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SOUTH WEST INNER CITY ELECTORAL AREA

Public Realm & Capital Programmes



Newmarket Interim Pedestrian Improvement Measures – Improved pedestrian facilities are now in place at Newmarket including widened footpaths, a reduction of parking, traffic calming and new crossing points. Additional work to be undertaken in the coming months includes final surface finish, the addition of tree planters and other street furniture. Pay parking will now be in place for the various areas of parking on Newmarket and adjoining streets.

Meath Street Public Realm Improvement Scheme – A tender call for the construction phase of this public realm project is expected to issue in Q2/25 with work expected to commence later this year. Advance work to underground water mains on the street are currently being scheduled by Uisce Éireann.

Iveagh Markets – The tender for the next stage of works in Iveagh Markets was published 06.03.25 following the approval of both Corporate Project Support Office and the Department of Housing in relation to the Urban Regeneration Development Fund funding stream. (Closing date is 17th April) Site visits with contractors took place on Friday 14th March and Tuesday 18th March.

Bridgefoot Street Park – Parks & Landscape Services will be installing additional play features, lighting and repair of planted areas in coming weeks.

Tenters Greening – The Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services team will be continuing landscaping work in The Tenters in the coming weeks including:

1. Clarence Mangan Road and Greenville Avenue Junction
2. Petrie and Gilbert Road Junction
3. Merton and Donore Avenue Junction
4. Clarence Mangan Road

At each location, the paving will be removed, trees and herbaceous perennial planting will added. In the order of 20 trees will be planted, using a native and ornamental species including Magnolia, Betula, Pinus and Amelanchier. Work will commence in mid-March.

Dolphin's Barn Street Tree Planting (Phase 2) – civil works to facilitate 15 no. planned street tree planting in buildouts on Haroldville Avenue, Reuben Street and Saint Anthony's Road will proceed in May, with the trees themselves planted later in the year. This project is being undertaken by Parks & Landscape Services.



Liffey Quay Walls – a programme of cleaning of approx. 6km of granite quays walls has now been completed. Additional painting and the removal of damaged and redundant lighting columns will be completed in coming months. This has been a coordinated action of the three local area offices bounding the river.

City Walls - A major programme of repair of Dublin's historic city wall at Cook Street was completed in February. The work included the removal of invasive vegetation, extensive repointing, rebuilding

of buttresses and repair of St Audoen's Arch. The project was support funded by the Community Monuments Fund.



Economic Development

Shopfront Improvement Scheme 2025 –

The 2025 edition of this grants scheme is currently advertised. The scheme is open to businesses across the SWIC area and provides supporting grants up to a maximum of €3,000 to assist with the refurbishment or upgrading of shop and business fronts. More details at www.dublincity.ie.

Smart D8– Smart D8 is a health and community wellbeing demonstrator project that is support by Dublin City Council through the Area Office and Smart Dublin. Smart D8 has now launched its fifth pilot call, seeking innovative projects that address health and well-being challenges in the community, trialling in the Dublin 8 area. More at www.smartd8.ie.

Marrowbone Lane Site – The project team commenced initial consultations by meeting with Dublin City Council service managers to establish the operational service requirements for the site. This work has taken more time than expected and requires further consideration by the relevant departments. Once this work is completed, the project team will reach out to community stakeholders to arrange consultations. Relevant community and sporting groups will be contacted when firm dates are known. Jamie Cudden, Executive Manager, Corporate Services & Transformation is taking over as project lead from Darach O'Connor who is moving

to a new role in Planning, Property and Economic Development.

Kilmainham Inchicore Network - next meeting: 31 March 2025 5.30pm

At the February KIN meeting, a presentation about FUNAFLOAT, proposed community boat project for the Grand Canal, was given by Reg Mc Cabe. All members shared information about what was going on in their areas.

KIN briefly discussed Local Area Plan/Village Improvement Plan for Inchicore/Kilmainham as outlined in the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028, further discussion will take place at KIN March meeting.

KIN Education and Lifelong Learning committee workshop will take place Monday 8th April 12 noon at CD ETB Inchicore College. This facilitated workshop will discuss and determine the purpose, remit and deliverables of the subcommittee. All local Education and Life Long learning professionals are invited to attend.

KIN continues to share information about what is going on locally through a monthly newsletter and on the website www.kilmainham-inchicore.ie

Inchicore Regeneration Consultative Forum - meeting: 31 March 2025 4pm

The 24th February meeting of IRCF was postponed as the contractor was not available to meet.

Liffey Valley Park Feasibility Study and Liffey Gaels/East Timor Park Steering Group

Liffey Valley Park feasibility study is complete. A final meeting of the Liffey Gaels/ East Timor Park Steering Group will be held this spring 2025. More details to follow.

Housing

Sarah Place

After a successful meeting with the residents' association, several issues were raised, including parking and lighting. In response, the Project Estate Officer arranged for the installation of "Parking for Residents Only" signs and reported faulty lights within the complex, which were subsequently repaired.

Thomas Court Bawn / School Street



A successful regeneration information session was held with members of the Design Team, Metropolitan Workshop, and staff from the Dublin City Council area office. During the event, proposals were discussed, and attendees had the opportunity to share their views. The session was well attended, and the overall response was highly positive. In preparation for the regeneration works, BHP was contracted to conduct structural assessments and additional asbestos testing. These investigations took place in two vacant properties and were facilitated by the Project Estate Officer.

