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Fingal County Council



# Chief Executive's Management Report

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# CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MANAGEMENT REPORT – OCTOBER 2022

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## **Chief Executive's Foreword**

At the October meeting Members will have the opportunity to set the LPT variation which will be an important steppingstone in forming part of the 2023 Budget which is to be presented to Members in November. We have put significant financial resources in place over the past number of years to keep pace with the continued increasing demand on services while also putting funding in place to assist the delivery of infrastructure projects which will be outlined in our ambitious capital plan 2023-2025.

As we are all aware there are significant adverse conditions that the Irish and international economy will have to deal with in 2023. We as a Council will not be immune from the significant inflation in the economy including with regards to energy costs. It will be important that the Executive, the Corporate Policy Group and Members work together to agree a budget for 2023 that will allow us to manage these costs while continuing to deliver on services and infrastructure for all the citizens of Fingal.

Additional staff resources and increased revenue funding has seen increased works in all areas of the public realm. Operations have successfully delivered on it's largest work programmes totalling €3.4m for all areas with an increase of €1m provided in the 2022 budget and a similar provision for 2023. Fingal has a very well maintained clean public realm. Additional works on our local roads, parks, beaches and open spaces have been delivered with the additional staff resources which were recruited. This included additional General Operatives in all areas dealing with street cleaning, management of litter, parks and beach maintenance and events. Over 100 solar bins have been rolled out with a further 100 on order and bench provision continues in all areas. The increased numbers attending our regional parks are testament to the facilities that are available with new playgrounds, accessibility equipment, paths for walking, playing pitches and a diverse range of events taking place throughout the year. A dedicated tree officer has been appointed to manage the protection of our trees and deliver on Fingal's Tree Policy.

Clerks of Works have been appointed, carrying out inspections on our local roads ensuring that the integrity of roads are maintained at all times following road openings by utilities which are putting critical infrastructure in place for the expansion of the county.

The increase demand and use of clean, well maintained public conveniences is in place with refurbishment plans for existing public conveniences due to commence. The Eco Toilets at our beaches have served the public well during the period of good weather and the installation of showers at our bathing areas has commenced. New casual trading pitches are now operational in all areas and the outdoor dining will be facilitated by the licensing of street furniture.

Work on preparation of the Fingal Draft Development Plan 2023-2029 continues. I would like to thank members and staff for their efforts during each stage of the plan making process. The Chief Executive's Report on submissions received was issued to the Members at the end of July and meetings to discuss proposed amendments to the draft plan are currently taking place. Following these, any material amendment to the draft Plan will go on public display for 4 weeks. This is expected to take place in November. The final plan is scheduled to be adopted by councillors in February 2023.

Preparations for Halloween are underway in a number of departments. The Fingal Festival of Fire returns this year with two new venues. Malahide Castle and Bremore Castle have been added to the Safer Halloween Events. These organised events have proven to reduce illegal bonfires and provide a safe area for families to enjoy the occasion. The Community Development Office is supporting 30 groups to participate in the Fingal Safer Halloween Programme. The purpose of this programme is to provide fun recreational and diversionary activities for young people to deter them from participating in antisocial Halloween activity. In addition, participating projects will promote the Fingal County Council's Stay Safe and Awareness messages and generate awareness of other deterrent initiatives including Bulb Planting, Recycling Amnesty, Bonfire Removal measures. Our Litter Wardens have commenced with Halloween business inspections in an effort to reduce the levels of material that may be collected by individuals for use in bonfires.

**AnnMarie Farrelly**  
**Chief Executive**

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## People Services

People Services have a large scale recruitment campaign continuing in 2022

Recruitment Programme 2022	
Recruitment Campaigns	105
Campaigns Completed	56
Current Campaigns	41
Campaigns Pending	8
Applicants to date	1639
Interviews Held to date	1563
Number of Appointments	410
New Starters	248
Internal Promotions	162
Number of Leavers	154
Resignations	95
Number of Retirements	59
Number of Job Offers Year to date	633
Number of Offers Declined	176
Number of Current Job Offers	47
Job Offers Internal	5
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## Wellbeing Strategy

September saw the launch of the Council's first ever Wellbeing Strategy 2022-2025. This strategy supports the Council's vision of ensuring that wellbeing is embedded in everything we do and is championed, at all levels, and across all functions. The Council also launched its first bespoke Employee Assistance Programme which includes a wide range of supports for welfare issues. This service, which supplements the current work of the Council's own Staff Welfare Officer, is now

available to every staff member through a confidential helpline that is accessible 24 hours a day and also includes a Wellbeing App delivering expert content on mental health, fitness and nutrition.

## Blended Working

Blended working arrangements commenced on the 5th of September 2022 with eligible staff working up to 2 days remotely. Staff not availing of blended arrangements have now returned fulltime to the office.

## Learning & Development

Training and development of our staff, including statutory Health & Safety training, continues in October 2022 with the following courses scheduled this month

### Health & Safety

Managing Safely in Construction  
 First Aid Refresher  
 Confined Space Medium Risk  
 Confined Space High Risk  
 Manual Handling  
 Tractor  
 Electric pallet truck  
 Ladder & Harness  
 Teleporter  
 Vehicle Inspection  
 Safe Pass  
 Vehicle Inspection  
 Fire warden Practicals  
 Chain Saw Refresher  
 Safety Representative  
 Mobile Tower Access

### Business/Interpersonal Skills

Ignite Programme 5&6  
 Dignity & Equality  
 Diversity & Interculturalism  
 Pre-Retirement

Grade 8 Programme 2&3  
 A-Z Local Government  
 Managing Aggressive Behaviour  
 Personal Effectiveness Grade 3&4  
 Grade 5 Training  
 Grade 6 Training  
 First Aid Mental Health

IT  
 Advanced Word  
 Excel  
 Smartphone video training

**HSU - Health & Safety Unit**

The HSU continue to monitor the decline in incidences of staff self-isolations due to covid-19 during the month of September 2022 in tandem with a watching brief for any increases in infection during the coming autumn months. The HSU is awaiting final notification from NISO on its placement of Fingal County Council's award ranking for the NISO 2022 Occupational Safety Awards which are held in November. Safety audits and site safety inspections continued during the month along with accident reporting and investigation with notifiable incidents reported to the HSA. Staff safety enquires were remedied and VDU assessments for office workstations and remote workstations were undertaken.

**Building Facilities - Energy Performance Contract works Update**

As part of the ongoing Energy Improvement Works, 3 new high efficacy gas condensing Immergas cascade boilers has been recently commissioned in the Grove Road Civic Offices.

The new system along with the existing burner as a backup will control energy more efficiently as the system allows multiple boilers to share the load of providing heating and hot water, it means less strain is placed on each appliance. Cascading also allows a multi-boiler system to maintain a fixed temperature with less effort, helping them work more efficiently for a longer period. We are also exploring the use of non-fossil heat pump technology for use with our underfloor heating systems.

All Fingal Corporate buildings are to be heated to no more than 19c where appropriate in an effort to conserve energy use and reduce costs this winter.



**Customer Services**

For the month of September the Council's Customer Care Agents dealt with -

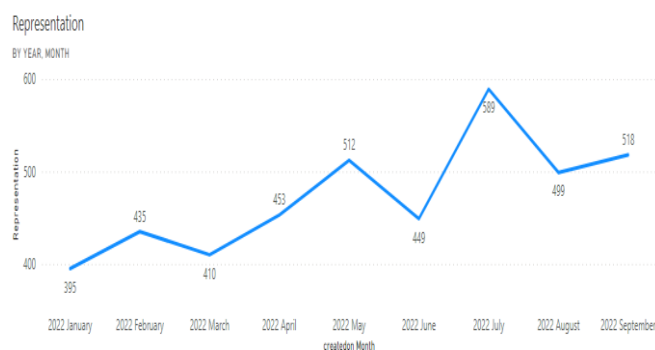
14,664 phone calls

442 emails

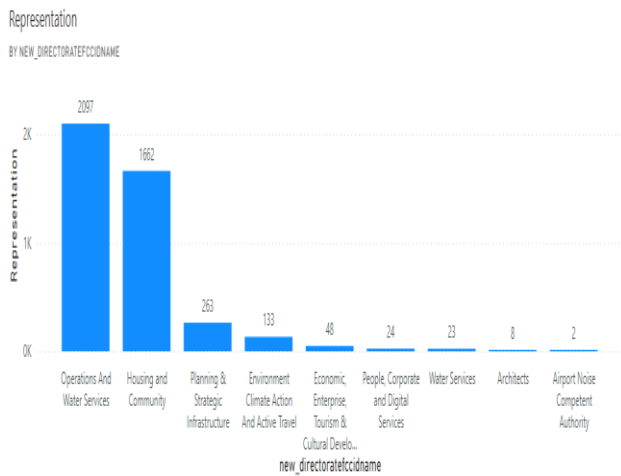
2,143 in person visits

**CRM**

Staff continue to work on the Customer Relationship Management System (CRM) and issue responses to representations from Elected Members (Councillors, TDs and Senators) and complaints submitted by the public. The month of September had a total of 518 Elected Members' representations.



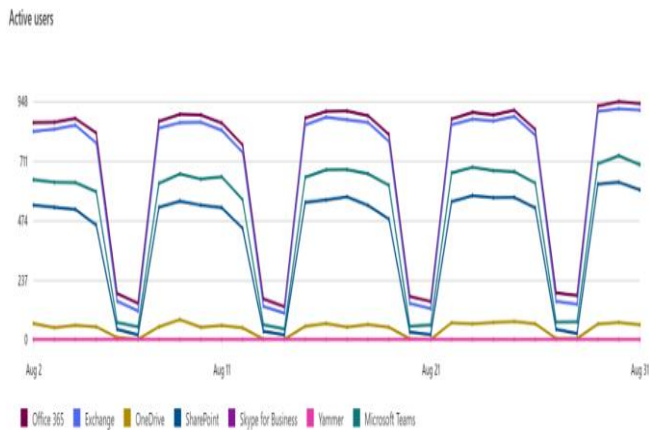
The table below shows the total number of Elected Members' representations assigned to each Department to date in 2022.



## Digital Services

### Digital Working

In September staff took part in 9,099 Teams meetings, 30,987 calls took place, and 845,027 emails were received or sent by the Council.



### Digital Services Infrastructure & Support

1,645 support calls were logged by Council staff with the Digital Services Service Desk in the past month and 13 calls were logged by Councillors with Sord. 100% server availability and 100% network availability were achieved in the month of September.

## Teams Meeting Rooms



As part of the Fingal Digital Workplace Transformation Program of Works the Digital Services Section has completed a pilot project and implemented Phase 1 of the Microsoft Teams Meeting Rooms project.

Microsoft Teams Rooms brings HD video, audio, and content sharing to Teams or Skype for Business calls and meetings of all sizes, from small huddle areas to large conference rooms. With the move to Blended working the Teams Rooms systems will support simple, consistent, and reliable meetings for users across the organization and with third parties.

In Fingal the program of works will deliver Teams Rooms to small, medium, and large meeting rooms throughout the organization. This includes County Hall Swords, The Civic Offices Blanchardstown and will eventually include Depots and Libraries.

The Pilot phase included three rooms small Office (4 people), medium meeting room (8 People) and large Conference Room (16 People). On successful completion of the pilot project, phase 1 was successfully rolled out to a further 6 rooms. Digital Services have moved to Phase 2 where Teams Rooms will be implemented in a further 14 rooms. Phase 3 will follow with a further 14 rooms.

## Cyber Security.

Preparations are being undertaken for October, which is Cyber security month, with an emphasis on increasing awareness. Actions that are planned include placing cyber security awareness messages on screens in locations such as the Atriums, canteens, and libraries. The daily staff messages emails will be used to deliver a variety of Cyber awareness messages and a short quiz. Communications

## Videos

The Communications Unit produced ten videos during September and also produced a webinar on Sustainable Swords in association with the Planning and Strategic Infrastructure Department. The videos included one of the reopening of the iconic Great Hall at Malahide Castle which can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/vbS9ltx4Ck0> and one about the replacements of the sails on the windmills at Skerries Mills which is available at <https://youtu.be/PWgDZi9oFqk>. To mark Make Way Day on September 30 a video on how to safely park a bike in a public space so it doesn't interfere with pedestrians and other users of footpaths. It can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/6SnWgV8eLSA>

## Media

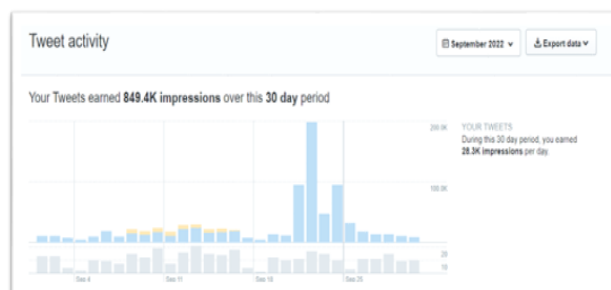
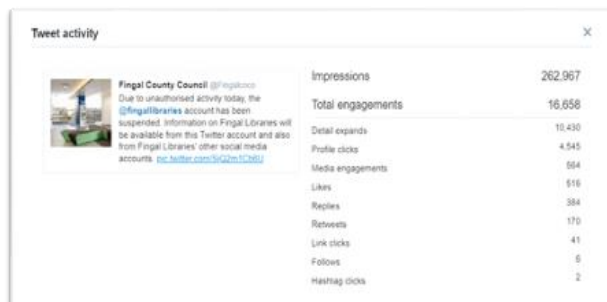
The Communications Unit issued 38 press releases during September covering a wide range of topics including public consultation processes in relations to Ward River Valley Regional Park; New Street, Malahide; Skerries Active Travel and Sustainable Swords. There was also coverage of the visit by the EU Commissioner for Cohesion and Reform, Elisa Ferreira, to Swords Castle and the Ukrainian Family Fun Day which also took place there. The Unit also dealt with 39 media queries on a range of topics including housing, libraries, data centres and bathing water quality.

## Podcasts

There have been 21 episodes of the Inside Fingal podcast produced over the past two years and they have attracted a total of 9,486 listeners with 4,862 downloads and 4,624 internet listens. The most recent podcasts were about Sustainable Swords and Fingal Age Friendly.

## Social Media

A tweet about the suspension of the Fingal Libraries Twitter Account on September 21 earned 262,967 impressions and had an engagement rate of 6.3% on the Council's main corporate account @fingalcoco. Overall, the account registered 849,400 impressions during September which was the highest monthly total since August 2021. The number of new followers was 254 which was the highest monthly total since March 2020.



On Facebook, the number of followers has risen to 28,748 and a post on September 13 promoting a Sustainable Swords webinar had the most engagement during September with a 13.84% engagement rate after recording 4,320 engagements from 31,212 impressions. The number of followers on LinkedIn has risen to 6,138 while Instagram now has 5,667 followers.

## Website

The Council's website, [fingal.ie](http://fingal.ie), had 135,500 visitors during September and 361,600 page views and both figures were the highest monthly figures recorded during 2022. The page set up for the Howth Maritime and Seafood Festival proved very popular with 9,032 visitors and 11,573 page views making it one of the most visited pages during the month. Other popular pages were planning, recycling, libraries and choice based letting.

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## TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

### EVENTS

The Fingal Festival of Fire returns this year with two new venues. Malahide Castle and Bremeore Castle have been added to the Safer Halloween Events. These organised events have proven to reduce illegal bonfires and provide a safe area for families to enjoy the occasion.



As part of the An Garda Síochána centenary celebrations, Swords Castle hosted an event following a parade down Swords Main Street. Past and present members were presented with their medals by Chief Superintendent Mark Curran in the company of Mayor Howard Mahony.



The Enchanted Garden is a new event scheduled to take place nightly over a 4-week period in Shackleton Gardens.



Christmas Illuminate Fingal- the events office will report to the November Council meeting on this project.



## EVENTS Funding

Events funded in August/ September included:



### August & September F&E Funding 2022

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER F&E FUNDING 2022	
GP14 Sailing World Championship	Skerries Sailing Club
Round Rockabill Rowing Race 2022	Skerries Rowing Club
J/24 European Championships	Howth Yacht Club
Howth Roots and Blues Fest 2022	Visit Howth Peninsula Ltd t/a Howth Tourism
Summer Festival Portrane	Donabate Portrane Summer Festival
Beach Race	Rockabill Offroad Racing Ltd
Centenary Commemoration	An Garda Síochána's
Annual Flower Show	Naul Gardening & Flower Club
Thank you Ireland	Association of Ukrainians in Republic of Ireland
Cannonball 2022	Cannonball Ireland



The Events Calendar with both English and Irish versions are available to download on [www.fingal.ie](http://www.fingal.ie)

**EVENTS Calendar 2022**

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## TOURISM

### Tourism Strategy 2023 - 2029

Crowe Ireland are currently conducting a review of all Fingal Strategies related to tourism, an audit of the tourism landscape, and establishing an economic baseline, growth targets and related KPIs. The next phase will be public engagement in the form of interviews, focus groups, workshops and surveys.

### Fingal Food Network

The network met in September to discuss and agree actions to end of the year. These include an audit of the Dublin's Coast and Fields Website, opening membership for 2023, and officially launching the network. This event will allow for networking opportunities, introduce the network and benefits of membership, showcase three member food businesses, feature a guest speaker and offer local produce tasting

### Faite Ireland Collaboration

Ongoing collaboration with Fáilte Ireland continues, particularly with the Dublin Team on key projects such as the Fingal Food Tourism / Food Trail development, the Sustainable Tourism Charter for Howth and with the various tourism development groups as they work on individual projects and in preparing for submissions to the Fingal Tourism Strategy 2023 - 2029. We also work with the Fáilte Ireland press team e.g. NBC will be filming in Howth on Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup>

### Social Media Stats



Great progress was made in August with organic reach & engagement. We have been focusing on using Reels on Instagram & videos on Facebook to increase engagement.

## Dublin's Coast and Fields

Posts Reach - 15,409.

Instagram reached 6,192 people, an increase on 409% from last month.

## Love Fingal Dublin

Posts reach 110,042

## Events in Fingal

Posts reach 233,484

## HERITAGE PROPERTIES

### SWORDS CASTLE



Fingal County Council welcomed the EU Commissioner for Cohesion and Reform, Elisa Ferreira, to Swords Castle on 20th September to view the conservation works which have been undertaken to date.

These works have been supported under the European Regional Development Fund through the Southern and Eastern Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020.

### MALAHIDE CASTLE



The iconic Great Hall at Malahide Castle was officially reopened on the 16<sup>th</sup> September following significant investment by the Council, helping restore one of the finest Medieval Banqueting Halls in the country.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/vbS9ltx4Ck0>

### SKERRIES MILLS



A new Manager for Skerries Mills is due to take up duty this month. The Council wishes to convey its thanks to former Manager, Ray Hunt for all his hard work over the years in this role and wish him well in his retirement.

## THE CASINO MODEL RAILWAY MUSEUM

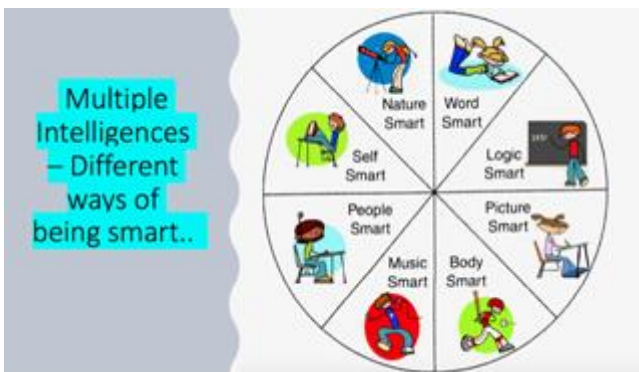


The Casino Model Railway Museum has been shortlisted in the upcoming Irish Georgian Society Awards, scheduled to take place on 20th October.

## ARTS OFFICE

### Youth & Education

### 'Sure What AM I Good At?' Tour of Fingal Primary Schools



*Sure What Am I Good At?* Is a classroom based drama and wellbeing workshop devised and delivered by professional artists Gabrielle Breathnach and Joanna Parkes. This autumn, Fingal Arts Office offer it to ten primary schools in Fingal.

This workshop explores the idea that we are all good at something, we all have different strengths and abilities that we are naturally good at. The inspiration for this workshop comes from *Howard Gardner's theory of Multiple Intelligences*, which advocates that some of these abilities and life skills are not always acknowledged within the formal education system, for example: being empathic

and able to get along with people; appreciating nature or knowing yourself.

The workshops explore personal strengths and wellbeing using an interactive approach with a combination of dramatic role-play, creative games, reflection and meditation.

### Exploring and Thinking: Research

*Exploring and Thinking* is a collaborative framework for early childhood arts in the Dublin region. In 2016 the project partners made a successful application for Arts Council funding under the *Invitation to Collaboration Scheme*. Informed by an evolving programme of work since 2016 the partnership created a Bursary Award with the aim of supporting emerging and established artists that wish to develop a practice in early childhood arts. The Partnership now wish to establish the value of the scheme and its contribution to early years practice in the Dublin area, and actions which could better support it. To this end the Partnership has engaged consultant Anne O'Gorman to deliver this research. Artists who have benefited from the scheme in 2019-2022 have responded to a carefully devised survey and are scheduled to participate on focus group meetings in October.

### Artist Paul Curley, Draiocht Theatre Artist-in-Residence School Tour





Fingal Arts Office are supporting artist Paul Curley to develop his practice as a theatre artist, to deepen his relationship with Draiocht arts centre and The Arts Council, and to create sustainable models within which he can deliver quality theatre experiences for children in schools. Paul is creating and testing ideas and projects to make live theatre experiences accessible for children in schools. Now halfway through his 12-month residency, Paul is currently presenting his mobile show *BAKE* to children aged 5- 7 years primary schools throughout Dublin 15.

### Music Generation Fingal



Following an intensive phase of relationship building with communities in Balbriggan and Lusk and the formation of a Music Educators Panel, three pilot programmes were developed and implemented.

Young People with special needs were invited to experiment with *Soundbeam technology*, which uses sensor technology to translate movement into music and sound. Drums were used to practise and coordinate group exercises. These exercises were then translated to the switches and sensors,

allowing the group to play together on multiple programmed instruments and with a backing track. Two musician educators led the sessions and another programme utilising this technology will commence in October. This follows the success of the initial summer introductory programme and positive feedback from participants, volunteers and management.

Young people aged 14-18 years from Balbriggan Youth Service participated in a *Rap & Song Development programme*. The programme focused on Lyric writing, Vocal technique, brainstorming musical ideas, song writing, collaborating with instrumentation and voice, how to record with Reaper software (the basics), Sampling, Basic performance & recording with instruments, producing and mixing a track. Two Musician Educators were employed to run the sessions. The young people involved produced an original track. Participants feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with requests for another programme of the same very soon.

A Drum Project at Oberstown Detention Centre is prepared to be delivered by professional musicians from the music Educators Panel Oct - Dec 2022.

### Public Art - Infrastructure



The premiere film screening of *Echo's Bones* will be launched by the Mayor of Fingal, Councillor Howard Mahony, at the Light House Cinema, Smithfield on Saturday 8th October.

*Echo's Bones* is an ambitious two-year collaborative filmmaking project, led by artist Sarah Browne, with a group of autistic young people, in Fingal, commissioned under Fingal County Council's Infrastructure 2017 – 2021 Public Art Programme. The film was developed in 2021, with thirteen young people aged between 16 and 22, through a series of online workshops involving creative writing, acting, composition and filmmaking. *Echo's Bones* takes its title from an unpublished short story by Samuel Beckett set in Fingal in the 1930s. Due to popular demand an additional screening will take place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

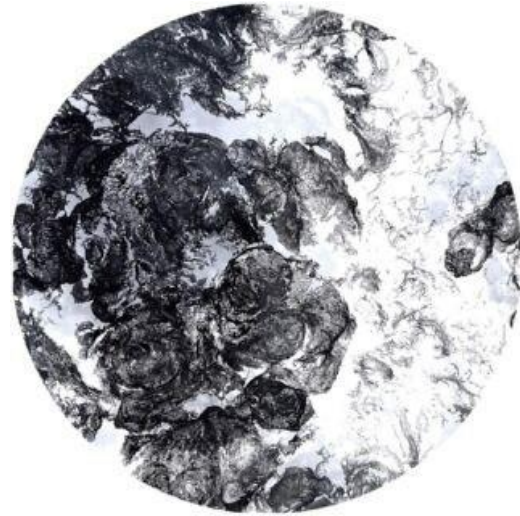
**Fingal Arts Office Awards**

**Fingal County Council and RHA Studio Award**



Eleanor McCaughey, a visual artist working in mixed media installation, is the successful recipient of the Fingal County Council and RHA Studio Award. The award provides a funded studio space for a period of one year and offers the recipient an opportunity to develop their practice within the institutional framework of the RHA. Eleanor will commence her residency at the RHA in October.

**Fingal County Council and Graphic Studio Dublin Fine Art Print Residency**



The Fingal County Council Fine Art Print Residency at Graphic Studio Dublin was recently awarded to Maree Hensey and Deborah Hewson. These residencies offer professional artists, at all stages of their careers, the opportunity to make a fine art print with the master printer Robert Russell at Graphic Studio Dublin. The two-week long residencies will provide an ideal environment for the development of a creative project in printmaking and an opportunity to network with other artists. Maree Hensey will commence her residency in October.

**Fingal Artist in Residence at MART**



The Fingal Artist in Residence at MART opportunity will be announced in October. Fingal County Council Arts Office in partnership with MART offer this Graduate Award which aims to support the

professional development of recent graduates from Fingal. This opportunity includes:

12 Months Free Studio at MART Studios Harolds Cross - beginning January 2023

A place in MART's Annual Awards Exhibition, where the artist will join a group exhibition and receive an artist fee and some materials, technical and marketing support.

### Culture Night

There was a great response to Culture Night Fingal on Friday 23rd September. Audiences of all ages enjoyed an exciting programme of free cultural events at participating venues and locations in Fingal. A variety of music, dance, poetry, performance, art, tours and talks were specifically programmed, highlighting the wealth of cultural facilities and talented people in the locality. Images below capture some of the events that took place at Blanchardstown Library, Draíocht, Our Balbriggan, Ardgillan Castle and the Irish Institute of Music and Song.

### Blanchardstown



## Balbriggan



## LIBRARIES

### Launch of My Open Library at Baldoyle Library

The new My Open Library (MOL) service at Baldoyle Library was officially launched by the Mayor of Fingal, Cllr. Howard Mahony, on Monday 19th September. The My Open Library service offers extended opening hours, providing library access to members from 8:00am to 10:00pm, 365 days per year. Regular staffed hours on the normal schedule continue to ensure optimum delivery of the service, support for service users and community engagement. The staffed hours, combined with the extended My Open Library hours, allow library members to access the library at times that suit them, particularly for those who may not be able to access the library during regular staffed times. Members of the public can sign up to become a My Open Library member at Baldoyle Library during staffed hours. For more information visit <https://www.fingal.ie/my-open-library-baldoyle-library>



### **Skerries Library to Open Every Weekend**

Fingal Libraries Department is pleased to announce increased opening hours at Skerries Library commencing Friday 30th September 2022. Skerries Library will now open every Friday and Saturday, enhancing accessibility at the Library and allowing library staff to engage further with the community. In June, Skerries Library relocated to a temporary library at 56 Church Street which offers a full range of library services. The temporary library will remain open during the renovation and extension of the Carnegie Library.

