Laoghaire	Pathfinder project	Part 8 completed
Living Streets: Blackrock	Permanent scheme for the village.	Detailed design continuing
Living Streets: Coastal Mobility Route	Permanent scheme	Public consultation completed.
Deerpark Entrance Improvements	Accessibility improvements to the entrance off North Ave	Construction underway

Climate Action

- As a requirement of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021, each local authority prepared a Climate Action Plan in 2023/2024, addressing both climate mitigation and adaptation.
- Following the public consultation, the Climate Team produced a Chief Executive's report summarising the submissions on the draft Plan. The Plan was approved by resolution with amendments by the Elected Members on February 12th, 2024, and is available for viewing on the Council website at <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/climate-action-plan-2024>.
- On March 15th dlr closed the grant applications for the Community Climate Action Programme. 35 applications were received.

Environmental Awareness

- The Environment and Climate Action Grant, which was deferred from 2023, was launched on 14th February with a closing date of the 28th of March. It was promoted to all relevant groups via dlr social media and the website.
- The Green-Schools Programme registered a total of 117 schools in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown in 2024, with 39 renewal visits and assessments carried out between late February and March.
- The Anti-litter and Dog Fouling Poster Competition was launched on 20th March for Primary Schools. Posters will be used in a planned media campaign and launch event.
- The finale of the Relove Fashion Competition took place on 21st March in collaboration with the Rediscovery Centre and 10 other local authorities.
- The Green Dog Walkers programme has been relaunched.
- Under the Community Clean-up Scheme, 48 community groups received 860 blue bins to carry out local clean-ups.
- The National Spring Clean, due to launch in April, has registered 35 community clean-ups to date.

Property Management

- **Former Carnegie Library and ground floor Carnegie Offices, Library Road, Dún Laoghaire:**
Negotiated License agreement with IADT and currently managing completion of essential upgrade works on both the Carnegie library (a Protected Structure), provision of new entranceway and auxiliary offices to facilitate the IADT's presence in Dún Laoghaire;
Disability Access Certification and Fire (Regularisation) Certification to facilitate the IADT (Institute of Art, Design and Technology) approved;
Electrical and heating upgrade (in line with safety certification requirements) works to Carnegie Library nearing completion. Formal launch of the library and offices set for 2.30pm 4th April 2024.
- **9 Georges Place, Dún Laoghaire:**
Property is available and requires decision on its future use (property has recently been assessed by several interested groups).
- **Wash House, Kelly's Avenue, Dún Laoghaire:**
Electrical, insulation and security alarm upgrade works completed which will enable the building, a Protected Structure, to be utilised.
- **East Coast Railway Infrastructure Protection Projects (ECRIPP):** Letter of Agreement issued to Iarnród Éireann/C.I.É. and Jacobs Engineering enabling site access for ground and coastal assessment works to safeguard the future of railway infrastructure along the east coast. These works have commenced.

- **Glenamuck Road CPO:** Negotiations on-going between plot holders and our Valuers and negotiations are progressing.
- **Women’s Refuge, Sandyford** – Property Management assisted in the provision of a new Women’s Refuge in Sandyford.
- **3-year leasehold Agreement** Pursuant to S. 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 and S. 211 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 of land adjacent to the Beacon Hospital, Bracken Road, Sandyford, Dublin 18 to the Beacon Hospital.
- **Disposal of Council owned lands adjacent** to 1 St. Luke’s Crescent, Dundrum, Milltown, Dublin 14.
- **Corrig Road** - Engagement with owners of units at Corrig Road, Sandyford, regarding purchase of same for civic park/SLO 57, County Development Plan 2022-2028.

Derelict sites Jan 2024 - March 2024:

Number on register:	Number added:	Number removed:	Section 8(2)’s served:	Levies served:	Levies received:
17	12	1	13	4	1

- **Letters of consent January 2024 - 27th March 2024**
 - o 6 Original Letters
 - o 2 Re-issues

Sandyford Commercial consents 1st January 2024 – 19th March 2024

Six Sandyford consents applications have been received for Q1, 2024. However, one of the applications received in the previous quarter requires a retrospective consent to be completed which comes to a total of 7 consents to be administered by Property Management Section.

**The Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2020 (Schedule 3, Prescribed Notices, Form No. 2, p426) specifically states that "If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation."*

Environmental Enforcement Section

The Litter Action Plan

The Litter Action Plan was listed for noting on the Council agenda in March. Following on from the adoption of the Litter Management Plan, the Action Plan reports on Litter Actions taken over the past year across the county, and includes:

- all litter prevention and control programmes undertaken;
- the extent of enforcement action taken under the Litter Pollution Act, as amended;
- the extent to which measures were taken to promote public awareness, including educational and information measures; and
- the co-operation and assistance given by persons other than the local authority for the purposes of preventing and controlling litter.

CCTV

The draft Codes of Practice for the use of CCTV and Mobile Recording Devices (MRDs) for use in the enforcement of the Waste Management Act and Litter Pollution Act were approved by Ossian Smyth, TD, Minister of State with Special Responsibility for Public Procurement, eGovernment, Communications and the Circular Economy, and a commencement order for the codes was signed on the 15th February.

A plan for the rolling out of cameras is being developed. The process for putting cameras in place under the three Codes of Practice involves a number of steps and a considerable amount of work in order to ensure the process is lawful. While it is the intention of the Environmental Enforcement Unit to use CCTV for Litter and Waste Enforcement, the roll-out of these cameras will take a considerable amount of time.