Emmet Crescent

Choice Based Letting

A property on Emmet Crescent was viewed but declined by the nominee.

Oliver Bond House

Clinic

We run the clinic every Wednesday morning, with a colleague from the rents team available to assist.

Water pressure

Engineers have conducted an assessment and found no issues or leaks. However, small pumps may need to be installed in some of the accommodations.

Windows upgrade

Windows installation project - the contractor is continuing work on installing the windows.

Gutters cleaning

DCC has begun cleaning and carrying out repairs as needed.



Choice Based Lettings

We are currently processing the CBLs and are pleased to report that several transfers within the complex are being successfully managed.

Bonham Court

Dublin City Council and Sisk are conducting handover inspections. Sisk will be carrying out some minor works. Additionally, a new fob system has been installed on the courtyard doors.





Robinson's Court

The installation of the new security gate for pedestrians and vehicles is complete and will be commissioned shortly.



Dolphin House Clinic

A weekly clinic is held every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Dolphin House Community Centre.

Meanwhile Use Project

A *Meanwhile Use* project is being proposed for land not immediately required for housing development. A small MUGA (Multi-Use Games Area) will be installed next to the children's play area near the Dolphin Community Centre. Landscaping and greening of the old soccer pitch will take place, along with the installation of walkways and seating. A horticultural area, featuring a small greenhouse, will also be created. The new

amenities are expected to be available for community use by the second half of June.

Herberton Clinic

Weekly clinic being held on Thursdays 10am-12noon in the F2 centre.

Clean-Up Operation at F2 Pitch

A special clean-up operation has been undertaken around the boundary area of the pitch in front of the F2 which has become a littering blackspot.



Security Enhancements

The local area office is working with Lansdowne Property Management to enhance the security and durability of the communal doors in Block D. Additionally, an assessment of the overall security in the Herberton complex will be conducted by the Estate Management team in Eblana House, in collaboration with An Garda Síochána, the Crime Prevention Officer at Kevin St, and Lansdowne Property Management. The recommendations from this review will be considered to improve overall security within the complex.

Basin Street Graffiti removal

Graffiti has been removed from the buildings within the complex.



PPP Project – Basin View Complex

Planning permission has been approved, and Basin Street has been given de-tenanting priority status, with Dublin City Council prioritizing tenants in the first two blocks. Dublin City Council has met with the residents' group to inform them of this development. The first family from these two blocks has signed for a new property.

Robert Emmet Walk / Close

We are just waiting for the contractor to provide a start date for the work on the playground area.

Emmet Buildings

We are currently awaiting the contractor's start date to begin work on the playground and football pitch.



Address	Type of Unit	Vacant Possession Date	Status
Ave Maria Road	1 Bed House	27/08/2024	Key with Maintenance
Braithwaite Street	2 Bed Flat	26/01/2025	Awaiting keys
Braithwaite Street	2 Bed Flat	21/01/2024	With Contractor
Bulfin Court	1 Bed Senior Citizen	01/09/2024	With Depot
Bulfin Court	1 Bed Senior Citizen	01/12/2024	With Depot
Bulfin Court	1 Bed Apartment	16/12/2024	With Depot
Bulfin House	2 Bed Apartment	23/12/2024	With Depot
Chandler's Guild	1 Bed Apartment	11/01/2024	Ready to Let
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	05/07/2024	Awaiting nomination
Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	03/11/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	17/11/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	16/12/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	28/04/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	06/10/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	11/08/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	15/12/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	2 Bed Flat	29/10/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	2 Bed Flat	26/05/2024	With Depot

Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	02/07/2024	With Contractors
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	12/01/2025	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	04/09/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	Awaiting nomination
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	16/10/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	2 Bed Flat	17/12/2023	Temporarily use
Echlin Street	1 Bed House	22/04/2024	Ready to Let
Emmet Buildings	0 Bed Flat	23/11/2023	Ready to Let
Emmet Crescent	3 Bed House	16/06/2024	Ready to Let
Emmet Crescent	2 Bed House	18/12/2024	With Contractor
Grand Canal	2 Bed House	29/10/2024	With Contractor
Grand Canal View	2 Bed Flat	24/11/2024	With Depot
Greenville Place	1 Bed Flat	11/04/2024	Ready to Let 10/04/2024
Islandbridge Court	0 Bed Flat	14/04/2024	With Depot
Mallin Avenue	1 Bed House	06/10/2024	With Depot
Margaret Kennedy Court	1 Bed Apartment	25/01/2024	With Depot
Margaret Kennedy Road	2 Bed Flat	18/12/2024	Ready to Let
Margaret Kennedy Road	2 Bed Flat	18/12/2024	Ready to Let
Marrowbone Lane	2 Bed Flat	28/01/2025	With Depot
Mary Aikenhead House	2 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	With Depot
Maxwell Street	1 Bed House	12/07/2024	Under Offer
Meath Place	2 Bed Flat	12/11/2024	With Contractor
Memorial Court	1 Bed Flat		Nomination Received
Memorial Court	1 Bed Senior Citizen	23/04/2024	Ready to Let
Memorial Court	1 Bed Senior Citizen	30/08/2024	With Depot
Metropolitan Apartments	2 Bed Apartment	03/12/2024	Ready to Let
Michael Mallin	2 Bed Flat	24/11/2024	With Depot
Newmarket Street	3 Bed House	25/07/2024	Under Offer
Kilmainham Village	1 Bed House	14/05/2024	Ready to Let
Phoenix View	2 Bed Apartment	13/02/2024	With Depot
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	24/11/2024	With Contractor
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	22/12/2024	With Depot
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	25/08/2024	With Depot
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	07/07/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	20/02/2024	Under Offer
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	12/12/2024	With Contractor
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	02/07/2023	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat		With Depot
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Apartment	09/11/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	0 Bed Flat	04/04/2023	Depot
Oliver Bond	0 Bed Flat	15/08/2022	Ready to Let 09/06/2023

Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	30/04/2023	Ready to Let 20/10/2023
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	To be issued to contractors
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	18/08/2024	Being used by engineers temporarily
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	08/09/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	25/02/2024	With Contractor
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	04/02/2024	Under Offer
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	09/10/2024	Under Offer
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	01/12/2024	With Contractor
Reuben Square	1 Bed Flat	21/05/2024	Under Offer
Robert Emmet Close	1 Bed Flat	22/12/2024	Awaiting keys
Robert Street	1 Bed Flat	05/05/2024	Ready to Let
Robinson's Court	1 Bed Flat	11/08/2024	Ready to Let
Robinson's Court	1 Bed Senior Citizen	23/06/2024	Ready to Let
Sarah Place	Bedsit	19/04/2024	With Depot
School Street	2 Bed Flat	21/03/2023	With Contractor
South Gate Apartments	1 Bed Apartment	10/11/2024	With Contractor
St. Anthony's Road	1 Bed Apartment	24/10/2024	With Depot
St. Anthony's Road	2 Bed House	17/01/2025	With Depot
St. Audeons House	2 Bed Flat	28/01/2025	With Depot
St. Michaels Lane	2 Bed House	17/05/2020	Illegal Occupier
Summer Street South	2 Bed Flat	26/05/2024	On hold - Eviction/ASB issues
Summer Street South	2 Bed Flat	15/04/2024	With Contractor
Summer Street South	2 Bed Flat	16/01/2024	With Contractor
The Coombe	1 Bed Apartment	14/04/2024	Awaiting nomination
The Tannery	1 Bed Apartment	29/08/2024	With Depot
Thomas Court	2 Bed Flat	08/12/2024	Under Offer
Thomas Court Bawn	2 Bed Flat	01/12/2024	Surveying works being carried out
Thomas Court Bawn	2 Bed Flat	05/01/2025	With Depot
Tyrone Place	1 Bed Flat	11/06/2023	Ready to Let
Tyrone Place	Bedsit	14/12/2023	With Depot
Tyrone Place	2 Bed Flat	10/11/2024	With Contractor
Tyrone Place	2 Bed Flat	01/12/2024	With Depot
Tyrone Place	2 Bed Flat	12/01/2025	With Depot
Weaver Square	2 Bed House	01/12/2024	With Depot
Viking Lodge	2 Bed Apartment	01/12/2024	Ready to Let

Community

International Women's Day Self-Defence Taster Session



The Community and Social Development Office was delighted to collaborate with the Liberties Community Project to mark International Women's Day with an empowering self-defence workshop. This event provided a space for participants to share, learn, and celebrate the strength and resilience of women in our community.

Summer Project Launch

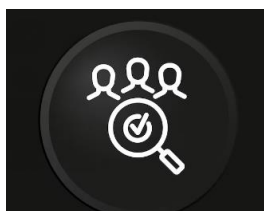


Dublin City Council's Summer Project launch will take place on Wednesday, April 9th, at 6 PM in Crosscare, 2 St. Mary's Pl N, Phibsborough, Dublin 7, D07 Y768.

A Summer Project offers a programme of recreational and educational activities for children and young people during the summer months (typically July and August). These projects are organised and run by local community volunteers and provide meaningful engagement opportunities. The Community and Social Development Team is actively liaising with Crosscare to support, advise, and assist both new and existing local summer project committees.

Applications for funding, along with information on additional supports, will be made available at the launch event. Additionally, the launch will provide an opportunity for projects to network informally with their counterparts from the inner city, facilitating the exchange of vital experiences and resources.

Community Group Capacity Building Needs Assessment



Following the success of last year's Community Group Capacity Building workshops, the Community and Social Development Team is conducting an assessment of the training needs of community and voluntary groups. This will help the team better understand the training requirements and preferences of local organisations and inform the development of a training programme for 2025. Volunteers from small, community-based non-profit organisations, groups, or associations are encouraged to complete the following assessment

<https://forms.office.com/e/YBeNpi6Sw9?origin=lprLink>

BAM Building's Community Benefit Fund for the New Children's Hospital



BAM COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND FOR THE NEW CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

BAM Building's Community Benefit Fund for the new children's hospital has announced a final funding round in 2025. In previous rounds, 88 groups and organisations received funding, benefiting the local area with a total of €200,000.

The 2025 Community Grants Scheme (total value: €50,000) is now open for applications from community and voluntary organisations in Dublin 8 and 12. The Community and Social Development Team has informed local groups and organisations of this opportunity and is available to provide assistance. The closing date for applications is Friday, April 11th, 2025. For more information and

to request an application, please contact the office directly.

The South West Inner City Community Team



Pictured: L-R Sinead Wiley, Lois Salmon, Amy Collins

We are pleased to announce that Sinead Wiley has recently been appointed as the Area Community Social and Development Officer for the South West Inner City Office. Sinead brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the role with over 20 years working with community and voluntary organisations. She looks forward to supporting Lois Salmon and Amy Collins, members of the Community and Social Development Team, in their ongoing efforts to provide valuable assistance to local groups and initiatives.

