



2023 Annual Report of the

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee

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DLR Local Community Development Committee,

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

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

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

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

2. The role and functions of the DLR LCDC

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

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

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

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



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

3. LCDC Meetings in 2023

The Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Local Community Development Committee held seven meetings in 2023 and all meetings took place at 8.30am. To allow flexibility and maximise attendance the first four meetings took place online through MS TEAMS. The meetings in September and November took place in-person in County Hall with the final meeting in December being held on MS TEAMS.

2023 LCDC Meetings – 25th January; 22nd February; 26th April; 28th June; 6th September; 22nd November and 13th December.

The work of the LCDC is underpinned by the commitment of its members to sitting on Subgroups to consider matters in detail and prepare reports and recommendations for consideration at LCDC meetings. There are three subgroups of the LCDC: SICAP Subgroup, Grants Subgroup and Healthy Ireland Steering Committee.

The Grants Subgroup met once in 2023:

28th March – Community Support Fund (CSF) grant applications review



The SICAP (Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme) Subgroup held 4 meetings in 2023:

14th February – SICAP annual plan 2023 & annual review 2022

21st April – SICAP programme audit 2021

22nd June – SICAP mid-year review 2023

22nd June 2022- Targets for SICAP 2024-2028

4. Membership of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Local Community Development Committee 2023

Mary Ruane, Community and Cultural Development Department, DLRCC served as Chief Officer for the LCDC during 2023. The Chief Officer's role is to support the establishment and development of the LCDC in line with national policy requirements and support the committee in the implementation of its role and functions.

The Council established an LCDC support team in 2017, with two posts partially funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development, and this funding continued in 2023.

The LCDC was chaired by Therese Langan, Director of Community and Cultural Development Dept throughout 2023.

There were seven changes to the membership of the LCDC in 2023.

Annette McAllister, PPN representative for the Environmental Interests Pillar filled a vacancy on the Committee in April 2023 arising from the resignation of Mark Fox from this position in June 2022.

Joe Varley, PPN representative for the Community & Voluntary Pillar filled a vacancy on the committee in September 2023 arising from the resignation of Joan Casey from this position in April 2023.

Enda O Dwyer, of Crosscare filled a vacancy on the committee in June 2023 arising from the resignation of Conor Hickey from this position in March 2023.

Valerie Snow, PPN representative for the Community & Voluntary Pillar filled a vacancy on the committee in November 2023 arising from the resignation of Darren Chambers from this position in September 2023.



John Doyle, PPN representative for the Social Inclusion Pillar filled a vacancy on the committee in November 2023 arising from the resignation of Sharon Perry from this position in September 2023.

The Túsla Representative (in advisory role) was filled in February 2023, having been vacant throughout 2022. This position was filled by Helena O'Brien, DLR CYPSC Coordinator.

Gabby Mallon of DLR Chamber resigned from the committee in June 2023, this position remained vacant at end 2023 and it is hoped that this position will be filled in Q1 2024.

One further vacancy remains on the committee under the Local & Community Development area, this position was formerly held by the Chairperson of Southside Partnership DLR, and it is hoped that the vacancy will be filled in Q1 2024.

The LCDC membership at 31st December 2023 is as follows:

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Sector	Members' Name	Organisation
<i>Local Authority Elected Member</i>	Cllr Marie Baker	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
	Cllr Kate Feeney	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
	Cllr Tom Kivlehan	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
	Cllr Lettie McCarthy	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
<i>Local Authority Officials</i>	Therese Langan	Chief Executive or Nominee
	Roisín Cronin	Local Enterprise Office
<i>State Agencies</i>	Aisling Heffernan	Health Service Executive
	Stephen Fitzgerald	Department of Social Protection
	Maria Culbert	Dublin Dún Laoghaire Education & Training Board
	Helena O'Neill	Túsla (in advisory role)
Non Statutory Members 10		
Sector	Members' Name	Organisation
<i>Local & Community Development</i>	Sharon Commins	Southside Partnership
	VACANT	Southside Partnership Board Member



Social Inclusion Public Participation Network	Louise Keogh	PPN Social Inclusion Pillar
	John Doyle	PPN DLR Drugs & Alcohol Task Force
Community & Voluntary Public Participation Network	Joe Varley	PPN National Maritime Museum
	Valerie Snow	PPN Glencullen Tidy District
Environmental Interests Public Participation Network	Annette McAllister	PPN Ballybrack Church Lane Group
Other civic society or local community interests	Enda O Dwyer	Crosscare
	Professor Joe Carthy	University College Dublin
	VACANT	DLR Chamber
Total No. of Members	19	
	+ 1 advisory member	

5. Main achievements of the LCDC in 2023

There were five key priorities progressed in 2023 by the LCDC, as follows:

- Monitoring and reviewing progress on implementation of the SICAP Programme by Southside Partnership DLR CLG in 2023 under the SICAP Programme 2018-2023. Completion of tender process for SICAP 2-24-2028 and contracting of Programme Implementer.
- Supporting oversight of the community elements in the Economic and Community Plan for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown (LECP) 2016 – 2021 and supporting the preparatory work for developing the LECP for 2023-2028
- Supporting the LEADER Transitional Programme 2021-2022, preparations for Dublin Rural LEADER Programme 2023 – 2027
- Supporting and promoting community interests including the development of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Public Participation Network
- Supporting and evaluating the role and remit of the LCDC- including developing collaborative support for inter-agency strategic engagement, and administering government grant funding in support of community development and health and wellbeing in dlr.

Many representatives from statutory and non- statutory organisations on the LCDC were included in the Community Response Forum which was re-established by the Council in the first quarter of 2022 to respond to the needs of the Ukrainian community seeking refuge in Ireland since the onset of war in Ukraine. The CRF continued to operate in 2023. The sub-



group of the CRF responds to the support needs of both displaced Ukrainians and International Protection Applicants in the County.

In 2023, the LCDC had oversight of and involvement in a number of government funding streams due to the unique position of the LCDC, with representation from a diverse range of community and social inclusion interests.