Launch of the Enhanced WERLA

Staff from the Environmental Enforcement Unit attended a Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authorities (WERLAs) event in the CHQ building in March, where Minister Ossian Smyth launched the enhanced WERLAs. Dlr has entered into an SLA with the WERLAs as part of the Eastern and Midlands Regional WERLA – the aim of which is “to protect and improve our high-quality natural environment by ensuring waste activities in Ireland are monitored, and waste legislation is enforced, in a consistent, co-ordinated and efficient manner in accordance with EU and national legislation and policy through a process of continuous improvement” by working in co-operation with local authorities and other environmental and enforcement agencies.

Air Monitoring

The section installed air quality monitors in seven strategic locations around the County. Further deployment of sensors is being examined to support other specific projects.

Waste Collection Permit Monitoring

The enforcement section will validate 2023 waste collection permit data returns from waste collectors that operate from dlr. Detailed audits will be undertaken with certain waste collectors in our county with a focus on waste streams such as construction and demolition waste.

Dublin Agglomeration Noise Action Plan 2024-2028

The section is also making progress in the development of a new Noise Action Plan for the Dublin region and has participated in workshops through this period to ensure that the priorities of dlr are incorporated successfully into the new Noise Action Plan. An update on the Noise Action Plan was brought before the Environment and Climate SPC in March. The draft noise action plan will be completed in Q2 2024 and is subject to a public consultation. It is anticipated that the plan will be completed with implementation commencing in Q3 2024.

Recommended Minimum Criteria for Environmental Inspections (RMCEI plan)

Recommendation of the European Parliament and the Council Providing for the Minimum Criteria for Environmental Inspections in Member States (2001/331/EC) Inspection & Compliance Plan under RMCEI 2024 has been supplied to the EPA. The Inspection and Compliance Plan (relates to the environmental enforcement (air, noise, waste, litter) and water pollution control in the functional area of dlr for the period 1 January to 31 December 2024.

The Plan has been drawn up to take account of the requirements of the EPA’s guidance on RMCEI enforcement planning. It encompasses both routine and non-routine environmental inspections to be carried out in the year. It includes monitoring and inspection of permitted

activities and ensuring compliance by the public and the commercial and industrial sectors with regards to environmental legislation.

DUBLIN WASTE TO ENERGY (DWTE)

The DWTE (DUBLIN WASTE TO ENERGY) Facility has received their final determination from the EPA to process up to 690,000 tonnes per annum. The operator is reviewing the licence conditions.

WASTE MANAGEMENT SECTION

We provide 3 Recycling Centres and 37 Bring Centres throughout the County.

Ballyogan Recycling Park accepts a wide variety of waste types, Eden Park and Shanganagh Recycling Centres accept mainly mixed dry recyclables and the Bring Centres accept glass bottles and aluminium/steel cans and textiles. Hard Plastics were accepted on a trial basis at Shanganagh and this service is continuing.

We participate in the Rediscovery Paint Re-Use Scheme and the Rotary Bikes to Africa Scheme at Ballyogan Recycling Park.

NATIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR A CIRCULAR ECONOMY 2024-2030

Local authorities are required to make a waste management plan in accordance with the Waste Management Act 1996 and may do so individually or in conjunction with other authorities.

Previously there were three regional waste management plans, Connaught Ulster, Southern and Eastern Midlands with designated Lead Authorities and associated Regional Waste Management Planning Offices RWMPO’s.

Local Authorities are required to evaluate existing plans after 5 years. Existing Plans were evaluated in 2021 and the evaluation recommended that a single national waste management plan be prepared collectively by all authorities. Taking account of national waste policy, the new plan was titled the National Waste Management Plan for a Circular Economy.

The making of a new waste management plan is an executive function under Section 22(10), and in particular Section 22(10)(a) and (d), of the Waste Management Act 1996.

The final plan was made by CE Order on the 21st of February 2024. This plan covers the period 2024 – 2030.

The implementation of the Plan will be co-ordinated by the existing Regional Lead Authorities, Regional Waste Management Planning Offices, supported by the established regional waste steering groups.

Environmental Enforcement: 1st January – 27th March 2024

DATE	Number	Comment
Enforcement Complaints – Opened	94	Air/Noise/Waste
Enforcement Complaints – Closed	84	Air/Noise/Waste

Environment Cases – Opened (Dumping/Litter)	356	Litter Section
Environment Cases – Closed (Dumping/Litter)	357	Litter Section
Abandoned car Cases - Opened	123	Waste Section
Graffiti Cases - Opened	202	Waste Section
Presentation/Storage of Waste – Opened	45	Waste Section
Litter Fines issued	62	Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-laws
Waste Fines issued	12	Waste Bye-laws/Waste Management Act
Legal Proceedings initiated	4	Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-laws/Waste Bye-laws

Routine Enforcement Section Inspections	Number completed
Air and Noise Incident/complaint related inspections (non-routine)	20
Ambient Air Monitoring Programme	2
Article 27 Inspections	2
Construction & Demolition handling at development sites	17
Commercial Food Waste	16
Deco Paints Regulations – Vehicle Refinishers	1
Hazardous waste (e.g., garages, mini-labs, C&D sites, industrial, healthcare & others)	1
Inspections (environmental) in advance of grant/refusal of planning permission	14
Inspections (environmental) of existing planning permissions	2
Mercury inspections	0
Solid fuel regulations	8
Solvents Regulations (e.g., Dry cleaners, surface cleaning etc.)	1
Tyres and End of Life Tyres	0
Vehicle Checkpoints	0

DOGS

Dog Statistics: 1st Jan 2024 – 27th March 2024	
No. of dogs on hand on 1 st Jan 2024	2
No. of dogs entering the shelter	17
No. of dogs Surrendered	1
No. of dogs rehomed	4
No. of dogs reclaimed	3
No. of dogs sent to rescue	6
No. of dogs put to sleep	2
No. of dogs remaining in the pound on 27 th March	5
Dog attacks in this period	16 – 4 on people

Architects

Energy

The Architects Department coordinated the inaugural ZEB (Zero Emissions Buildings) Summit workshops with MosArt in February. Over 100 attendees participated in two interactive workshops held in the Council Chamber and chaired by An Cathaoirleach. The workshops focused on technical aspects of one of the largest affordable housing schemes in Europe being built to the certified Passive House standard, the low energy and low carbon exemplar Shanganagh Housing. The following day the Conference in the RDS had over 450 attendees with 32 trade exhibitors and over 30 speakers, including dlr Chief Executive and dlr County Architect.