Culture Date With Dublin 8 – This year's festival will run from 7th to 11th May with a diverse range of flagship events, exhibitions, activities, walks and talks, Late in D8 and more planned across the wealth of cultural attractions here in Dublin 8. In 2024 over 60 partners contributed to the Festival and it's hoped to build on that in 2025. The Festival is support-funded by the Area Office. The Festival programme will be launched in April. More at www.culturedatewithdublin8.ie

Public Domain

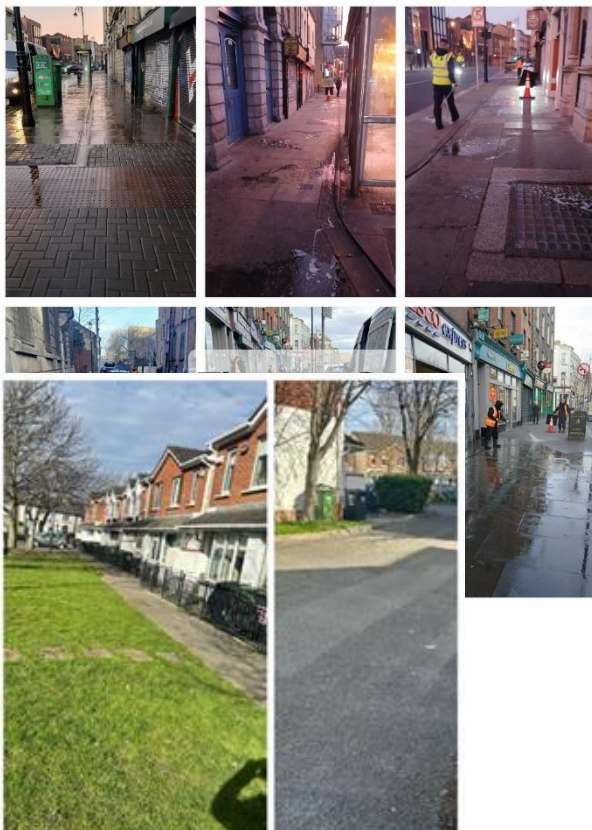
Graffiti Programme

145 meters of graffiti cleaned Oliver
Bond Street



Waste Management Wash Crew SCA

Thomas St. power washing completed in



sections from Cornmarket to Echlin St. Augustine St, Johns Lane, Marrowbone Lan, Taylors Lane, Vicar Street, Molyneux Yard, Lambe Alley, Hanbury Lane. Grattan Crescent & Marrowbone Lane Recycle Banks.

The Guinness Storehouse environs, Crane Street Sugar house lane Grand Canal Place.

Additional measures are in place to ensure all tourist areas cleaned to high standard during St Patricks Festival Period 14th -17th March 2025

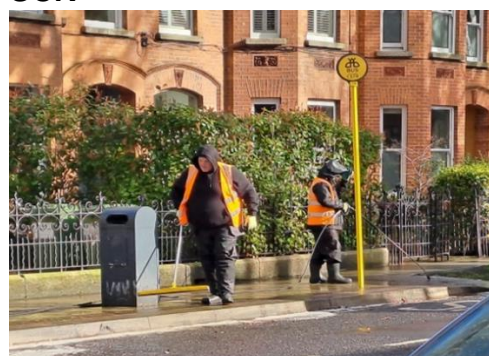
LAMBE ALLEY

Paint removed from paved area at City Wall, Lambe Alley.
Sludge from bird droppings washed off pavement at SCR Kilmainham



Photo: Lambe Alley

SCR



Harcourt Lodge Inchicore

Leaves removed and estate common areas cleaned.

St Jude's Spire, Belfry, Inchicore Road

Public Domain responded to complaints received in relation to dangerous hoarding along Inchicore Road. With recent high winds hoarding had become dislodged and was at risk of not just blocking the footpath but causing harm to the general public. Public Domain contacted directly the company responsible for the site who secured the hoarding the same day.





Unsecured wiring

Public Domain responded to a complaint for a dangerous overhanging wire in the Coombe. Upon inspection, Public Domain secured the site and liaised with Housing and Public Lighting for the safe removal of the dangerous wire.



Citizen Hub Requests Jan/Feb 2025

	Open Cases	Closed Cases	Grand Total
Abandoned Bicycles	1	3	4
Abandoned Vehicle	11	7	18
Bulky Household Waste Collection	7	28	35
Community Clean Up Collection	3	24	27
Illegal Dumping	4	246	250
Litter Offence	3	62	65
On Street - Weed Control	1	1	2
Public Bin Maintenance	4	33	37
Report a Dead Animal	0	5	5
Report Fallen Leaves	0	1	1
Report Graffiti	3	11	14
Request a Dog Fouling Sign	1	7	8
Street Cleaning Sweep Your Street	4	38	42
Grand Total	42	466	508

On-street Parking in the Liberties

Householders cannot reserve parking spaces by placing traffic cones or other items on the public road. Road Maintenance will remove all obstructions from public roads & footpaths.

Public Domain Inspections February 2025.