### **Fingal Festival of Children’s Literature**

Fingal’s first Festival of Children’s Literature was a huge success comprising of 35 events, involving every Fingal Library and reaching 12 schools, engaging with hundreds of children in the Fingal area. The actual festival day consisted of an action-packed day of fun and discovery with over 600 children and their families attending free talks and workshops at Swords Castle on Saturday 17 September. Children loved meeting many of Ireland’s best authors and illustrators, and with circus performers, face painters, Lego and arts and crafts workshops, everyone left with imaginations bursting. The book gifting element of the festival was very much appreciated by the families and the authors. Every child who attended the event was gifted with a free book, making it a unique and popular aspect of the festival. There was so much positive feedback on the day and subsequent days, with one mother and daughter declaring it “the best day ever”.



### **Culture Night at Fingal Libraries**

Culture Night at Fingal Libraries was enjoyed by both young and old with events running at 3 library locations: Fingal Local Studies & Archives, Blanchardstown and Malahide Library. It was Fingal Local Studies first time to open on Culture Night and over 40 people enjoyed the tour which included a look at some of Fingal Libraries most popular historical collections. At Blanchardstown and Malahide Library, audiences enjoyed a variety of cultural events including storytelling, music, and dance. Blanchardstown Library was delighted to welcome the Mayor of Fingal, Cllr. Howard Mahony to launch the proceedings on the night. With over 1,000 people attending both events, Library staff and the local communities celebrated together the wealth of culture that Fingal has to offer.





## The Write Time Festival

Autumn got under way at Fingal Libraries with The Write Time, a creative writing programme of events which ran throughout September. This year's festival embraced all aspects of Fingal with inclusion being the main theme across the series of free workshops. Award-winning writer Anne McDonald curated the creative writing programme and produced a broad range of inspiring online and in-person workshops which were well attended across the branches.

## Fingal Festival of History

Fingal's sixth annual Festival of History will run from Monday 10th to Saturday 15th October 2022 across a number of Fingal branches, and Swords Castle. After two years of online talks and events Fingal Libraries welcome back live audiences. The programme this year is a celebration of the abundance of historians who live within Fingal and who have researched numerous facets of Fingal life. Explore the full programme of events in the Fingal Festival of History brochure <https://www.fingal.ie/news/fingal-festival-history-2022>

## Employment Skills Workshop for Ukrainians

Over the last number of months Baldoyle Library has been delighted to welcome many members of our new Ukrainian community to free English classes as well as to a weekly English conversation group. Following on from feedback from the community, the Library organised an Employment Skills Workshop for Ukrainians on Monday 19th September. The event was sponsored by the Europe Direct Centre which is based at Blanchardstown Library. Jill Barrett, an accredited Leadership Coach and Trainer facilitated an inclusive and interactive workshop suitable for those seeking full-time or part-time work in Ireland. The workshop covered topics such as CVs, cover letters, application forms and how to get to grips with the current Irish jobs market. Feedback from the facilitator and the participants was extremely positive.

## New Fingal Libraries Mobile Stop at Castleknock Community Centre

Fingal Libraries have introduced a new mobile stop at Castleknock Community Centre. The first visit occurred on Thursday 15th September and visits will continue on alternate Thursdays.

Fingal Mobile Libraries have also established a new school stop at Danu Community Special School in Blanchardstown. Danu CSS is a secondary school for children with special learning needs. The first visit to the school was on Friday 16th September and visits will continue on a monthly basis.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### Fingal Skills Strategy



The Fingal Skills Strategy Implementation Group met on the 6<sup>th</sup> September and commenced planning for a Student Skills Expo in 2023.

The Green Skills and Construction sub-groups met in person in September and advanced work on their objectives, mapping course provision and surveys.

The Council has been engaging with Balbriggan Chamber and local businesses to provide mentoring assistance to secondary schools in Balbriggan and is seeking mentors from the community to support students in participating schools. Mentoring training is being provided through the Trinity Access Programme in October (online or in-person).



### Urbact Playful Towns



The Rush Urbact Local Group (ULG) met to plan a programme of Halloween Events which will be promoted during October.

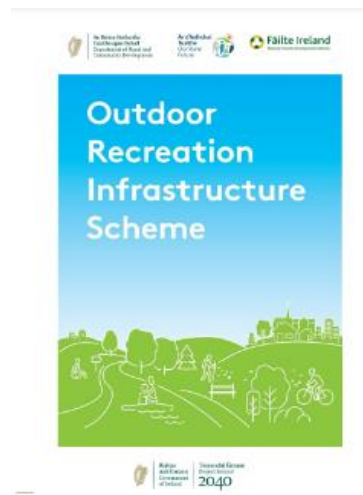
Local estates made use of the Let's Play Rush Playbags, running spontaneous play events.

Project Term: 24 months  
Partners: Cities in Romania; Spain; Greece; Cyprus; Slovenia; Croatia & Italy  
Funding Awarded to FCC as a project partner: €18,500

### 2. InclusEU

This project aims to encourage volunteer action as a social response for an inclusive Europe.

Project Term: 24 months  
Partners: Cities in Spain; Romania; Netherlands; Poland; Hungary; Portugal & Italy  
Funding Awarded to FCC as a project partner: €18,500



### Outdoor Recreational Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS)

The Department of Rural & Community Development under the Outdoor Recreational Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) is providing funding of €23,400 to support the Castleknock Historical Walking Trail.

Turner & Townsend and Langan Engineers have been appointed to carry out a Feasibility Study for a tidal swimming pool/sea-swimming platform in Balbriggan with ORIS funding support of €50,000.

ORIS is also providing funding of €28,800 for enhancements to the Balbriggan Historical Walking Trail.



Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values programme

### Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme (CERV)

CERV is an EU Funding Programme for citizens' engagement and the implementation of EU rights and values. Fingal County Council has been awarded CERV funding to participate in 2 separate projects:

1. Green IT Your Work  
The project aims to encourage young people in the green transition & promote green jobs.



## Sustainable Fingal

The Council is working with SEAI Energy Academy to encourage businesses to apply for the Support Scheme for Energy Audits (SSEA) to access a €2,000 voucher towards the cost of a high-quality energy audit to help reduce energy bills. Further information on the grant is available at: <https://www.seai.ie/business-and-public-sector/small-and-medium-business/supports/energy-audits/>



## Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor

Fingal County Council has been awarded €150,000 by the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage under the Shared Island Local Authority Development Funding Scheme for a Feasibility Study for the development of regional innovation/enterprise hubs along the Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor. The Council is leading on the project with the support of the eight local authorities and two universities of the DBEC partnership.

## Our Balbriggan 2019 - 2025 Rejuvenation Plan - A Socio-Economic Strategy



The Our Balbriggan Programme Office continues to support the Leadership Group and its five pillars, who meet regularly, to progress work across a range of economic and social measures including: Growing the Local Economy, Public Realm & Infrastructure, Education, Skills & Employment, Community Integration, Health & Well Being and Community Safety. The Leadership Group, Chaired by Professor Brian MacCraith, met on September 28<sup>th</sup> to provide further oversight and stewardship for the plan's implementation.

An information update will be provided to all households and businesses in Balbriggan in Q4 detailing progress and anticipated completions across all physical elements.



The proposed re-development for Quay Street and Harbour is currently in part 8 planning process. Public Consultations were held between 7<sup>th</sup> July and 19<sup>th</sup> August, with 100 submissions received. Due to present to full Council in October on the advent of its approval works would be anticipated to commence on site in Q1 2024.

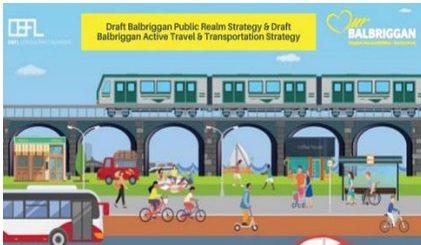


In advance of the full transformation of the Harbour (former O'Sheas Night Club) the site has been levelled out to create a 'meanwhile space'. Steel Corten planters with timber framed seating will be affixed in October and the area planted. A temporary tarmac finish has been installed to make the area safe and to allow pedestrian access only.

Paul Keogh Architects, the appointed Integrated Design Team (IDT) for 2-4 Dublin Street, are progressing Stage 2a Detailed Design. The renovation of these buildings include the provision of artistic studios, a Creative & Digital Hub, a public courtyard, and a gallery/multifunctional space. Internal and external consultations are ongoing with full public design display scheduled end Q4 2022.



DBFL Consulting Engineers, Our Balbriggan Active Travel and Transport Consultants, are progressing final preparations on a Balbriggan Draft Active Travel & Transportation Plan. DBFL are working closely with Paul Hogarth Company (Masterplanning Consultants) who are developing in tandem a Balbriggan Public Realm Strategy and Design Guide to ensure coherent, effective, sustainable transformative development.



Malachy Walsh & Partners have been appointed as the Consultant Engineer Design Team to deliver a small works package of improvements to the Harbour. Contractors for the works package to upgrade and enhance the facilities and amenities of the harbour are anticipated on site in Q4 2022, for completion in Q1 2023. Funding of €289,000 for this project was secured by Operations Dept. in April 2022 from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine. It is anticipated further upgrades and funding will follow for improvements including dredging of the harbour.



The Our Balbriggan Hub opened its doors to celebrate Culture Night 2022 Balbriggan and marked the occasion with a special photographic exhibition featuring 17 images captured by local photographers each of whom were presented with a framed Artwork Piece by local artist Alison O'Grady by the Deputy Lord Mayor Cathal Boland. Other highlights throughout the evening included the North Fingal Comhaltas Ceoltóiri Eireann – Craobh na Mara who held a musical performance on Georges Square, also a popup venue provided a stage where the local artistic community were

involved in curating artistic, spoken word and musical workshops throughout the evening.

The Our Balbriggan Office continues to generate regular and unique content across all social media (SM) channels, Facebook (FB), Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn.

### Local & Rural Development



### **FINGAL LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

The Fingal LCDC continues to oversee and administer the key areas of LEADER and SICAP and the various Local Development and Community Development funding programmes under its remit. The LCDC also manages the Healthy Ireland Initiative and the Social Enterprise Grants Scheme.



### **FINGAL LOCAL ECONOMIC COMMUNITY PLAN 2022-27**

The Guidelines for preparing new LECs have been published by the Department of Rural and Community Development. The new Fingal LEC will be a 'Whole-of-Council Plan' and will involve extensive consultation and engagement with internal and external stakeholders. Introductory seminars on the statutory role, consultation process and suggested thematic areas to be addressed in the new LEC have been held online and recordings of these can be viewed on the Department of Rural & Community Development's website.



### **SICAP**

The 2022 Fingal SICAP Programme has seen a considerable increase in budget to €1.39 million for 2022.

The resources and staff of the Fingal SICAP Programme have been leveraged to assist with the Ukrainian Refugee Crisis. The SICAP Programme continues to help in the response to this crisis and is a central resource to the work of the Ukrainian Refugee Community Response Forum. Additional funding has been received from the DRCD to help with the delivery of services to Ukrainian Refugees in Fingal and additional staffing resources from the Ukrainian community have been employed on the ground to assist with this.

The annual engagement meeting between the Fingal LCDC and Pobal will be held in October to review 2022 and to plan for 2023.



### **LEADER PROGRAMME**

The Dublin Rural LEADER Local Action Group and the Dublin Rural LEADER Programme continues to deliver funding and support to eligible projects in the administrative areas of Fingal, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown and South Dublin.

The updated 2021/22 Transitional Funding Arrangements for the LEADER Programme cover both projects funding and administration funding for the period April 2021 – December 2022. Funding is available for LEADER Project Applications under the categories of Rural Enterprise, Social Inclusion and Rural Environment. Historically, Fingal Projects comprise

65-70% of the total LEADER Projects approved, roughly corresponding to Fingal's share of the Dublin Rural LEADER Geographical Area. Under the Transitional Arrangements the Dublin Rural LEADER LAG and LEADER Programme will continue to be funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development under the same eligibility and LEADER implementation rules as before. LEADER continues to approve and fund new projects as usual. The most recent LAG Meeting was held in September.

The Total number of projects approved under the 2021/22 Transition Programme to date is 27. Fingal accounts for 88% of total projects approved in the Transition Programme.

A new Renewable Energy Training Programme will be delivered in Q4 of 2022. Advertisement and registration for this course has taken place.

Smart Village Training has commenced for LAG Members, Independent Evaluation Committee Members and Executive Staff. This training will be rolled out across community groups in advance of the next LEADER Programme. Two new Rural Development Officers were appointed in Fingal LEADER recently increasing the capacity of the LAG to implement the agreed programme.

The DRCD has announced details of the new LEADER Programme from 2023 and the selection process for LAGs to implement the new programme. The Dublin Rural LEADER LAG will endeavour to maximise the levels of funding secured for Rural Dublin in the new programme.

## ENTERPRISE CENTRES

Fingal's Enterprise Centres continue to participate in ConnectedHubs.ie .

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All three Enterprise Centres currently have space available to start-up businesses and businesses/individuals who wish to avail of remote working options and facilities. Bespoke options or generic office fit-outs can be considered.

Occupancy rates at the Council's three enterprise centres at the end of September were all over 90%. The three Enterprise Centres currently support 65 businesses and over 320 direct jobs.

Drinan Enterprise Centre was successful in its application to the recent Connected Hubs Funding Call. Drinan secured €75,000, the maximum available through the funding call. The approved funding will develop and enhance the existing remote working facilities, making the remote hub more attractive to remote workers. This will involve the addition of 8 new work zones bringing to 10 the number of remote work zones that will be available at the centre. There will be enhanced and individualised secure wi-fi access per zone desk, with upgrades to the standard of desks available, new secure lockers and new zone décor. A new Creative Studio is to be incorporated into the internal building improvements. Externally, new electric charging points are to be added with new solar panels to address sustainability, generate electricity for the remote working hub and to reduce operational costs.



Demand for the new Remote Working Hubs in BASE and Beat remain strong particularly after the Connected Free Voucher Scheme during August. A second Connected Hubs Free Voucher Scheme has now also been launched.

During September, Fingal County Council was approved for €50,000 in new funding to promote Remote Working Hubs in the County under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme Marketing Measure.

### Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2022

The 2022 Town and Village Renewal Scheme was launched in early Summer by the Department of Rural & Community Development. As in previous years, Fingal County Council sought expressions of interest from Community Groups / Promoters for potential projects in Fingal, that could be submitted for funding to the DRCD. A number of projects were submitted for consideration by the DRCD in the following Towns and Villages: Balrothery, Portmarnock, Donabate, Ballyboughal, Garristown, Naul, Loughshinny, Oldtown and Portrane. The outcome of this application process is awaited.

### Streetscape Enhancement Scheme 2022

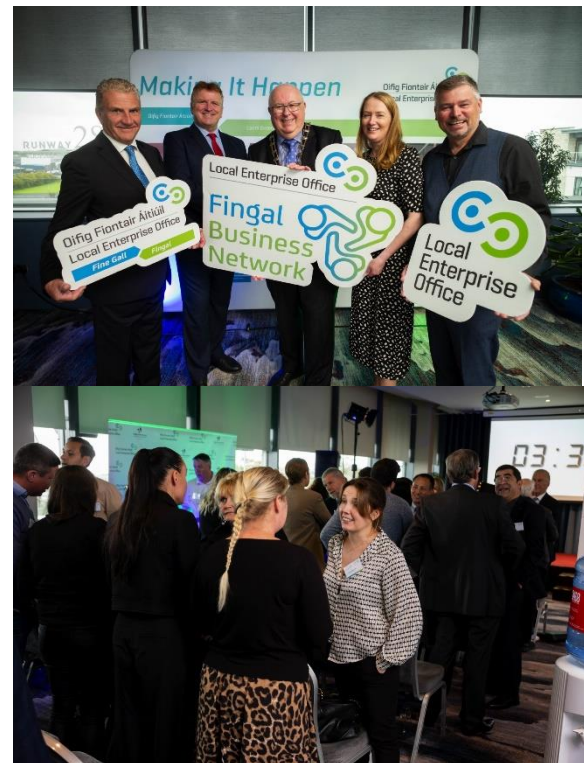
The DRCD approved the nomination of Rush as a selected town for funded streetscape enhancement projects. Residents, businesses and community groups in Rush were asked during September to apply with expressions of interest for grants for various enhancement measures such as painting, shopfront repair, signage, lighting and planting. Projects will be 80% funded by the DRCD, with 20% co-funding from Fingal County Council. The maximum funding per building is €10,000 overall. The Local Development Section is

currently engaging with groups in Rush further to expressions of interest received.



LEO Fingal provides a broad suite of support services to stimulate enterprise and enable small businesses to succeed. Some of the LEO highlights for September 2022 are as follows:

### Fingal Business Network



Fingal Local Enterprise Office launched the Fingal Business Network on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Fingal Mayor Cllr Howard Mahony launched the new “Fingal Business Network” on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> of September at the Carlton Hotel, Dublin Airport. Motivational Speaker Paul McNeive was on hand to detail his own journey in rehabilitation hospital and how he now sources motivation and positivity in his life. Facilitated by Noel Davidson, the networking event provided over 100 attendees

with the opportunity to connect with other like-minded entrepreneurs in a relaxed and supportive setting. The Network is aimed at owner/managers of small and medium businesses in the Fingal area to encourage information sharing, discussion, peer to peer learning and facilitated networking among local businesses.

### Fingal Export Development Programme



A new export development programme has been launched by Fingal LEO running throughout Q4 2022. The programme is aimed at preparing SMEs to be 'export ready' by improving their strategy, sales & marketing, business planning, productivity, and leadership capabilities. The programme will deliver a suite of workshops, one-to-one mentoring sessions, and toolkits that will support SMEs in developing their business capabilities to engage in new markets and export opportunities culminating in an export plan. The overall programme will aim to embed an understanding of the core business skills essential for SMEs to compete more effectively in new export markets.

### Fingal Training Schedule underway



LEO Fingal has hit the ground running in September as business training was resumed alongside a host of events throughout the month. We kicked off the first in-person Start Your Own Business course since training went online due to Covid on September 13th 2022 in the Business Training Facility in County Hall Swords. Other training in September included Financial, Digital Marketing & Lean courses amongst other topics.

### Trading Online Voucher Scheme



An initiative under the Government's National Digital Strategy, the TOV (Trading Online Voucher) scheme continues to support small businesses by allowing them to enhance their online offering by providing a grant of up to €2,500 for ecommerce and digital marketing activities. 87 applications have been approved in 2022, in the amount of €183,114.00



The next TOV Seminar will take place on Friday 11th November 2022 in the RIASC Centre. There is still strong interest in E-trading with applications and approvals running at nearly double pre-covid years.



## Fingal Enterprising Women Network



Fingal's Female Entrepreneurs were out in force on Thursday, the 8th of September for a special friendship-themed event "Circle of Friends" at The Portmarnock Hotel and Golf Links, Portmarnock, Co. Dublin. The networking event, hosted by Local Enterprise Office Fingal, presented a fantastic opportunity for businesswomen to mingle with like-minded entrepreneurs and form valuable friendships. Friendship circles was the topic of the day, with a series of keynote speakers including Wendy Stunt, Allison Keating, Amy Herbert and Caroline St. Leger sharing their extensive expertise and emphasising the importance of having a reliable circle of friends to source support from on their individual business journeys.

## Evaluation and Approvals Committee

The August Evaluation and Approvals Committee (EVAC) meeting took place on Wednesday the 28th of September. Eight applications were approved for grant assistance totalling €141,750. Year to date, 39 applications have been approved for a total of €882,645. The next EVAC meeting will take place on Wednesday the 26th of October.

## Business Advice Clinics and Mentoring

Business Advice Clinics and mentoring services continue to be offered online and now have an option for clients to meet in person in the Business Advice Clinic based in County Hall, Swords. In September 2022, 9 Business Advice Clinic days were held, offering advice and support to 77 clients in Fingal. In addition, clients are continuing to receive one to one business mentoring with our panel of mentors and 332 Fingal clients have received this mentoring to date in 2022.

## Student Enterprise Programme



Fingal's Student Entrepreneurs gathered at County Hall today to launch the 2022/23 Fingal Student Enterprise Programme. 20 Second level schools with over 1,000 students across Fingal have already signed up to participate in this year's programme. The savvy students will develop their own actual businesses, researching, resourcing, trading services and products, with the guidance of business mentors. Joining the Mayor of Fingal Cllr Howard Mahony were Chief Executive of Fingal County Council AnnMarie Farrelly and Head of Enterprise Oisin Geoghegan to launch this year's programme included last year's Fingal Student winners as well as sponsors of the Fingal competition.

## Microfinance Ireland Loans

LEO Fingal provides a loan scheme through its partnership with Microfinance Ireland, with "soft" loans of up to €25,000. LEO Fingal is actively promoting the availability of loans from businesses that have difficulty raising finance from their bank. 11 applications have been processed, assessed and submitted to MFI (Microfinance Ireland) in 2022 year to date.

## Showcase Ireland



Local Enterprise Office Fingal is continuing our support and commitment of the Home & Gift, Fashion and Jewellery sectors by offering a limited number of exhibition spaces to clients at Showcase 2023. LEO Fingal is currently accepting online applications from interested clients who wish to exhibit at Showcase 2023 and following a selection process, a number of stands will be offered to qualifying Fingal based craft/design businesses. Showcase Ireland 2023 will take place from 22nd – 24th January, 2023 at the RDS, Dublin. Showcase is presented by Design & Crafts Council Ireland, Enterprise Ireland and Local Enterprise Offices and supported by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment. This four-day trade show is recognised as one Ireland's largest international trade shows and offers manufacturers, designers and craft makers the opportunity to exhibit their new collections.

### National Ploughing Championships 2022



The Local Enterprise Office network hosted a Local Enterprise Village in the heart of the Ploughing Championships to provide an opportunity for clients to take full advantage of this unique consumer event. Donabate-based Designworks Photography represented Fingal at the event and reported strong success.

# OPERATIONS & WATER SERVICES

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## Works Programmes

### Balbriggan/Swords Area

#### Overflow Car Parking - Newbridge Demesne

An unused area to the rear of the sports pitches in Newbridge Demesne has been surfaced with a stone surfacing to cater for additional car parking generated by sports clubs using the Demesne. This is to provide a temporary solution to the winter months parking issues until the official overflow car park is fully upgraded. New access has been provided through the existing access on Cobbe's Lane via the Dog Off Leash Area. It is now planned to complete the entry and exit into the dog off leash area with dedicated and secure entrance and exit points.



### Ward River Valley Park – Public Toilet and Temporary Changing Room Provision

As part of the installation of the new All-Weather Sports Area in the Ward River Valley Park, the unused storage containers have been removed and are being replaced with temporary changing rooms and public toilets until a more permanent building is in place. The changing room units will be under the control of the sports clubs sharing the sports facility and the public toilets will be managed and maintained as part of the public toilet provision managed by the Operations Department.



### Ward River Valley Park – Refurbishment of Steps Contract commences

Contract has commenced on site with the removal and replacement of the first set out of 3 of the woodland steps in the Ward River Valley Park. The first set of steps is adjacent to Highfield Estate.



### Portrane – Replacement Bollards

As part of the 2022 Programme of Works all existing older wooden bollards along the sea front have been replaced. The scheme will be finished with a cobbled edge between the edge of path and rear of bollard to give a cleaner mowing grass edge.



### Rathbeale Road, Swords – New Landscaping Scheme

As part of the 2022 Programme of Works this important entrance area to Swords on the Rathbeale Road is being relandscaped in a scheme agreed with Swords Tidy Towns





### **Skerries - Springers Swimming Area - Railing Refurbishment**

As part of ongoing refurbishment works to the swimming areas in Skerries a full re-painting of all exiting railings has been completed at the Springers Swimming Area. It is planned to continue with painting at The Captains Swimming area in the coming months.



### **Beach Showers - Rush South Beach & Balbriggan Beach**

As part of the continuing Beach infrastructure Improvements, two new beach showers have been installed at Rush South Beach and Balbriggan Beach. Additional surfacing works will be carried out around the base of the showers over the winter months.



### South Beach Rush – New Path

As part of the 2022 Programme of Works a new access path has been installed across the open space linking the car park to South Shore Road.



### Howth/Malahide Area

#### Parks

#### Kettles Park New walking route installed.

60 meters pedestrian pathway is now complete. The all-weather pathway allows walkers to follow a route along the boundary of the park with access from the car park.



### Cleansing Crew – Swords Area

Recent large scale cleansing crew tasks have included removal of fly tipping at Rolestown. Clean up on Swords Main Street and finally large-scale dumping at Holywell.



## Depot Works

The Roads Operations Crew for Howth Malahide replaced defective footpaths on Dungriffin Road in Howth prior to the road being overlaid on the 2022 Roads POW.



The roads crews also upgraded the entrance to Portmarnock Sports and Leisure Club prior to it being Inlaid by a contractor as part of the 2022 Capital Works Programme. The original entrance was narrow and there was no safe route for pedestrians to access the leisure centre.



The Roads Crew installed footpaths and removed the large pillars to give pedestrians a safe route into the sports and leisure centre. The works made access and egress safer for cyclists and pedestrians. They also installed drop kerbs in the centre carpark to facilitate the installation of pedestrian access to the building and the various pitches.



The crews in the cemeteries continued landscaping works levelling and spreading grass seed on graves in Balgriffin Cemetery





Parks Crews continued cutting meadows that had been left to grow over the Summer for biodiversity.



## Programme of Works

The full length of Dungriffin Road in Howth was inlaid.



The Carpark at the Portmarnock Sports and Leisure Centre was inlaid. Line markings are to



commence on the 29.09.2022 at 7pm. This will facilitate the new traffic and pedestrian routes.



The inlaying of a 1.6km section of Stockhole Lane from the Cloghran Roundabout to Baskin Lane has commenced and is progressing well. The structural repairs have been completed and the inlay will commence on the 3/10/2022.



### Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area

#### Accessible Calisthenics Outdoor Gyms

Equipment installed in Tír na nÓg Park in Carpenterstown and Waterville Park in Blanchardstown as part of the Capital Works Programme.





### Shackelton's Gardens

Recent tour of Shackelton's Gardens for 12 members of the CRC, given by Gilbert DeJong.



### Premier Business Park

Before and after photos showing flail works at Premier Business Park.



### Tree Works on Old Navan Road

Before and after photos of Old Navan Road cycle path following the tree crew clearing the cycle path.