A staff 'Saving Energy – Climate Action' coffee break talk took place on Teams with over 80 attendees raised awareness of energy and buildings and how dlr is planning on reaching the 2030 public sector targets for carbon and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction.

Dangerous Buildings

Dangerous	0
Potentially Dangerous	8
Not Dangerous	2
Total	10

Community, Cultural Services & Parks

Community Integration Forum (formerly Community Response Forum)

The Community Response Forum has been renamed the Community Integration Forum. It met 6 times in relation to IPAs & Ukrainians between January and March 2024. The focus of the Forum is on co-ordinating the response to the arrival of both International Protection Applicants and Ukrainian refugees in the County. The wide range of stakeholders in the Forum remains in place.

A range of supports and activities are in place which include English language classes and employment support classes.

Community Recognition Fund

Community Department continued to work with the successful applicants under the Community Recognition Fund to progress their projects.

LCDC

The LCDC held 2 meetings in this quarter – 21st February and 20th March. The LCDC Annual Report 2023 was approved and submitted to the Council at its meeting in March 2024.

Joint Policing Committee (JPC) & Local Policing Fora (LPF)

A Joint Policing Committee meeting took place on the 20th February.

There were five Local Policing Fora meetings held in the quarter as follows.

A meeting of the Dundrum/Stillorgan LPF took place on 27th March

A meeting of the Central Dún Laoghaire LPF took place on 6th February.

A meeting of the Loughlinstown/Ballybrack/Shankill LPF took place on 13th February.

Two meetings of the Sandyford/Stepaside LPF took place on 16th January and 5th March.

Local Enhancement Programme for 2024 under the Community Enhancement Programme

This DRCD grant fund closed for application in February with 68 eligible applications received for funding support. €140,317 is available to community groups for capital projects and €29,854.68 for ringfenced women's shed funding. LCDC recommendations for grant funding were forwarded to the DRCD.

Comhairle na nÓg

DLR Comhairle members continued to work on the topic of School Stress. The annual funding report for 2023 and funding request for 2024 were submitted to Pobal. Four new representatives joined the Steering Committee coming from Tusla, and Crosscare Youth Services, with the first Steering Committee Meeting of the year being held. DLR Comhairle members met 4 times to progress their topic and launch their social media campaigns. A date for the council presentation was chosen being 8th April 2024 and representatives attended Dáil na nÓg.

Domestic Violence Refuge

The Council commissioned a Domestic Violence Refuge Needs Assessment to establish if there was a need to provide a Domestic Violence (DV) refuge within the County. The report established an evidence-based approach that underpins the need for a refuge in the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown area.

The Council is progressing this project under the Planning and Development Acts and the regulations made thereunder and more specifically the Planning and Development (Section 179A) Regulations 2023.

This project will deliver 12 units of accommodation and associated facilities to accommodate those affected by domestic abuse and their families.

Age-Friendly & Social Inclusion Unit:

LGBTQ+ in Business Breakfast event

The dlr Social Inclusion Unit were delighted to partner with the Local Economic Development Unit on organising the 'LGBTQ+ in Business' networking event during Local Enterprise Week in the Dundrum Town Centre along with 'Certified Proud' and funded by the Dormant Accounts. Further LGBTQ+ training and young people's networking events will take place over the year, funded by the Dormant Accounts Fund.

dlr Age-Friendly Magazine 2024:

The [dlr Age-Friendly Magazine 2024](#), produced by the dlr Age-Friendly Programme, Community Section and dlr Libraries was launched on the 14th February and is now available in hard and soft copy and being dispersed around the county. It is free of charge and is funded by Creative Ireland, Healthy Ireland, and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. The main theme of this year's magazine is promoting 'Good Brain Health' and the 2024 magazine is packed with information on services and programmes to encourage and support older people to take part and enjoy the many social, cultural, creative, educational, leisure and fitness activities that are available across the county; activities which, are the foundations to Good Brain Health. The 84-page magazine is available in all 8 Library branches, dlr County Council Offices, community centres, primary care centres, nursing homes, day care centres and shopping centres with 15,000 copies being distributed around the county.

Launch of dlr High Security Locks Scheme 2024

The scheme was launched during March for applications from homeowners 65 years of age and over living in dlr to replace existing lock barrels or cylinders in external doors with high security anti-snap locks. Applications will only be considered from owner occupiers of privately-owned homes who reside in the county and will cover the total cost for the replacement of lock barrels only, on up to maximum 2 locks per home – front door / back door / side door. Closing date for applications: 31st May 2024 and link to online applications [HERE](#) and hardcopies & more information available from the Community Section, dlr County Council at 01 205 4893 / community@dlrcoco.ie

Foxrock seeking Age-Friendly Village Recognition

The Foxrock Area Community & Enterprise (FACE) group are collaborating with the dlr Age-Friendly Programme, dlr Economic Development Unit, Traffic Department and other DLRCC departments in preparing the area for National Age-Friendly Village Recognition. A work-plan has been agreed for 2024 and training has taken place with local businesses in Foxrock Village on developing Age-Friendly Business Recognition.

dlr Older People's Council

The dlr Older People's Council met during February and March and have announced this year's Transport Grant for their member groups of €250 for day & evening trips taking place during 2024. More information on dlr Older People's Council Transport Grant 2024 available [here](#)

dlr Age-Friendly Alliance

The dlr Age-Friendly Alliance met on the 12th March. Presentations were made by the dlr Volunteer Centre & on the 'Dementia - Understand Together in Communities' National Dementia Awareness Campaign with updates and opportunities for collaboration discussed between the 20+ older person's groups and organisations operating in dlr.