Cones removed from locations W/E 7th March 2025

Allingham St, South Summer st, John St South, Poole st, Pimlico, Reginald Square, Brabazon Square & Street, Davis Place, Newmarket St

Pavement Defects Reported

Rialto street
Thomas court
61 Thomas street
Ardee St junction St Lukes Avenue
Merchants Quay (MQI)
Lower Bridge street junction Ushers Quay
The Coombe
NCAD Thomas street
St Audeons Church High Street
High Street at Cornmarket Financial
Back Lane junction High Street
Winetavern Street junction Merchants Quay
25 Merchant quay at the merchant hall
Bridgefoot Street junction Oliver Bond
Pimlico junction with The Coombe



Dog Poo Bags delivered to Richmond barracks.
A fresh batch of dog poo bags delivered to Inchicore library in Richmond barracks. Dog walkers

can avail of the bags by asking at the library front desk. Bags are also available from Public Domain & Litter management Office, Eblana House, Marrowbone lane. Contact Public Domain at SouthWestInnercity@dublincity.ie.

Community Clean Ups

South West Inner City Public Domain supports Community Clean-ups and Environmental Improvements



Dolphin's Barn Canal Biodiversity & Clean-Up Group

Community Clean Ups

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Rialto Environmental Group



St. Brigid's. Primary School, The Coombe

5th Class and their parents doing great work out at Dolphins Barn. They are working very hard to obtain their next green flag (marine) for St Brigid's Primary school.



BALLYFERMOT DRIMNAGH ELECTORAL AREA

Housing

Bluebell Waterways

The part 8 process will be commencing shortly, with the members already receiving an advance briefing.

Sons of Divine Providence

The DCC team are continuing the engagement with the Sons of Divine providence and members will be kept informed of progress.

Cherry Orchard

Site 1 of the Local Area Plan

Negotiations with the HSE are continuing, the part 8 process, subject to pre-validation from the Planning Department, may now begin in quarter 1 of this year.

Site 2 of the Local Area Plan

The preparatory work on the technical design is continuing and the aim remains or the public consultation to take place in quarter 1, 2025.

Site 4 of the Local Area Plan

The LDA has issued the tender and that is due to close at the end of March.

Rafters/Crumlin Road

As stated previously, the project team are continuing to work towards commencing the Part 8 process in quarter 1 2025

Labre Park

As reported previously, Engagement continues between Cluid, Traveller Accommodation Unit and DCC quantity surveying division regarding costs. Stage 2 submission of the stage 2 application to the DHLGH is anticipated Q1 2025 with the Part 8 application to follow in Q2 2025.

The following is a summary of the vacant units in the Ballyfermot Drimnagh area.

Property Type	
House	34
Maisonette	2
Apartment	12
Senior Citizens	15
Total	63

Vacant (Void) Property Refurbishments completed in 2025 (year to date)

House	4
Apartment	5
Senior Citizens	2
Total	11

Type	Location	Bedrooms	Vacant possession date	Status	Estimated Completion date/Status
House	CHERRY ORCHARD GREEN	2	N/A	Awaiting vacant possession	N/A
House	CROFTWOOD GARDENS	3	N/A	Awaiting Vacant Possession	N/A
House	CROFTWOOD PARK	3	N/A	Awaiting Vacant Possession	N/A
House	LA TOUCHE DRIVE	2	N/A	Awaiting Vacant Possession	N/A
House	BALLYFERMOT ROAD	3	23/09/2024	Tenant selected	04/01/2025
House	BARNVILLE PARK	2	03/11/2024	Tenant selected	28/02/2025
House	BARNVILLE PARK	1	14/08/2024	1st offer refused, estate management checks being done on new tenant, new offer to be issued	15/01/2025
House	BARNVILLE PARK	2		For framework	TBC
House	BEN MADIGAN ROAD	2	28/10/2024	1st offer refused	28/02/2025
Apartment	BERNARD CURTIS HOUSE	1	17/10/2024	With contractor	31/03/2025
Apartment	BERNARD CURTIS HOUSE	2	17/10/2024	Temporary letting	04/03/2025
Senior Citizens	BLACKDITCH COURT	1	27/08/2024	Tenant selected	31/01/2025
Senior Citizens	BLACKDITCH COURT	1	27/08/2024	Tenant selected	31/01/2025
Senior Citizens	BLACKDITCH COURT	1	09/06/2024	Tenant selected	
House	BLACKDITCH ROAD	3	08/01/2025	For framework	TBC
Apartment	CEDARBROOK WALK	2	09/01/2025	For framework	TBC
House	CHERRY ORCHARD AVENUE	3	04/06/2024	For framework	30/03/2025
House	CHERRY ORCHARD CRESCENT	3	12/11/2024	Tenant selected	30/03/2025
House	CHERRY ORCHARD GROVE	3	12/11/2024	Tenant selected	28/02/2025
Senior Citizens	CLADDAGH COURT	1	22/02/2024	1st offer refused, tenant selected	
Senior Citizens	CLADDAGH COURT	1	14/07/2024	2nd offer refused	
House	COLEPARK DRIVE	2	14/10/2024	Tenant selected	28/02/2025
House	COLEPARK ROAD	3	12/05/2024	1st offer refused, tenant selected	15/01/2025
House	CROMMWELLSFORT ROAD	3	23/11/2024	Tenant selected	30/06/2025
House	CROMMWELLSFORT ROAD	3	24/11/2024	Tenant selected	30/06/2025
House	CROFTWOOD DRIVE	3		For framework	
House	CROFTWOOD GARDENS	2	N/A	Tenant selected	30/04/2025
House	CROFTWOOD PARK	4	12/04/2023	1st offer withdrawn	30/03/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	21/02/2023	1st offer withdrawn	17/03/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	07/07/2024	With contractor	17/03/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	19/10/2022	AGS Checks underway	17/03/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	02/06/2024	With contractor	17/03/2025

Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	2	13/09/2024	Tenant selected	04/03/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	04/03/2024	With contractor	28/02/2025
House	ELMDALE DRIVE	3	21/11/2024	Tenant selected	28/02/2025
Senior Citizens	Fr KITT COURT	1	14/02/2025	For framework	TBC
Senior Citizens	Fr KITT COURT	1	31/01/2025	For framework	TBC
Senior Citizens	Fr Lemass Court	1	31/01/2025	Tenant selected	31/03/2025
Senior Citizens	Fr Lemass Court	1	29/11/2024	With contractor	30/06/2025
Senior Citizens	KILNAMANAGH COURT	1	31/01/2025	For framework	TBC
Senior Citizens	KILNAMANAGH COURT	1	29/05/2024	1st offer refused	31/01/2025
House	LANDEN ROAD	2	25/07/2024	Tenant selected	30/04/2025
House	LISSADELL DRIVE	3	30/07/2024	Tenant selected	28/02/2025
House	LISSADELL GREEN	3	29/11/2024	Tenant selected	06/03/2025
Maisonette	LISSADEL ROAD	2	03/12/2024	With contractor	06/03/2025
Maisonette	LISSADEL ROAD	2	05/07/2024	With contractor	31/03/2025
House	MOYCULLEN ROAD	3	03/11/2024	Tenant selected	TBC
House	MUSKERRY ROAD	3	25/08/2024	With contractor	28/02/2025
House	MUSKERRY ROAD	2	13/01/2024	With contractor	31/03/2025
House	O'DWYER ROAD	3	25/05/2022	Tenant selected	31/03/2025
House	O'MOORE ROAD	3	09/12/2024	Tenant selected	31/03/2025
Apartment	PHOENIX VIEW	2	18/12/2024	For framework	TBC
House	RAHEEN PARK	3	03/03/2024	Tenant selected	31/03/2025
Senior Citizens	RIVERVIEW COURT	1	29/11/2024	With contractor	31/03/2025
Senior Citizens	RIVERVIEW COURT	1	03/11/2024	With contractor	31/03/2025
Senior Citizens	ROSSAVEAL COURT	1	29/11/2024	For framework	TBC
Senior Citizens	ROSSAVEAL COURT	1	03/12/2023	With contractor	TBC
House	ROSSMORE ROAD	3	N/A	Tenant selected	31/03/2025
Apartment	SEVEN OAKS	1		On offer	
House	SLIEVEMORE ROAD	3	17/11/2024	For framework	TBC
Apartment	THE STEEPLES	1	05/12/2024	With contractor	05/03/2024
House	THOMOND ROAD	2	22/12/2024	With contractor	24/03/2025
House	THOMOND ROAD	3	21/04/2024	With contractor	31/03/2025

Community

Orchard Centre

For the 3rd year in succession, The Cherry Orchard Patricks Day Parade will take place on Friday 14th March from 10am! Covered by national media in recent years this year's showcase will grow even further.

Working in conjunction with our local GARDA Community Team, it looks very likely



members of the GARDA Mounted Horse Unit will be part of the parade.

Another feature this year is an open top bus for anyone with mobility issues and some of our friends from the Neurodiverse Community!



Finally, we will be decorating all 80 houses that circle the Cherry Orchard Park to add to the festivities. A Huge thank must go to those who assist on the day and a special mention to Adel Burke the Care Service Coordinator, St Ultans School who keeps us all on our toes.

Everyone in Cherry orchard would like to thank DCC and our local Councillors as the parade is made possible through Discretionary funding 2025.

Both the DCC & CE Staff in The Orchard Centre are so proud to have completed their training and now the centre is officially recognised as an Autism Friendly Champion. In conjunction with ASIAM & Neurovibe Tribe D10 well on its way to this much needed positive movement. Take a bow everyone!

Always at the forefront of Innovation and Design thinking with a human centred approach, Dave O'Donovan shall be hosting 3 nights ***"Her Resilience"*** with 4 leading women in Irish society. This will be part of the Blossoms Festival during April. The main focus for the chat show is "Education through Diversity". In summary, for some people traditional education does not suit, so we can carve a way to still reap the benefits in a different approach.



[HER Resilience by Cherry Blossoms Community Festival | Eventbrite](#)

Tickets go live on March 20th!

Community Participation team

Community Festivals

Dublin city council will be providing full supports for festivals taking place in the area and providing access to event management plans and risk assessments, as well as park permits, which can be difficult for local voluntary groups to navigate.

The Community Development team are supporting the following festivals.

Cherry Blossoms

The festival programme and launch date will be finalised this week. And a huge variety of events and fun days will take place across Cherry Orchard from the 01/04/25 – 30/04/25.

Ballyfermot Arts Festival

The dates for this festival are 19th – 27th of July. The first open meeting for the festival was held in the Ballyfermot civic centre with lots of brainstorming and new ideas teased out in a workshop format.

Walkinstown Festival

The Walkinstown festival will take place on the 31st of August this year the community

team have met with the festival committee to discuss the plans for it.

Chapelized Festival

Initial meetings have taken place with the festival organising committee and the new Community team are excited to help with the planning and continue the support for Chapelized. Dates for the festival are 28th of June to the 6th of July.

Drimnagh Festival

The new community team are continuing to introduce themselves to the local area groups and committees and have met with Dynamic Drimnagh to discuss the plans for not only the festival, but how the team can continue to support groups and the great work they do.