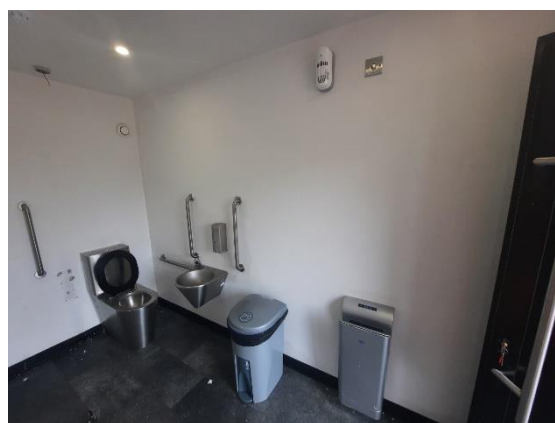
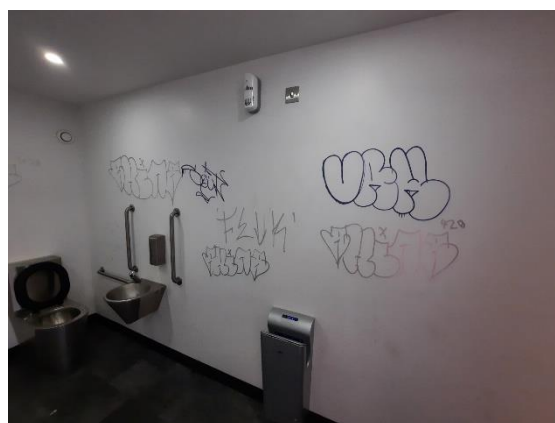
## Fortlawn Community Centre

Re-lining of beds at Fortlawn Community Centre.



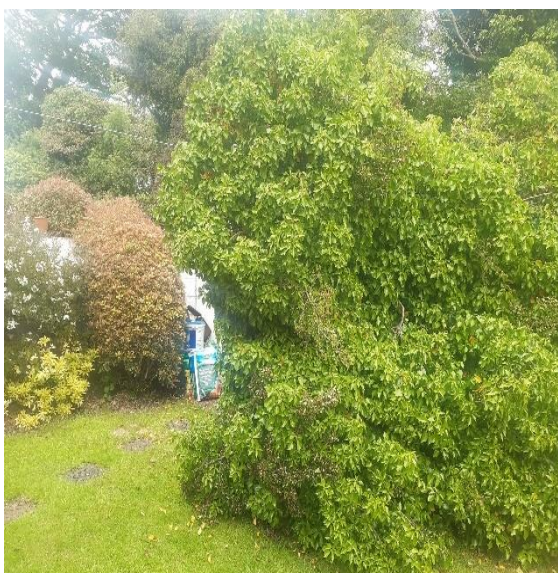
## Graffiti

Graffiti removed from toilets in Millennium Park.



## Emergency Tree Works

Removal and clean-up of tree that fell into back garden of house on Delwood Road from the open space at Glenville Garth.



## Pitches

Area around Cricket Pitch in Tyrrelstown that has been re-laid after damage caused to this area.

## Planting

Perennial flower beds planted at Blakestown Drive, Clonsilla Road, Lanesborough Roundabout and Church View.



### Car Park at St. Catherine's Park Lucan

New Bod Pave surfacing in St. Catherine's Park.



### Stone Wall at Millennium Park Blanchardstown



### Hartstown Park

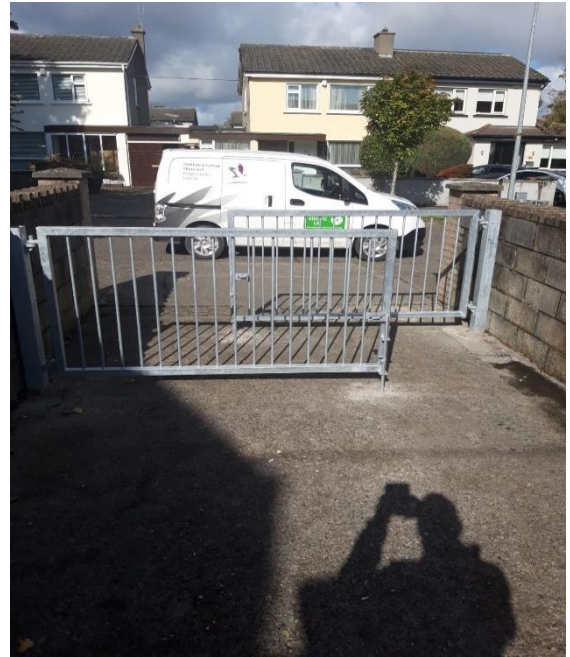
New Agility trail built through woodland in Hartstown Park.





## Woodview Grove

New swing barriers at Woodview Grove



## Coolmine Recycling Centre

New line marking at Coolmine Recycling Centre



## Castleknock Downs

Footpath works at Castleknock Downs.



## Meakstown

New signs at Meakstown, installed in conjunction with local residents and community groups.



## Countywide

### Joint Policing Committee Public Meetings

The annual series of Joint Policing Committee Public meetings started on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September with the Public Meeting for Balbriggan area and continued on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September in Blanchardstown. Both meetings were well attended and plenty of engagement and discussion with the attendees and Gardaí and Local Authority officials.



Bracken Court, Balbriggan



Crowne Plaza, Blanchardstown

Further meetings will take place in October

- **Wed 5<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm to 8.30pm** – Grand Hotel, Malahide – for Swords, Malahide, Santry, Portmarnock, Portrane, Donabate areas.
- **Thu 20<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm to 8.30pm** – Marine Hotel Sutton – for Howth, Sutton and Baldoyle (parts of) and area.

This is an opportunity for members of the public to come along to meet with their local Gardaí and Fingal County Council staff to discuss policing and safety issues in their locality.

All documentation and presentations to Fingal JPC are available on the Fingal Website at [www.fingal.ie/JPC](http://www.fingal.ie/JPC)

### Car Parking Services

#### August 2022

There was a total of 1,862 parking tickets issued during August 2022.

Breakdown of Parking Offences:

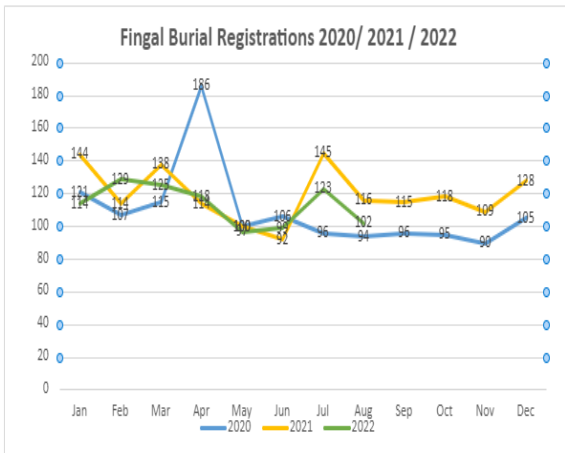
Breakdown of Parking Offences	Total	Percentage
Footpath/Grass Margin/Median Strip	547	29.38%
Prohibited Place (Loading bay/SYL/DYL)	261	14.02%
P&D/Permit Parking Area	749	40.23%
Disabled Parking Bay	20	1.07%
Other (Bus stop, Bus Lane, Cycle Track, School Entrance, Traffic signals and Clearway)	285	15.31%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1862</b>	<b>100%</b>



### Burial Ground Services

The Operations Department are continuing to administer and monitor delivery to ensure business continuity for Fingal's Burial Ground Service. There were 102 Internments in August 2022.

The draft Burial Ground Bye-Laws were on public display until 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and will be brought to the Area Meetings in November.



**New Road Lining Contract**



**Swords – Bridge Street @ Castle Shopping Ctr – New Yellow Box Lining**

**Traffic Operations County-wide**

Works are ongoing to deliver the Programme of Works across all areas.

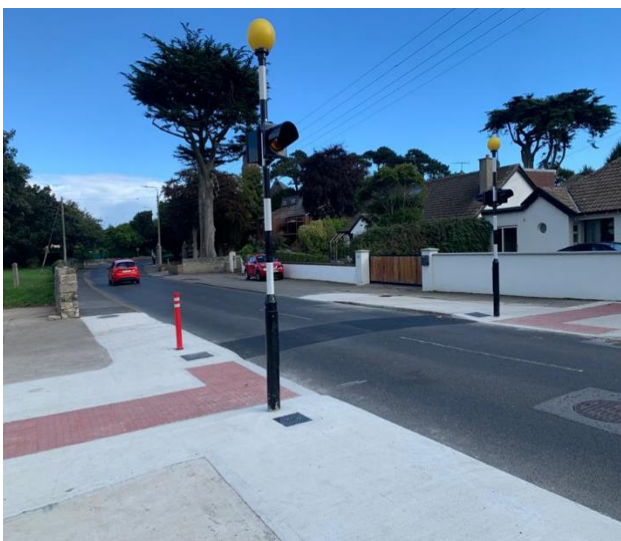
**Balbriggan/Swords Area**

**Signals Contract**

New Pedestrian Crossing Contract Works commenced at Miller’s Lane near Skerries Mills. The works include new zebra crossing and footpath improvement works.



**Garristown- New double yellow lining at St. Mary's National School**



**Skerries- Miller’s Lane Pedestrian Crossing works in progress**

**New Road Lining & Traffic Calming Contract**







**Donabate - Beaverstown Road @ Educate Together - Traffic Calming Ramps & School Lining**



**Junction upgrade at Snugborough Road and Grove Road**

**Road Lining Contract**

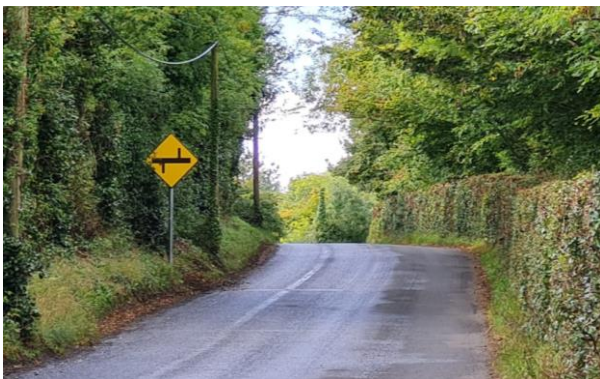


**Lusk- New Traffic Calming Ramps at Minister's Road works in progress**

**New Traffic Signs**



**The road lining was refreshed outside St. Mochta's National School on both the Porterstown Road and the Clonsilla Road**



**R129 - New Warning Sign installed**

**Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area**

**New Signals Contract**

Works were completed in August at the junction of Snugborough Road and Grove Road in June. The works include significant civils upgrade works to all crossings and new LED traffic lights.



**The central island on the R135 at Coolquay Gateway has been fully painted yellow to endorse visibility of the island when approaching the gateway**

## Howth/Malahide Area

### Road Lining Contract



Burrowfield Road, Sutton to prevent illegal parking on the footpath



Lauders Lane to improve Traffic flows to Burrow Beach



Low Rock Malahide to prevent blockage of residential access



Lining of Kettles Park, Kettles Lane for parking

Concrete Kerbing Works to assist pedestrian movements

- Carrickbrack Road - Heath Junction



During Works



After Works

- Junction of Shielmartin Road



During Works



After Works

**Feltrim Road and Aspen Road**

Removal of Maple trees by junction and widening of pedestrian kerbing to road to improve pedestrian access



Before



After

**Junction of Hill Drive and Drumnigh Road (R124)**

On site assistance provided to Road maintenance section in providing for new kerbing and tactile layout





Testing of Balbriggan main streets new LED system under way

### Fleet Management & Plant Hire Unit

108 hires were put in place from 1st September 2022 to 29th September 2022, engaging 27 suppliers.

Fully Electric Woodchipper purchased for Operations Dept.



Phase two of Pine Grove, Swords trial motion activation lighting system under construction



### Street Lighting LED Programme

The Public Lighting Section will continue with the LED Programme in 2022 with 96% of all lights switched to LEDs.

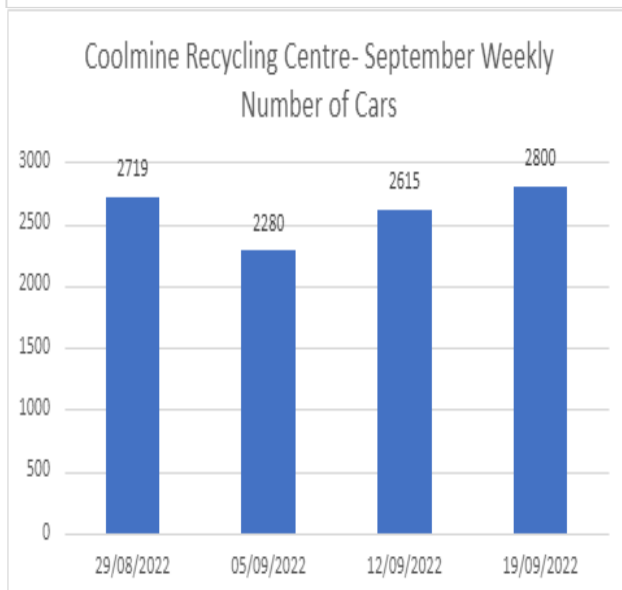
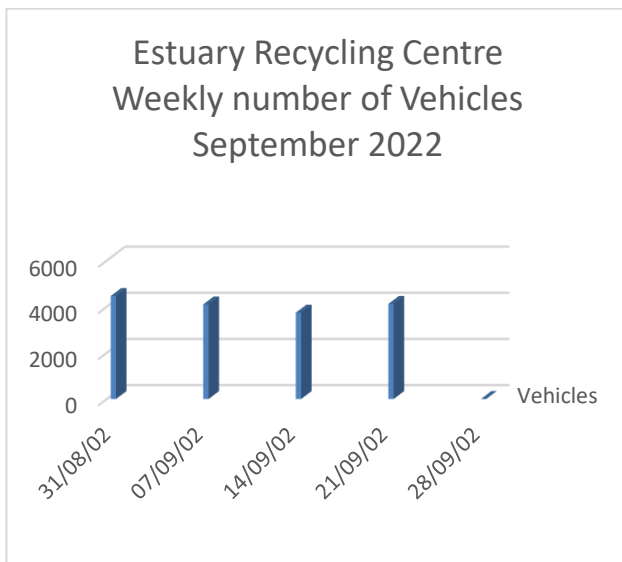


Hands Lane Lusk gets new lighting system



Watery Lane, Swords gets EV (Electric Vehicle) upgrade

### Recycling Centre's Update



The Review of Pricing and the provision of Free Bulky Waste Service at Coolmine and Estuary Recycling Centres was completed and was presented to the Transportation and Infrastructure SPC on the 6<sup>th</sup> of September 2022. The report will go to the Environment and Climate Action SPC in October and the 3 Area Committees in November. The report will then go to the full Council in December. The Council will be making budget provision for an increase in charges for 2023 in line with pricing in adjoining local authorities.

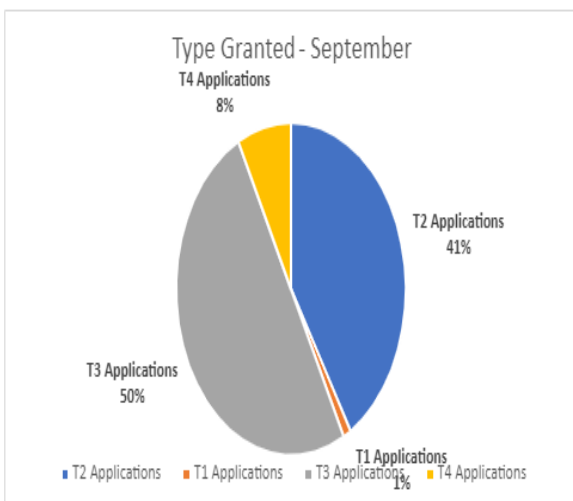
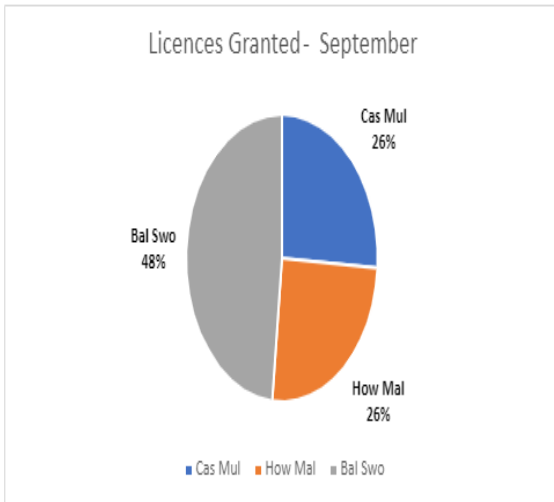
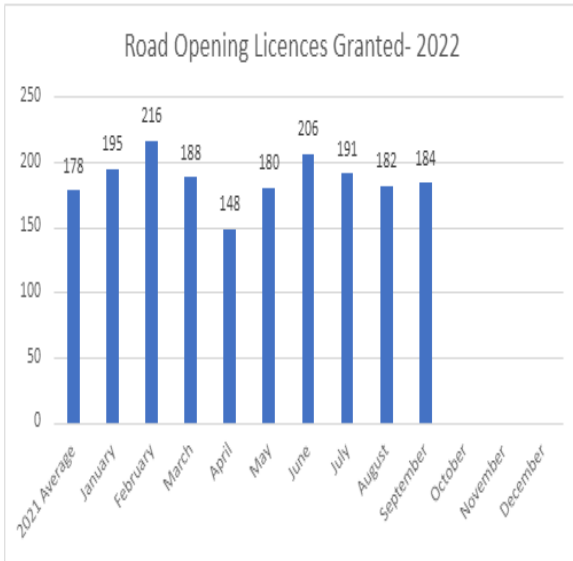
### Licences

#### Road Opening Licences:

The new efficiency functionality with respect to automated granting of T3 licences is operating well. Since 1st June 2022, the majority of T3 ROL applications have been granted by way of automation and 3 Clerk of Works has been appointed to Swords/Balbriggan, Castleknock/Mulhuddart and Howth/Malahide areas to carryout to improved post inspection of all road openings by utilities.

The Licensing unit continues to process and manage the licensing system for the County, applications are allocated by area for examination and conditioning which includes reviews of the existing carriageway, footpaths, cycleways, and grass verges. Applicants submit temporary traffic management plans for review to ensure all works are carried out safely within the public domain. Road Opening Licences are a cross functional process for the department and are essential for the asset management of Fingal County Council Road network.

184 Licences were granted in the month of September.



**T1 Application:** The T1 is not a licence. It is notification of intent to perform works of high impact due to extent or complexity.

**T2 Applications:** An application to carry out works of moderate impact due to the location, extent, amount, or duration of the work.

**T3 Applications:** An application to carry out works of low impact due to the location, extent, amount, or duration of the work. A T3 licence requires a short application period and does not require a works programme notification.

**T4 Applications:** A notification of emergency works (as defined under legislation). Notification must occur at the time or as soon as possible after commencement and works must be carried out during a limited time period.

### Street Furniture Licences & Parklets

**Street Furniture Licences** are granted under Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act as amended. All existing licences will expire on the 31st of December 2022.

A new Enforcement Officer has been appointed to regulate the issuing of license's and to monitor the usage of street furniture by local businesses. To date in August three Street Furniture inspections have been carried out with a fourth planned for this week.

Fingal County Council is looking to build a positive working relationship with local businesses & help implement the positive use of Street Furniture throughout the county. In the coming months communication between the Operations Department & local businesses will increase significantly.

The Council will proceed with enforcement proceedings under the planning legislation where outdoor dining is taking place without a valid licence. Total number of licences is as follows for the 3 areas:



### Parklets

There are several parklets throughout the County that were installed by the Council on a temporary basis to facilitate outdoor dining during Covid.

The Council is currently carrying out a review of all parklets, their condition, usage etc. and will look at options going forward that will increase the area to facilitate street furniture licensing. Parklets not in use and where there is no application for a SFL will be removed.



Street Furniture Licences	Total Applications	Total Valid	Refused	Withdrawn	Pending
Cas/Mul	3	2	0	1	0
Bal/Swo	17	15	1	1	0
How/Mal	28	27	1	1	0
Countywide	48	44	2	3	0



### Casual Trading Licence

Casual Trading inspections have increased in recent weeks with the newly appointed Enforcement Officer carrying out inspections & engaging with traders about a variety of issues. Considerable interest has been shown in some of our vacant casual trading pitches with ongoing communication with several potential applicants.

Casual Trading Licences	Total Designated Areas	Total Pitches	Pitches Assigned by Lottery	Rejected by Applicant	Granted	Pending
Cas/Mul	8	16*	6	3	3	0
Bal/Swo	13	23*	14	2	7	5
How/Mal	11	23*	17	0	5	12
Countywide	32	62*	37	5	15	17

## Water Services

### Water and Wastewater Connections

There are 19 applications in progress with Fingal as of 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022, this consists of 17 drainage connection applications and 2 water connection applications as per the Irish Water System Maximo/d365.

36 applications returned to Irish water so far in September 2022 .

### Storm Water (surface water) Network - Operations Update

Operation and maintenance of the Stormwater Network is ongoing.

- Phase 1 works to install a section of new Stormwater (surface water) Network in Ballyboughal is completed. These works were carried out in conjunction with FCC's Housing Department. Discussions with the private landowner with respect to the laying of the final section of this network are on-going. Works in relation to the laying the final section of this storm sewer are planned to be completed by Q1 2023.
- The Stormwater manhole cover and frame replacement programme for replacing assets at the end of life is ongoing – Covers and frames were replaced in the Balbriggan and the Dungriffin road areas.
- CCTV Surveys were also carried out in Treen Hill in Lusk to identify the source of road flooding. A misconnection survey was also carried out along Lower Main Street in Rush. This was as a result of reports of malodours. No issues were found within the network and the source of malodour was attributed to rotting seaweed in the Harbour. Further misconnection surveys were carried out in Bridge Street, Quay Street and Mill Street in the Harbour area of Balbriggan to identify the source of poor water quality sample at the Harbour Outfall. A foul to surface misconnection

was subsequently identified and has since been removed.

- CCTV surveys were also carried out on the Thormanby Road in Howth. This was to identify the condition of the line but no faults were found.
- Recently completed works include the installation of 30m of Stormwater diversion in the Admiral Park estate in Baldoyle. This will resolve a long-standing issue with flooding in the roadway and the green areas of the estate.
- A misconnection survey is currently taking place along the Coolmine Industrial estate to the M1 line to identify misconnection locations following reports of pollution in the Tolka River.
- The Stormwater preventative maintenance cycle is ongoing for 2022. It has been set up to record and map the condition of the Stormwater network in a number of estates in the Fingal area. A contractor was procured with a jet vac recycler truck and CCTV camera van. Hire started in early February initially on a 4-week hire. A number of estates were identified, and work began in Portmarnock Hill/Rise in Portmarnock. The objective of this work is to undertake maintenance in jetting the network, and to identify any deficiencies within the network, to provide a CCTV survey and log and report the condition of the lines and the associated manholes.

### Storm Water (surface water) Network - Projects

#### - Portrane Canal

Fingal County Council has closed out on the Portrane Canal Project following a final agreement reached and signed off with the existing landowners in Portane.

#### - Bath Avenue

Fingal County Council has commenced surveying sections of the existing drainage network serving Bath Avenue in Malahide where a number of



sections have failed and require repair and upgrade. Fingal County Council hopes to commence site investigations at Bath Avenue in November 2022 with upgrade works planned for Q1 2023.

#### - **Howth Culvert Stormwater Network Upgrade**

Roughan O'Donovan (ROD) has completed the 1st phase hydraulic modelling of the existing Howth Stormwater Network. Fingal County Council are currently preparing the tender documents for a CCTV conditioning survey which is required as part of the second phase of the project.

Once the condition survey has been completed ROD will be able to determine the scope of upgrade works required to ensure the existing network has sufficient capacity for current and future needs.

#### - **Burrow Beach Surface Water Outfall Upgrade**

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage rejected Fingal County Council's application for the required pair works to the surface water outfall at Burro Beach be considered exempt works under the auspice of the Foreshore Licence Act. Fingal County Council is now commencing the process of applying for the required foreshore licence for the required works.

#### - **The Bawn Malahide**

Fingal County Council has prepared a scope of works to upgrade and future proof the existing stormwater network serving The Bawn, Malahide. The scope of works includes hydraulic modelling of the contributing catchment, condition survey of existing network and preliminary design of required upgrade.

#### - **Wendell Avenue/ Drewbury Park/Heatherfield Walk**

Following a number of condition surveys of the stormwater network in Portmarnock, stormwater rehabilitation works are required in Wendell Avenue, Drewbury Park and Heather Walk Portmarnock. Fingal Council are planning to

upgrade approximately 300 metres of stormwater network with works due to commence in October 2022.

#### **Communication with Irish Water for Elected Representatives**

The Local Representative Support Desk

Make contact at [localrepsupport@water.ie](mailto:localrepsupport@water.ie) or by phone at **0818 178 178 / 0818 578 578**.

Staff are available Monday – Friday from 9am to 5.30pm to deal with queries from elected representatives about any topic related to Irish Water.

Outside these hours, the 24/7 customer care line is available for urgent queries at **1800 278 278**.

**Irish Water Planned Works** - Irish Water Regional Communications team provide regular updates concerning upcoming projects in the area and planned works which may cause disruption to customers. Regularly updates on the website at <https://www.water.ie/water-supply-and-service-update/#> publications appear on the homepage under the Publications heading.

The Council will continue to work to implement Government policy in regard to water.

#### **Framework for future of Water Services**

A new framework for the future of water services developed through an engagement process facilitated by the Workplace Relations Commission was announced by the Minister on 24th June 2022. The Framework will help to ensure a stable operational environment is maintained as the water sector completes the transition to a national water services authority, based on the full integration of public water services within Irish Water.

To facilitate the transition to a national water services authority, the Framework provides for:

1. Irish Water to assume responsibility for the management and direction of water services operation and activities

2. The voluntary transfer, of existing local authority water services staff to Irish Water as permanent employees between now and 2026.
3. The identification of opportunities for water services staff not transferring to Irish Water to avail of opportunities to re-deploy to other areas within Local Authorities.
4. The commencement of water services staff recruitment directly by Irish Water to fill vacancies arising in Water Services.
5. A voluntary redundancy scheme for local authority water service staff; and
6. A new Irish Water-Local Authority agreement, replacing the existing Service Level Agreement arrangements, to ensure that Irish Water has full accountability for the delivery of water services and direct management of the water services staff who choose to remain employed by their local authority under contract to Irish Water for the transitional period to the end of 2026

# PLANNING AND STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE (PSI)

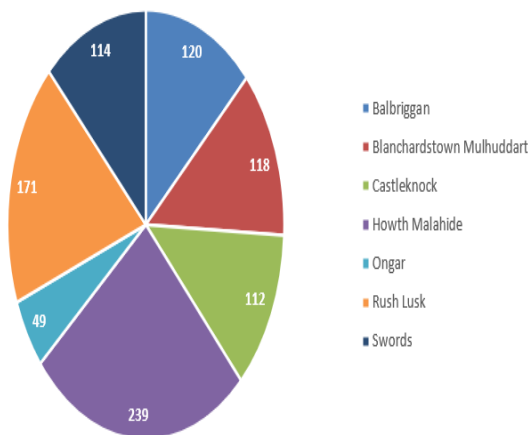
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## Planning Applications

There have been 923 planning applications received to the end of August 2022, 82 of these applications were invalid leaving a total of 841 valid applications. The volume of applications received by Local Electoral Area (LEA) is detailed in the table below.

Between January and end August 2022, 20 Strategic Housing Development (SHD) applications were made to An Bord Pleanála totalling 10,776 units. Two decisions were made by the board up to end of August 2022. Of these, 1 application was Granted in May (172 units). One application was Refused in March. There is a total of 20 SHD applications (13,038 units) currently in the formal application process.