Dormant Accounts Funding

dlr Libraries successfully received funding of €28,000 to progress 4 projects under Dormant Accounts Funding, provided by Department of Rural and Community Development.

- Event programming for Ukrainian families in the County
- Accessible Services – events and talks for those with additional needs and their families
- Sensory Equipment – including signage, sensory toys
- Literacy supports – LOTE (Languages other than English)

Creative Ireland Funding

2022 saw the completion of 50+ projects under the Creative Ireland Programme, with over an audience of 11,500 across the year.

Funding in the amount of €394,061 has been claimed by DLRCC in 2022 under the various funding strands including Creativity in Older Age, Social Prescribing, Cruinniú na nÓg and Economic Action Fund.

dlr Culture & Creativity Strategy 2023-2027

Draft document approved for the next 5 years of Creative Ireland.

Callout for event facilitators 2023-2025

68 successful applicants from 75 received.

Dún Laoghaire Baths Artists' Studios

Following the extensive redevelopment of Dún Laoghaire Baths, the Arts Office has advertised opportunities for artists to apply for new workspaces. Six awards are currently available to support local artists with rent free, purpose-built artist workspaces and project funding. Two studios are available to assist local artists to develop their practice in Dún Laoghaire. A Public Art commission will fund a studio and the creation of new work in response to the theme of Home. A fourth opportunity will allow artists to engage in a series of 3-month residencies in a new large workshop space that invites the public into the Baths to engage with the creative process. The studios are provided rent free with additional funding support to assist with the purchase of materials, the making of new work or the presentation of workshops, talks and performances.

These opportunities are funding by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office, the Arts Council, Creative Ireland and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/municipal-gallery-dlr-lexicon/d%C3%BAAn-laoghaire-baths-studios>

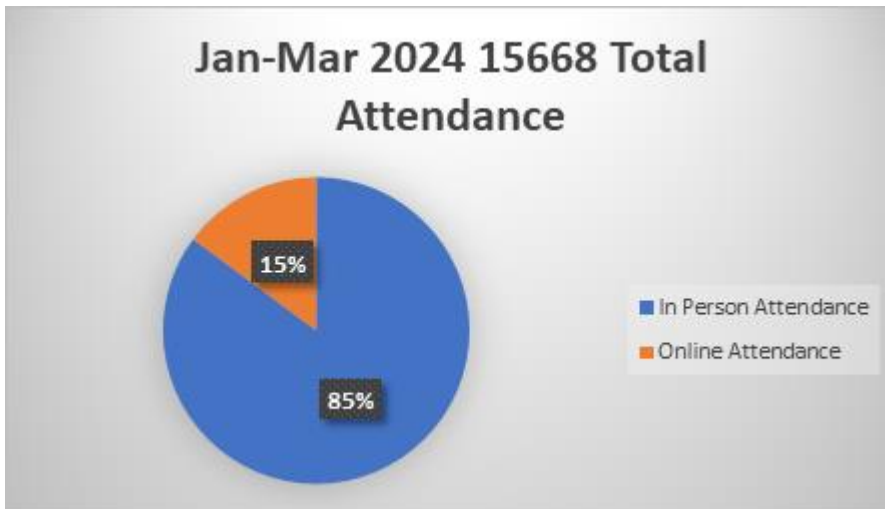
Libraries

Q1: 1st January – 27th March

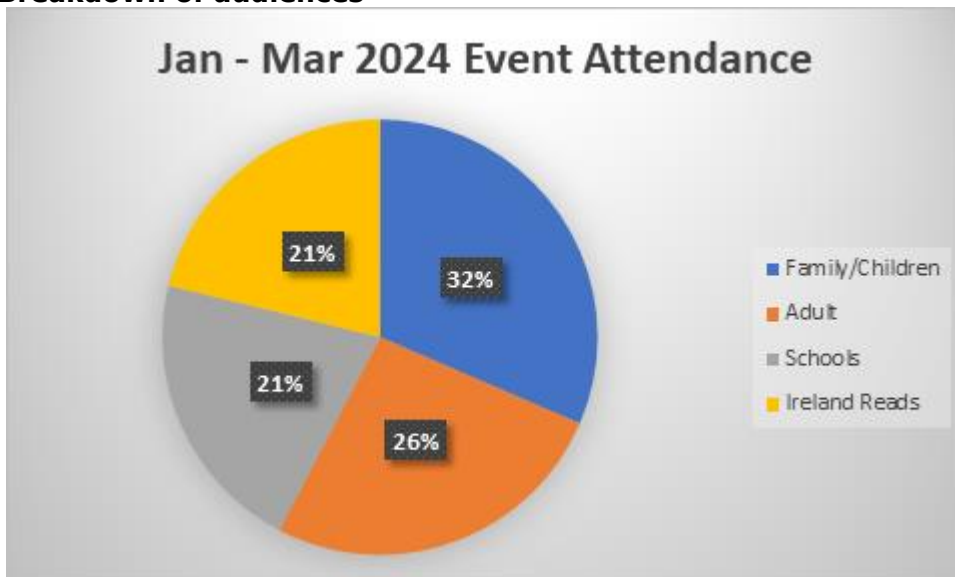
Events Programme Jan – Mar 2024

Total No. of Events: 675 (99% in-person, 1% online)

