

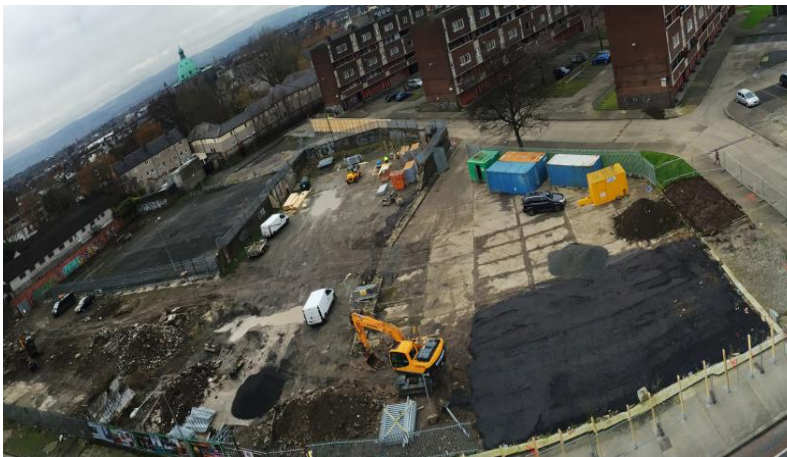
FIRST SOD TURNED ON THE REGENERATION OF CHARLEMONT STREET.

On December 15th last, the first sod was turned on the regeneration of Charlemont Street. The regeneration, which is being procured via a Public Private Partnership (PPP) process, resulted in the selection of the McGarrell Reilly Group as the preferred bidder.

Phase one of this project will see the construction of 79 social housing units which will be ready for occupation in 2018, as well as state-of-the-art community facilities including a community centre, an indoor five-a-side pitch, stage facilities, meeting rooms and an outdoor play/hang-out area. All remaining residents of Tom Kelly Road flats, some of whom have lived there since they opened in 1969, will move to new and upgraded homes, which will be called French-Mullen House after Madeleine French-Mullen, the nationalist and suffragette who together with Dr. Kathleen Lynn, founded St. Ultan's Hospital for infants at 37 Charlemont Street in 1919. She was also the Secretary of the Charlemont Public Utility Society which was formed to establish affordable housing in the area.

Later phases will include the construction of a further 178 housing units as well as a substantial amount of commercial and retail space which will regenerate this part of the city.

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Work underway, January 2016