**Planning Application Received by Local Electoral Area - August 2022**



## Planning Decisions

A total of 831 planning decisions have been made to the end of August 2022. There have been 690 decisions to grant permission (83%) and 140 refusals of permission (17%). There have been 57 grants of permissions in respect of single house construction, 418 grants of permission for domestic extensions, 174 commercial/retail grants of permission and 16 grants of permission in respect of housing developments of which 9 relate to development of 2 - 20, 4 relates to 20 – 50 and 2 relate to 50 -100 and 1 which relates to 100+.

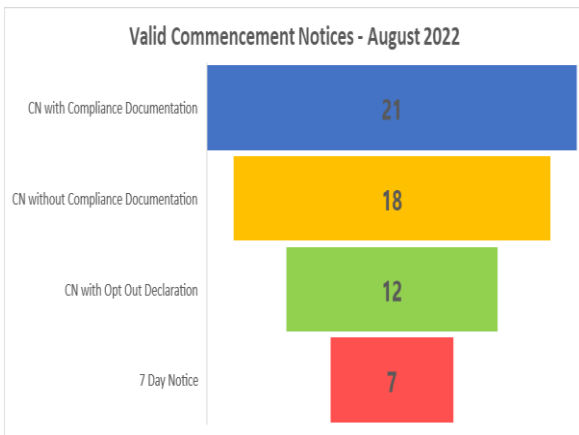
## Building Control Admin:

In August 2022, 156 Building Control submissions were received. This was made up of 76 Commencement Notices, 45 Compliance of Completion Certificates, 18 Fire Safety related Certificates and 17 Disability Access related Certificates.

Commencement Notices and Compliance on Completion Certificates are submitted through the Projects module on BCMS.

Fire Safety, Disability Access, Regularisation and Dispensation/Relaxation Certificate applications can be submitted online via the Applications module on BCMS and also by hard copy directly into the office. The BCMS system is the preferred option.

The Building Control Admin team processed 109 decisions in August 2022, relating to Fire Safety and Disability Access Certificates. This was made up of 38 decisions to grant and 71 extensions of time.



## Strategic Policy Unit

### Sustainable Swords

The draft Sustainable Swords Strategy went on display on 7<sup>th</sup> September. The draft Strategy outlines 16 possible projects which would transform Swords.

A well-attended webinar took place on 15<sup>th</sup> September and staff were available at the Pavilions Shopping Centre on the 21<sup>st</sup> September. Consultation will be ongoing during September with submissions invited until 12<sup>th</sup> October. More information is available at [www.fingal.ie/sustainableswords](http://www.fingal.ie/sustainableswords)



## Parks and Green Infrastructure Division

### Ward River Regional Park Development Project

The community consultation on the future development of Ward River Regional Park is underway. The aim of the consultation is to create a community vision for the development of the

park - a place that can be healthy, connected and engaged with the local community. The first phase of public consultation begins on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 1-4pm with an interactive design workshop at Rivervalley Community Centre where the public will be invited to meet with the design team and have their say. In parallel with the in-person workshop the council have launched a survey to establish what the aspirations of the community are for the Ward River Regional Park. The public have been notified of the survey by advertising in the local press and bus shelters, poster, social media and the council's own website. Meanwhile, the integrated design team have been conducting baseline surveys of the existing lands to inform future proposals for the park.

**Ward River Regional Park**  
A Community Consultation

- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October
- 1pm - 4pm
- Rivervalley Community Centre

Scan QR Code to fill out a Community Survey

Fingal County Council, would like to invite you to a community consultation on the future development of **Ward River Regional Park**.

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We look forward to hearing from you!

Carroll's Centre Here We Grow Together  
DFLA  
Connect the Dots

### Recreational Hub at Ward River Regional Park

The installation of the 3G All Weather carpet system at the Recreational Hub in Ward River Valley, commenced during the last week in September. The installation will take 3 to 4 weeks depending on weather conditions. The installation of the 3G system, which will include the importation of 400 tonnes of sand infill to the surface, will constitute a major milestone for the project. Following this, the construction of the Go Games training area adjacent to the new car park

and the landscaping of the carpark will be completed along with the commissioning of the LED sports floodlighting and public lighting to the carpark. The state-of-the-art sporting facility remains on target to be made available to the people of Swords and the surrounding area in the last quarter of this year.

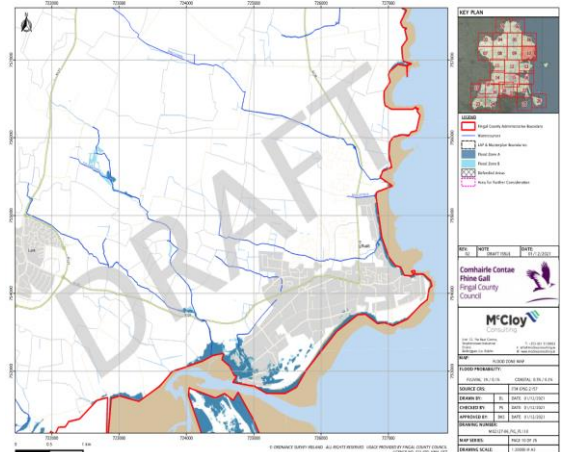


**Built Environment Division**

**Development Management/Forward Planning (Water Services) Section**

**Flood Risk Assessments/ Drainage Strategies**

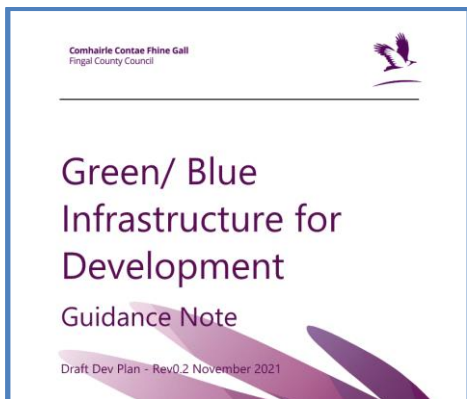
- FCC staff continue liaising with the appointed consultants developing the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for the upcoming County Development Plan. The SFRA DRAFT flood mapping & DRAFT report has been completed. This mapping & report will be updated over the coming months subject to new information (Tolka flood study) & submissions received from councillors/public.
- The Water Services Planning Dept has responded to the motions received from the councillors under the motion headings of green infrastructure, flooding, Irish Water & re-zoning.



- A new document “Nature-based Solutions to the Management of Rainwater and Surface Water Runoff in Urban Areas - Water Sensitive Urban Design - Best Practice Interim Guidance Document” has been issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. It is intended as a high-level best practice interim guidance document for all those whose work impacts on the urban environment, for urban planners and all built environment professionals involved in the planning process such as engineers, architects and landscape architects and shows how to move towards a more systematic and sustainable approach to urban planning and design that seeks to mimic the natural water balance of rural areas through “water sensitive urban design.”



- Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) – The Fingal SuDS guidance document (Green/Blue Infrastructure for Development) has been reviewed to include changes in technical standards. This document along with the Draft SFRA documents have been incorporated into the new development plan.



### **Incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems in Residential Developments**



The GSDS has outlined SuDS as a sustainable way to manage surface water as we prepare to meet the challenges of climate change. This example of Millers Glen in Swords, shows an example of surface water being held onsite, providing treatment via appropriate planting, and then discharging at greenfield runoff rate. This is a move away from the traditional method of collecting all surface water via piped systems which can often

no longer manage the intense rainfall's being experienced.

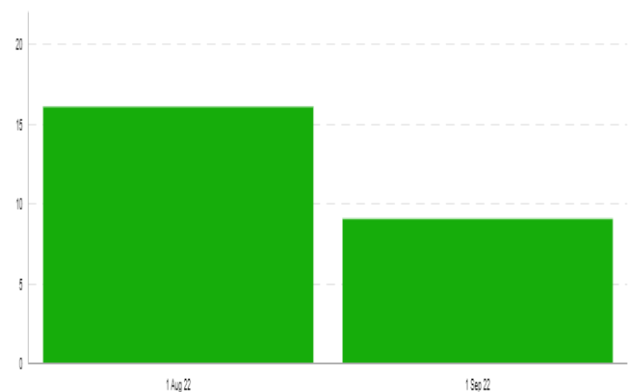
### **Multi-Party Framework Agreement for the preparation of Surface Water Management Plans (SWMP)**

The procurement process has begun for the new Multi-Party Framework Agreement for the preparation of Surface Water Management Plans (SWMP) for the new County Development Plan. The SAQ for the above framework was posted on eTenders with a closing date for tender submissions set for 30/09/2022

### **Building Control/Taking in Charge Section**

#### **Building Control**

- There were 25 Building control site visits in August and September with 103 separate buildings being inspected.



#### **Taking in Charge**

- There were 5 estates/roads Taking in Charge in the September meeting. These were Blackthorn place, Chieftains Way, Bay Meadows phase 1, Castleknock Tennis Club plaza area and Hollywoodrath Phase 1.
- There are 4 developments (Dargans Way, Carrickcourt close, Martello and New Haven Bay) submitted for taking in charge in the October Meeting.
- There are 2 developments, Fairhaven in Castleknock and Balgriffin Road to Belmayne Roundabout Link Road

submitted for Taking in Charge at the December meeting

- The Phase 2 Taking in Charge works being carried out in Drynam estate are complete and we are liaising with the residents in order for them to submit a Taking in Charge request under section 180 of the planning and development act.
- The Taking in Charge works in Thornleigh Estate In Swords by a completion contractor on behalf of the bondsman are ongoing.
- A contractor has been appointed for taking in charge works in "The Gallops" housing estate in Swords. An initial meeting has taken place and the contractor will be starting work in approximately 3 weeks
- "Cianlea", "Rockabil" and "The Sanctuary" have been priced by direct labour and work will commence October/November.



Checking a window opening restrictor in a house in Rolestown

## Pictures



An Insulated concrete formwork (ICF) house under construction in Castleknock

## Transportation Planning

### Fingal Coastal Way

The Emerging Preferred Route for the Fingal Coastal Way will take place later this month. This involves the publication of a single route corridor for this strategic 32km greenway project. Letters will be posted to approximately 1,000 affected properties/landowners and leaflets will be delivered to approximately 20,000 homes (including businesses). There will also be social media engagement, local & national newspaper advertisements and an online webinar. In person events include four and direct meetings with residents as required.

### Churchfields Link Road and Cycle Network

Works on the link road continue to progress with the new carriageway north of south of Damastown Avenue now up to sub-base level, the main load-bearing layer of pavement construction. The drainage infrastructure consisting of drainage lines and filter drains are now being installed, these form the backbone of the sustainable urban drainage system (SuDS) being employed on the project. Works have also commenced on the Powerstown Road cycle and footpath upgrades which will encompass 'safe routes to school' interventions, promoting a modal shift to active travel by creating a safe cycling and walking environment.



### **Donabate Transport Projects**

The Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Dept recently issued tender documents to procure an engineering and environmental consultant for a number of projects in the Donabate area. The projects that may form part of the consultant's brief include the Donabate Distributor Road Phase 2 (Hearse Rd-Lissenhall), Donabate-Portrane greenways and a traffic study for the M1 Lissenhall Interchange.

### **Harry Reynolds Road Cycle Route**

A total of ten tender submissions were received as part of the Stage 1 procurement process for a main works contractor for this project. These submissions are currently being assessed and the successful candidates will be invited to submit a priced tender for the works in due course. The expectation is that the tender process can be concluded this year with a view to starting works on site in early 2023.



# HOUSING

## Housing

- Supply
- Asset Management
- Support
- Tenancy Services

### Construction of Affordable Homes in Lusk

Construction of the 52 mixed tenure scheme at Dun Emer, Lusk is ongoing.

Current construction work on the site at Dun Emer, Lusk.



### Church Fields, Dublin 15

The contractor is currently onsite constructing the Church Fields Link Road and Cycle Network which will facilitate the development of the entire Church Fields landbank with the potential to deliver 1,000 mixed tenure homes.



### Projects on site

Fingal County Council construction scheme at Cappagh, Dublin11 - 69 units being built



The Council has recently commenced Stage 1 (Expressions of Interest/ Prequalification) of a two stage Procurement process for the appointment of a contractor to construct the 300 units. The closing date for Stage 1 submissions is 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

### Housing Delivery

#### Construction Programme

Summary of unit numbers in pipeline	units
Under Construction	207
Tender Stage	429
Planning and Design	840
Part V	270
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,746</b>



Appendix 3 outlines the full detail of the schemes on site, schemes with Part 8 planning approval and at tender stage and schemes at pre-planning stage.

Fingal County Council construction scheme at Wellview, D15 - 20 units being built



Fingal County Council construction scheme at Church Fields - 67 units being built



Part V House delivered in Feltrim Road, Kinsealy, Swords, Co. Dublin.



### **Housing Loans Update**

The Local Authority Home Loan continues to attract queries and applications from members of the public seeking to secure a mortgage with the Local Authority. There have been 196 applications so far.

To date €10.7 million of lending has been approved until the end of September, with applicants having gone sale agreed with €2.4 million of this approval. The scheme continues to be popular, and although the interest rate has risen marginally the product continues to be a relevant support for first-time buyers.

## **Housing Asset Management Report**

### **Energy Efficiency/Retrofitting Programme**

Approval was granted to carry out retrofitting works on 81 properties in 2022. Works are complete on 41 properties in Jugback Estate in Swords, which included electrical upgrades, attic insulation, installation of triple glazed windows and doors along with PV panels where required to reach a B2/Cost optimal standard. Works on Lissenhall in Swords and St. Paul's in Balbriggan are well underway and are expected to be completed by the end of October. Retrofitting works in Whitechapel, Clonsilla have just commenced with a completion date anticipated to be in early November.



**External wall insulation being installed as part of extensive retrofit upgrade**

## Returning Dwellings to Productive Use

The number of casual voids within social housing stock which are currently in the re-let process is set out below:

<b>Voids for Re-letting</b>	<b>at 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>
In letting process	68
Undergoing re-let repairs	27
With County Architect for procurement of pre-let repairs	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>110</b>

## Planned Maintenance Programmes

### Cyclical Maintenance - Scheme Painting

The Scheme Painting Programme provides for external painting and joinery repairs to Council housing stock and currently operates on a 6/7 year cycle. Scheme painting has just been completed in Hamilton Estate, Balbriggan.

St Catherine's Park will be completed in the next two weeks and works will then commence in Drynam Avenue and Russell's Terrace, Kinsealy.



Recently painted houses

## Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)

Since its inception in Fingal County Council in 2017, the HAP team has set up over 3,400 tenancies. In 2022 to date over 270 HAP tenancies have been set up for Fingal housing applicants.

The HAP team are on hand to deal with any queries from applicants and landlords in person at the Housing Department in the Fingal County Council Blanchardstown Office, by phone on 01 8905000 via the CCU or through email [hap@fingal.ie](mailto:hap@fingal.ie).

## Rents

Following a review of the current rent assessment process, rents will be reviewed on a two-year cyclical basis commencing in January 2023. Tenants will be notified of their rent charge following the assessment and this charge will remain unchanged for 2 years, except in circumstances where there is a permanent change of income in the household.

The Rents team encourage any tenant who is experiencing difficulty paying their rent to engage with the Housing Dept. To examine possible solutions for those experiencing difficulties. However, there are instances where tenants do

not engage or make alternative payment arrangements and, in those situations, the Council needs to take further action. There are currently three applications for possession orders before the courts with three further cases being prepared.

## **Housing Tenancy Services Report**

### **Housing Support**

#### **Housing List Position**

List Position letters issued to all applicants on 11<sup>th</sup> April. Choice Based Lettings information was communicated through this letter which advised applicants to obtain their secure username and password to access the Choice Based Lettings system. Applicants can view their list position at the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 through the CBL system. It is intended to update the list positions in January 2023 and applicants will be able to access them through the CBL system.

In accordance with Circular 32/2022 as released 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022, the Summary of Social Housing Assessment (SSHA) is due for return to the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage by 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022. It is intended to provide a dual service for the completion of this assessment with an Online HNA system. This system is due to go live in early October following finalisation of the layout complete on 30<sup>th</sup> September. Hard copy forms will be available from all Customer Care Counters and Libraries for those who wish to complete the form by hand. Online Access will also be available in Fingal Libraires to enable those who do not have readily available internet access.

Further communication will issue to all applicants required to take part in this Assessment in the first week of October and will include details as to the Online System and instructions to complete their online SSHA.

## **Social Housing Application Form**

The new social housing application form is in use since 14<sup>th</sup> March. Hard copies are available through the CCU. Amendments to the form – Part 8 of the housing application, identifying as an Irish Traveller is now being recorded on the Housing system, in accordance with Government policy.

In line with the Social Housing Assessment Regulations, the Housing Authority is required to assess a fully complete application within a period of 12 weeks of receipt.

### **Social Housing Applications Received 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

January	Total Received	172
February	Total Received	191
March	Total Received	201
April	Total Received	176
May	Total Received	180
June	Total Received	134
July	Total Received	170

August	Total Received	164
September	Total Received	148
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,536</b>

### **Housing Support Appeals**

A new email address has been established to facilitate the submission of appeals pertaining to housing support applications by applicants e.g. closure of social housing applications, transfer of tenancy, income limit queries, medical priority & transfer applications. Applicants can email – [Housing.Appeals@fingal.ie](mailto:Housing.Appeals@fingal.ie).

### **Contact Details for Tenancy Services Division**

Set out below are the **Housing Support Team** Contact details and the **Tenancy Services Division** details-

<b>The Housing Support Team Contact Details</b>	
Phone	01 890 5902 /01 890 5000
Email	<a href="mailto:Housing.allocations@fingal.ie"><b>Housing.allocations@fingal.ie</b></a>
Website	<a href="http://www.fingal.ie"><u>www.fingal.ie</u></a>
<b>Tenancy Services Contact Details</b>	
<b>Homeless Services</b>	01 890 5090 <a href="mailto:homeless@fingal.ie"><u>homeless@fingal.ie</u></a>

<b>Estate Management (Maintenance, ASB)</b>	01 890 5588 <a href="mailto:Estatemanagement@fingal.ie"><u>Estatemanagement@fingal.ie</u></a>
<b>Lettings</b>	01 890 5380 <a href="mailto:Housing.allocations@fingal.ie"><u>Housing.allocations@fingal.ie</u></a>
<b>Housing Support</b>	01 890 5902 <a href="mailto:Housing.allocations@fingal.ie"><u>Housing.allocations@fingal.ie</u></a>
<b>Customer Care Team</b>	01 890 5000 <a href="mailto:CustomerCareUnit@fingal.ie"><u>CustomerCareUnit@fingal.ie</u></a>

### **Choice Based Lettings**

The new online portal to facilitate the Choice Based Letting (CBL) scheme has proven effective and efficient with staff and applicants. CBL is an approach used for the allocation of designated Social Housing Units. It allows housing applicants to express an interest in being considered for the allocation of designated Social Housing Units.

Applicants with active applications can access Choice Based Letting by logging onto <https://cbl.fingal.ie> using their unique username and password. To access their unique username and password applicants must contact [choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie](mailto:choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie) with their housing reference number and phone number. The housing team continue to issue passwords and usernames. Applicants are actively encouraged to

obtain their passwords and usernames to express interest in any properties advertised.

Approved Social Housing applicants log in each week to check the dwellings that are available using their username and password.

To date 2,269 passwords have been issued to applicants since the CBL portal opened (08/12/2021) of which 61 were issued in September. All new approved Housing Support Applications will receive their password and username upon approval.

### Offers of Housing Support

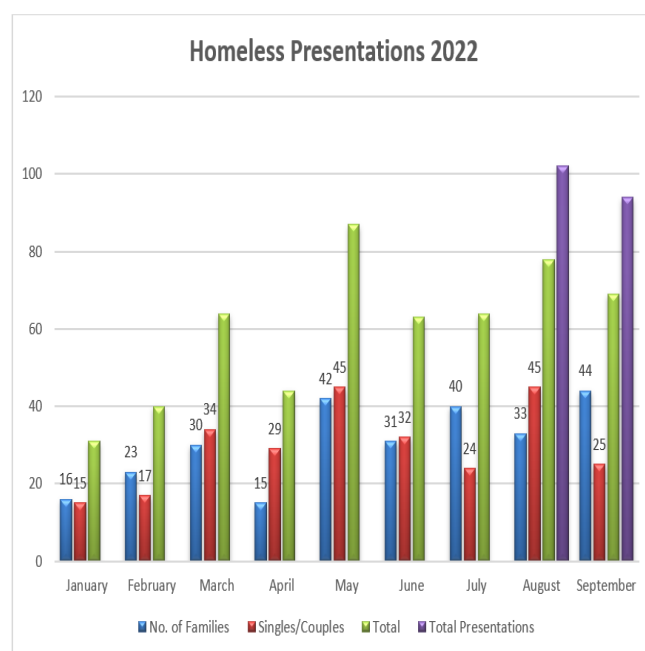
2021 offers shown for comparison



### Homeless Services

The Council's Homeless Team continue to engage with those experiencing homelessness to offer advice and support. Homeless Assessments continued to be carried out.

In September 2022 there were a total of **94 new homeless presentations** of that total **69** were assessed by the Homeless Team - comprising of **44** families and **25** singles/couples. There are a further **25** currently outstanding and will be assessed by a Homeless Officer in the coming week.



\*The presentations figure reported is not fully reflective of applicants/potential applicants who we are still engaged with to complete assessments.

### Homeless Presentations

From January 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022, the Homeless Officers have carried out **586** Homeless Assessments (294 families & 292 singles) – see Table below for breakdown by month.

Approximately 36% of these cases are because of a **notice to quit** having been served. The main reasons given for issuing the notice are the landlord intends to sell the property or that a family member will move into the property.



There are also a considerable number of people making contact stating that they are Homeless due to **family breakdown** (19%). Anecdotally, these presentations are aged in their 20's/30's and have fallen out with family or state that they are living in **overcrowded conditions** (11%) and state that they cannot/will not return to the property.

Month	Families	Singles	Total
January	18	18	36
February	21	18	39
March	34	38	72
April	18	35	53
May	43	44	87
June	37	42	79
July	40	24	64
August	39	48	87
September	44	25	69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>586</b>
<b>Average number of assessments per month</b>	<b>294/9 months = 32.66</b>	<b>292/9 months = 32.40</b>	<b>586/9 months = 65.10</b>

### Homeless Exits

During September 2022, 15 households exited homeless circumstances into various forms of social housing support - including into private rented tenancies under Homeless HAP. Homeless HAP accounts for 14 of these tenancies.

### Emergency Accommodation (including Fingal County Council Family Hubs)

There continues to be an extremely high demand for Emergency Accommodation across the region for both families and singles.

### Homeless Action Plan 2022- 2024

The DRHE, with the approval of all 4 local authorities in the Dublin region, has finalised the Homeless Action Plan Framework for Dublin 2022-2024. This Plan is the first plan to be put into operation since Ireland signed the Lisbon Declaration on combatting homelessness in June 2021, which aims to end homelessness by 2030.

It will follow on from the previous Homeless Action Plan for 2019- 2021 and continues with the three key themes of **Prevention, Protection and Progression**.

The Plan was developed because of a detailed consultative process including submissions from various Stakeholders, interested organisations, Service Providers, Members of SPCs of the four Local Authorities, the Dublin Joint Homelessness Consultative Forum and the Statutory Management Group.

### TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION PLAN

#### Traveller Accommodation

A significant programme of works in relation to the refurbishment and upgrading of existing accommodation on specific sites is currently in development with the County Architect for further progression in 2022. These works are in accordance with the objectives set out in the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019-2024.

Regular site visits by Housing Inspectors continues on all Fingal County Council Traveller specific sites

while checking on vulnerable residents and advising on the continued supports available. Council Official continues to liaise and engage with the Traveller Community, Traveller Advocacy Groups, Welfare Services, Child Services, Mental Health Services and other services and agencies to resolve issues when and where possible.

The matter of waste management and illegal dumping of waste remains a challenge for the Council and we are working with our colleagues in the Environment Department to address this.



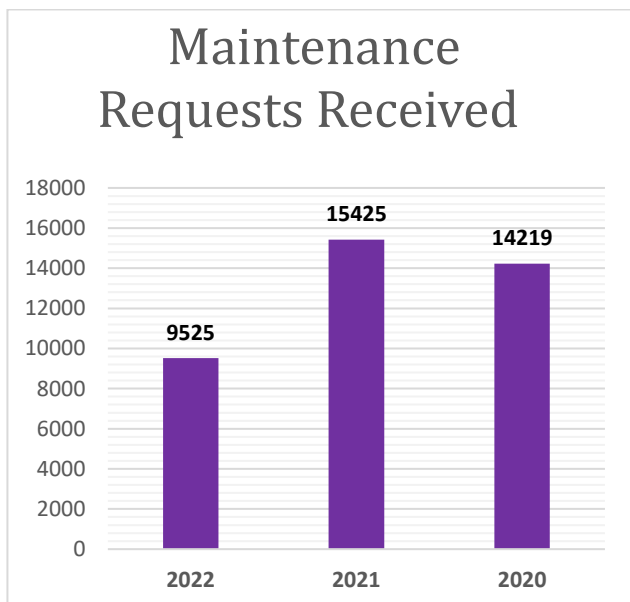
## Housing Welfare Service

The Social Workers attached to the Housing Department are available to support vulnerable tenancies and to work with housing applicants who have medical/welfare needs.

The Estate Management Section continues to work with the most vulnerable and complex of our Tenants in collaboration with our Social Workers, Tenancy Sustainment Officers and external statutory agencies to protect and assist the most vulnerable of our tenancies including the deep cleaning of dwellings.



## Housing Maintenance



## Boiler Servicing Programme

The Council provides an annual heating servicing facility, including all maintenance and upgrade works, for a nominal fee of €3 per week to participating tenants. Contractors progress batches of work throughout the course of the year. Contractors have been issued the full list of properties to be serviced by year end and are working across the County in areas such as Dromheath, Ladyswell, Parslickstown, Fortlawn, Cedar Grove, Castleview, Ringfort, Pinewood and St Cronan's.

## Anti-Social Behaviour/Inspectorate Unit

The ongoing management and sustainment of social tenancies and good estate management falls within the remit of the ASB/Inspectorate Unit. Alleged breaches of Tenancy Agreements are investigated and pursued in accordance with housing legislation and policy.

There are occasions when the vulnerabilities, complexities and health related issues associated with a tenancy require tenancy sustainment and welfare intervention and supports. Ongoing case management and review with a variety of external agencies, including Approved Housing Bodies, An Garda Síochána, TUSLA and the HSE may be required to ensure all agencies work collaboratively with a view to achieving best outcomes for our Communities. This work is ongoing in relation to a number of Tenancies in the county.

Within the remit of the Estate Management Section, a project team has been assembled to focus on the effective use of Council stock, including Permission to Reside Applications, illegal occupation, abandonments and legal matters arising with regard to breach of Tenancy Agreements.