SICAP Programme
Community Support Fund (CSF)
Healthy Ireland Fund

5.1 Monitoring implementation of the SICAP programme in 2023

The Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme 2018-2023 is a key focus for the LCDC with regular reports and consideration of progress at LCDC meetings. The contract in 2023 was valued at €1,040,971 which represents a 3% increase over the 2022 budget, and for which a contribution comes from the Department of Rural and Community Development and European Social Fund (ESF+) Programme for Employment, Inclusion and Skills and Training (EIST) 2021-2027. The Youth Employment Initiative is also funded under the EIST Programme



The SICAP Annual Plan 2023 was approved at the LCDC meeting of the 22nd of February 2023 along with the SICAP 2022 Annual Progress Report. The SICAP Subgroup of the LCDC met three times in 2023 to conduct reviews of the mid-year and end of year processes for SICAP, to review the SICAP Annual Plan 2023 and to consider audit reports of the programme for prior years. A further meeting was held to set targets for SICAP 2024-2028.

In 2023, the DLR LCDC provided oversight of the programme and POBAL continued to provide an online monitoring system (IRIS) to track the implementation of the SICAP programme nationally. The Annual Performance Review for 2023 takes place in Q1 of 2024.



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



The SICAP programme provided considerable support in the Community for the most marginalised throughout 2023. The learnings from the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in a hybrid delivery of supports with a blend of in-person and on-line supports as appropriate to the target groups.

The continued war in Ukraine resulted in a continuous arrival of vulnerable displaced Ukrainians who required considerable supports throughout 2023 and for whom considerable supports continue to be provided through the SICAP programme. The SICAP programme in DLR was very reactive to the emerging needs of this new cohort of programme beneficiaries and developed a suite of actions based on the learnings from the initial arrivals in 2022 to best direct SICAP resources to support these new arrivals to integrate into their host communities in the County.

The Department proved additional funding totalling €232,600 in 2023 to SICAP to address the supports needs of the Ukrainian arrivals in the County.

Supports for Ukrainians were provided through Local Community groups and directly to individuals. SICAP supports included outreach work to connect with the Ukrainian community, individual needs assessments, practical individual supports, English education and communication services, employment supports aimed at both Ukrainians and potential employers.



The annual SICAP Case study was presented in video format and reflects on the programme achievements, engagement strategies, training provision, social inclusion initiatives and enterprise supports delivered throughout the 2018-2023 programme. It considers the importance of understanding the data collected and evaluation of SICAP supported initiatives, the client experiences and the beneficial impact on them. Southside Partnership DLR presented the case study in the form of a short video which was presented to the LCDC in November 2023

[The case study can be viewed here:](#)



<https://vimeo.com/876333923?share=copy>

KPI achievement

	2023 Annual Target	2023 Actual
Goal 1	31	37
Goal 2	519	633

633 Individuals	Worked with on a one-to-one basis (caseload)
37 Community Groups	Received advice and development support
410 Children	Received educational or developmental support
78 Parents/Guardians	Received family / developmental support re their child(ren)
35 Individuals	Progressed into employment
97 Individuals	Supported into self-employment (new start ups)
223 Individuals	Received self-employment supports
68 Ukrainians / IPAs	Worked with on a one to one basis (caseload)
270 Ukrainians	Participated in activities/received support (non caseload)
700 IPAs	
12 Social Enterprises	Supported to develop through SICAP with 25 jobs created



Case Study 1: SICAP Engagement 2018-2023

The success of the SICAP program in DLR, delivered by Southside Partnership DLR GLG is closely linked to the program wide approach to inclusive community engagement and a commitment to building relationships in a respectful way that overcome barriers and provide relevant and impactful supports. This has resulted in over 15,000 interventions, close to 500 group training events and the creation of 499 new businesses and 177 people progressing into employment.

	Total Registered	# Interventions	# Non-caseload events	# Training
Individuals	2,210	14,413	310	
Local Community Groups	74	1,499		161

Totals correct from 2018 to October 2023

Challenges:

- COVID crisis – cancellation of planned supports in 2020/2021, difficulty in reaching vulnerable groups, limited interaction & engagement.
- Ukranian Community arrival – March 2022 the arrival of large numbers of vulnerable people from Ukraine and increasing numbers of International Protection Applicants (IPAs) when the programs were getting restarted after the COVID crisis.
- Budgeting for program delivery in an inflationary period driving high-cost increases to matched by program funding, including staff retention and recruitment challenges.
- SICAP staff time spent leveraging SICAP funding, to secure other funding to expand successful program created initially under SICAP.





Key Learning:

- Flexible and adaptable approach essential to explore multiple ways to engage with individuals and community groups
- Regular engagement with, listening to, and being available for, our clients, individuals and local communities is the key to the success of the SICAP program.
- Staff commitment to networking, collaborations and the multiagency approach provides additional, and often crucial, experience and expertise to the supports offered.
- SICAP funding is vital to the continuity of community development work, enabling programs to leverage the additional funding necessary to continue and develop quality programs.



SICAP Case Study Video – Engagement 2018-2023 can be viewed here:

<https://vimeo.com/876333923?share=copy>



Case Study 2: Age Well Expo 2023



Dlr County Council were proud to host Dlr Age Well Expo 2023.
A day of **fun, socializing and information**.
With over **40 exhibition stands**, on **Ageing Well** in Dún Laoghaire Rathdown.
With hundreds in attendance, featuring **talks, demonstrations and performances**.
Thanks to all our exhibitors, presenters and performers, and attendees for making this year's **Age Well Expo** a **very special day** at the Pavilion in Leopardstown Racecourse.
We're already looking forward to our next one!
Keep up to date with **Age-Friendly** and other events around **Dún Laoghaire Rathdown** at <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/dlr-events>

Case Study Video – can be viewed here:



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

2023 was the eighth full year of implementation of the DLR Local Economic and Community Plan. It was a busy year for both the DLR Local Community Development Committee and the Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee whose role is to oversee the development and implementation of the Local Economic and Community Plan for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.



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

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

2023 Highlights – Shared Community actions

- The SICAP programme provided considerable support in the Community for the most marginalised throughout 2023. – achievements are set out in section 5.1.
- The wide approach to inclusive community engagement was selected for the SICAP 2023 Case Study and a video capturing all the work in the past few years was produced.
- Dlr Community Section submitted 4 entries into the 2023 Pride of Place competition as follows:
 - Hillview-Category- Housing Estates-Residents Associations.
 - Dlr Community Support for Displaced Ukrainians- Category-Communities Welcoming New Communities.
 - Blackrock Men's Shed- Category-Community Wellbeing Initiative
 - Ballybrack Climate Action- Category-Climate Action and Biodiversity

The award ceremony took place in County Armagh. Where both, Hillview and the Dlr Community Support for Displaced Ukrainians received Runner Up Awards in their respective categories.