Overall Attendance: 15,668



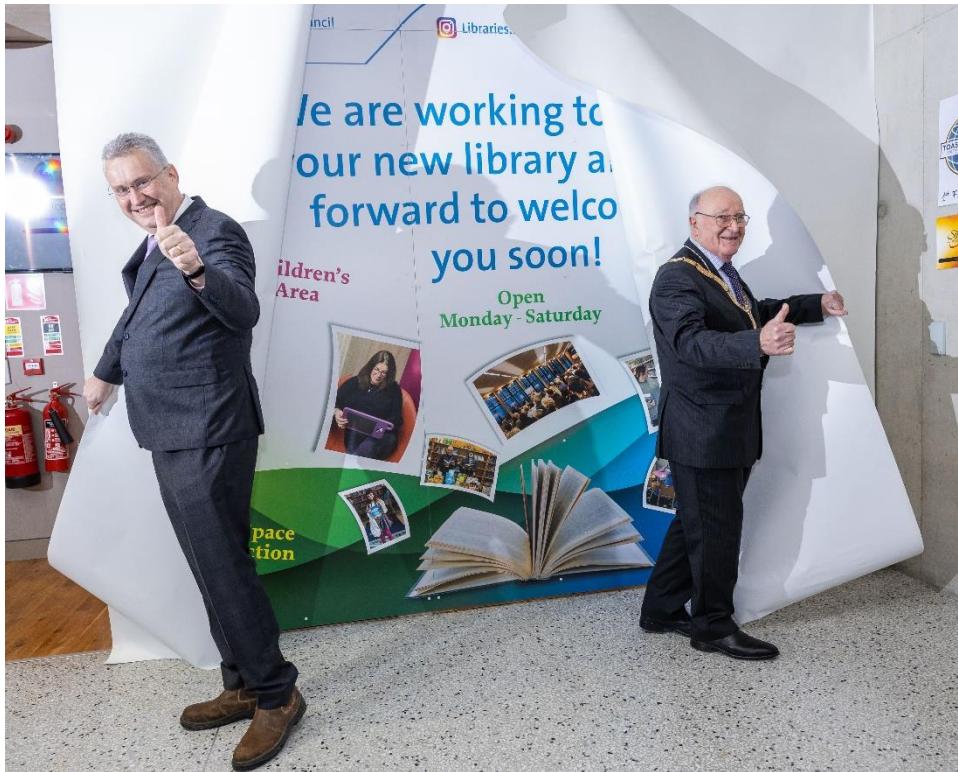
Breakdown of audiences



Capital Projects

Ballyogan Library – Samuel Beckett Centre.

Work continues on Ballyogan library with the contractor making good progress. As part of the work programme, An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Denis O’Callaghan visited the site in January to mark the progress to date, to unveil some information boards and to see the site.



Stillorgan Library:

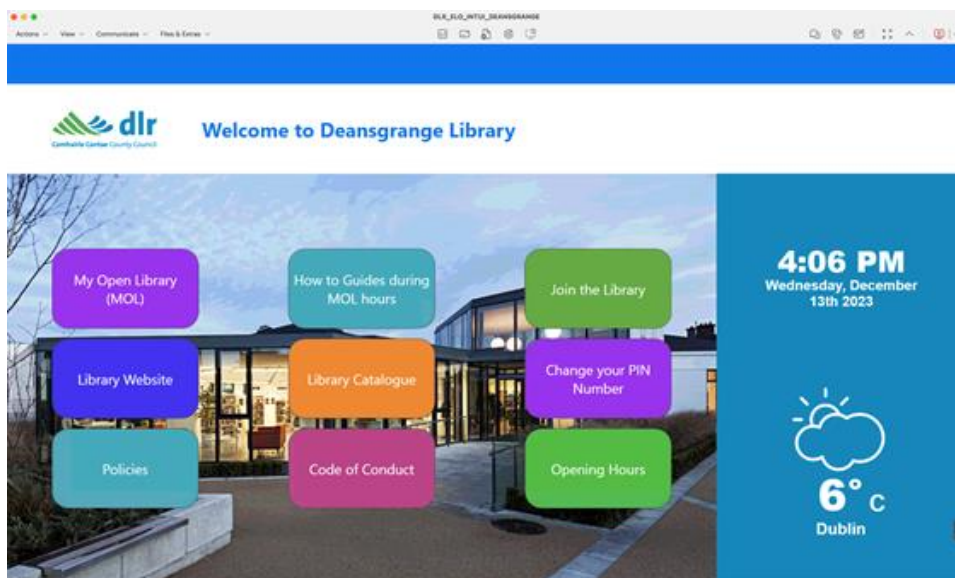
Progress is also good on work to deliver the new Stillorgan Library as part of the St Laurences Park Development. Groundworks are almost completed, and the new 2 storey multifunctional space is still on track to be delivered in 2026.

ICT grant

107 new, faster public access computers were installed across all our branch Libraries which was enabled by grant funding of €86,000 by the Department of Rural and Community Development to dlr Libraries. The new equipment includes 92 desktop PCs with Windows 11,

as well as other new pieces of equipment including several Apple Macs and laptops for staff outreach.

As part of the enhancement works for the My Open Libraries we also launched MOL kiosks in both Dalkey and Deansgrange libraries. The kiosk, the first of its type in any MOL library, is an easy way to register for the MOL service, and has handy infographic guides on how to use the service, options to change your pin number, access the catalogue, check opening hours, leave comments & feedback and book an event, as well as many other facilities. The MOL kiosk, co-funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development and dlr Libraries, was developed to enhance ease of access for all our users. An Cathaoirleach launched the new My Open Library (MOL) kiosk on 09 January.