## ASB Caseload Management

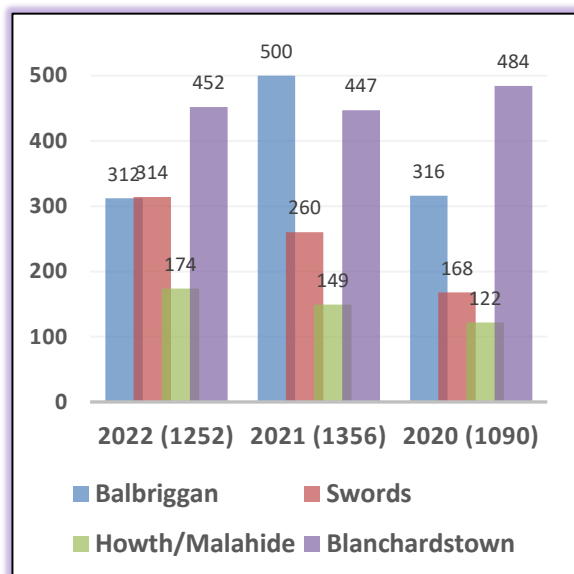
September 2022	Active Investigation	Active Monitoring	Closed
Dublin 15	12	3	10
North County	42	17	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>

All complaints are received in confidence.

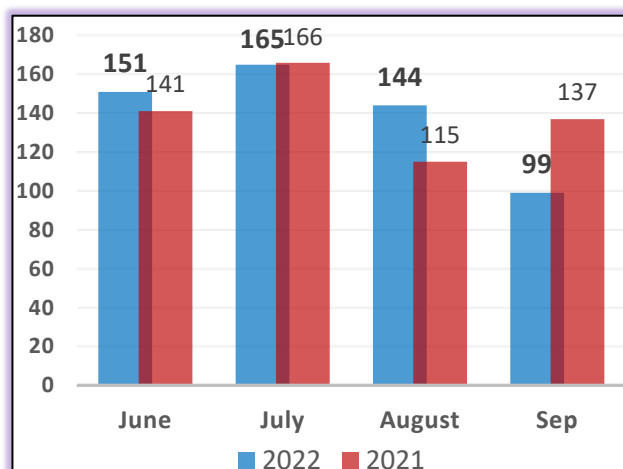
## Surrenders on Estate Management Grounds

**2022** – 0 (Jan), 2 (Feb), 2 (Mar), 5 (Apr), 2 (May), 0 (Jun), 3 (Jul), 3 (Aug), 2 (Sep)

## Area Breakdown 2020-2022



## Monthly Breakdown of Complaints Received 2021-22



## Anti-Social Interventions

Interviews Held 2022	68
Interviews Held 2021	47
Tenancy Alerts 2022	28
Tenancy Alerts 2021	31
Tenancy Warnings 2022	4
Tenancy Warnings 2021	2

## Inspectorate

<b>Traveller Specific Inspections 2022</b>	<b>1274</b>
Traveller Specific Inspections 2021	1746
<b>Estate Inspections 2022</b>	<b>821</b>
Estate Inspections 2021	1202
<b>EM/ASB Inspections 2022</b>	<b>1520</b>
EM/ASB Inspections 2021	3117

The Estate Management Section works in collaboration with a host of stakeholders to mitigating incidents of Anti-Social Behaviour in Estates and Communities and uses a suite of measures in this regard including Estate Improvement Works such as the boundary pillar and fence as shown below.



## Housing Ukraine Response

### Those Fleeing the Conflict in Ukraine

The Government is committed to delivering a humanitarian response to welcome people fleeing the conflict in Ukraine and seeking protection in Ireland.

Web resources with useful information on support and accommodation for Ukrainian refugees and the wider Fingal community are shown below:

[www.gov.ie/ukraine](http://www.gov.ie/ukraine)

[Ukraine українці Україна | Fingal County Council](#)

Fingal County Council is committed to supporting the humanitarian response to the crisis in Ukraine.

Where Households and individuals present to the Council's Homeless Services and identify as seeking refuge from the conflict, the advice to date is that they should be directed to the International Protection Accommodation Service (IPAS) [ipasinbox@equality.gov.ie](mailto:ipasinbox@equality.gov.ie)

Please note that if a situation arises where an immediate humanitarian response is required, Local Authorities are being asked to use discretion and provide Emergency Accommodation (EA) and in this instance FCC will refer the case to IPAS.

A cross-departmental update on Fingal's response to the Ukraine crisis was provided to elected members on 6<sup>th</sup> May and it is intended to provide a further update to elected members, with a date to be confirmed. However, it is a very fluid situation and the Council along with partners are

endeavouring to provide services in line with this changing need.

### Pledged Accommodation for Ukrainian Displaced Persons

376 pledge properties (vacant and mainly house share) were assigned to Fingal County Council by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth (DCEDIY) to assess if still available and suitable for occupation, which was on foot of a call for pledged properties operated via the Irish Red Cross. The Council has sought to contact all 376 owners. The Council works with an implementing partner, the Peter McVerry Trust, to match Ukrainian displaced persons to their new pledged home where the properties remain available and suitable. To date, 88 of the properties have been occupied with circa 175 Ukrainians residing in same with a number of occupants of the Liam Rodgers centre taking up pledges in Fingal and neighbouring counties. The balance of the properties are either in a process of matching, not immediately available for occupation, deemed unsuitable, pledge withdrawn by the property owner or the property owner has not responded to contact to date.

### VACANT HOMES

The Vacant Homes office is now accepting applications for the recently launched Croí Cónaithe (Town's) Fund. This is a national fund administered by local authorities introduced under *Housing for All*. The Croí Cónaithe (Town's) Fund

will provide new choices for people to live in towns and villages in Ireland, initially through the provision of a grant to support the refurbishment of vacant properties.

Subject to meeting eligibility criteria, a grant of up to a maximum of €30,000 is available for the refurbishment of vacant properties for occupation as a principal private residence, including the conversion of a property which has not previously been used as residential. Where the refurbishment costs are expected to exceed the standard grant of up to €30,000, a maximum top-up grant amount of up to €20,000 will be available where the property is confirmed by the applicant to be derelict (i.e. structurally unsound and dangerous) bringing the total grant available for a derelict property up to a maximum of €50,000. For enquiries, please contact the Council's Vacant Homes Office via e-mail at [vacant.homes@fingal.ie](mailto:vacant.homes@fingal.ie). To date, 9 expressions of interest and 4 applications have been received which are under assessment. The DHLG have advised that the scheme will be extended to cover all parts of the county shortly which will facilitate applications from parts of the county that were previously not eligible.

A separate Croí Cónaithe (Serviced Sites Fund) has also been launched. This fund allows local authorities to make serviced sites in towns and villages available to potential individual purchasers. These sites will be available at a discount on the market value of the site for the

building of a property for occupation as the principal private residence of the purchaser. The level of discount to the individual will depend on the level of servicing cost incurred by the local authority before the sale of the site with discounts up to a maximum of €30,000. The amount of such discount will be reflected in the sale price of the site to the purchaser. The examination of sites that may be suitable for the scheme is under way and any relevant sites will be advertised on the Council's website when such sites have been identified. Engagement is taking place with the DHLGH on the operational aspects of the scheme and a process to identify suitable sites is underway.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

<p><b>Community Development</b></p> <p>Positive Parenting Pride of Place Comhairle na nÓg Castaheany Community Centre Open Day Property Marking Event Blakestown Ukraine Crisis Response Samh Fingal Safer Halloween Programme Community Funding Information Session</p> <p><b>Facilities Management</b></p> <p>Blakestown Resource Centre Coffee Shop relaunch Keen To Be Green Awards</p> <p><b>Interagency</b></p> <p>Thrive Balbriggan</p> <p><b>Strategic</b></p> <p>Fingal Public Participation Network Linkage Group Meeting Calendar</p>	<p><b>Integration</b></p> <p>SALAAM Project (Sustainable Alliances Against Anti-Muslim Hatred Project) Fingal Inclusion Week</p> <p><b>Funding</b></p> <p>Age Friendly Positive Ageing Week 2022 Give it a Go Day Promoting Intergenerational Practice Ageism Workshops A Medley of Creativity</p> <p><b>SPORTS OFFICE</b></p> <p>Fingal HomeFit European Week of Sport Fingal Parkfit Men on the Move Parent and Toddler Programme</p>
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### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

#### Positive Parenting Balbriggan

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2022 a six-week family support pilot programme led by Fingal Community Office and facilitated by an accredited Play Therapist began in the Institute of Music and Song in Balbriggan. This pilot has brought a supportive multi-cultural group of parents together who are open to learning new skills in relation to their children. This informative and experiential 6-week course is facilitated by Accredited Play Therapist, Melissa Moore and explores; the idea of a perfect parent (there is no such thing!); the importance of “showing up” as a parent; the role of play in developing happy, healthy, resilient children; Effective communication with our children; promoting positive behaviour and emotional

wellbeing; how to manage big behaviours and how to support children managing their big feelings, particularly anxiety post covid restrictions. The last week focuses on self-care with Fingal Community Office and Empower signposting to services of interest.

**Supportive Parenting**  
6 Week Programme with Melissa Moore

Venue: Irish Institute of Music & Song, Balbriggan  
Time: 9.45 - 10.45am

Would you like to be part of a small, supportive group of likeminded parents, open to learning new skills?

- Led by an Accredited Play Therapist
- The role of play
- Learn the importance of 'showing up' as a parent
- Effective Communication Techniques
- How to manage & support big feelings

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To apply email [leah.walsh@fingal.ie](mailto:leah.walsh@fingal.ie)

## 2022 IPB Pride of Place Competition

The three groups who represented Fingal this year in the annual IPB Pride of Place competition did themselves proud when the judges visited the three communities in question last month. Balbriggan Men's Shed showcased their wonderful facility on Main Street Balbriggan, which was visited by the judging team on the morning of Sept 13<sup>th</sup>. The Men's Shed represented Fingal in the Community Wellbeing Initiative category and the judges were joined by the Deputy Mayor of Fingal, Cllr Cathal Boland for the visit. Later that day the judges spent time in Oldtown where the Oldtown Community Council organised a presentation and tour of the village. Oldtown represented Fingal in the populations of 300 to 1000 persons category. Again, the judges were accompanied by the Deputy Mayor of Fingal. The following morning the judges were in Mountview in Blanchardstown, where the Mountview Community and Youth Centre represented the neighbourhood of Mountview in the Urban Neighbourhoods category. The judges were accompanied by the Mayor of Fingal on a tour of the centre and visited several groups in Mountview including the Fortlawn Flower Power Group, Mountview Family Resource Centre and the Mountview NYP. The final event and awards ceremony for the 2022 Pride of Place Competition will take place in Dublin City on Jan 21<sup>st</sup> 2023.

## Comhairle na nÓg

The Comhairle na nÓg members are busy planning their 2022 AGM which will take place in Swords on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November. The members held information and recruitment workshops at Blanchardstown and Balbriggan Libraries, whereby members met young members of the community to encourage more young people to join FCNN. These workshops were held in both libraries on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September. In addition to this, the members continue to work on

progressing their topic. Each of the members has completed the Government's online Climate Change Survey. There are plans for an upcoming meeting with the members and the Older People's Council. This meeting will look at potential collaboration and opportunities for both groups to learn from each other.



## Castaheany Community Centre Open Day

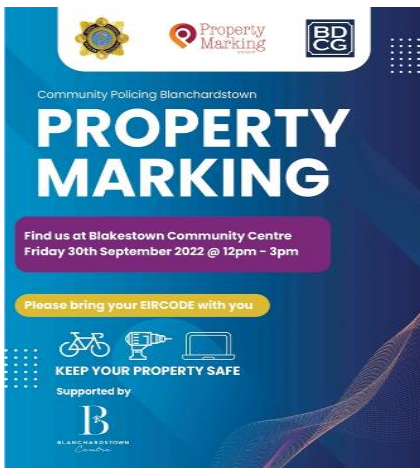
The Community Development Office supported the Castaheany Community Centre Open Day which took place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September. The event was very well attended by community members and Mayor of Fingal County Council Cllr. Howard Mahony. Minister Jack Chambers TD also attended as did Fingal Councillors John Walsh and Cllr. Tanya Doyle. The event was broadcast live by Phoenix FM with great interviews from groups and attendees. Current and new groups who use the centre had stands at the event to encourage new participants to join and children were entertained by face painters, magicians and Erin go Bragh who held a sport display on the outdoor pitch.





## Property Marking Event Blakestown

Blakestown Community Centre in Partnership with An Garda Síochána hosted a Property Marking event on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of September. A Property Marking machine inputs a unique code onto your bike, laptop, tools etc. If any of the items are stolen and recovered the Gardai can identify the items belonging to you.



## Ukrainian Crisis Community Support

The Community Development Office continues to provide support to the many Ukrainian nationals seeking international protection from the War in their Homeland and currently resident in Fingal. Information sessions for the latest Ukrainian guests at Fingal rest centres including the Liam Rodgers Centre and the Edmond Rice Facility at JCM Hospital were delivered by the Community Office to assist displaced persons in becoming linked in with the relevant assisting authorities and receive information about available supports and programmes in place to support their stay in the County.

To acknowledge Ukrainian Independence Day the Community Development Team collaborated with the Events Department to co-ordinate a Ukrainian Gathering on Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of Sept in Swords Castle. This event catered for those staying in

Fingal Rest Centres, Hotels and B&Bs and also with host Families right across Fingal. Ukrainian representatives from the various locations got involved in all aspects of the event including the planning process, performances and volunteering on the day. Over 650 Ukrainians attended the event and enjoyed a broad range of entertainment and activities including; music, dance, craft stalls, an exhibition of paintings by a Ukrainian artist living in temporary accommodation, a wishing tree, soap making workshops - sponsored by libraries, bouncy castles and sporting activities overseen by FCC Sports. A memorable day for all age groups, it was an opportunity for the Ukrainian community to come together, support each other, forge new networks, promote skillsets and enjoy the best of Ukrainian talent the beautiful environs of Swords Castle on a bright summers day.



## SAMH Groups across North Fingal

The various Substance Abuse Awareness and Mental Health (SAMH) groups across North Fingal, all supported by the Community Office resumed their quarterly meetings in September which is International Recovery Month. To mark the 30<sup>th</sup> September as International Recovery Day, Swords Castle and Bremore Castle in Balbriggan were lit in purple on Sept 30<sup>th</sup>. The work of the SAMH groups will concentrate this quarter on rolling out the many findings of the Planet Youth Research into the behaviours and attitudes of young people across north Fingal on topics of drugs awareness and mental health, which was launched this summer by the North Dublin Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force.

## Fingal Safer Halloween Programme



The Community Development Office is supporting 30 groups to participate in the Fingal Safer Halloween Programme. The purpose of this programme is to provide fun recreational and diversionary activities for young people to deter them from participating in antisocial Halloween activity. In addition, participating projects will promote the Fingal County Council's Stay Safe and Awareness messages and generate awareness of other deterrent initiatives including Bulb Planting, Recycling Amnesty, Bonfire Removal measures.

## Community Funding Information Evening



Fingal County Council  
Community Activities Funding  
Scheme Information Session

Wednesday 19th October 2022,  
7.00pm to 8.30pm.

Community Group in Fingal are invited to attend this event to learn about the scheme, how to apply, talk through the criteria and share ideas. Book your place, email [community@fingal.ie](mailto:community@fingal.ie)

The Community and Sports Office is hosting an online information evening on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00pm – 8.30pm on the **Community and Sports Office Community Activities Funding Scheme**. This scheme is available to Community and Voluntary groups in Fingal to apply for sports equipment, area enhancements activities, office equipment, publications, promotional material, community events, environmental/ climate action initiatives, tutors fees and course material etc.... Each group can apply for up to €3,000. Join this event to learn about the scheme, how to apply, talk through the criteria and to share their ideas. To book please click here

<https://consult.fingal.ie/en/content/fingal-county-council%E2%80%99s-community-and-sports-office-community-activities-funding-information-evening>

## FACILITIES

### Keen To Be Green Excellence in Waste Management Awards

The Fingal Community Facilities Network hosted the first Keen To Be Green Awards at the Carlton Hotel, Blanchardstown, marking one year of Fingal's Keen To Be Green Facilities Project. All participating Community Facilities were presented with their award for Environmental Excellence in Waste Management by the Mayor of Fingal, Cllr. Howard Mahony. Senior Executive Officer,

Community and Sports Department, Naomi Weir also spoke at the proceedings and acknowledged the hard work of all the facilities and their staff.



**Mountview Youth and Community Hub being presented with their Environmental Excellence Award by Mayor of Fingal Cllr. Howard Mahony (L-R) Chairperson and FCC Community Development Officer David Mitchell, Board member Jennifer Dawnay, and centre manager Kathryn Cummins.**

The awards were preceded by a Facilities Network meeting. Included on the agenda were presentations from Magnet on access to secure public wifi in community centres, Codema Dublin, on Energy Efficiency including information on funding opportunities and Irish Water offered tips on Water Conservation – the next stage of the 5 stages of the Keen To Be Green Facilities Project. There was also a year in review presentation from the MC Heidi Bedell and a presentation on Active Travel initiatives from FCC Walking and Cycling Officer Stephen McGinn.



Environmental Officer Sinéad Fox was also present with items for waste management including brown bin caddies and litter-pickers and presented plans for the Water Conservation phase of the project.



The Fingal Facilities Network AGM will be held in December and the Water Conservation phase of the Keen To Be Green Project is now underway.

### **Blakestown Community Cafe Relaunch**

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, Blakestown Resource Centre launched their newly refurbished Social Enterprise Café. Following a local competition, the Café has been named Connect Café. Over the past few months, the team in the centre have been busy at work replacing the floors in the kitchen and upgrading the kitchen appliances. They have also installed some new comfortable café furniture. The Board hired a new coffee shop supervisor and the whole team have been busy revamping and developing a new delicious menu, while keeping it affordable for the community. Centre Manager Mervyn Nutley, Chairperson Ann Gorman and Paul Donnelly TD were on hand to mark the occasion. This coffee shop is an excellent example of how community coffee shops can develop as social enterprises providing an income stream to support the sustainability of the community centre and encourage residents to engage in their local community centre.



The Thrive Balbriggan project, supported by the Community Development Office and led by Mental Health Ireland hosted a planning and review session in September. Several initiatives for world Mental Health month in October are planned, including drop in Connect Cafe's with Cairde Balbriggan and in the La La Cafe. Planning is well underway for the next phase in the Balbriggan 'Hello how Are You' initiative and the Community Office will take part in an international seminar and ideas exchange with other thrive projects across Europe next month.



### Fingal Public Participation Network

Round 4 of Linkage Groups will take place in October and November as follows

- 18th October: Community Safety, Crime and Policing
- 25th October: Arts, Community, Heritage and Sports
- 27th October: Housing, Planning and Transport
- 01st November: Climate Change, Water and Environment
- 15th November: Social Inclusion, Rural Development, Youth and Enterprise

### THRIVE BALBRIGGAN – INTERAGENCY



### Integration

SALAAM Project (Sustainable Alliances Against Anti-Muslim Hatred Project)

Fingal County Council's Migrant Integration and Social Cohesion Strategy Internal Working Group and the Integration Team in partnership with Limerick University and the Immigrant Council of Ireland have formed a partnership on the SALAAM Project. This UN Funded Project will gather

information from communities across Fingal which will result in the development of anti-racism training for staff in 2023. FCC consultations took place on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of September.



### Fingal Inclusion Week Networking Event

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of September Fingal Inclusion Week 2022 was launched with participating groups from across the county meeting up in County Hall to network and exchange event information and ideas.



### AGE FRIENDLY

#### Positive Ageing Week 2022

To celebrate Positive Ageing Week, a number of events were organised for older people, as well as training on intergenerational practice and ageism for staff.

#### Give it a Go Day



A Give it a Go Day took place on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022 in Newbridge House, Donabate attended by the Mayor of Fingal Cllr. Howard Mahony, with the aim of showcasing what is possible, presenting a positive image of old age, and encouraging older people to participate in activities. Various groups and sporting organisations demonstrated physical activities suitable for older people such as boules, walking football, tai chi, adapted cricket, croquet, as well as music and dance.



Transport was provided from various locations across the county. Although it was a wet day, it didn't dampen enthusiasm with those present trying out new activities and making new connections.

### Promoting intergenerational practice



Fingal County Council is the first local authority in Ireland to provide accredited training for community workers and partner organisations on Intergenerational Practice. Training was delivered by Linking Generations NI and accredited by the CPD Standards UK.

A full day workshop took place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September which included topics such as understanding intergenerational practice, the benefits of intergenerational practice and bringing generations together. The workshop also brought participants through the process of evaluating the social impact of intergenerational practice in their work and promoting sustainable practice.

The day provided staff and partner organisations with an opportunity to work through the process of introducing an intergenerational initiative from the initial idea, to promoting and ensuring sustainability. Projects developed among participants in small groups included parenting support, cultural festivities, skill sharing such as

graffiti, sharing life stories and an intergenerational choir.

### Ageism Workshop

The theme for Positive Ageing Week 2022 was Ageism, in line with the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing. In supporting this theme, two online "Agewise" workshops hosted by Age and Opportunity took place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022.



Staff from Community, Libraries, Housing, Operations, Water Services, Planning and Architects participated in this interactive

workshop which challenged our thinking about ageing and the associated myths and stereotypes as well as raising awareness of ageism in our communities and workplace.

### A Medley of Creativity



Age Friendly Fingal in partnership with Age Friendly Ireland and Creative Ireland hosted an Autumn Medley of Creativity in Newbridge House and Farm on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

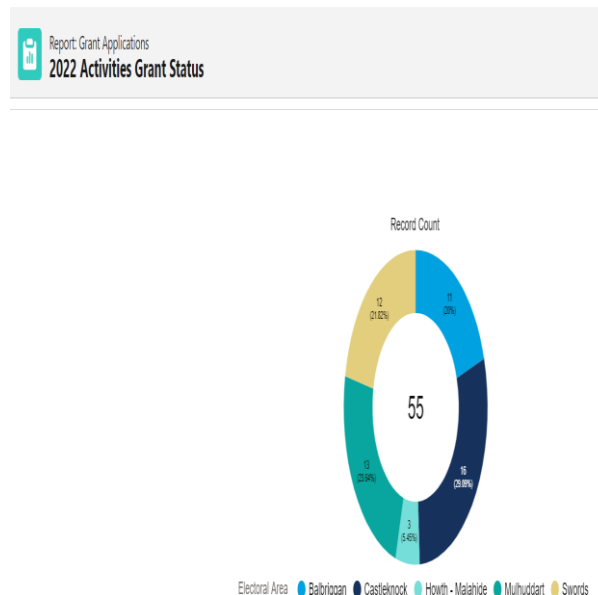
The aim of the event was to inspire creative engagement with older people through a number of workshops such as painting, tai chi, herbal soap making and jive and salsa classes. Entertainment was provided by the Forget Me Nots Choir based in Baldoyle.

**Rush Senior Group**, with support from the Community Office, hosted an afternoon of events in the community centre to celebrate Positive Ageing Week. The group were joined by students from St. Josephs Secondary School bringing both an intergenerational and intercultural aspect to the event as they helped with French translation for two local ladies originally from the Congo. The students assisted with crafts and joined in the fun during the line-dancing class. A very informative presentation on fall prevention and osteoporosis was given by HSE staff.



## FUNDING

### Activities Funding Awarded in 2022



55 Community and Voluntary groups have been awarded €112,815 to date.

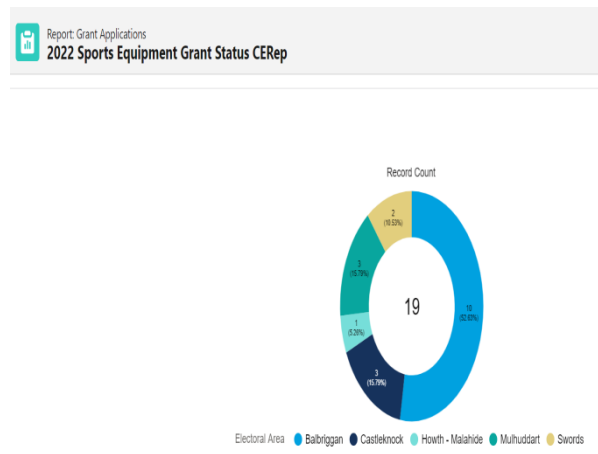
11 Balbriggan - €19,854.90 (20%)

29 Castleknock Mulhuddart €67,590 .08 (53%)

3 Howth Malahide €7,753 (5%)

12 Swords €17,617 (22%)

### Sports Equipment Funding Awarded in 2022



19 Community and Voluntary groups have been awarded €45,190.28 to date.

10 Balbriggan - €24,854.90 (53%)

6 Castleknock Mulhuddart €15536.59 (31%)

1 Howth Malahide €2,973 (5%)

2 Swords €2,065.77 (11%)

### Safer Halloween Funding 2022 (Awaiting Approval October Full Council Meeting)

30 Community and Voluntary groups will be awarded €15840.75.

5 Balbriggan - €2,221 (19%)

6 Castleknock Mulhuddart €15,536.59 (31%)

4 Howth Malahide €2,840 (13%)

4 Swords €1,714 (13%)

### Fingal Sports Office Funding

To date the Sports Office are processing 69 (2022) grant applications across the Youth Sports Grant, Equipment Funding and the Communities Get Moving Fund. To date over €11,000 has been given to clubs in 2022 with a commitment of a further €52,000 still being processed while dealing with numerous 2021 grant applications from clubs around the county.

### SPORTS OFFICE

#### FINGAL HOMEFIT

The Fingal HomeFit programme is a live online exercise programme delivered by qualified instructors. The classes are recorded for anyone who misses the live class or wishes to redo the class. The programme will start in October/November and will run through the winter months and consists of a selection of 6-week blocks including; Yoga, Pilates and Chair Exercise.

### EUROPEAN WEEK OF SPORT

The European Week of Sport took place from Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September and was a very busy week for the Sports Office. A comprehensive list of activities took place over the week for people of all ages and abilities, which were well attended and provided an opportunity to participate or upskill.

The image is a graphic titled "Calendar of Events" for the European Week of Sport 2022. It features logos for Sport Éireann / Sport Ireland, #BeActive, and Comhairle Contae Fingal / Fingal County Council. The calendar lists events from 24th to 30th September. Events include Parkrun (county wide), Football For All Session (Balbriggan), #BeActive Festival (Sport Ireland Campus), Zumba Master Class (Sport Ireland Campus), ParkFit (Balbriggan & Meakstown), MarathonKids (county wide), ParkFit (Tyrrelstown), Parent & Toddlers Group (Tyrrelstown), ParkFit (Blanchardstown & Swords), Men on the Move (Mulhuddart), FAI Club Academy Workshop (online), and Tag Rugby Fun Day (Sutton). Availability is noted as "Places Available", "Fully Booked", or "Places Available". A date range "23 - 30 September" is shown at the bottom right.

### FINGAL PARKFIT

The Sports Office provides free outdoor exercise classes in a number of parks around Fingal. The classes are open to all levels of ability and require no equipment. The classes last 45min and are delivered by qualified coaches.