- The Volunteer Centre continued to encourage the spirit and practice of Volunteerism in DLR. <http://www.volunteerdlr.ie/>
- Over 1,300 new volunteers registered in 2023.
- DLR Community Foundation continued to identify strategic philanthropic investment opportunities in the county, through a dual approach of identifying key projects for investment and the promotion of local place-based philanthropy and encouraging place-based giving. On 22nd April 2023 a Summit was organised to introduce the Changing Lives DLR Community Fund to potential donors. This event was held in the Maritime Museum in Dun Laoghaire, with members of the Expert Advisory Group and project leaders presenting topics such as the role of the fund in the county, developing a vision and particular projects put forward for funding. A World Cafe methodology was used, with participants rotating to different tables to discuss key topics.
- LEO DLR continues to provide a full range of supports including finance and advice to support the development of micro enterprises across the County.



2023 Highlights – Community actions

- €75,000 was allocated for Round 4 Healthy Ireland 2023-2025 with €25,000 carried over from Round 4 2022, selected outcome areas are:
 - > Increase in % of people aged 50+ engaging in one or more social leisure activity at least once a week
 - > Increase in individual's level of positive mental health as per Energy and Vitality Index
- DLR Sports Partnership organised and delivered a wide range of programmes & events for all ages, levels of ability and sporting types during 2023. Over 2,218 people were engaged across the year taking part in delivered programmes and events across key target populations.
- With continued support and participation with partners in Comhairle na nÓg (CNN) and Cruinniú na nÓg. DLR CYPSC, DLR Arts Office and First Friends Parent & Baby/Toddler Groups (Southside Partnership) commissioned four artists to develop **Small Wonders** a multi-sensory experience for babies/toddlers and their carers.
- The dlr Age-Friendly Strategy 2022-2026 was presented in November 2022 to the elected members of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and the strategy was launched on 22nd March 2023.
- Dlr Age Well Expo 2023 was held in the Pavillion Leopardstown Racecourse on Sunday 11th June 2023.
- Age Friendly actions included the 3rd Edition of the DLR Age Friendly Magazine which was launched on the 12th of January 2023.
- DLRCC has been working with Sonas and a suitable site has been identified for the provision of a Refuge to provide twelve units for victims and families experiencing domestic abuse.



- DLR County Council approved grants supports through 161 community grants to a value of €178,926 in 2023.
- At the end of December 2023 DLR PPN had 590 active member organisations [dlr PPN members](#)
- The dlr Comhairle na nÓg work plan for 2023 is on target. The Comhairle have created a Podcast Channel 'Comhairle Cast' available on Spotify and Soundcloud.
- New JPC Plan 2023-2028 developed and approved by the JPC Committee at its meeting on 30th May 2023. The JPC Strategy was noted by Council at July 2023 Council meeting. 4 committee meetings held and public meeting held on the 30th of May 2023.
- 1 application was submitted for Stepside Village under the main Town and Village Renewal Scheme and was successful in its application, receiving €225,000 in grant funding. Projects funded under the 2022 TVRS are due for completion by 31 August 2024.



5.3 Local Economic and Community Development Plan 2023-2028

Development of new LECP

The development of the new LECP and Implementation Plan has progressed through a number of stages throughout 2023 and was very close to completion at the end of the year. An Advisory Steering Group was formed to provide oversight on the process. The new LECP will cover 2023-2028 and will guide the sustainable economic and community development of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

In Q4 2022 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council undertook comprehensive data analysis and produced a draft Socio-Economic Statement and developed emerging high-level goals. DLRCC appointed KPMG Future Analytics to assist in preparing a new Local Economic and



Community Plan 2023-2028 for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown, to design a public and stakeholders consultation plan and carry out the consultation, to develop a framework Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) and develop an initial two-year Implementation Plan.

During Q1 2023 a plan for engaging with stakeholders was devised, during Q2 2023 a socio-economic statement 2023-2028 was published, workshops with stakeholders got underway and the public consultation went live, findings of same were analyzed and reviewed. High Level Goals were identified and agreed by the Advisory Steering Group, LCDC and SPC.

In Q3 2023 there were consultative meetings with the Advisory Steering Group, the Dundrum and Dún Laoghaire Area Committees, Economic Development and Enterprise SPC and LCDC, and with the management team of DLRCC. From there, a draft Implementation Plan was developed, containing objectives, actions, and outcomes, with owners of KPI's identified. In Q4 2023 input was sought on the draft implementation plan, signed off by the LCDC and Economic Development and Enterprise SPC, arrangements were made for carrying out an SEA & AA screening. In Q1 2024 presentations will be made to both Area Committees for further engagement and input, with the intention to bring the draft LECP and Implementation Plan to the full County Council Meeting in April 2024 for approval and adoption.

The Advisory Steering Group membership consists of:

Name	Representative Organisation
Cllr Kate Feeney	DLR LCDC and Chair of the dlr Economic Development and Enterprise SPC
Cllr Tom Kivlehan	DLR LCDC
Therese Langan	Director of Community and Cultural Development, DLRCC and Chair of DLR LCDC
Helena Cunningham followed by Aidan Blighe	Director of Finance and Economic Development Department, DLRCC Director of Planning and Economic Development
Mary Ruane	Senior Executive Officer, Community and Cultural Development, DLRCC and Chief Officer of DLR LCDC
Owen Laverty	Head of Enterprise and Economics, Finance and Economic Development Department, DLRCC
Ger Corbett	CEO of Sandyford Business District, DLR Economic Development and Enterprise SPC
Sharon Commins	CEO Southside Partnership and DLR LCDC
Bernie King	Senior Staff Officer, LCDC Support Team, DLRCC
Roisin Cronin	Senior Staff Officer, Economic Development, DLRCC



5.4 DLR Public Participation Network



Líonraí Rannpháirtíochta Pobail DLR Public Participation Network DLR

The DLR Public Participation Network continued to develop and establish itself as the main link through which the local authority connects with the community, voluntary and environmental sectors, without prejudice to other consultation processes. The aim of the structures and processes is to facilitate and enable the public and the organisations to articulate a diverse range of views and interests within the local government system.