In other new initiatives relating to selfservice technology, we have recently launched open access 3d printing in the Lexicon. While we have facilitated 3D printing workshops for public and schools programmes for a number of years now, we were delighted to open up and extend the access to everyone, using their own or a range of recommended designs, 6 days a week in the LexIcon Library, with our newly installed Flashforge Adventure 4 printer.

Creative Ireland Programme update

New Creative Communities Engagement Officer took up their role in January 2024. This post is designed to support the Creative Ireland Co-ordinator and to enable the delivery of the Creative Ireland program at a local level. To date in 2024, we have issued bursaries call out and a call out to facilitate some Crúinniu programming. We anticipate strong interest.

We have also been successful in our application for live music funding for events in a variety of care settings in the county. This program will be delivered throughout 2024.

Parks Capital Projects – March 2024 Progress (Q1)

	On Hold	(i) Preliminary	(ii) Design	(iii) Tender	(iv) Construction	(v) Complete	Comment
Killiney Hill Accessible Entrance						✓	Complete in May 2023.
Corke Abbey/Woodbrook Glen Improvements						✓	Complete in May 2023.
Myrtle Square & Convent Lane Greening						✓	Complete in Oct 2023.
Meadowbrook Pitches, Padel Courts & Teenage Play						✓	Complete in Oct 2023.
Grass Pitch Refurbishments					✓		Works started in April 2023 for 6 grass pitches (+ running track at Kilbogget) – pitches out of use until Sep 2024. Running track for completion in Q2 2024.
Oatlands All Weather Pitch					✓		Works commenced in Aug 2023 for completion in July 2024.
Mounttown Boxing Facility					✓		Works commenced in Jan 2024 for completion in Dec 2024.
Hudson Road Park (Sports Pavilion)					✓		Modular building being constructed off site – for completion in Q3 2024
Fernhill Park & Gardens - Phase 3			✓			✓	Toilets, Seating and dogs-off-leash area, sports pavilion complete. Adventure Play Space being progressed.
Blackrock Park - Phase 2				✓	✓	✓	Teenage zone, boules court, seating, Phoenix Terrace planting and play space complete, renovation of steps, for

							completion in Q2 2024. Conservation Architect led team appointed for the kiosk building – tender process has commenced.
New Play Spaces at Finsbury Park & Kilcross				✓			Tender process is underway. Works scheduled to commence in Q3 2024 for completion in Q4 2024.
Pavement Improvement Programme				✓	✓		Works and procurements on-going.
Marlay Golf Redevelopment				✓			On-going.
Shankill Tennis Upgrade Works				✓			Works to commence in Q2 2024 – for completion in Q4 2024 (TBC)
Multi-Use Campus at St. Thomas Estate – Phase 2			✓				New Part 8 to be advertised in mid 2024
Play Space Development (East & West)			✓	✓			Priority projects for completion in Q4 2024.
Shanganagh Park Masterplan – Phase 1			✓				Part 8 approved at the Feb 2024 Council Meeting.
Cabinteely Park Projects		✓					Sports pavilion and other elements to progress.
Jamestown Park Masterplan		✓					Masterplan considerations on-going.
Parks Depots	✓						Initial stakeholder engagement is taking place.
Shanganagh Castle Sports Facilities	✓						No progress. To progress when resources permit.
Woodbrook College All-Weather Pitch	✓						Delay due to Dept. of Education review. On hold
Dalkey Island (Upgrade Tower & Gun Battery)	✓						No progress. To progress when resources permit.

Marlay Park Masterplan	✓						No progress. Recent pedestrian entrance constructed and putting green with Pdraig Harrington.
Wetlands & Attenuation (East & West)	✓						Recent work on Cabinteely pond and Corke Abbey Valley Park. Other projects being identified.
Sandyford Urban Open Space	✓						Acquisition is being progressed.
Kilbogget Park Community Sports Centre	✓						No funding available. On hold.
Shanganagh Crematorium	✓						No funding available. On hold.
Stonebridge Road Changing Rooms	✓						No funding available. On hold.

DLR Sports Partnership Update – January to March 2024

Participation Initiatives:

- Women In Sport Week – organised 12 activities during this national initiative in March to encourage females to take up sport. Included camogie, lacrosse, skating, mountain biking and swimming (210 participants).
- Schools Programmes – delivering a number of sports programmes in local schools in partnership with NGBS – Table Tennis, Rowing, Basketball, Cycling.
- Active Cities – progressing various participation and capital projects. Meeting of the Steering Group held on 19th February to look at continuing progress and identifying opportunities.
- Tea Dances – delivered first two sessions in February in Sallynoggin (200 participants) and in Taney (140 participants). Next two being held in April (Sallynoggin and Sandyford).
- Get Into Golf - partnering with Golf Ireland for this new female beginners 6-week programme in Stepside that started on the 6th March (12 participants).
- Boules – collaborating with local Boules clubs to put on come-and-try sessions in March/April. Also supporting the establishment of a league for DLR clubs.
- Try Track & Field - collaboration with Athletics Ireland to deliver this physical literacy programme to 6 DEIS Primary Schools from April (510 participants).
- Winter Initiative – linked into this Sport Ireland initiative to roll out a range of participation and awareness raising activities during the winter months.
- Ultimate Frisbee Teacher Training - interactive training session on the 20th March for teachers to take sessions with their students (20 participants).
- Walking For Health – completed a 5-week walking programmes in Marlay Park for older adults looking to return to activity.