The image is a graphic for the "Fingal ParkFit" programme. It features the title "Fingal ParkFit" and "FREE OUTDOOR EXERCISE PROGRAMME". It lists the following locations and schedules: Lanesborough Park (Mondays @6PM), Martello Tower, Balbriggan (Mondays @6PM), Tyrrelstown Park (Tuesdays @6PM), Millennium Park (Wednesdays @12PM), and Holywell Park (Wednesdays @6PM). Logos for Comhairle Contae Fingal / Fingal County Council and Sport Ireland are at the bottom.



## MEN ON THE MOVE

Fingal Sports Office with support from HSE have launched the Men on the Move programme for 12 weeks. The programme offers an over 30, men only, safe environment to engage or reengage in physical activity. The programme introduces the participants to strength and conditioning and caters for all fitness levels. The programme is onto its 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Mulhuddart Community Centre every Thursday at 7.30pm and has 8 participants, growing in numbers each week.



## PARENT AND TODDLER PROGRAMME

Parents/childminders and toddlers are meeting every Thursday at 10am in Tyrrelstown Community Centre for an engaging class of fundamental movements, child yoga and fun activities. The programme is funded by Sport Ireland and partners with Technological University Dublin (Blanchardstown) for research to investigate the connection between the community and their engagement with the community centres and sport.



## PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

**Location:** Tyrrelstown Community Centre

**Time:** 10am - 11am

**Starting Date:** 15th of September

An engaging experience to promote your toddler's developmental milestones (18-36 months) while building connections in your community

**Free class for toddlers and parents to get moving with a fully qualified coach**

For more details please email: [sports@fingal.ie](mailto:sports@fingal.ie) or register at link

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# ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE ACTION & ACTIVE TRAVEL

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## Active Travel

### Strategic Planning

The non-statutory public consultation for the draft Active Travel Strategy closed on the 23rd of May. A total of 149 submissions were received by the closing date. Interviews with strategic external stakeholders are ongoing. All postal submissions have been processed and have been successfully uploaded onto the consultation portal. A draft report on the consultation phase has been submitted and is currently being reviewed by the Active Travel team.

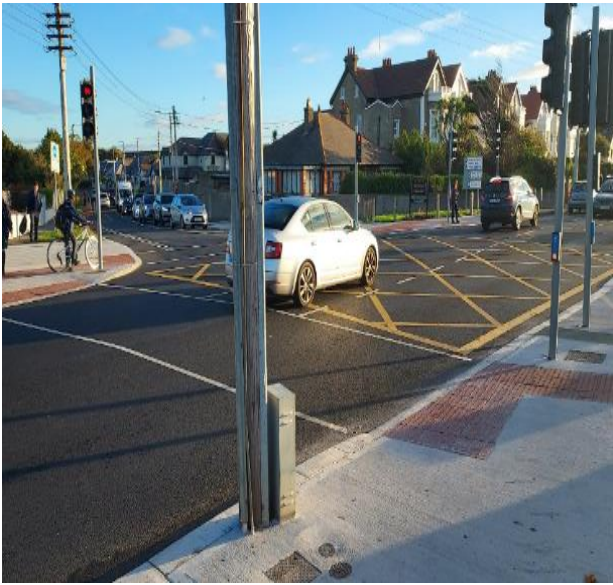
### Protected Cycle Lanes

#### Baldoyle-Howth Protected Cycle Lane Scheme

##### Phase 1

Upgrade works at Baldoyle Road/Dublin Road completed. Epoxy resin application on Howth Road and Grange Road completed. Small section of epoxy resin to be completed at Warrenhouse Road railway crossing. Consultation ongoing with Irish Rail regarding obtaining a slot to complete the works. Snag works ongoing for the remainder of the project.





### **St. Cronan's Ave and Brackenstown Road Protected Cycle Lanes**

The contractor was busy completing junction upgrade works at Park Avenue and Valley View junction. Works are ongoing along Brackenstown Road to complete the shared surface in front of the school and church. A new kerb was poured along Glen Ellan Road to deal with the level difference in front of the ESB Substation. Ongoing consultation with the residents, schools and other local stakeholders regarding ongoing and planned works. The project team is liaising with local councillors to ensure works are successfully implemented and to minimise disruption to the public.



### **Towns & Villages**

Works are ongoing in the development of an Active Travel Plan for a number of our Towns & Villages. A brief has been developed by our Active Travel Team for Balrothery Village to look at the scope of works required to be delivered under our Active Travel pillars. This is going to tender in early September for the engagement of an Integrated Design Team to examine and develop a plan for the Balrothery area.

**Skerries Active Travel Plan** non Statutory Public Consultation was successfully launched on Thursday the 22nd September. This consultation will run for a six week period until the 03rd November. The following is a link to the online consultation portal.

<https://consult.fingal.ie/en/consultation/skerries-active-travel-plan-public-consultation>

Our objective is to seek ideas and comments from residents of and visitors to Skerries that will inform future plans for Active Travel schemes in the town. We are not presenting or designing any solutions at present, just gathering feedback to inform designs that will be developed by our Integrated Design Team.

We have gone to tender for the appointment of an Integrated Design Team and the tenders are due back by mid-October, when they will then be evaluated and the appointment of the successful tenderer will follow soon after.

We have engaged with the ESRI who are looking at best International and National practice regarding Behavioural Change and Economic Benefits from Active Travel measures introduced in similar towns and villages. The Active Travel Project Team have also engaged the services of a Communications Consultant to assist our own communications team in the management of communications and engagement with all stakeholders in the Skerries Active Travel project. The engagement with stakeholders will be through public workshops that will be run during the Consultation period, (dates to be confirmed), online portal and social media outlets to appeal to all persons to participate and contribute to the process.

New Street Public Realm project - A multi-disciplinary design team has been appointed for the works. This month our contractors were on site carrying out a detailed topographical survey of works area. FCC expect to have ground penetrating radar and cloud survey contractors on site in the coming month.

### **Connectivity/Permeability**

We are continuing to receive various requests for Permeability and Connectivity improvements from various stakeholders across the county. These requests are being recorded in detail for evaluation and if appropriate, identification of a means of delivery on the ground.

Where other projects being progressed in the area at either design or construction stage; we endeavour to include these Connectivity and Permeability improvements within those projects.

Greenway connectivity support teams have been convened to review, design, and deliver active travel infrastructure that will enhance accessibility between the proposed strategic greenways and residential, educational, amenity and commercial zones. These support projects have been set up for Fingal Coastal Way, Broadmeadow Way/Sutton to Malahide Greenway and Royal Canal Greenway. This will help to optimise the use of the proposed greenway by both leisure and commuter users.

### **Access Controls;**

Following on from circular (NGS Circular 4/22), the guidance from the NTA (Access Control of Active Travel Facilities) the Active Travel Unit has mapped the access constraints (in particular kissing gates) within Fingal. We have put together a list of access constraints to be removed and works proposed to improve access for pedestrians, cyclists and disabled persons. This list is currently being reviewed by the various departments to ensure that the removal of these restraints have no negative impact within the areas. On completion of the review Fingal County Council Active Travel in conjunction with Operations will be coordinating the removal of these access control points.

### **Secure Bicycle Parking Infrastructure**

Recently appointed works contractor has completed first tranche of works in Blanchardstown and Skerries that will see an additional 80 bike parking spaces available to the public.





## Road Safety

### Safe Routes to School

The Active Travel department have continued works on the 2022 Safe Routes to School Programme. Design works for the first 3 schools has now been completed with design works for the second tranche of schools ongoing. The Active Travel Department and our consultants will be meeting with schools and stakeholders in September to discuss the works.

Tender submissions were received for the appointment of a works contractor. The tenders have been evaluated and we are currently in the standstill period before we can officially appoint the preferred tenderer and commence works. Site works programmed to commence during the final quarter of 2022.

### Walking & Cycling Officers

#### Adult Cycling Training

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept we began our six-week Adult Cycling Lessons in Baldoyle. We are running two courses each night, one at 6pm and the other at 7:30pm

We have 16 on each course and feedback has been brilliant so far. The group began off road in Racecourse Park and then graduated to the Greenway and the intention from week 3 is to progress to the roads.

The lessons have primarily been attended by females and are giving people a great opportunity to relearn an old skill and make active travel a viable option for shorter journeys.



### Learn 2 Cycle with a Disability

Our Learn 2 Cycle Sessions for Children with a Disability are continuing to prove extremely popular in Applewood Community Centre. Our latest 2 courses began on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept and are both at maximum capacity. On the back of our success and in conjunction with Cycling Ireland We are developing an online coaching course for Teachers and SNA's working in Schools. This 2hr online course will give them practical advice and techniques for teaching children with additional needs to Cycle. We are piloting the first online session on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept with Physiotherapists from The CRC in Swords. We are developing a link with The Rediscovery Centre that will help us provide schools who take part in the training with a small number of refurbished bikes for the school, so they can put their new skills into practice on a daily basis.

### EMW/DCAW - Fresh Air Friday

As part of European Mobility Week and Dublin Climate Action Week we partnered with Our Balbriggan and Balbriggan Tidy Towns for a Fresh Air Friday Event on the 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. The event targeted all Primary and Secondary Schools in Balbriggan as well as local businesses. The event was a great success, and it is hoped we can make it a weekly event going forward.



### DCAW – Mini Climate Action Festival

As part of Dublin Climate Action Week we linked in with Environment Team to take part in the Mini Climate Action Festival in Millennium Park. We had our Cycling Without Age Trishaw on hand to give lifts around the park for anyone who needed it as well as information on Active Travel and upcoming projects. The day was a huge success.



### Skerries Walking Bus – St Patricks JNS & SNS

As part of Car Free Day St Patricks SNS & JNS launched their first Walking Bus. The group meet at Ballygossan Park and make three stops picking up children and parents along the way. The initiative is supported by our Walking & Cycling Officers, and we are looking at adding Walking Bus Stops along the route.



## Skerries Cycling Initiative Cycling Tour

As part of the launch of the Skerries Town Active Travel Consultation members of the Active Travel team took a guided tour around the town with Representatives of the Skerries Cycling Initiative. This was a brilliant opportunity for the team to get a local perspective on issues that the community have identified.



## EMW - Dublin Bike Disco Phoenix Park

As part of Culture Night and European Mobility Week on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September in conjunction with Dublin City Council, The OPW and The Dublin Cycling Campaign we closed off traffic to a section of the Park. The Car Free Event was held at 8pm and the crowd were treated to music from The Dublin Cycling Campaign along a car free route.



## Cycle Right Sessions

362 from across the county have begun Cycle Right Level 1 Training this month. This first batch of students will undertake 6 weeks of Cycling Training during school and will gain new skills and confidence as a result.

## Cycling without Age Fingal

Cycling without Age is ready to begin offering trips in Santry Demesne from the first week of October. Volunteers have been trained and registered and it is hoped that the first trips will begin in the park from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct.

The site works in Skerries and Baldoyle have begun, and we are hoping to have the Lockem Units installed and ready to use by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct.



The Active Travel team recently liaised with Councillor Siobhan Shovlin and interested members of the Dublin 15 community to set up the Dublin 15 Walking Group. This walking group is now registered with Get Ireland Walking.

## Dublin 15 Walking Group

The Dublin 15 Walking Group's first official walk took place on Thursday 22 September in Carpenterstown and was a great success.

75 local people have already joined the group, with the numbers still growing.

The group have decided to walk on Thursdays at 6pm and may add extra days as required by the group.



## Age Friendly - Give it a go Day

We supported the Community Department in Newbridge House as part of their Age Friendly Give it a Go Day, Active Travel were there with our Cycling Without Age Trishaw to give spins around the park, the Trishaw went down very well, covering over 12km in the 90mins. This was a great opportunity to promote the service





## Mobility/Behaviour Change

### Bleeper

#### August Stats – Bike Share Countywide:

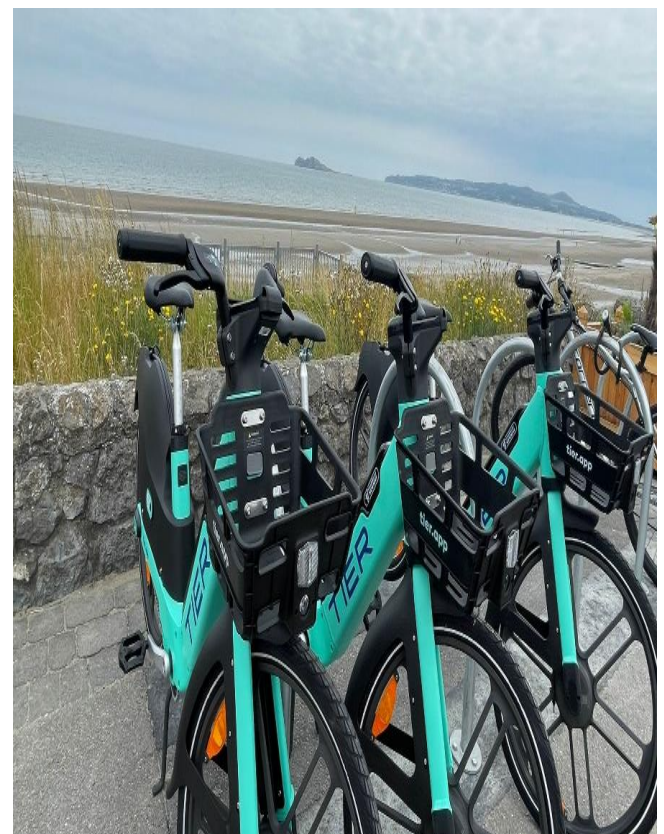
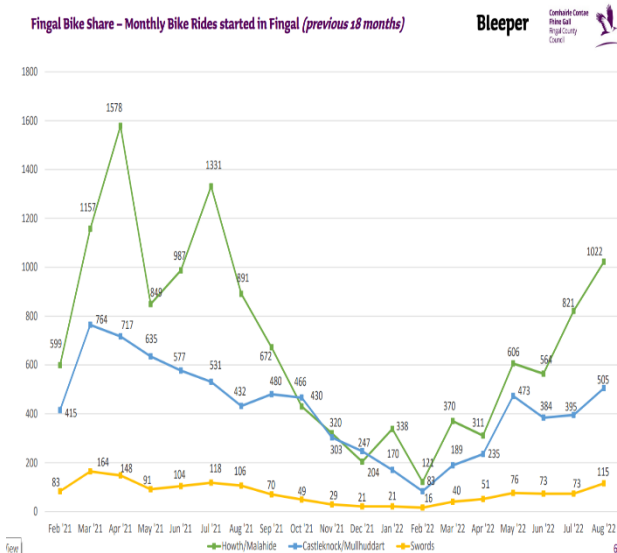
2430 bike journeys started within Fingal operating zone in August up from 1925 in July, a 26% increase
2468 bike journeys ended within existing Fingal operating zone in August
Highest usage recorded on Saturdays (18.1%) & Sundays (17.7%)
Howth was the most popular location for bike share but we saw a huge spike in Skerries
Average number of 143 bikes in Fingal – (SLA for 120 bikes) for hire each day of the month
8 Ukrainians at the Shoreline Hotel location have been provided with free use of Bleeper bikes and took 89 trips in August, (92 trips in July, 58 trips in June, and 26 trips in May)

If you notice any bike parked incorrectly or vandalism in your area, please contact the Bleeper customer care team <https://www.bleeperactive.com/contact-us>

### TIER eBike Update

The Tier eBike rollout continues to increase, there are now have 220 eBikes available across the County. Tier have recently expanded the rollout to include Portrane, Skerries and Balbriggan.

You can pick up a TIER e-bike easily. Just download the TIER app, scan the code on the e-bike to unlock it and you're on your way! The e-bikes are suitable for anyone over the age of 16 and note that a credit or debit card is required to sign up for the service.



## Tier Report – June/July/August

### TIER Monthly Report

#### June (10 days), July & August 2022

Metric	June	July	August
Trips	425	1,542	2,356
Active Vehicles	42	76	133
No of Customers	260	847	1253
Trips / Customer	1.6	1.8	1.9
Distance Covered (KM)	2,442Km	8,304km	11.19km
Average Trip Duration	25.5min	24min	21.9min
Average Trip length (KM)	5.7km	5.4km	5km

### Draft Fingal County Council Control of On-Street Bike Hire Byelaws 2022

The Draft Fingal County Council control of on-street bike hire byelaws 2022 were recently presented to the Transportation and Infrastructure SPC on 7<sup>th</sup> June. It is proposed to put the draft Byelaws on public display in the coming weeks. All submissions received will be carefully considered. The Byelaws will then be brought to Full Council for adoption.

### Climate Action

Dublin Climate Action Week 2022 (DCAW22) took place from 12<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September, and saw good public turnout for events, across all six partners. There was a range of webinar and in person events from various themes. Several webinar events were

recorded and can be viewed at **Dublin Climate Action Week 2022 | Climate Change Events Dublin (codema.ie)** Fingal led events culminated in a fun mini-Climate festival in Millennium Park Blanchardstown. Here is a sample of photos from the week.



*DCAW22 launch – Mayor Cllr Howard Mahony with reps from ECAAT Dept., David Storey, Janice Butler, Ronan O'Reilly & Aoife Fitzpatrick.*



*Hans Visser & Melissa Jeuken delivering 'Meet the Goats at Howth Head' walk and talk event.*



*Kevin Valley and Ms. Karen McQuaid (5th class teacher), Maya Gryesten Fields (Science Education Officer GLOBE, Clean Air Together) and Siobhan Donnelly (5th class teacher) delivering the Introduction to Weather Observation workshop at a local school*



*Darragh Sheedy and Colin Gallagher delivering the 'Urban Planning & Nature Based Surface Water Management' walk and talk event.*



*The launch of the Active Travel's Fresh Air Friday initiative event in Balbriggan*

### **Environmental Awareness**

As part of DCAW22 our Environmental Awareness and Climate Action Team organised a Mini Climate Action Festival in Millennium Park Blanchardstown, which was the flagship Fingal event for the week. The event showcased sustainable fashion, composting and community gardening, sustainable household choices, active travel, and a fun carbon calculator. The Fingal Instruments Project had music playing throughout the day and 20 instruments were given away to the delight of recipients. The Rediscovery centre provided bike repairs all day and had a very busy time keeping up with the demand! The day went exceptionally well and was attended by the Mayor, local councillors and TD's. It is estimated that 800-1000 people attended the event.



Several community groups, families and individuals around Fingal participated in the Dublin Community Clean-up 10 -18<sup>th</sup> Sept. This annual event is a joint effort with the Dublin Local Authorities in cooperation with An Taisce and the Canals groups to tackle litter in a coordinated manner over a one-week period.



Kilcoskan N.S the Ward were granted €1,000 from environmental awareness waste prevention fund

towards a water refill point in the school which will help to eliminate single-use bottles.

### Circular Economy

Luttrellstown Community College Erasmus students spent a morning at Coolmine Recycling Centre to find out more about recycling and circular economy.

### Bring Centres

**Bottle Banks** The program of painting and graffiti removal on bottle banks has continued throughout July, August and September and is now coming to an end for this year however we will continue with our Maintenance, Anti-Graffiti and Renewal of Signage program. Below are some sites painted throughout September.



Before/After picture Rush South Beach. The whole site was revamped to include new Textile banks. This site also includes an Audio Device, Can Bank and good signage.



Portrane before/after: Extra glass recycling bank added for capacity here and painted. Signage to be updated here.

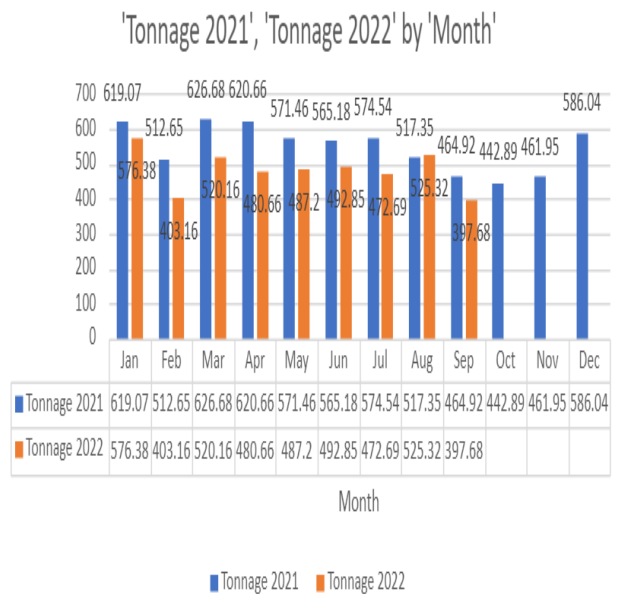


Balbriggan Supervalu banks also painted and new Textile banks added.

The Litter Wardens inspect our Bring Bank sites daily and any evidence of littering is investigated and pursued.

## Glass Tonnage Report for August 2022 year to date compared to 2021

There were 397.68 tons of glass collected for recycling up to 28th September 2022. This is compared to 464.92 tons which were collected in September 2021. This reduction reflects the tonnages of glass collected returning to pre-covid levels.



## Textile Banks



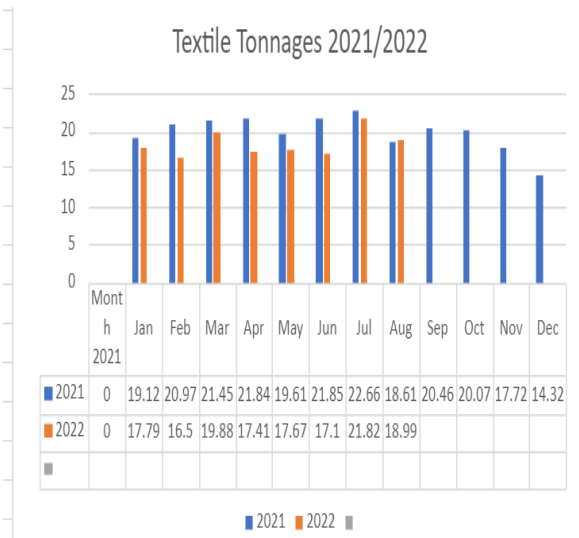
Textile Bank replaced at Malahide Beach



**Textile banks at Howth Village carpark as previous one was damaged**

**Textile Tonnage Report for 2022 compared to 2021**

There were 18.99 tons of textiles collected for recycling throughout Fingal’s network in August 2022 September figures not available until next month.



**Litter Management**

In September, the Litter Wardens continued their campaign to raise awareness of the issue of dog fouling on beaches and carried out extra patrols over the weekends. They spoke with dog walkers about their responsibilities as dog owners and handed out dog fouling bags. They also erected anti dog fouling signage in areas where complaints were received.

The Litter Wardens have commenced with Halloween business inspections in an effort to reduce the levels of material that may be collected by individuals for use in bonfires.

A total of 335 planned route inspections on litter black spot areas were carried out. They also carried out inspections on the bring banks in the Fingal area to ensure that there was no dumping. Any dumping found was investigated under the Litter Pollution Act. Investigations were also carried out on reports of abandoned cars. Local businesses were inspected to ensure they are keeping their premises free of litter.

The Litter Wardens also assisted Howth Tidy Towns with their Community Open Day with particular focus on the Green Dog Walker pledge, attended the Howth Maritime Festival and launched the Bag it, Bin it campaign with Howth Tidy Towns.

In the District Court 3 cases were successfully prosecuted with one prosecution not going to court as the fine was paid in advance of the court date.

2022	Fines/notices issued	
	Fines	Notices
January	27	85
February	28	60

March	34	39
April	41	48
May	35	35
June	20	41
July	56	35
August	33	22
September	44	16

### Abandoned Vehicles

The Abandoned Vehicles Pilot scheme is continuing.

293 vehicles were reported to the Abandoned Vehicle Section between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

As at 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022, 280 were reported as abandoned and 13 vehicles reported as burnt out. 43 of those reported as abandoned are currently being investigated.

Each reported abandoned vehicle has been investigated by the Litter Wardens.

Year 2022	No. of Abandoned Vehicles Removed
Mar	3
Apr	2
May	1
June	0
July	0
Aug	2

Sep	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

Details on how to report an Abandoned car can be found on

<https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/abandonedvehicles>

### Dog Licences

Door to door licence checks have been carried out by the dog wardens in the following locations during September. Dog owners without a valid licence are given a 10 Days Notice to produce a valid dog licence.

Failure to hold a valid licence for a dog can incur a €100 fine.

Estate	Area
Cardy Rock	Balbriggan
Lioscian	Swords
Ardcian	Swords
Robswall	Malahide
Roselawn	Dublin 15
Kelly's Bay	Skerries
Drynam Road & Court	Swords
Milesian	Swords
St. Werburgs	Swords
Foxwood	Swords
Cardy Rock	Balbriggan

### Revenue from dog licence sales totalled €29,320 in September

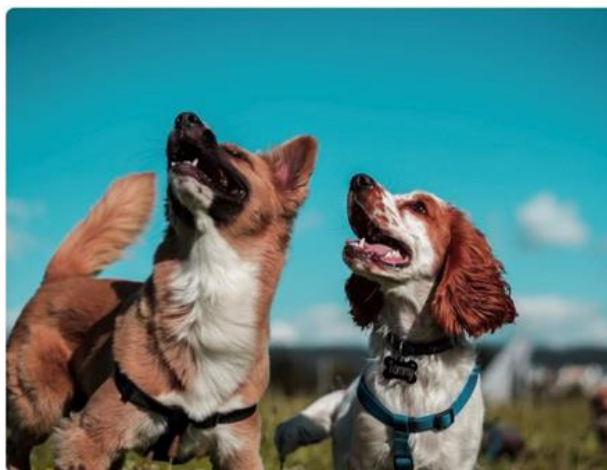
	Annual Licences Purchased	Lifetime Licences Purchased	Income from Licences
August	1025	61	€29,040
September	850	88	€29,320

A yearly licence costs €20 and a lifetime licence costs €140. We will continue to promote the requirement for a dog licence on social media platforms.



From May, FCC will be increasing door to door dog checks as well as additional patrols in parks and beaches.

Buy/renew your dog licence online at: [licences.ie/ILAS/Home/Licence...](https://licences.ie/ILAS/Home/Licence), or at any Post Office €20.00 per year, Lifetime Licence €140.00.



### Dog Warden Service

10 day notices have been issued to members of the public through both door to door licence checks and patrols in Fingal’s parks and beaches. Less 10 day notices were issued during September than August, however, there was an increase in fine payments.

	10 Day Notices	Fines Issued	Fines Paid	Payment Received
August	446	24	2	€1,100
September	385	24	13	€1,300

During September a two week pilot of evening patrols took place in parks following a number of reports made regarding restricted breed dogs. During this pilot, 4 fines were issued for restricted breed dogs not being muzzled in public and one for an unlicensed dog.

Total fines paid to date so far in 2022: €5,600.

### Howth Maritime Festival

The dog wardens attended the Howth Maritime Festival, paying particular attention to the regulations regarding restricted breed dogs. The wardens assisted a lady with a muzzle fitting for her one year old german shepherd who had never worn a muzzle before. As the lady did not have a muzzle, the wardens allowed her to borrow it so that she could remain at the festival with her beloved dog. 200 dog poo dispensers were also handed out to dog owners to promote the “Bin it, Bag it” campaign.







### National Dog Control Service Meeting

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of September, four of the dog wardens and office staff attended the annual National Dog Control Service Meeting in the Tullamore Court hotel. At the meeting, national statistics regarding dog licences and fines, the provision of the licencing service by An Post and the dog warden service was discussed. Networking with other Local Authorities regarding their provision of the dog warden service has proved very useful and we plan to meet with other Local Authorities to discuss ways to improve the service.