International Women's Day

For International Women's Day the Community Team put together mini 'survival kits' to distribute to a number of women's groups in the area including groups that meet in the Blue Dorr, Saint Mathews Family Resource Centre and to women working in the area, such as the Ballyfermot Civic Centre.



Seachtaine Na Gaeilge

The City Council is supporting Coiste Bhaile Thormaid to organise a programme of events to promote Seachtain Na Gaeilge. The community team are providing vouchers to local schools for Seanfhocail competitions across primary and secondary levels. The students work will be displayed in Ballyfermot Library on the 14th of March where a parade will begin and finish with a Ceoilchoirm in Ballyfermot Civic Centre. The City Council supported the promotion of these events through the creation and distribution of posters throughout the community.





Sheltered Housing Complexes

Community Staff are working with the older peoples groups to once again encourage activities in the Common Rooms.

The introduction of the new community team to the wider area continues with two coffee mornings on the 18th of March where the team in conjunction with Dublin City Libraries will inform residents of ongoing activities in the area. The Community Libraries Team will discuss available services such as the book delivery service and will offer a selection of books for each common room.

The community team will discuss the formation of committees and the positive outcomes that such committees can achieve.

A Program of events including Flower arranging and Chair Yoga is up and running in Fr.Kitt Court Common Room. The Committee have also run a Sale of work for charity in their common room.



Environment

As the new Community Development team continue to establish and build on links within the area, the annual plant distribution events will be a great opportunity to get to know and support the various environmental groups who do such great work in keeping public spaces clean and full of life.

Cruinniú na nÓg

Community Development Staff are in contact with local groups to encourage their involvement in this year's Cruinniú na nÓ. Familibase were successful in their application to the Dublin City Arts Office for Cruinniú na nÓg 2025. The community team will work closely with Familibase to roll out their Unsung Youth Music Event to make sure this event has as wide a reach as possible.

Pride 2025

The Community Team are in the early stages of planning events to celebrate Dublin Pride, Bród Átha Cliath 2025 in conjunction with Ballyfermot Youth Service and the Ballyfermot Civics Centre.

AGE Friendly Programme

The Age Friendly Programme of events for the Ballyfermot area began on the 28th of January and will run every week until 25th March. Activities range from Bingo, Line Dancing, Health talks and two tea dances. Having consulted with participants we decided to introduce a Thai Chi session to the program which was extremely well attended, and requests were made for this to be a staple of the program. To celebrate International Women's Day, we will be holding a Sound bath and meditation workshop as part of the program.



Tai Chi with Eugene Banks was a huge success on the 18th of February.

Together FM Film Club

Together FM in partnership with the Dublin City Community Development Team are screening the second film in this joint initiative Life's a Breeze on Thursday 13th March @ 10.30am in the Ballyfermot Civic Centre.



Labre Park Playground launch

The community team are working in close conjunction with BTAP and relevant departments within Dublin City Council to formally launch the new playground in Labre Park. A date of 28th of March has been agreed on for the launch.

Grants / Funding / Community / Informal Adult Education Grants

2024 Community and Informal Adult Education Grants are currently in the process of being paid to the community groups. Awaiting dates for 2025 grants.

Public Domain

New Public Realm improvement works @ Parkwest Train Station



The Public Domain Office received a complaint regarding dilapidated large wooden planters on a section of the Cherry Orchard & Park West Train Station Plaza. A member of the public reported these unsightly old wooden planters, that were collapsing, with weeds growing out of them, the trees that were within same were either broken or gone, and generally these planters were only being used as waste bins. The complainant had

queried if they could be repaired or replaced.

It was initially assumed this section of the Plaza, and subsequently the planters, where the responsibility of Iarnród Éireann. However following investigation it was determined that this section of the plaza was actually in Dublin City Council ownership, however this section of the plaza and the surrounding footpaths & road have not been taken into charge to date.



The Area Office has contacted Planning Department enquiring about this situation, highlighting the difficulties that it presents and requesting that this area including the road and footpaths be taken in charge.

Discussions have also been had with the Roads and Parks Department, who, once the area is taken in charge, will maintain and carry out agreed remedial works.

It is hoped that this matter can be resolved shortly. This will allow this much needed

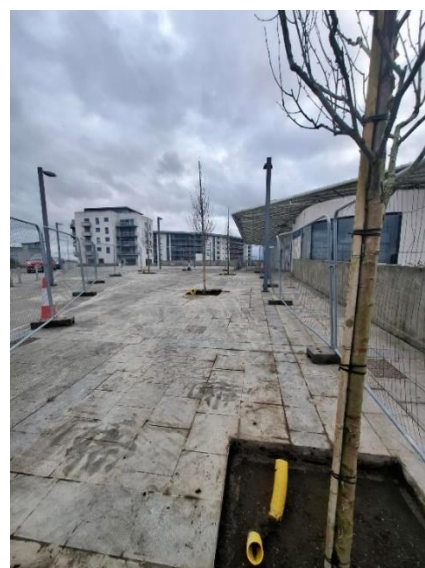
repair and maintenance works to take place at this strategically important site, which is located at the centre of the Strategic Development Regeneration Area, as identified under the City Development Plan. This area is also highlighted as an area where Public Realm improvement works are required under this plan.

In the interim, while we await this matter to be addressed, the Public Domain Office arranged for the dilapidated planter boxes to be removed, which revealed 4 pre-cut tree pit locations, we subsequently engaged a contractor to break out and excavate these tree pits and install 4 semi mature Betula Pendula Silver Birch trees.