Member groups are provided with opportunities for networking, learning, communication and sharing of information which leads to participation in local decision-making and collective action. Free training is open to all our members in areas such as digital skills & technology, governance, committee skills, and funding. Regular workshops and meetings are held to ensure that members' voices are heard. The PPN has 32 elected representatives who sit on the local government committees.

Membership

DLR PPN has 600 active member organisations:-

Social Inclusion Pillar 110

Environment Pillar 18

Community & Voluntary Pillar 472

In 2023 the overall membership increased by 5.46 % with an additional 31 new member groups registering. Membership of DLR PPN has increased each year since 2021.

The new website was launched, this includes a [Members' Directory](#) which provides a platform for members to promote their organization and its activities, including a summary or description of their organisation, contact and location details. It is useful to those new to the area, enabling them to establish contact with and participate in the community.

The DLR PPN Representatives have been provided with a dedicated area on the DLR PPN website which contains useful resources. It is hoped to develop this area further in 2024.



DLR PPN Member Network Meetings (Plenary)

Spring Network Meeting – The Theme: ‘Participation’. The Spring meeting took place on 27th April 2023 in County Hall, Dun Laoghaire.

Autumn Meeting – The Theme ‘Building for Our Future’. The DLR PPN Autumn Plenary Meeting took place on the 23rd of November in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire. It was at this meeting that the DLR PPN Five-Year Plan consultation was launched.



Representatives

The theme of the work undertaken by the Representatives in 2023 was Reconnecting and Establishing Connection (post Covid).

In 2023 DLR PPN Representatives attended SPC and other local government committee meetings each quarter. SPCs meet 4 times each year, while other committees, such as the Local Community Development Committee, meet around 6 times per year.

A Representatives’ Buddy System with Secretariat members was established to provide support for the new Representatives after the 2024 elections when the new committees are established.

DLR PPN was represented on the following: -

DLR LCDC & SPCs
Community Response Forum
dlr Age Friendly Alliance
Comhairle na nÓg

Local Economic & Community Development Plan (LECP).

DLR PPN was delighted to co-host a Social Inclusion workshop to feed into the drafting of the plan at the request of DLRCC.



DLR PPN made a submission to the plan on behalf of its members based on the feedback and ideas collected during the Vision for Community Wellbeing Project which led to the DLR PPN Vision Statement.

Training

Due to the greatly increased costs of providing training, and to broaden the range of training we could deliver, we partnered with Dublin City PPN for the Autumn training series. By doing this we were able to provide several short courses to members of both PPNs.

- Understanding and influencing local policy (Module 1)
- Understanding how your local council works (Module 2)
- Cyber Security: Online Safety/Spam Message
- How to set up a community and voluntary organisation (Module 1)
- Running your Community & Voluntary organization (Module 2)
- GDPR and Data Protection
- PowerPoint for beginners
- PowerPoint (infographics) advanced
- Word Press (Module 1) Setting up a domain, hosting, and the building blocks of WordPress.
- WordPress (Module 2) Understanding pages, posts and creating your homepage.
- WordPress (Module 3) Building your other pages, security, and essential plugins (speed, SEO)

Bealtaine Workshops

In keeping with the theme of Participation we used feedback received from our membership to provide a tailored response to address the needs of older members of the community in relation to using technology in their everyday life. This led to a partnership with the Adult Education Service South East. They designed the tailor-made



training and in turn, invited DLR Libraries to participate, leading to three DLR county bodies partnering to answer the needs of their community.

Case Study 3 – DLR PPN – Empowering community representation

2023

A productive and dynamic year!



Networking

We held 2 Members Network (Plenary) Meetings in 2023.

2 Representatives Network Meetings were also held.



Information Shared

Over 520 topics of information shared:
 Consultations & Surveys 120
 Funding Information 56
 Community Wellbeing 228
 Environment 76
 Members News 405



Ezine

We published 12 ezines. With Members news about their activities in the DLR community. Information on consultations, supports funding and all that is happening in DLR.



Secretariat

The Secretariat met 11 times in 2023. The Finance and HR committees met 3 times each. Some secretariat members sit on other county committees.



Representatives

There are 32 representatives sitting on 9 local decision making committees. The purpose of these committees is to formulate, develop, monitor and review policies which relate to the functions of DLR County Council and to advise the Council accordingly.



Training & Workshops

24 hours of quality training was provided.

We held 11 workshops in 2023.



12 Radio Programmes

Community Connection (monthly radio programme and pod cast produced with Dublin South 93.9 FM).

We had 36 guests on the programme in 2023.



Mass Emails

We sent 52 information emails to members advising them of opportunities to participate in consultations and surveys, DLR events, supports available locally, funding and community wellbeing.



Posts

264 Facebook Posts
 514 Twitter/X Posts
 221 Web Posts

 **Líonraí Rannpháirtíochta Pobail DLR**
 Public Participation Network DLR

“PPNs give communities access to decision-makers in a very unique way. They provide a voice for communities in local decision-making and create strong relationships between stakeholders.” - Minister O’Brien, Department of Rural & Community Development.



The National PPN Conference 2023



This took place in Arklow in October 2023 and provided an opportunity for PPN's throughout the country to engage and discuss the issues facing their communities . Addressing the delegates , Minister O'Brien spoke about the important contributions PPN's make: "PPN's are key partners in local decision making and are increasingly becoming the 'go-to' for community engagement. After all, who knows better than the citizens at the heart of our communities what is best for our communities and how to work together to achieve positive results."

The two-day conference event was hosted by Wicklow Public Participation Network, in conjunction with Wicklow County Council, the Department of Rural and Community Development and the National PPN advisory Group.

It was attended by a wide range of PPN Stakeholders, including volunteer representatives from PPNs across the country, local authority officials, and elected representatives.

Minister O'Brien Highlighted the value of the work done by PPNs in promoting citizen engagement and participative democracy – "*PPNs give communities access to decision-makers in a very unique way. They provide a voice for communities in local decision-making and create strong relationships between stakeholders.*"

5.5 Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Community Volunteers Programme



The Community Volunteers Programme continued to be rolled out successfully in the DLR area in 2023 with a core team of volunteers available to support urgent community needs and events in the area. The Community Volunteers Programme was launched in September 2021 and was developed based on lessons learned about volunteering during COVID-19 to help further strengthen and support volunteering in our communities. It is a key action in the National Volunteering Strategy (2021 - 2025).