### Dog Shelter Service

The dog shelter holds “Meet & Greet” visits for those looking to rehome a dog. Visits can be arranged, by appointment only, from Monday – Friday, 10am until 4pm and on Saturday from 11am and 1pm

**DUBLIN COUNTY DOG SHELTER**

**MEET & GREETs**  
STRICTLY BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

**Monday - Friday**  
Between 10-4pm

**Saturday**  
Between 11-1pm

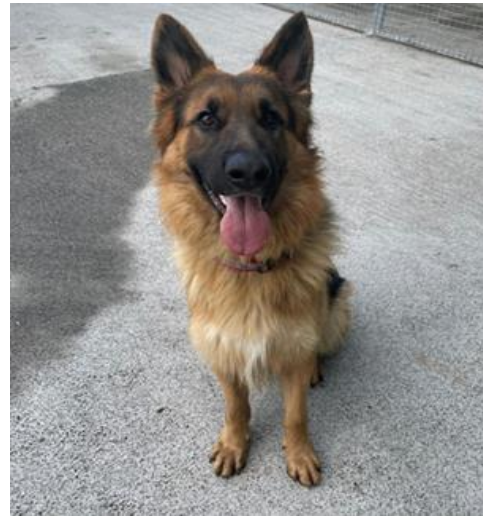
**No meet and greets sunday**  
Please call in advance

The dog shelter holds stray dogs picked up by the dog warden and dogs who have been surrendered by their owners. At the beginning of the month there were 7 dogs in the shelter. During September, 17 dogs were found straying or were seized and 4 dogs were surrendered to the shelter by their owners.

7 Dogs were reclaimed by their owners following promotion on the dog shelter's social media platforms and 11 were rehomed either to a rescue or to members of the public.

There are 10 dogs currently in the shelter.

Dogs in Shelter at the start of September	7
Stray dogs brought to Shelter (Stray or Seized)	17
Surrendered by owners	4
Reclaimed	7
Rehomed to Rescue	7
Rehomed to Public	4
Dogs in Shelter at the end of September	10

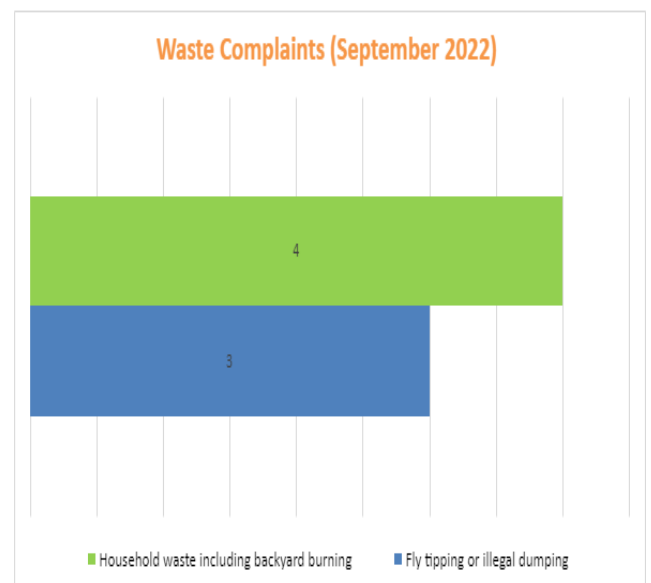


Rusty, the little terrier was rehomed on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September, and Roxy, the one year old german shepherd who is looking for a new home.

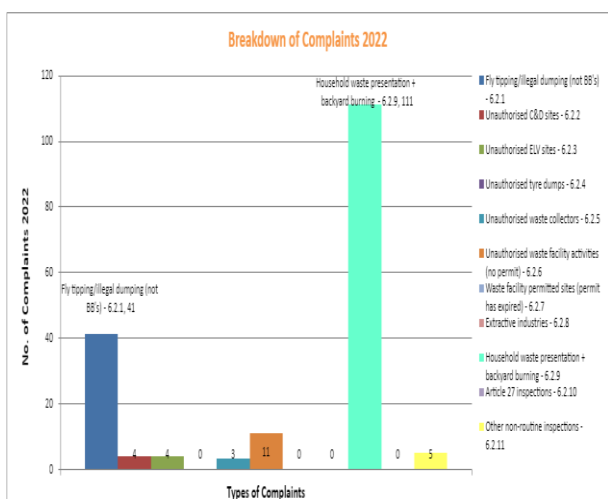
**Waste Enforcement**

**Waste Complaints**

A total of 7 waste complaints were received and investigated during the month of September. Waste complaints were noted to decrease by 53% compared to August figures. Waste complaints typically increase during the summer months due to the use of barbeques which subsequently results in a rise in waste burning complaints received.



A total of 179 waste complaints were received and investigated during the period January – September 2022. The majority of waste complaints related to backyard storage of waste and burning of waste (62%) while illegal dumping and fly-tipping accounted for another 23%. Awareness and education around the management of domestic waste in a sustainable and environmentally safe manner is crucial to ensure all households participate in a waste collection service as per the waste presentation bye-laws and use all three bins (black, green and brown) to manage their waste. Illegally dumped waste costs Local Authorities hundreds of thousands of euro each year, money which could be better spent on providing services to businesses and local communities. To report unauthorised waste collectors or illegal dumping contact [environment@fingal.ie](mailto:environment@fingal.ie) or Tel: 01 8906799.



### **80 Tonnes of Illegally Dumped Waste Removed from Dunsink Lane**

A major waste removal operation was undertaken at Dunsink Lane in Finglas last week. A total of **80 tonnes** of illegally dumped household and bulky waste were removed from a number of locations and brought to a permitted waste facility for disposal. A multi-agency approach was used with assistance provided by An Garda Síochána in conjunction with a number of contractors.



Increased patrols and checkpoints by waste enforcement officers and local Community Gardai have been implemented to monitor activities on the ground to prevent further dumping. Evidence of illegal waste activities will be gathered and those responsible prosecuted in the District Court under the Waste Management Act 1996. If found guilty an individual can be fined up to €5,000 or face 12 months imprisonment as well as receiving a criminal conviction.



Illegal waste collectors use social media sites to offer cheap waste removal services however the waste ends up being dumped illegally causing environmental pollution. These “Man in a Van” individuals don’t have a waste collection permit and are not authorised to collect waste. Always ask for ID and to see a Waste Collection Permit which can be checked with the National Waste Collection Permit Office [www.nwcpc.ie](http://www.nwcpc.ie). If they’re not on the list they’re not authorised to collect waste.

To report unauthorised waste collectors or dumping contact [environment@fingal.ie](mailto:environment@fingal.ie) or Tel: **01 8906799**.

### **End of Life Vehicle Project - Q3 2022**

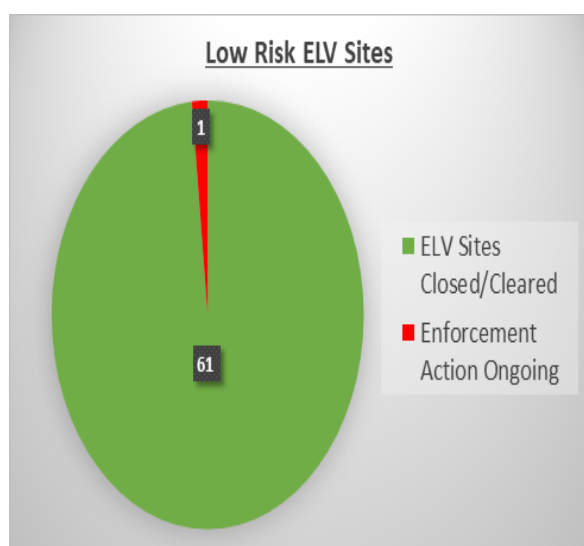
Tackling unauthorised End of Life Vehicle (ELV) sites continues to be a National Waste Enforcement Priority. When the ELV project started a total of 63 illegal ELV sites were identified in the Fingal area which increased to **86 illegal ELV sites** during 2022 (low and high-risk sites).

Significant progress has been made to date with **80 illegal ELV sites** closed resulting in over **1000 ELV’s** being brought to ATF’s (authorised treatment facilities) for recovery and disposal.

### Low Risk ELV Sites

A total of **62** low risk ELV sites were identified in Fingal:

- 61 sites have been cleared and closed down
- 1 site remains - enforcement action is ongoing

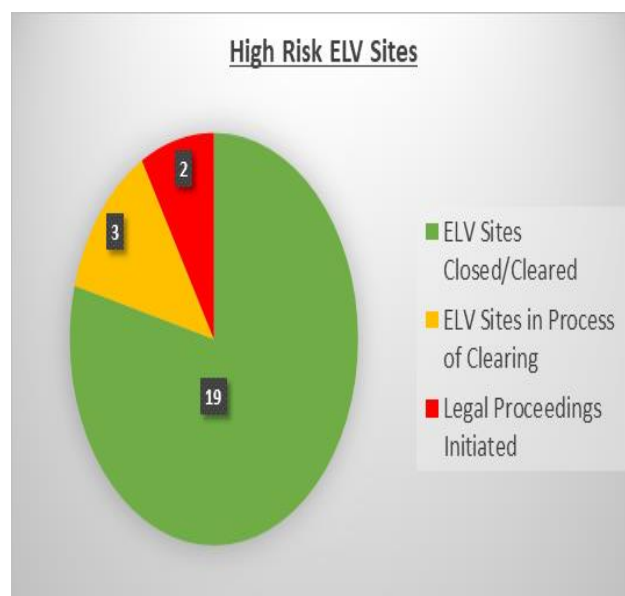


<b>Total No. of ELV Sites</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>ELV Sites Closed</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>Ongoing Enforcement Action</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Inspections Undertaken</b>	<b>190</b>
<b>No. of ELVs Cleared</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Section 14 Direction Letters</b>	<b>30</b>

### High Risk ELV Sites

A total of **24** high risk ELV sites were identified in Fingal.

- 19 sites cleared and closed down
- 3 sites currently being cleared
- 2 sites - legal proceedings initiated



<b>Total No. of ELV Sites</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>ELV Sites Closed</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>ELV Sites being Clearing</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Legal Proceedings Initiated</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Inspections Undertaken</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>No. of ELVs Cleared</b>	<b>650</b>
<b>S14, S18, S55 Letters</b>	<b>30</b>

### Water Quality Protection

#### Bathing Water

##### Bathing Water Quality

The bathing water season ran from the 1st of June – 15th September. 9 rounds of scheduled samples took place, along with additional resamples and investigative sampling, totalling 128 samples. The results of the 2022 bathing season sampling are summarised below.

Identified Waters Individual Classification					
2022 season samples	Excellent	Good	Sufficient	Poor	Total
Scheduled	78	6	2	4	90
Unscheduled	11	3	2	5	21
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>111</b>
Non-Identified Waters Individual Classification					
2022 season samples	Excellent	Good	Sufficient	Poor	Total
Malahide	8	1			9
resamples	1				1
other waters	6		1		7
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>

### Incidents and Actions

The vast majority of results have achieved 'excellent' water quality status. 6 prohibition notices were issued for bathing areas this season. 2 of these notices were issued as a precaution due to a stormwater overflow incidents at Portmarnock. The remaining 4 notices were issued due to 'poor' or 'sufficient' bacterial results from sampling. 11 prior warning notices were issued on Saturday 3rd September due to forecast heavy rainfall (yellow warning). All resampling results following a 'poor' result have shown an immediate return to 'excellent' water quality, indicating no persistent pollution event. Increased rainfall in September contributed to agricultural and urban runoff impacting the coastal environments and resulting in an increase in stormwater overflows.

As part of our monitoring programme, an investigative project has continued with UCD in 2022 involving qPCR testing of water (to enable identification of microbial sources i.e. gull, ruminant, human, dog and horse). The results will be available in the coming weeks and will provide a valuable insight into the identification of contamination sources at some of our bathing areas. This project will focus on Front Strand Balbriggan and the Bracken River Balbriggan, Loughshinny and Claremont.

In relation to other monitored waters in Fingal; Balscadden and Ireland's eye were tested twice this season with all results meeting 'excellent' status. Malahide beach has seen 9 'excellent' and 1 'good' results this season, a new sampling point at Malahide Estuary was tested for the 1st time this season. Three full sample results were received, 2 'excellent' and 1 'sufficient'. The one sufficient result of the 5th September can be associated with heavy rainfall (yellow warning) the previous day.

Continuing 'excellent' water quality in 2022 was recorded at our three blue flag beaches; Portmarnock, Donabate and Rush South. Accordingly, applications for blue flag awards at these locations can be made again for next year (subject to relevant 2023 application criteria set by An Taisce). Rush North beach received 'excellent' results for all samples this season apart from one sufficient sample taken on the 5th September. As a prior warning notice was in place due to heavy rainfall, that "sufficient" sample result could be replaced by a subsequent "excellent" sample. This is a bathing water management measure used for short term pressure events (<72 hours) in the environment.

It is likely that the Rush North will be assigned "excellent" status for 2022 by the EPA based on a 4 year assessment for 2019-2022 but this cannot be confirmed until May 2023. This would result in two consecutive years of assessment at "excellent" status at Rush North. However, water quality is not the only criteria needed for a blue flag application to be made and the application criteria will not be available until 2023.

### Provisional Status Summary for 2023 Season

Based on bathing water results of the last four years of the 2022 Status assigned by the EPA it is likely to be assessed as follows (however the EPA report will be available in May 2023);

<b>Excellent</b>	Donabate, Portrane*, Rush North, Rush South, Portmarnock (*new improved status for 2022)
<b>Good</b>	Sutton
<b>Sufficient</b>	Skerries~, Claremont, Loughshinny (~new deteriorated status for 2022)
<b>Poor</b>	Balbriggan

With half our identified beaches now achieving an “excellent” annual assessment we are seeing the effect of collaborative cross departmental/agency water pollution investigative work which addresses repairs/remedial works required to network/pipes and planned pre-season and in-season checks preventing persistent deterioration in bathing water quality during the bathing season. These works and the educational campaigns around dog fouling are contributing to controlling sources that could cause a failure of a bathing water. We are likely to see a change in status for Portrane (changing from ‘good’ to ‘excellent’ over the 2020-2022) and Skerries (changing from ‘good’ to ‘sufficient’).

## FINANCE

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The table below outlines key financial statics at the end of August & September 2022.

This information is presented in conjunction with the Revenue account, Capital account and Debtors position in appendix (i).

### Rates

Overall rates collection to the end of September 2022 is running at **76%** including rates waiver.

Rates Collection	
Rates collected €M	114.1
Rates Collection %	83%

### Development Levy Income

Development levy income collected to the end of August is running at €19.5 this is c. **55%** of the overall collection during 2021.

Development Levy Income	
Levies Receipted €M	19.5
Levies collected as % of 2021	55%

### Payroll

Overall payroll spend to the end of August is €50m which is c. **98%** of budget year to date. The underspend is primarily in salaries.

Payroll	
Salaries & Wages €M	49.8
Percentage of payroll budget	98%

### Procurement

Outlined below is a summary of the overall procurement activity at end of August

Procurement Activity		Note
No. of contracts awarded (details below) for year to date	114	
Value €m	36.5	
<b>Procurements ongoing at end of August</b>		
No. of procurements awaiting tender responses	8	(i)
Value €m	1.7	
No. of procurements under evaluation	40	(ii)
Value €m	40.2	
No. of procurements at approved	44	(iii)
Value €m	33.6	

### Notes:

- (i) Procurements awaiting tender responses – tender responses awaited at end of August.
- (ii) Procurements under evaluation – tender responses submitted and being evaluated at end of the August.
- (iii) Procurements at approved – Tender responses have been evaluated and approved. Pre- contract award processes ongoing at end of August.



No. of contracts awarded for year to date

Dept	Description of Procurement	Supplier Name	Value of Contract (excl. VAT)	Contract Award Date	Contract Start Date	Contract End Date	Duration (months)
Planning and Strategic Infrastructure	Taking in Charge, The Gallops, Swords	G & J Kearns Ltd	€68,302	24/08/2022	08/08/2022	08/02/2023	6
Operations	Road Lining phase two for the Fingal Swords Balbriggan Areas including PSCS and Traffic Management	MacLoughlainn (Roadmarkings) Limited	€75,681	18/08/2022	18/08/2022	31/12/2022	4
Housing	Energy Efficiency RetroFit Retrofit Works - Lissenhall, Swords	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€2,000,000	17/08/2022	12/08/2022	12/08/2024	24
Operations	Road Inlay and Ancillary Works at the Boulevard, Tyrellstown, D15	DM Morris Ltd	€54,847	16/08/2022	01/09/2022	01/12/2022	3
Operations	Supply & Installation of Calistenics & Accessible Fitness Hub Waterville Park, Dublin 15	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd	€34,790	09/08/2022	15/08/2022	15/08/2023	12
Operations	Road Inlay & Ancillary Work Fancourt Heights	Roadstone Ltd	€107,842	08/08/2022	26/09/2022	26/10/2022	1
Operations	Footpath Repair Works Hunters Run - Deerhaven Avenue	John Browne Construction Ltd	€35,020	05/08/2022	22/08/2022	26/09/2022	1
Operations	Concrete footpath repairs at Castlecurragh Road, Dublin 15	John Browne Ltd, Kelly Rahill & Co.	€32,500	26/07/2022	05/08/2022	05/09/2022	1
Operations	Provision of Internal Upgrade Works at Baleally Landfill/Rogerstown park	Dancor Civil Engineering Ltd	€476,628	26/07/2022	01/07/2022	01/10/2022	3
Digital Services	Requirement for the Provision of ICT Research and Advisory Services	Gartner Ireland Ltd	€111,285	25/07/2022	01/08/2022	31/07/2024	24

Operations	Hire of 8 x 4 Tipper Body Rigid Lorry WITH CLAM	Thomas Brennan & Sons Ltd	€132,600.00	20/07/2022	22/08/2022	21/08/2025	36
Operations	Installation and Repair of Traffic Calming Ramps in the Fingal Area	MCM Surfacing Ltd	€138,803	19/07/2022	01/08/2022	01/02/2023	6
P & SI	Provision of Landscape Architect Led Integrated Design Team Consultancy Services/Ward River Valley	Dermot Foley Landscape Architects	€609,097.50	18/07/2022	18/07/2022	31/12/2023	17
Operations	Retro Fit end to end IoT Solutions to alert monitor and report on Ring Buoy Theft	Civic Group	€31,842.13	15/07/2022	01/08/2022	31/07/2025	36
Operations	Solar Power Signage	PWS Signs Ltd	€66,380	14/07/2022	11/07/2022	11/11/2022	4
Active Travel	Engineering Consultancy Services Ballycoolin Business Park to Ongar Village - Protected Cycle Lane Scheme	Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates Ltd	€395,095	14/07/2022	30/06/2022	01/01/2025	30
Operations	Concrete Footpath Repairs St. Margaret's Road	Citrus Ltd	€30,875	13/07/2022	01/08/2022	30/09/2022	2
Operations	Supply and installation of Permanent Road Traffic Signs and Ancillary Works	Integrated Utility Services Ireland	€30,993.02	12/07/2022	18/07/2022	18/12/2022	5
Operations	Purchase of up to Six Fully Electric 3.5 Tonne Flatbed Tippers for Park Rangers	Harris Automotive Distributors	€263,508.00	11/07/2022	27/06/2022	26/06/2023	12
Operations	Bitumen Emulsion, Balbriggan/Swords Area (SPLIT 70%, 20%, 10%)	Colas Teoranta	€17,173.75	11/07/2022	11/07/2022	31/12/2022	5
EETCD	Roofing & Façade Repairs at Argillan Castle	Francis Haughey Building & Civil Engineering Contractors	€2,979,598.50	11/07/2022	05/09/2022	10/06/2024	21
Operations	Resurfacing Barnageeragh Road, Skerries, Co. Dublin	Roadstone Ltd.	€110,408.92	11/07/2022	18/07/2022	22/08/2022	1

Operations	Seatown Road, Drainage and Surfacing Works	D.M. Morris Limited	€181,390	04/07/2022	04/07/2022	04/10/2022	3
Active Travel	Engineering Consultancy Services for Countywide Fingal Active Travel Projects	Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates Ltd	€702,050	04/07/2022	27/06/2022	26/06/2024	24
Corporate Affairs	Provision of Metered Electricity	Energia Customer Solutions Ltd	€2,500,000.00	01/07/2022	01/07/2022	31/12/2023	18
Operations	Concrete footpath construction in a series of batches from 2 - 8 square meters at Various Locations in Malahide including Chalfont, Texas Lane, and Church Rd Malahide.	Browne Construction Ltd, Kelly Rahill & Co	€48,990	01/07/2022	27/06/2022	22/07/2022	0
Operations	Hire of Generators, Tower Lights and Electricians and Teleporter for Flavours of Fingal County Show 2022	GH Energy Rentals Ltd	€75,000	29/06/2022	29/06/2022	05/07/2022	0
Operations	Resurfacing of Sundrive Road, Rush	D.M. Morris Limited	€44,756	22/06/2022	04/07/2022	02/08/2022	0
Operations	Maintenance, Servicing, Repair and Ticket replenishment of Pay & Display Parking Machines	Actavo (Sierra Support Services Group)	€100,000	22/06/2022	01/04/2022	31/01/2023	10
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works - R124 At Hill Top Stores Malahide	Lagan Asphalt Ltd.	€56,535	20/06/2022	11/07/2022	29/07/2022	0
Operations	concrete footpath construction in a series of batches from 2 - 8 square meters at Sutton Cross	DM Morris Ltd	€62,278	20/06/2022	20/06/2022	20/08/2022	2
Operations	Resurfacing of Park Road, Rush	D.M. Morris Limited	€135,368	16/06/2022	04/07/2022	02/08/2022	0
Operations	Resurfacing Barnageeragh Road, Skerries, Co. Dublin	Roadstone Ltd	€110,408	16/06/2022	11/07/2022	08/08/2022	3

Libraries	Supply and Installation of Library Furniture to three Libraries (Blanchardstown, Balbriggan and Malahide)	Bushell Interiors Ltd.	€280,697	15/06/2022	01/04/2022	31/08/2023	17
Operations	Public Lighting Maintenance and New Works - Initial contract & FW	Energie Ireland Ltd	€2,422,194	13/06/2022	23/05/2022	23/05/2025	36
Operations	Supply and delivery of washed surface dressing chips – 6mm and 10mm	Peter Fitzpatrick Ltd.	€50,130	10/06/2022	10/06/2022	31/10/2022	4
Operations	R129 M1 Flyover to Roscall, Ballyboughal	Roadstone Ltd	€568,891	08/06/2022	11/07/2022	05/09/2022	1
Operations	Concrete footpath repairs Laverna & Sycamore Res Estates, Carpenterstown, D15	Citius Ltd	€36,530	07/06/2022	15/06/2022	30/10/2022	4
P&SI	Design & Construction of Stone Faced Wall & Fitting of Railings and Gates at Beechpark, Clonsilla.	Oldstone Conservation Ltd	€494,450	07/06/2022	07/06/2022	07/09/2022	3
Active Travel	Consultancy Services in respect of Contract for the Design of New Street Public Realm Project, New Street, Malahide	Dermot Foley Landscape Architects	€311,329	30/05/2022	16/05/2022	31/12/2022	7
Operations	Road Surfacing, Local Roads, North Fingal, Co Dublin	Kilsaran Road Surfacing and Contracting Unlimited	€660,052	30/05/2022	26/05/2022	26/10/2022	5
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works at Maple Avenue and Lawn, Dublin 15	D.M. Morris Limited	€118,135	25/05/2022	01/06/2022	30/06/2022	1
Environment, Climate Action	Equine Round Ups and Health Inspections for Horses on Dunsink Landfill	County Council Security Support Services Ltd	€100,000	25/05/2022	25/05/2022	25/05/2023	12
Operations	Road lining contract for the Fingal Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area's including PSCS and traffic management	MacLochlainn (Roadmarkings) Limited	€66,684	24/05/2022	28/05/2022	31/12/2022	7
Housing	Refurbishment works at house in Mourne Court & house in Seaview Park	CTS Projects Ltd	€85,500	20/05/2022	30/05/2022	30/10/2022	5

Operations	Concrete footpath at Church Street Skerries	Integrated Utility Services Ireland	€61,181	20/05/2022	20/05/2022	22/08/2022	3
Operations	Road Resurfacing Hannah's Avenue, Lusk, Co Dublin	D.M. Morris Limited	€134,147	19/05/2022	20/05/2022	22/08/2022	3
Operations	Road Inlay and ancillary works - New Road Donabate (two locations)	Lagan Asphalt Ltd.	€104,176	17/05/2022	17/05/2022	17/10/2022	5
Operations	Construction of 70 Linear Meters of Pedestrian Footpath, Kettles Park, Kinsealy	McGinty Plant Hire & Landscaping Services	€42,000	16/05/2022	29/08/2022	09/10/2022	1
Operations	Concrete footpath construction in a series of batches from 2 - 8 square meters at various locations in Howths including Dungriffan Rd, Woodcliffe Heights, and Thornmanby Rd.	Citius Ltd	€33,430	13/05/2022	16/05/2022	10/06/2022	0
Operations	Concrete Footpath Repairs Ashfield Estate	John Browne Ltd, Kelly Rahill & Co.	€46,200.00	11/05/2022	12/07/2022	12/09/2022	2
Operations	Road Inlay and ancillary Works R124 at The Grange	Lagan Asphalt Ltd.	€64,930	11/05/2022	01/07/2022	26/07/2022	0
Housing	Emergency & General Response Electrical Maintenance Works 2021 Lot 2 North & East Fingal	H & A Mechanical Services	€2,000,000	10/05/2022	21/02/2022	21/02/2022	24
Operations	Consultancy Services for Howth Surface Water Culvert	Roughan & O'Donovan Ltd	€92,878	10/05/2022	11/04/2022	11/12/2022	20
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works at Maple Avenue and Lawn, Dublin 15	D.M. Morris Limited	€48,600	09/05/2022	12/05/2022	12/06/2022	24
Operations	Plant Hire with Driver/Operative for Beach and Burial Ground Work	Larry Kiernan Plant Hire Ltd.	€62,984	05/05/2022	18/04/2022	16/09/2022	4
Housing	Emergency & General Response Electrical Maintenance Works 2021 Lot 1 Dublin 15 and South Fringe	Owen Norton Electrical Limited T/A Norton Electrical	€2,000,000	03/05/2022	01/02/2022	01/02/2022	24