Disability Sport:

- We Go Swing – new wheelchair inclusive swing now installed in Kilbogget Park for wheelchair users and their siblings/friends. Launch held on the 25th March.
- SportsAbility Forum – first meeting of this information sharing and networking group for relevant services, clubs and special schools held and to take place quarterly.
- Sensory Ice Skating – organised a dedicated inclusion session on the ice-skating rink in Dun Laoghaire on the 10th January for all abilities (40 participants)
- Inclusive Bike Fleet – ongoing support provided to this free inclusive bike hire service for people with a disability along the Coastal Mobility Route (540 bookings in 2023).
- Inclusive Cycle Training – delivered two x 6-week learn to cycle programmes for children with a disability in Scoil Mhuire Shankill (26 children).
- SportsAbility Easter Camp – organizing a fun inclusive Easter multisport camp for teenagers / young adults on the autism spectrum from the 2nd to 5th April in Gaelscoil Sliabh Rua.
- St. Michaels House Goatstown – working with partners to provide a range of activities to the resident adults with an intellectual disability.

Administration & Communication:

- Local Sports Plan – consultants have completed desk-based research, internal meetings and a detailed consultation process. Initial draft document currently under review internally.
- Staffing – funding secured from Sport Ireland for a Programmes Manager and Sport 4 Empowerment Officer. Sports Inclusion Disability Officer role to be advertised.
- Volunteers in Sport Awards – national event on the 29th February with the LSP network as the main sponsor. DLR winner was Matt Hanlon from Dalkey Devils Volleyball Club.
- Dormant Accounts Fund 2023 – currently delivering four projects (Active Cities - €116,500, Her Moves - €15,000, Disability €25,000, Volunteering - €15,000).
- Research – DLRCCO, Active Cities Dublin UCD to work together on a research project on participation levels areas across DLR.
- Give it a Go Campaign – throughout January posted daily local opportunities to be active over the DLRSP social media channels. Promoting great work of local clubs.
- Infographic – summary infographic created to illustrate work carried out in 2023 by the Sports Partnership including programmes, events and training.
- Website – performing strongly in its first 10 months with over 31,000 page views, 10,500 new visitors and creating landing pages for campaigns.
- DLRSP Newsletter – the 3rd edition of the quarterly newsletter will be available in early April and circulated widely both online and in printed form.
- Social Media – daily posts around updates and promotion of opportunities across the county. Follows increasing across all channels (Facebook 4,400, Twitter 2,175, Instagram 1,211).
- Video Content – continuing to capture videos of DLRSP programmes and events with 90,000 views across the various videos produced over past year.

Volunteer Training:

- Safeguarding – workshops already booked up until the summer with 7 delivered in 2024 so far (86 attendees).
- Coaching Teenage Girls – workshop for coaches and volunteers in sport took place on the 4th March (17 trained).
- Disability Awareness Training – SIDO providing practical training to clubs, volunteers and students on how to include all abilities in their activities.

Biodiversity

- Submission of grant applications for the government funding under the LBAF including for actions of the Killiney Habitat and Species Plan, actions of the Fitzsimons Woods pNHA Plan, invasive species treatments and the national mayfly monitoring scheme.
- Hedgerow event with students at Harolds School, Glasthule
- Woodland plan for Loughlinstown Woods pNHA commenced
- Woodland plan for Fitzsimons Woods pNHA commenced
- Biodiversity Officer providing input to AIPP new draft LA AIPP guidance
- Killiney Hill Red Squirrel Restoration Project –Ongoing
- Goat Grazing Pilot project with the Irish Goat Society and with help from our Parks staff and local volunteers commenced in February 2024 for 4 weeks at the quarry area in Killiney Hill Park. This has been a very successful pilot project with great support from the public overall and DLR hope to trial it also in Roches Hill in Sept 2024. Irish Goat Society will be advertising for apprentice goat herders for the Dublin area including DLR in Mar/April.
- Killiney Hill Habitat and Species Management Plan – workshops held with DLR Parks staff and final Plan due in April 2024. This work was co funded by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Dalkey Islands Tern Project Review report in progress and awaiting consultation with BWI. This work was co funded by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Dalkey Island rodent and rabbit management continues from Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec 2023 and into Jan, Feb Mar 2024 and Sept – Dec 2024. Vegetation showing recovery from overgrazing and habitat destruction by the rabbits and flora and habitats will be monitored by a botanist in 2024. Rodent and rabbit management will end during bird breeding season and continue afterwards.
- Guidance on Approaches to Net Gains for Biodiversity in New Developments. Workshops commenced in Jan and Feb 2024 and will continue through April with interested parties and government bodies.
- Attended Biosphere Biodiversity Officers meetings
- Commencement of all catchment invasive alien species treatments for 2024
- Input to various departments projects, plans etc.
- Meetings with LDA projects in DLR and biodiversity
- Consultations with NPWS regarding wildlife crimes

Filming in the Park

During the months of January, February and March 2024, we received the below requests for filming in DLR Parks. These applications were for short term filming or photography shoots, with applications from Production companies, as well as student productions:

CRM Source or Email	Location	Date Request Received	Date of Filming	Permit Granted (Y/N)	Reason (if refused)
311194	Killiney Hill Park	03/01/2024	12/01/2024	N	Company cancelled request
312337	Killiney Hill Park	16/01/2024	23/01/2024	Y	
313048	Dillons Park	23/01/2024	01/02/2024	Y	