The Community Volunteers Programmes gives people the opportunity to volunteer flexibly at a time that suits them. It facilitates people trying volunteering, sometimes for the first time and helps people learn English and meet new people. It is a very natural tool for integration in the area, as volunteers from various nationalities volunteer alongside each other. 2023 saw 99 different nationalities register their interest in volunteering in DLR and many new friendships and connections have been built as a result.

This programme was a critical feature of the work of DLR Volunteer Centre in 2023 allowing the creation of volunteering roles that are accessible for all, which has become ever more important, as the demand for more accessible volunteering roles from new arrivals to our county increases.



Case Study 4: Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Volunteer Centre

Volunteering in Dlr Highlights from 2023



Pic: DLR Volunteer Centre out recognising the huge contribution of Dún Laoghaire Tidy Towns volunteers to our local area.

- January’s delivery of the Age Friendly Magazine
- February’s donation hub for new arrivals
- March’s St. Patrick’s Day Parade Stepside
- April’s Booterstown Nature Reserve Clean up
- June’s UCD Festival AND Dlr’s Age Well Expo 2023
- August’s Ukulele Hooley & Welcome to volunteering talk for IPA’s
- September’s Booterstown Nature Reserve Clean up
- October’s Dlr Festival of Inclusion 2023 (Dlr 5k event)
- November’s India Fest 2023
- Decembers Santa Run



Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Volunteer Centre is funded by Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council & The Government of Ireland

2023, also saw the Volunteer Centre continue to respond to increasing demands for volunteer services locally. Over 1,300 people registered with the DLR Volunteer Centre in 2023. Over 400 organisations that make use of the services of volunteers registered with the DLR Volunteer Centre.



5.6 DLR Children's and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC)



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

CYPSC's provide a forum for joint planning and co-ordination of activity to ensure that children, young people and their families receive improved and accessible services. Their role is to enhance interagency co-operation and to realise the national outcomes set out in [Young Ireland, National Policy Framework for Children and Young People 2023-2028](#). DLR CYPSC are currently planning for their Children and Young People's Plan 2024-2026 which will be launched late Spring 2024.

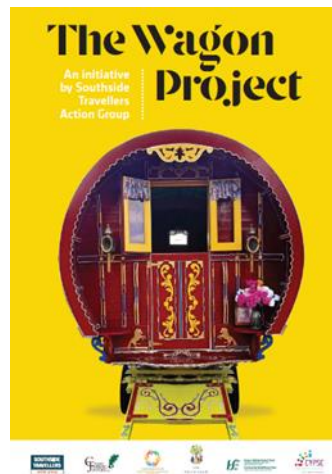
Highlights from the programme of work for DLR CYPSC for 2023 include:

CYPSC Healthy Ireland Fund

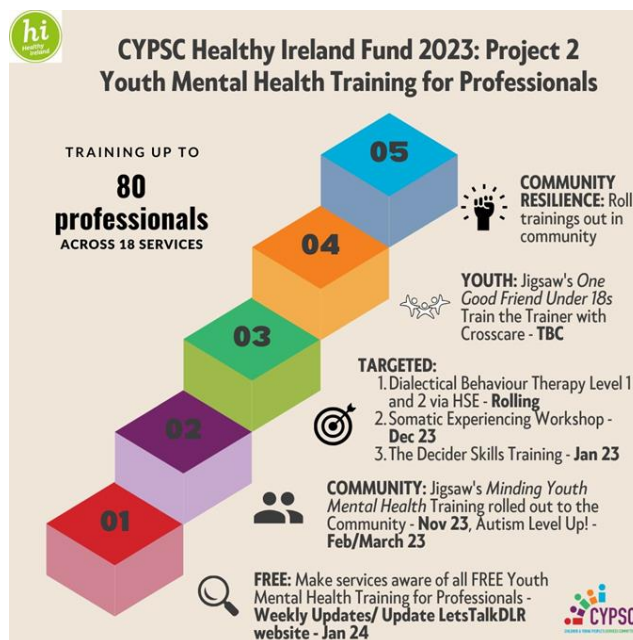
There were two CYPSC Healthy Ireland Fund Projects in 2023. The Southside Travellers Action Group (STAG) Wagon Project was initiated and led by two Traveller men who passed on the tradition of wagon building to the younger generation. The aim of the project was to promote positive mental health among Traveller men and young Travellers, through



culturally appropriate means (wagon building) as well as signposting them towards available services. The project aims at building resilience among young people, strengthening cultural identity, and building trust in services. This project was initiated and led by STAG with collaboration and Funding from DLR CYPSC Healthy Ireland Fund, HSE, IADT+ and DLR County Council.



The second CYPSC Healthy Ireland Fund was Youth Mental Health Training for Professionals. This was to establish a consistent framework across community services and build resilience into the community. Over 80 professionals were trained across 18 services.



CyberSafeKids – Tools for Schools



DLR CYPSC partnered with CyberSafeKids to roll out their Tools for Schools Program to 25 Primary Schools in Dún Laoghaire Rathdown. It offers a unique opportunity as a quick and efficient way to assess your school's approach to online safety. Each school then got a free workshop for Parents, Teachers or Children.



LetsParentDLR

On November 20th, in Airfield Estate Dundrum, parenting services from across Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown came together with families to showcase the supports they offer to help parents in their journey of raising their children.



Taking place on World Children's Day, the event saw excited toddlers and young children entranced by entertainers blowing bubbles and performing for them while their parents took the chance to meet with a range of local service providers from state agencies, community and voluntary organisations, family resource centres and more. The event marked the launch of the LetsParentDLR (www.letsparentdlr.ie) platform, which provides a friendly guide to parenting and children's services in the area, lists parenting courses, and shares parent's experiences.

The new LetsParentDLR platform is part of a suite of websites that have been developed by the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Children's and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC) and other services and local groups over the past three years. The other platforms are



LetsTalkDLR, focused on youth mental health, and LetsLearnDLR, featuring education options for young people.