Operations	Purchase of Front Mounted Ride-On Mowers	Dublin Farm Machinery Ltd. T/A Dublin Grass Machinery	€81,200	03/05/2022	30/04/2022	29/04/2023	12
Environment, Climate Action	Environmental Monitoring related to Balleally and Dunsink Landfills, Laboratory Analysis, Stack Testing and Tree	Fehily Timoney & Co. Ltd	€48,745	28/04/2022	01/01/2022	30/06/2022	6
Operations	Widening and resurfacing of specified pedestrian pathways in parks and open spaces in the D.15 area	Lakeland Civil Engineering Ltd	€47,671	26/04/2022	17/05/2022	27/05/2022	0
Operations	Road Inlay and ancillary works at College Park, Dublin 15	Roadstone Ltd.	€69,237	25/04/2022	10/05/2022	08/08/2022	2
Housing	Response and General Maintenance in Dublin 15 (West) and South Fringe Fingal 2021	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€4,000,000	25/04/2022	01/05/2022	30/04/2024	24
Operations	Road Inlay and ancillary works at Old Yellow Walls Road	Formac Construction Ltd	€85,740	22/04/2022	01/04/2022	01/06/2022	2
Digital Services	Purchase of 440 No HP 9VG71AT 27" E27 G4 Monitors under CPA 70.1, provision of Personal and Notebook Computers and Associated Services (OGP)	Datapac Ireland	€38,923	22/04/2022	22/04/2022	31/12/2022	8
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works at Quay Road, Loughshinny	DM Morris Ltd	€48,563	21/04/2022	16/05/2022	27/05/2022	0
Operations	Footpath Improvement works, Howth/Malahide Area	D.M. Morris Limited	€59,500	14/04/2022	14/07/2022	31/07/2022	0
P&SI	Consultant Engineering Services for the Development Resolution of the Ongar Development, Ongar, Dublin 15 to taking in Charge Standards for Fingal County Council	O'Connor Sutton Cronin & Assoc	€47,200	13/04/2022	28/03/2022	11/11/2022	7
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works at Ashfield Gardens and Grove Road	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€51,648	13/04/2022	25/04/2022	25/07/2022	3

Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works at Charnwood Avenue, Dublin 15	Lagan Asphalt Ltd	€65,796	13/04/2022	25/04/2022	25/07/2022	3
Operations	Road inlay and ancillary works at Ashfield Estate, Dublin 15	Pavement and Road Surfacing Ltd	€103,115	13/04/2022	01/05/2022	01/08/2022	3
Operations	Concrete footpath repairs Park drive and Park Avenue, Dublin 15	John Browne Construction Limited	€25,500	11/04/2022	20/04/2022	20/07/2022	3
Operations	Supply and installation of 2 no. MUGA game ends at Hartstown Park and Dunsoghly open space in Dublin 15	Outfit Outdoor Fitness Equipment Ltd.	€78,000	06/04/2022	15/04/2022	15/05/2022	1
Digital Services	Maintenance and Support of the Cygnus Housing Loans Software System	Gemini Consultants Ltd	€53,166	01/04/2022	01/04/2022	31/03/2023	12
IT	Development of new website features (development, support and maintenance of interactive house portal)	Annertech	€37,245	30/03/2022	10/03/2022	10/03/2025	36
Operations	Road Markings for the Swords/Balbriggan Area	MacLoughlainn (Roadmarkings) Limited	€63,456	24/03/2022	21/04/2022	31/12/2022	8
Operations	Road Inlay and ancillary works at Chapel Lane, Swords, Co. Dublin	D.M. Morris Limited	€46,924	23/03/2022	23/03/2022	23/07/2022	4
Operations	Cleaning and Maintenance service for 26 individual toilet units in 4 locations (Ardgillan, Newbridge, Santry & Millennium Park) in the Fingal Operational Area.	Rentokil Initial	€72,048	22/03/2022	14/03/2022	14/09/2022	6
IT	Departmental access to Lawlink	Rochford Brady Legal Services Ltd	€43,800	22/03/2022	01/01/2022	31/12/2022	12
Operations	Supply of two bespoke freestanding outdoor digital signage totems at beaches.	Alpha View Ltd	€38,500	16/03/2022	21/03/2022	21/03/2027	60

Operations	Maintenance, Servicing, Repair and Ticket replenishment of Pay & Display Parking Machines	ACTAVO (Sierra Support Services Group)	€40,000	11/03/2022	01/12/2021	31/03/2022	4
Operations	Initial contract Conservation Architect led Design Team for Ornamental Glasshouses & related built structures at Newbridge House Demesne.	Bluett & O'Donoghue (Prodomo Ltd)	€124,920	11/03/2022	28/02/2022	27/02/2023	12
Operations	Supply of macadam for various locations in Fingal County Council for road repairs during 2022	Lagan Materials Limited	€85,000	04/03/2022	01/01/2022	31/12/2022	12
Operations	Raising and resetting ironworks in mastic and ancillary works	Postmount Buildings Limited T/A Hayes Civil Engineering	€25,000	28/02/2022	31/01/2022	24/07/2022	5
Housing	Initial contract under SSFA for External Maintenance and Scheme Painting 2021	Cunningham Painters	€621,075	28/02/2022	28/02/2022	27/02/2023	12
Operations	Inspections of Playgrounds/Skate parks/Fitness Equipment, calisthenics and Multi Use Games Areas	Play Services Ireland Limited	€47,050	28/02/2022	01/01/2022	31/12/2022	12
Corporate Affairs	Catering Services for County Hall and Grove Road	Compass Catering Services Ireland Ltd., T/A Eurest	€150,000	25/02/2022	25/02/2022	24/08/2022	6
P&SI	Design and Construction of an all-weather running track and pitch facility and associated ancillary works at Porterstown Park Recreational Hub, Dublin 14.	Tony Patterson Sportsgrounds Ltd	€1,387,005	25/02/2022	01/03/2022	31/12/2023	22
Active Travel	Provision of Services Pursuant to Fingal County Council Safe Routes to School Design Works 2022	Avison Young Planning and Regeneration Ltd.	€329,450	24/02/2022	24/02/2022	25/08/2023	18
Housing	Refurbishment works at St. Catherine's Close, Rush, Co. Dublin	CTS Projects Ltd	€142,950	24/02/2022	01/03/2022	30/09/2022	7
Operations	Supply, Installation and Maintenance of heating system for the Cambridge Butterfly Glasshouse, Malahide Demesne	AMW Glasshouses Ltd	€229,100	23/02/2022	16/02/2022	15/02/2023	12



Libraries	Refurbishment and extension to Skerries Library	Midland Construction Ltd.	€3,678,491	23/02/2022	01/09/2021	31/12/2023	28
Operations	Cleaning and Maintenance services for Prefabricated Modular Public Conveniences - Howth/Malahide and Swords/Balbriggan Areas (7 locations)	Healthmatic (Ireland) Ltd.	€75,960	21/02/2022	01/02/2022	31/10/2022	9
Operations	Initial Contract for the Construction, Delivery and Installation of four Corten Steel Planters at the northern entrance to Tyrrelstown Estate	BA Steel Fabrication Ltd.	€31,217	17/02/2022	15/01/2022	15/02/2022	1
Housing	Legal Services in respect of affordable housing delivery at Hayestown, Rush, Co. Dublin	Mason Hayes & Curran	€50,000	16/02/2022	04/02/2022	04/02/2024	24
Operations	Reinforced grass surfacing works to the existing overflow carpark at St. Catherine's Park, Dublin 15.	Dancor Civil Engineering Ltd	€96,795	16/02/2022	01/03/2022	01/06/2022	3
Operations	Emergency Tree Works and Scrub Clearance	King Tree Services Ltd	€48,387.00	10/02/2022	10/02/2022	28/02/2022	0
IT	10GB WAN Point to Point link between Fingal County Council Swords County Hall and Blanchardstown Civic Offices	Eir	€116,295	10/02/2022	01/06/2022	31/05/2027	60
Operations	Arboricultural Maintenance Works	Redwood Tree Services Ltd	€50,000	08/02/2022	23/02/2022	23/04/2022	2
EETCD	Conservation led consultancy services to develop the conservation plan for Ardgillan Castle and Demesne, Strifeland, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	DBM Design Services Co. Ltd formerly de Blacam & Meagher	€131,395	04/02/2022	18/10/2021	30/04/2022	6
Housing	Refurbishment works at Jugback Close, Swords, Co. Dublin	CTS Projects Ltd	€29,130	03/02/2022	01/02/2022	31/07/2022	6
Housing	Refurbishment of properties at Sheephill Green & Corduff Place, Dublin 15	Arthurstown Construction Limited	€106,771	02/02/2022	01/02/2022	31/07/2022	6

IT	WAN links between Fingal Co Co sites & link to Government Networks	Eir Ltd	€52,194	31/01/2022	01/01/2022	31/12/2022	12
Housing	Refurbishment works at 38 Grace O'Malley Drive, Howth, Co. Dublin	McMenamin Building Contractors Limited	€49,860	25/01/2022	01/01/2022	30/06/2022	6
Operations	The Supply and Delivery of Trees for the Parks & open space planting program Winter 2022	Annaveigh Plants Ltd	€28,651	25/01/2022	01/01/2022	30/03/2022	2
P&SI	Construction of natural GAA Pitch facility and associated ancillary works at Bremore Regional Park Recreational Hub, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	McAvoy Contracts Ltd	€532,171	24/01/2022	14/01/2022	22/06/2023	17
Operations	Supply of Vehicle Maintenance Services to Fingal County Council	Summerhill Commercial Repair Centre Ltd, T/A M50 Truck & Van Centre	€268,631	24/01/2022	04/01/2022	03/01/2024	24
Operations	Purchase of Fully Electric Large Commercial Panel Vans	Harris Automotive Distributors	€302,800	23/01/2022	21/01/2022	20/01/2023	12
EETCD	Projection and amplification of Christmas themed images onto various heritage properties and other prominent locations throughout Fingal	Eventco	€40,640	21/01/2022	27/11/2021	31/12/2021	1
P&SI	Audio sound systems in respect of the 2023-2029 Development Plan Meetings	Icon Entertainments	€65,392	19/01/2022	23/01/2022	16/02/2022	0
Operations	The supply and installation of two no. Eco toilets at Shackleton Gardens	Healthmatic Ireland Ltd	€36,230	19/01/2022	15/01/2022	30/01/2022	0
Operations	Initial contract for Lease, Installation, Commissioning and Maintenance of One Hundred (100) Solar Powered Compacting Litter Bins throughout Fingal County Council Administrative Area	Kyron Street Limited	€369,500	17/01/2022	17/01/2022	16/01/2027	60
EETCD	Employer's Representative Led Multi-Disciplinary Integrated Project Design Team services for Design, Planning, Procurement,	Paul Keogh, Studio PKA Ltd, T/A Paul Keogh Architects	€196,345	17/01/2022	10/01/2022	31/01/2026	48

	Construction and Delivery of 2-4 Dublin Street, Balbriggan as part of the Our Balbriggan Rejuvenation Plan						
Operations	Purchase of Fully Electric Woodchipper	Irish Grass Machinery Limited	€36,520	12/01/2022	22/12/2021	21/12/2022	12
IT	Design, Supply, Installation Commissioning and Maintenance of Audio Visual & Digital Signage Equipment at Civic Offices Blanchardstown	McKeon Construction Ltd T/A Hereworks	€87,831	06/01/2022	18/10/2021	17/10/2024	36

## Appendix 1 - Financial Reports

- Revenue Account Income & expenditure to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022
- Capital Account Income & Expenditure to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022
- Summary of Corporate Debtors to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

### REVENUE ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	EXPENDITURE			INCOME			NET
	Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	% Budget Spent to date	Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	% Budget Raised	€
Housing & Building	57,202,806	79,782,200	72%	60,746,282	84,923,500	72%	-3,543,476
Road Transport & Safety	22,871,179	27,382,500	84%	6,435,095	7,864,900	82%	16,436,084
Water Services	13,679,969	13,762,800	99%	12,640,326	17,450,600	72%	1,039,643
Development Management	11,576,025	16,534,600	70%	3,640,315	5,081,600	72%	7,935,710
Environmental Services	33,365,336	44,689,200	75%	7,911,595	6,821,800	116%	25,453,741
Recreation & Amenity	32,415,566	40,855,700	79%	1,919,361	1,680,300	114%	30,496,206
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	694,441	1,307,200	53%	334,275	296,600	113%	360,165
Miscellaneous Services	35,999,254	28,343,100	127%	26,049,520	12,395,000	210%	9,949,734
Central Management Charge	34,190,871	47,129,600	73%	2,343,816	3,518,900	67%	31,847,056
Local Property Tax / GPG				5,635,950	7,514,600	75%	-5,635,950
Rates				114,179,325	152,239,100	75%	-114,179,325
	<b>241,995,449</b>	<b>299,786,900</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>241,835,861</b>	<b>299,786,900</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>159,588</b>

**CAPITAL ACCOUNT**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 30/09/2022**

		Balance at 01/01/2022 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 30/09/2022 €
A	Housing & Building	-43,437,957	52,646,636	-39,067,344	-29,858,665
B	Road Transport & Safety	17,743,232	34,559,373	-10,680,476	41,622,129
C	Water Services	-12,702,629	1,052,294	699,888	-10,950,447
D	Development Management	-133,792,824	24,193,829	-31,485,327	-141,084,322
E	Environmental Services	-21,282,804	2,672,547	-1,069,228	-19,679,485
F	Recreation & Amenity	-12,695,789	19,031,952	-1,140,035	5,196,128
H	Miscellaneous Services	-55,983,832	18,102,126	-17,048,587	-54,930,293
	<b>Total</b>	<b>-262,152,603</b>	<b>152,258,757</b>	<b>-99,791,109</b>	<b>-209,684,955</b>

<b>SUMMARY OF CORPORATE DEBTORS TO 30/09/2022</b>				
	Balance at 01/01/2022 €	Balance at 30/09/2022 €	Current debt €	> 1 Year €
<b>RATES *</b>	3,445,254	12,857,798	9,730,608	3,127,190
<b>LOANS</b>	1,972,344	2,031,649	246,618	1,785,032
<b>RENTS</b>	8,567,636	9,414,504	4,403,726	5,010,778

*Figures for rents and loans are unadjusted by credits/prepayments*

\* value of debit at 31/12/2021 was 7.636m with a credit of 4.191m which has substantially been offset against demands 2022 leaving an aged debt greater than the opening balance

## Appendix 2

<b>Sustainable Transport Measures Grants: 2022 Allocations</b>		
<b>Project Code:</b>	<b>Project Name &amp; Funding Allocation 2022</b>	<b>Comments</b>
FCC/19/005	Schools Streets non SRTS €100,000	A potential project has been identified and an application has been forwarded to the NTA for approval.
FCC/20/000	Bicycle Parking (Covid) €150,000	Contractor is currently in Skerries constructing concrete bases for trishaw bike sharing unit and expanding public bike parking facilities along South Beach and Skerries Mills
FCC/20/0006	Safe Routes to Schools Programme – Infrastructure (with NTA) €1,500,000	Tender submissions were received for the appointment of a works contractor. The tenders have been evaluated and we are currently in the standstill period before we can officially appoint the preferred tenderer and commence works. Site works programmed to commence during the final quarter of 2022
FCC/21/0001	Snugborough Road – NAC to Ongar €400,000	Work on the initial options report has commenced. Topographical and traffic surveys have also commenced for the study area for the scheme.
FCC/21/0002	Baldoyle to Howth €1,700,000	Junction upgrade works at Baldoyle Road/Dublin Road have been completed.  Epoxy resin works on cycle lanes have been completed on Howth Road and Grange Road. Small section of epoxy resin to be completed on Warrenhouse Road at Irish Rail crossing. Engagement with Irish Rail ongoing to obtain a slot to complete the works at crossing.

		Works on snag items for the project have also commenced.
FCC/21/0002	Baldoyle to Howth Phase 2 (Dublin Road to Dublin Street) €1,250,000	A preliminary feasibility and options report has just been prepared for Baldoyle Phase 2, which is currently being reviewed by the Active Travel Unit. Given the scope change since the initial concept design, it will require more significant internal discussion. A presentation will be prepared and brought forward as a headed item to the Howth-Malahide committee in the coming months.  As with any Active Travel projects, safe routes to school treatments are implemented on adjacent or nearby schools where appropriate. Within this area that includes St Laurence's Senior National School and St Marys Secondary School.
FCC/21/0006	Clonee to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre €250,000	Tender competition published 02/09/22 for the appointment of a design consultant. Competition ongoing.
FCC/21/XXX	FCC Castleknock to Blanchardstown via Farmleigh €50,000	Drafting of tender documents for the appointment of an engineering consultant is ongoing.
FCC/22/0005	St. Cronan's Ave & Brackenstown Rd €3,500,000	Contractor was busy during September constructing new junction buildouts at Park Avenue, Valley View and Laurelton. A new concrete kerb to address level differences was constructed along Glen Ellan Road along the front of the ESB Substation.
FCC/22/XXX	Hartstown/Huntstown/Mountview Rd D1 €1,100,000	The phase 2b junction designs have been completed by the cycle design office (CDO) with final design works underway on the design of the Phase 2b Junction designs. Once completed these can be reviewed by

		FCC with the aim of starting construction asap.
FCC/22/XXX	Rathingle/Rivervalley Rd. Swords €1,200,000	<p>ESB connection works are now complete with reinstatement works almost complete. Some additional footpath repair works have also been carried out along Forrest Dale.</p> <p>The new Toucan crossing lights have also been installed and are awaiting the ESB to complete connection works.</p> <p>Design works for phase 2b the modification of the existing roundabout are expected to begin in September.</p>
FCC/22/0010	R132 Ministers Rd to Blakes Cross + Kilhedge Lane €550,000	<p>Speed limit reduction consultation is underway and due to finish on the 05<sup>th</sup> October. The statutory consultation is required to reduce the existing 80km/h to 60km/h between Kilhedge Lane and Quickpenny Lane along the R132. Consultants have appointed traffic and topographical survey consultants to collect necessary data with the view to extending the protected cycle lane project from Ministers Road to Quickpenny Lane along the R132.</p>
FCC/22/0012	Seatown Roundabout to Estuary Rd (Swords to Malahide) €1,225,000	<p>Consultant's Clifton Scannell Emerson &amp; Associates (CSEA) currently drafting concept design proposals and will present to Fingal project team by the end of October. Traffic Data and Topographical Surveys were completed recently to inform the early design concepts.</p>
FCC/22/0013	Donabate to Portrane (R126) - Distributor Road to Portrane Avenue €1,225,000	<p>Consultant's Clifton Scannell Emerson &amp; Associates (CSEA) currently drafting concept design proposals and will present to Fingal project team by the end of October. Traffic Data and Topographical Surveys were completed recently to inform the early design concepts.</p>



FCC/22/0014	Balbriggan – Coney Hill from Devlin Bridge to Bremore Cottages €925,000	Consultant's Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates (CSEA) currently drafting concept design proposals and will present to Fingal project team by the end of October. Traffic Data and Topographical Surveys were completed recently to inform the early design concepts.
FCC/22/0011	Skerries – Harbour Road (footpath build outs) €925,000	Consultant's Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates (CSEA) currently drafting concept design proposals and will present to Fingal project team by the end of October. Traffic Data and Topographical Surveys were completed recently to inform the early design concepts.
FCC/22/0015	Rush South Beach (Bawn Rd across carpark and out to South Shore. €500,000	Consultant engaged through PSI for design option development of access path from carpark to Bawn Road. Engagement with Property Section with regard to acquisition of lands in this area is ongoing.
FCC/22/XXX	New Street Permanent Scheme €500,000	Design concepts presented to FCC Second phase on non-statutory consultation completed Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> of Sept
FCC/22/0009	Permeability Links North County €500,000	Several projects are still being identified and assessed via multi criteria analysis. We are also in ongoing discussions with Operations to incorporate other works in order to get best value for money when we go to delivery of these works. Active Travel have appointed a Small Works Contractor for a small works contract which will be utilised to execute some of these works. This included removal of barriers that are currently impeding permeability and connectivity issues.
FCC/22/0019	Skerries Active Travel Plan	The Skerries Active Travel Plan was launched in Skerries Town on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> September. On street surveys were conducted on the day and information stand was open to the public. The project commenced Public Consultation and is requesting submissions until 03 <sup>rd</sup> November. Tenders for the

		appointment of an Integrated Design Team are due back by the 14th October. Evaluation of Tenders and appointment of Design Team to follow in late October early November.
FCC/22/0007	Balbriggan Road Mill Street and Drogheda Street €100,000	Active Travel have been working closely with the Our Balbriggan Project Team. On completion of the concept design piece relating to the overall Our Balbriggan Active Travel Strategy we will develop a brief for appointment of multi-disciplinary engineering consultant to develop options report and detailed design for this element of the project.
FCC/22/XXX	Castleknock to Dunsink Lane €150,000	Tender assessment ongoing, once completed an engineering consultant will be appointed.
FCC/22/XXX	Strawberry Beds Active Travel Study €150,000	Project has been paused and will be revisited in 2023.
FCC/22/0008	Fingal Active Travel Strategy €40,000	Public consultation phase completed. Postal submissions have been processed and uploaded to the consultation portal.  Draft summary report completed and has been reviewed internally. Due to be uploaded on consultation website. Final draft strategy document currently being reviewed.
FCC/22/XXX	Balrothery Active Travel Review €185,000	The Balrothery Active Travel Plan is now out to tender. This study will bring forward options and a preliminary design for the future of Balrothery. On appointment, the consultants will meet with local Councillors, local stakeholder groups, businesses and residents through a non-statutory public consultation event, to establish issues that are affecting the various parties. This in essence will be an information gathering session, with the community inputting into the design prior to the consultants commencing any work. Following this options will be developed and

		<p>recommendations made for the area. Once this stage is complete, the preferred options will be brought through preliminary design and detailed design.</p> <p>We will engage with the community on a number of occasions through this process.</p>
FCC/22/XXX	<p>Seamount Heights to Old Golf Links Park</p> <p>€300,000</p>	<p>Tree survey works are expected in the coming weeks with Site Investigation works currently being tendered for the project. Site investigation works are expected in November. These will provide vital information which will inform the final design of the project.</p>
FCC/22/XXX	<p>Broomfield to Paddy's Hill via Naomh Mearnog GAA</p> <p>€20,000</p>	<p>These works are expected to go to tender for a design consultant later in 2022.</p>
FCC/22/XXX	<p>Chapel Road to An Teagasc Building</p> <p>€20,000</p>	<p>These works are expected to go to tender for a design consultant later in 2022.</p>
FCC/22/XXX	<p>Scoil an Duinninigh to Waterside footpath and cycleway</p> <p>€20,000</p>	<p>These works are expected to go to tender for a design consultant later in 2022.</p>
FCC/22/XXX	<p>Royal Canal Greenway Connectivity</p> <p>€50,000</p>	<p>Connectivity to the Royal Canal Greenway to be delivered as part of the Castleknock to Dunsink Lane and Castleknock to Blanchardstown via Farmleigh projects.</p>
FCC/22/XXX	<p>Fingal County Council Active Travel Office – Staff Costs</p> <p>€1,100,000</p>	

### Appendix 3 Housing Delivery Construction Programme

#### Schemes on Site

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Dun Emer, Lusk <a href="#">53°31'25.8"N</a> <a href="#">6°10'34.4"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>51</b> 8x2Bed 31x3Bed 12x4Bed	On Site	Q2 2021	Q4 2022
Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social	Wellview Cul-de-Sacs <a href="#">53°24'38.4"N</a> <a href="#">6°23'37.7"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>20</b> 7x2Bed 7x3Bed 6x4Bed	On site	Q4 2020	Q4 2022
Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social	Cappagh <a href="#">53°23'46.8"N</a> <a href="#">6°19'34.0"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>69</b> 10x1Bed 26x2Bed 25x3Bed 8x4Bed	On Site	Q2 2021	Q4 2022
Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social	Church Fields Phase 2B <a href="https://google.com/maps/NKii5qCjehgaJzj38">https://google.com/maps/NKii5qCjehgaJzj38</a>	<b>67</b> 6x1Bed 17x2Bed 34x3Bed 10x4Bed	On Site	Q4 2021	Q4 2022

#### Schemes with Part 8 Planning Approval and at Tender stage

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Church Fields <a href="#">53°24'44.7"N</a> <a href="#">6°23'39.0"W</a> <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>300</b> 27x1Bed 118x2Bed 136x3Bed 19x4Bed	The Council commenced Stage 1 (Expressions of Interest/ Prequalification) of a two-stage Procurement process for the appointment of a	Q2 2023	Q1 2024

					contractor to construct the 300 units. The closing date for Stage 1 Submissions is 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2022.		
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Hayestown, Rush <a href="#">53°31'24.1"N</a> <a href="#">6°06'42.1"W</a> <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>62</b> 17x2Bed 45x3Bed	Contract awarded. Site clearance will commence in the coming weeks.	Q4 2022	Q4 2023
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	Tuath Housing	Social Elderly	Kilhedge Lane, Lusk <a href="#">53°31'24.4"N</a> <a href="#">6°10'30.3"W</a> <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>31</b> 13x1Bed 18x2Bed	Tender to appoint a contractor issued on 24 <sup>th</sup> August. Response deadline is 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Q4 2022	Q4 2023
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Outlands, Swords <a href="#">53°27'52.7"N</a> <a href="#">6°14'04.1"W</a> <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>11</b> 4x1Bed 4x2Bed 3x3Bed	Contractor is due to commence on site end of October.	Q4 2022	Q4 2023
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Former Leonards Garage, Lusk <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/8u6BiRWzuLS-Ttmjk8">https://goo.gl/maps/8u6BiRWzuLS-Ttmjk8</a>	<b>10</b> 10x2Bed	Tender evaluation underway.	Q4 2022	Q4 2023
Howth/Malahide	FCC	Social	Tuckett's Lane, Howth <a href="#">53°23'06.7"N</a> <a href="#">6°03'58.0"W</a> <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>8</b> 4x1Bed 4x2Bed	Ongoing engagement with DHLGH re costs and value for money.	Q1 2023	Q2 2024
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Church Road, Lusk <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/vqRAVUw8ZqhM75w66">https://goo.gl/maps/vqRAVUw8ZqhM75w66</a>	<b>5</b> 5x2Bed	Tender evaluation underway.	Q4 2022	Q3 2023
Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castl eknock/Ongar	FCC	Social	Infill Sites in Dublin 15 <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/UqNat8GX7BBo8cEh8">https://goo.gl/maps/UqNat8GX7BBo8cEh8</a> (169 Clonsilla Road) <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/Q2Mvqau7RceRHDx5">https://goo.gl/maps/Q2Mvqau7RceRHDx5</a> (Sheepmoor shop site)	<b>2</b> 1x2Bed 1x3Bed	Awaiting single stage approval from DHLGH.	Q4 2022	Q4 2023

## Schemes at Pre-Planning Stage

Area Committee Meeting	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Church Fields, D15 <a href="#">53°24'44.7"N</a> <a href="#">6°23'39.0"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>700</b>	Pre-Planning and design stage	Q4 2024	Q4 2025
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Mayeston, Dublin 11 <a href="#">53°24'28.4"N</a> <a href="#">6°17'02.1"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>121</b>	Pre-planning underway.	Q2 2023	Q3 2024
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social Elderly	North Street, Swords <a href="#">53°27'38.6"N</a> <a href="#">6°13'06.7"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>13</b>	Stage approval received from DHLGH. Pre planning underway.	1Q2 2023	Q2 2024
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	North and East Housing Association	Social Elderly	Garristown <a href="#">53°34'03.7"N</a> <a href="#">6°22'42.1"W</a> - <a href="#">Google Maps</a>	<b>6</b>	Stage approval received from DHLGH. Part 8 to commence in Q3	2Q4 2023	Q4 2024