Works also included the installation of granite grates for around the tree pits. The Public Domain specified these stylish and practical tree grille for this urban setting in mind. The design allows paving to be continued almost up to the tree trunk, protecting the trees root system from urban traffic and soil compaction but also allowing rainwater through to maximise irrigation and urban drainage. This was integrated with a Rootball Anchor Fixing System to ensure the tree routes, as they grow, do not lift the surrounding paving preventing the creation of any future potential trip hazards, as the tree grows.



Works commenced on Monday 3rd March and are due to be completed shortly.



Dublin Team Clean-up Day 26th April 2025



We are coming up to Spring Clean time again and registrations are now open at for National Spring Clean 2025 @ www.nationalspringclean.org

April is the month when the National Spring Clean takes place and groups that register with an Taisce on www.nationalspringclean.org will be covered by their insurance during their clean-up activities.

It is proposed that Dublin City Council's "Team Dublin Clean-up" day will take place on the 26th April 2025 this year as part of the National Spring Clean event.

Building on the success of previous clean-up days, Dublin City Council are again asking all residents, volunteers and community groups around Dublin city to join forces to organise a local clean-up event in their area. Let's get together to

clean-up our streets, laneways, and canal walks and make Dublin a Fair City again.

We are seeking the assistance of all volunteer groups in the area to get them involved with the Team Dublin Clean-up day.

We will have the support of Waste Management Services, who will provide litter pick equipment, if groups don't already have them, and will collect and dispose of the bags of litter collected by each group. If groups require equipment please contact the Public Domain Team @ ballyfermotpd@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services will be launching the Team-Dublin Clean-up day shortly and will advertise same on social media.

A very important point to remember, please note all groups that get involved will be entered to the City Neighbourhoods Competition 2024 and could be in with a chance of winning a prize.

OPW - Hedge cutting

The Public Domain office, on foot of a complaint from a member of the public, recently engaged with the OPW with regard to overgrowth emanating from the Phoenix Park causing a hazard for cyclists and pedestrians alike using the footpath along Chapelizod Road. The OPW have confirmed that they have engaged a contractor to carry out these works but were awaiting a licence to start works. OPW have now confirmed that these works will commence the week starting the 10th March.

Storm Éowyn

As reported last month the hoarding around the Development site on Chapelizod Main Street came down during storm Éowyn.

The Public Domain Office arranged for the Roads emergency team to clear the road and footpath of the fallen hoarding, to ensure the road was safe for road users and pedestrians immediately after the storm.

However the remaining hoarding, surrounding the site, which collapsed onto the community garden area, left the development site exposed and an unsightly mess in the heart of the village.

The Public Domain Office contacted the Development Department requesting that they remove the old hoarding and reinstate hoarding around the site as soon as possible.



I am delighted to advise members that the new hoarding has been erected.



Illegal Kerb dishing/depositing of material on a Public Road

As reported last month report the Public Domain Office have commenced a survey of the illegal practice, by some households in the Ballyfermot Drimnagh Area, of depositing material on a public road creating illegal kerb dishing on public roads. This has been done by depositing concrete, tarmacadam, and concrete cill's, wooden planks or some other material, onto the public roadway, to create a ramp to facilitate access for off street parking in their front gardens. This is not only affecting the character and amenity of the areas streetscapes, and detracting from the visual character of the area, it is also creating a very serious hazard for other motorist's pedestrians, and cyclists.



This survey has now been completed and we have identified **452** instances of household's illegally depositing material onto a public road. We now intend to write to each household requesting that they remove these illegal materials, within a set period otherwise enforcement action will be taken, this will include DCC Roads Maintenance Section removing these materials, the cost of which may be sought to be recovered via the courts.

Under the Roads Act 1993, Section 13, it is an offence to place or deposit any material or thing on a public road. The Local Authority can remove any material, thing or remove or reduce any hazard, potential hazard, obstruction on a road or footpath and can recover from such person, as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction, any costs reasonably incurred. Fines up to €5,000 and or imprisonment of up to 6 months can be faced for failure to comply with these obligations.

At the same time we will also inform and advise the householders of what appropriate action they can take if they wish to maintain an access to their driveways. Including the planning process

and the application process for official kerb dishing, with our Roads Department.

Oranmore Road Speed Ramps approved

The Public Domain Office is delighted to inform members that a request for additional speed ramps have been recommended for Oranmore Road, by the Transport Advisory Group. The Public Domain Office requested TAG carry out a review of this location, including a speed survey, following complaints received from local residents and local representatives.

Graffiti Removal – Glenaulin Park on Drumfinn Avenue

Public Domain Office engaged contractors to remove of graffiti from walls on Cherry Orchard Green.



Before

After



The Public Domain Office also arranged for the graffiti on the boundary wall at the entrance The Steeples estate, St on Laurence's Road to be removed. Plus utility infrastructure on Naas Road graffiti arranged to be removed.



Illegal advertising material Removal – Illegal advertisements on public infrastructure

The Public Domain Office continue to remove illegal advertising material, littering public realm infrastructure



Political & Other Sticking Removed
along Davitt Road



Illegal Dumping

Public Domain continue to liaise with Waste Management & Parks to address the serious issue of illegal dumping in the area.



Street Power Washing

Waste Management's South Central
Street Washing Crew out power washing
in Ballyfermot Drimnagh Area