5.6 LCDC Administered Grant Schemes 2023

The LCDC was responsible for the administration and allocation of the following grant schemes in 2023, and the schemes were widely promoted to encourage applications.



Community Support Fund 2023- €311,589

The **Community Support Fund** was announced by the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, and the Minister of State with responsibility for Community Development and Charities, Joe O'Brien TD on the 18th of November 2022. <https://www.gov.ie/en/press-release/cb18c-ministers-humphreys-and-obrien-launch-10-million-fund-to-support-community-and-voluntary-groups-with-energy-costs/>

This scheme had a total budget of €10m, with €311,589 being allocated to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. The scheme aimed to support community and voluntary groups with their energy bills. This fund also provided small grants to a wide and diverse range of



community groups, particularly in disadvantaged communities, to assist with their running costs. The funding could also be used to carry out small upgrade works and to purchase equipment to support the activities of groups in the community.

The Department directed that the funding for DLR be allocated as follows:

- €152,679 Current funding (Non-Pay) for use towards energy running/operating costs
- €155,795 Capital funding for use towards carrying out necessary repairs and improvements to facilities, energy efficiency type projects, purchase of equipment etc.
- €3,116 ring-fenced for Women's sheds.
- €15,579 maximum administration fee (5%) allowed based on total allocation

Details of the scheme were circulated to the LCDC, the PPN, through Community networks and were available on the Council website. Applications were required to demonstrate complementarity with the strategic objectives and actions from the DLR LECP and an initial closing date of the 28th February was set.

A total of 69 applications were received at the closing date with 67 being eligible under the terms of the scheme. Additionally, 2 applications were received for the ring-fenced Women's shed fund.

The eligible applications were assessed in detail to ensure a fair consideration of all applications. The outcomes from the initial detailed assessment were discussed with the community development team to ensure the funding was being targeted in the correct areas and to ensure no duplication occurred with the simultaneous Community Recognition Fund scheme.

The recommendations were then brought to a meeting of the LCDC Grants Subgroup on the 28th of March. A full and detailed presentation of the applications received was delivered to the members present and following discussions recommendations on grant allocations were approved for forwarding to the LCDC meeting on the 26th of April. The LCDC approved the allocation as presented by the LCDC Grants subgroup and the Department was informed.

A full list of all grants awarded under this scheme is available in Appendix 1.



The Community Support Fund 2022 (CSF) is funded by the **Department of Rural and Community Development**. Please see the following link for a press release on the



launch of the CSF at national level by the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, and the Minister of State with responsibility for Community Development and Charities, Joe O'Brien TD: [[Press release](#)]

5.7 Town & Village Renewal Schemes 2023

The scheme was announced by the Department of Rural and Community Development in May 2023. Information on the scheme was circulated to community groups through the LCDC, Councillors in the relevant electoral areas, the Rural Task Force and through the County Council.

Projects based in the qualifying areas of dlr (Shankill - Rathmichael electoral division, Glencullen electoral division and Tibbradden electoral division) were eligible for consideration.

An application was submitted for Stepside Village under the main Town and Village Renewal Scheme, and DRCD approved this application with €225,000 in funding in December 2022.

The project proposal was for the resurfacing of footpaths, to create a more inclusive and safer pedestrian environment would feature in the scheme. The plan was developed in consultation with the community. Following further discussions with the DRCD it was decided that an element of footpath surface enhancement in the T & V project was deemed ineligible to value of €85,000 which was advised to be re-allocated to other eligible works around Stepside, which now includes the introduction of some planted areas with trees, shrubs, etc. As such a revised application was submitted in Q1 2023. Projects funded under the 2022 TVRS are due for completion by 31 August 2024.

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



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Round 4 of healthy Ireland was launched in late 2022 with the LCDC approving the selection of two outcome areas on which the programme will concentrate in the DLR area. These are:



- Increase in % of people aged 50+ engaging in one or more social leisure activity at least once a week
- Increase in individual's level of positive mental health as per Energy and Vitality Index

A budget of €75,000 was allocated by the Department for the delivery of actions in DLR that contribute towards the achievement of the two selected outcome areas. The following projects were selected to received funding in 2023.

Applicant	Brief Description
Making Connections	Social Walking Groups for 65+
Social Farming Ireland	Social support for 65+ through engagement with farming
DLR Sports Partnership	Social Afternoon Tea Dancing
Southside Partnership DLR	Ballybrack Community Centre - Older person Support Project - Staff hours
Southside Partnership DLR	Social Wellness Activity Programme - staff hours & programme costs
Southside Partnership DLR	Mindful Gardening Workshops
Communications activities	Contribution towards Age Friendly Magazine

Progress was made on a number of actions in 2023, with two of the actions not getting fully underway, but with plans to complete the actions in Q1 2024.

Making Connections were assigned a budget of €1,600 to develop a follow on project from the already established physiotherapist led HSE Supported Walking for Health programme. The budget was used to scope out the requirements for a step-down walking group without the support of physiotherapist to allow the graduates of the HSE programme to be supported to continue on their health and recovery journey through a volunteer led community walking programme. The outcome of this exercise is plans are in place for the programme to commence in Q1 2024 with further funding support from the HI budget of €15,000 per year for 2024 and 2025.

The Social Farming Ireland project is a novel programme in DLR county, that is already established in a number of more rural counties and aims to provide farm placements for suitable people to help with both loneliness and mental health issues. The development of the project in DLR was beset by a number of challenges in 2023 with the identification of a



suitable farm in the county proving difficult. Towards the end of the year it was agreed that a farm in a neighbouring county could be used with participants sourced from the DLR area to trial the programme for the county. No spend occurred in 2023 on the project but it is hoped to have the first participants placed on a farm in rural county Dublin in Q1 2024 and the 2023 budget of €4030 spent on these activities. A further €4030 of Healthy Ireland funding for year 2 of the programme is committed for continuing placements in both 2024 and 2025. Furthermore, development of links with farmers in the county is continuing with the goal of identifying suitable host farms within the county to expand the programme in future years to include working with younger people as well as the current target population of over 65s.

