

5 Conclusion

The proposed civic plaza at College Green which will contribute to the achievement of the vision for College Green set out both in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 and the Heart of Dublin, City Centre Public Realm Masterplan (Dublin City Council, 2016).

College Green is already a focal point of the city and sees some of the highest levels of pedestrian footfall. Pedestrians currently must compete with vehicular traffic in an environment that is unsupportive of walkability, it is noisy and congested with a high level of bus traffic. There currently exist traffic calming measures that restrict private car access, which may have to be extended further once Luas Cross City starts a full service in December 2017. Developing the Proposed Project will enhance the pedestrian experience of the area, achieve the objectives of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 and the Heart of Dublin, City Centre Public Realm Masterplan and increase both footfall and flow, both of which have been proven to benefit the surrounding local economy.

The Proposed Project presents a valuable opportunity to reclaim College Green as a public space for the benefit of residents, visitors and businesses. The space will provide Dublin with a civic space worthy of a European capital city.

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