Email	Clonkeen Park	12/01/2024	01/02/2024	N	Company cancelled request
Email	Marlay Park	12/02/2024	13/02/2024	Y	
315036	Ballawley Park	12/02/2024	07/03/2024	Y	
Email	Sallynoggin Pearse Park	23/02/2024	08/03/2024	Y	
Email	Sallynoggin Pearse Park	26/02/2024	11/03/2024 & 19/03/2024 – 22/03/2024	Y	
Email	Marlay Park	22/02/2024	10/03/2024	N	Customer withdrew application; vehicles not permitted in Park on Sunday
315286	People’s Park	14/02/2024	23/02/2024	Y	
316017	Blackrock Park	20/02/2024	14/03/2024 & 15/03/2024	Y	
318146	Dillon’s Park	11/03/2024	22/03/2024 – 24/03/2024	Y	
318177	People’s Park	12/03/2024	21/03/2024	N	Company needed to postpone production
318271	Marlay Park	13/03/2024	TBD, 04/2024	N	Photoshoot in Playground not permitted
319209	Killiney Hill Park	22/03/2024	26/03/2024	Y	
319260	Marlay Park	22/03/2024	26/03/2024 & 28/03/2024	Ongoing Application	26 th not approved due to missing documentation

Allotments

In January 2024, we liaised with the allotment plot holders. An inspection was carried out at Castle Allotments in Shankill in October. In December, the annual licence renewal letters were sent to all plot holders in both Castle and Mount Anville Allotments. We have received responses from plot holders, including payments for same.

In February 2024, we have been continuing to receive renewal payments for plots. An inspection was carried out at Mount Anville Allotments in Goatstown.

In March 2024, we have been continuing to receive renewal payments for plots in both Castle and Mount Anville. We are getting in contact with anyone yet to pay the renewal fee. Mulch was delivered to the allotments on Saturday 23rd March 2024.

Castle Allotments Shankill Q1 2024	
Renewal forms returned and fees paid	80
Awaiting renewal forms and payment	16
Vacant plots*	2

*There is a plan for the 2 vacant plots to be repurposed as raised bed plots. These will be smaller in size than regular plots. Once complete, this will allow more people to take up plots.

Mount Anville Allotments Goatstown Q1 2024	
Renewal forms returned and fees paid	65
Awaiting renewal forms and payment	30
Surrendered Plots	6
Vacant plots	19

Market

Source	Dún Laoghaire	Marlay Sat	Marlay Sun	Category	Accepted
CRM 310705	1			Craft	
Email	1	1	1	Hot Food	
Email				Craft	
Post	1			Artist	Y
Post		1	1	Craft	Y
CRM 311198			1	Craft	Y
CRM 311606		1		Other Food	Y
CRM 312038				Hot food	
Email	1	1		Hot Food	
Email		1		Hot food	
Email	1	1		Other food	Y
CRM 312323		1	1	Craft/artist	Y
Email	1			Other food	
Post		1	1	Hot food	
Email				Craft	
Email		1	1	Craft	
CRM-315295	1	1		Hot food	
DLR-CRM 315344	1	1		Hot Food	
DLR-CRM 315569		1	1	Hot food	Y
Email	1			Craft	
CRM 315547	1	1	1	Other food	
CRM 315148		1		Other Food	Y
CRM 314769		1	1	Hot food	Y
CRM 316023	1			craft	
email	1			craft	
Email				other food	Y
email	1			craft	
email		1			
email	1	1	1	other food	

email		1	1	other food	
email	1			craft	
email	1			craft	
email		1	1	other food	
Email		1	1	Other food	
In person	1				
Post				Hot Food	

BENCHES/TREES

Source	Tree	Bench	Location	Accepted
Email	1		Sandycove	
DLR-CRM 311401	1		Killiney	
DLR-CRM 312778		1	Deer park	
CRM 282981		2	Shanganagh park	Y
DLR-CRM 312249		1	Kiltarnan	
Email		1	Shanganagh park	Y
Post		1	Marlay Park	
Email		1	Croswaite Park	
Email		1	Marlay	
Email	1	1	Marlay	
DLR-CRM 314833		1	Carysfort Park	
CRM 314242		1	Deer Park	
Email	1		Kiliney Hill	
PJ		1	Marlay	Y
internal		1	Ludford	
email	1		Shanganagh	
CRM-317549		1	Blackrock	
email	1		Shanganagh	Y

Heritage

- Spring into Heritage 2024 programme commenced (runs March 25th - April 28th), includes; free tours of National Maritime Museum, Dalkey Castle, Joyce Tower, Cabinteely and Marlay Houses, the Oratory, County Hall, a Fernhill walking tour and three evening talks in Marlay House
- Approved Heritage Council funded 2024 projects
 - Dublin Mountains Community Archaeology programme Year 4
 - Update and digitisation of dlr Industrial heritage and Coastal heritage surveys
 - Archivist for Southside Travellers Action Group
 - Research project on Killiney Obelisk mound

- “Made in Blackrock”, audio trail, podcast on garment industry
 - People’s History of dlr book
 - Approved Built Heritage Investment Scheme project
 - Restoration of wrought iron railings at Stillorgan Wood
 - Approved Creative Ireland project
 - *Martello Movement* – public dance workshops, performance/film, reprint of Martello Towers of Dublin book
 - Commencement of on-site works to repair boundary wall at Cill Iníon Léinín graveyard
 - Design development - restoration of haha at Marlay Park
 - Memorials Committee meeting and progression of Memorials Committee approved commemorations
 - Planning for Cruinniú na nÓg with Creative Communities Engagement Officer and Dublin Mountains Festival with Dublin Mountains Partnership
 - Heritage Officers Network training and development
 - Creative Ireland Team meeting
 - Engagement with National Monuments Service in relation to Shanganagh battery
 - Dalkey Castle and heritage centre/Joyce Tower board meetings
 - Dublin Bay Biosphere future planning workshop
 - Naming and numbering planning compliance reports
- Ongoing liaison and advice to internal dlr sections, citizens, and community groups