The DLR Sports Partnership project aimed to run a number of Social Tea Dances throughout the County in 2023, but were unable to deliver the project due to competing priorities, issues with venues and similar provision by partner organisations in the latter half of 2023. The schedule for delivery was pushed out to early 2024 for the initial events with recruitment of participants underway at present and demand for spaces far exceeding availability at present. The 2023 budget of €15,000 will be spent in Q1 2024 running the events with a series of further events to follow on in Q3 with the support of a further €15,000 in healthy Ireland funding from the 2024 budget.

Southside Partnership received funding to support three separate initiatives in the county.

The Social Wellness Activity Programme (SWAP) is a development of a previous programme successfully delivered under Round 3 of healthy Ireland and it was allocated €37,360 in funding in 2023. The very successful programme worked with over 190 participants from 16 different community groups across the county, engaging older people in a range of Health and wellbeing Programmes. The funding allocated covers a staff coordination post for 7 hours per week along with programme costs to deliver:

- Siel Bleu Chair Exercise programme – 7 groups across the county
- Floral Arrangement classes – 3 groups in Sallynoggin, Ballybrack and Loughlinstown
- Walking football leagues in conjunction with 3 men's shed groups
- Yoga Exercise group in conjunction with ICA Shankill
- Mindfulness courses – 6 separate 6 week programmes
- Drama group classes – Ballybrack ladies' group

The funding allocation for 2024 to continue this very important an impactful project is €41,178



Ballybrack Community Centre - Older person Support Project - Staff hours

HI funding in 2023 of €6,893 funded 5 hours per week for an SSP staff member to coordinate a range of health and wellbeing programmes for older people and people with intellectual disabilities in the Ballybrack Project Centre. Part of the role is linking with the local community and services such as St John of Gods to host a range of activities including art classes, craft classes, walking and swimming classes and drama classes and the Ballybrack Project Centre has become a hub for older people in the community. The allocation for 2024 for this project is €7,500.

Mindful Gardening Workshops

Southside Partnership in collaboration with Aventine Gardens proposed to run two social therapeutic gardening programmes focusing on improving wellbeing and social connectedness amongst participants. Both collaborators have previous experience of delivering a similar programme (at that stage in collaboration with Airfield Gardens as well) and a budget of €3040 was allocated towards this project.

The target for year 1 (2023) was to support 24 participants over 65 in two 8-week long social therapeutic gardening programmes at Aventine Gardens. ‘The Mindful Garden’ commenced as planned in Q3 2023. The team managed to recruit 13 participants for course 1 and 14 participants for course 2.

Wellbeing scores were taken at the start and end of the courses (EVI scale) as required by POBAL and overall, the courses have been very well received. Transport remains a major issue for many participants. Also, illness has been a factor this year with some participants being unwell for part of the course. The raised age band for this tranche of Healthy Ireland funding has made these issues more prevalent in comparison to previous similar courses. Work is ongoing with ACTS (Accessible Community Transport Service) to alleviate the transport barrier for some participants.

A similar budget allocation for 2024 is in place.

6. LCDC Members Attendance Record 2023

Name	25 Jan	22 Feb	26 Apr	28-Jun	06-Sep	22-Nov	13-Dec
Clr Marie Baker DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Clr Kate Feeney DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Apologies
Clr Lettie McCarthy DLRCC	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended
Clr Tom Kivlehan DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended



Therese Langan DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Mary Ruane DLRCC	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Roisin Cronin DLRCC LEO	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Aisling Heffernan HSE	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended
Stephen Fitzgerald DEASP	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies
Maria Culbert DDLETB	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Attended
Helena O Brien CYPSC	Not a member	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended
Sharon Commins SSP	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Joe Varley PPN - Community & Voluntary	NA	NA	NA	NA	Attended	Attended	Attended
Joan Casey PPN - Community & Voluntary	Apologies	Attended	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
Annette McAllister PPN - Environmental Pillar	NA	NA	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended
Louise Keogh PPN - Social Inclusion Pillar	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended
Darren Chambers PPN - Community & Voluntary	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
Valerie Snow PPN - Community & Voluntary	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Attended	Attended
Sharon Perry PPN - Social Inclusion	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
John Doyle - DLDATF	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Attended	Attended
Conor Hickey Crosscare	Apologies	Apologies	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
Enda O Dwyer Crosscare	NA	NA	NA	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Attended
Prof. Joe McCarthy UCD	Attended	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Attended



Gabby Mallon DLR Chamber	Attended	Apologies	Attended	Apologies	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
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7. Conclusion

2023 was another very busy year for the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee and the Sub Committees of the LCDC.

The work of implementing the core business of the LCDC; monitoring and reviewing progress of community actions in the Local Economic & Community Plan 2016-2021, progressing the development of the LECP 2023-2028, implementing and administering the SICAP Programme 2018-2023, tendering for and appointing the Programme Implementer for the SICAP Programme 2024-2028, supporting the Dublin Rural LEADER programme and the dlr Rural Task Force, supporting the development of the DLR Public Participation Network and the Community Volunteers Programme and implementing and administering grant funding for the LCDC to target the achievement of LECP objectives, has required a significant commitment from all the members of the LCDC and subgroups. The arrival of displaced Ukrainians and International Protection Applicants into the County continued throughout the year, and the LCDC has continued to deliver on important community-wide projects and priorities. All the national programme requirements for the LCDC have been fully met in 2023.

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

With such a significant and growing agenda in support of community development in dlr during 2023, the roles of the Chair and Chief Officer and LCDC support staff in developing and driving the ambitious agenda of the DLR LCDC are also acknowledged. The LCDC also acknowledges the support and funding provided by a range of government departments and agencies, including the Department of Rural and Community Development, Department of Health, Sláintecare, Creative Ireland and the ongoing support of Pobal.

The LCDC expressed their appreciation for the work and support provided to the LCDC when the following committee members retired in 2023 - Conor Hickey, Joan Casey, Sharon Perry, Darren Chambers and Gabby Mallon.



We look forward to the adoption of the Local Economic and Community Plan 2023-2028 and Implementation Plan in Q2 of 2024, also to the launch of the LECP and working with all our partners in 2024 in implementing the Plan.



Appendix 1

Grants Awarded – Community Support Fund 2023

GROUP / ORGANISATION	Capital Funding	Current Funding	Total	PURPOSE OF GRANT & FUNDING
10th Kilternan Scout Group	€3,000	€1,000	€4,000	Rent & scouting equipment
25th Dublin Mount Merrion Scout Group	€3,500	€0	€3,500	Equipment store roof repair
29th Dublin Scouts Blackrock Group	€2,000	€0	€2,000	Contribution towards lighting upgrades
Accessible Community Transport Southside (ACTS)	€0	€10,000	€10,000	Contribution towards insurance
Ailt an Oir, Dublin Central Mission	€5,000	€0	€5,000	Contribution towards development of external recreation space
Balally Family Resource Centre	€7,000	€7,000	€14,000	Contribution towards general costs & New Furniture & Equipment
Ballinteer Men's Shed	€7,000	€0	€7,000	Outdoor Boules Pitch
Ballybrack Pigeon Club	€7,400	€0	€7,400	New insulated ceiling, new store shed to rear
Ballybrack Project Centre Management Committee	€13,447	€1,500	€14,947	Contribution towards general costs & Creation of multi use room
Ballyogan Community Development Management Committee Ltd.	€0	€5,000	€5,000	Contribution towards operating costs
Beaufort Day Care Centre CLG	€6,000	€0	€6,000	Contribution towards capital upgrades
Blackrock Flyers Special Olympics Club	€1,337	€4,210	€5,547	Rent & defibrillator
BREHON COMMUNITY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION	€0	€3,921	€3,921	Contribution towards rent
Broadford Resident Association	€2,724	€0	€2,724	Defib unit & cabinet
Christine Buckley Centre for Education and Support	€0	€4,000	€4,000	Contribution towards general costs
Crafty Hands	€0	€360	€360	Rent
Crosscare, Dundrum Rathdown Youth Dervice	€0	€7,500	€7,500	Contribution towards general costs



Cualanor Residents Association	€989	€0	€989	Bee Hive Equipment
Dalkey Rowing Club	€1,000	€2,019	€3,019	Contribution towards general costs & clubhouse development
Dublin Raiders Basketball Club	€1,500	€2,500	€4,000	Contribution towards rent & safety mats
Dublin South FM	€2,500	€0	€2,500	Broadcast equipment
Dun Laoghaire Active Retirement Association	€0	€1,123	€1,123	Insurance & affiliation fees
Dun Laoghaire Blackrock Senior Citizens Association	€3,096	€3,500	€6,596	Contribution towards general costs & Upgrade existing storage heaters
Dun Laoghaire Men's Shed	€0	€547	€547	Fruit trees
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Outreach Project CLG	€5,421	€0	€5,421	Refurbishment of Kitchen and dining area
Dundrum Menshed	€900	€0	€900	ICT Equipment
Fernhill Community Garden	€4,000	€213	€4,213	Insurance & raised beds
Hillview Community Resource Centre (FRC)	€0	€6,500	€6,500	Contribution towards operating costs
ICA Shankill Co dublin	€0	€1,350	€1,350	Rent
Irish Sudden Infant Death Association t/a FirstLight	€0	€1,000	€1,000	Contribution towards cost of producing newsletter
Kilcross Residence and Development Group	€3,001	€0	€3,001	Heating system upgrade
Kilmacud Community Mens Shed	€15,000	€0	€15,000	Contribution towards new premises
LBS MENS SHED	€1,750	€189	€1,939	Fire safety service & new hand tools
Loreto Community Facilities	€9,200	€0	€9,200	Replacement fascia and soffit for community building
Loretto Nutgrove Menshed	€1,200	€0	€1,200	Computer & printer
Making Connections Ltd	€0	€5,000	€5,000	Contribution towards general costs
Marlay Guild ICA	€789	€0	€789	Craft Equipment



Monkstown Boxing Club	€0	€130	€130	Website maintenance costs
MOUNT MERRION ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION	€0	€3,000	€3,000	Rent
Mountainview Women Together	€2,500	€0	€2,500	Equipment for premises
Mounttown Community Facility CLG	€4,521	€3,055	€7,576	Gas bills & new furniture
Muslim Sisters of Eire	€0	€3,000	€3,000	Contribution towards rent
Patrician Community Centre	€3,400	€0	€3,400	Led Lighting Upgrade
Peter Bradley Foundation T/A Acquired Brain Injury Ireland	€2,500	€0	€2,500	Interactive whiteboard
Pine Valley Residents Association	€0	€1,000	€1,000	Community Bulb Planting project
Rosemount Family Resource Centre	€0	€6,500	€6,500	Contribution towards operating costs
Sallynoggin Community Preschool LTD	€0	€11,000	€11,000	Contribution towards general costs
Sallynoggin Pearse Football Club	€800	€2,200	€3,000	Pitch rent & equipment
SANDYFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE	€2,000	€5,000	€7,000	Contribution towards heating costs & floor buffer
Shanganagh Park House Community Centre	€1,200	€5,000	€6,200	Contribution towards general costs & Floor Buffer
Shankill Ballybrack Community First Responders (CFR) Group	€5,000	€1,753	€6,753	Replacement AED Pads & IT Equipment
Shankill Day Care Centre	€0	€7,427	€7,427	Contribution towards general costs
Social Space Ireland	€2,450	€934	€3,383	Rent & Insurance & equipment
Southside Partnership DLR	€0	€7,500	€7,500	Contribution towards operating costs
St. Michael's Rowing Club, Dun Laoghaire	€0	€3,500	€3,500	Rent & operating costs
Stillorgan-Rathfarnham RFC	€0	€1,500	€1,500	Contribution towards rent
Stonebridge Community Facility	€0	€5,000	€5,000	Contribution towards general costs



The Down Syndrome Centre	€0	€3,500	€3,500	Contribution towards rent
The Garden Mens Shed	€1,881	€700	€2,581	Rent & Insurance & new hand tools
The Gathering Grounds Cafe: Kilternan Parish Church of Ireland	€5,000	€0	€5,000	Commercial Double door freezer
Tivoli Tigers Special Olympics Gymnastics Club	€0	€2,500	€2,500	Hall rent
Tullow Girl Guides	€0	€415	€415	Hall rent
Part of the organisation: Irish Girl Guides				
Turn2Me	€0	€2,000	€2,000	Contribution towards website running costs
Women's Collective Ireland - DLR (formerly NCCWN/SWAN)	€8,000	€0	€8,000	Windows & Signage
	€148,005	€145,045	€293,050	