

March 2017 Council Management Report

Update On Annual Service Plan

This report includes the strategy updates for the month of Mar

Environment, Water & Climate Change

Objective 1: Improve the appearance of our county in the interest of economic development

Public Realm Maintenance and Improvement Works Programme: Programme of works presented at March meeting. N81 Improvement Scheme: Part 8 report brought to RTT and Tallaght ACM and passed by Council 13/03/17. Meeting with Consultants regarding accommodation of Part 8 amendments into detail design. Detail design stage has commenced. Will require further input from TII. Tree Maintenance Programme: Works outstanding from the 2016 Tree Maintenance Programme are ongoing. One seasonal and two full-time tree crews are in operation. Sean Walsh Park crew are currently completing a programme of tree pruning and removal works in Idrome estate week. The tree crew operating North of N7 is currently completing a programme of tree pruning and removals at Cherbury Park Estate, Lucan. A report on the 2016 Tree Maintenance Programme and a report on the proposed rolling Programme of Tree Maintenance for 2017-2018-2019 has been presented at the March meetings of RTT and Clondalkin Area Committees. Tenders have been received to undertake supply, planting and maintenance of 700 street trees by contract in order to complete the winter 2016/spring 2017 Tree Planting programme totalling approx. 1000 trees. The award of contract is in process. Derelict Sites & Dangerous Buildings – Enforcement activity ongoing Litter Management Plan: Awareness ALAG- Projects are ongoing. ALAG Poster - reminder sent to schools for poster competition. Prevention - The regional Brown Food Waste/Food waste awareness campaign is currently being advertised via social media and the sdcc site. Community Clean ups - 97 clean ups have taken place so far for March with 5 major clean ups taking place on the weekend of the 10th March including Graffiti. We continue to receive new applications for community projects. We have received 4 new GDW pledges. GDW - Competition closes on the 13th March. 5 applications submitted under the Anti-Dumping Grant Scheme on 16th March 2017. Adopt a Bring Bank was launched at the start of March with TT groups in conjunction with Community. Green Schools - Green flag assessments for L & W management are underway. Smart Dublin: Initial stakeholder meeting held in DCC to refine problem statement key messages for the infographics/media messages which will be used at a launch event. Roundabout Sponsorship: Purchase of materials is being arranged to progress scheduling in the coming weeks on roundabouts in Ballymount Industrial Estate at junction Ballymount Road/ Turnpike Road to enable sponsorship agreement to be finalised. Traffic management at both locations is a significant consideration in arranging scheduling of works. Materials for improvement works to the roundabout at Orwell have been arranged. Clearance of the existing roundabout scheme to be scheduled. The proposed landscape scheme being carried out under the village initiatives programme for the roundabout at the entrance to Newcastle village was presented at the March meeting of Clondalkin ACM.

Objective 2: Incorporate environmental sustainability in all policy-making and implementation programmes

Climate Change: A strategy towards climate change action plans for the Dublin Local Authorities was presented to the Environment and Climate Change SPC and to the February Council meeting and adopted. A template for the collection of actions to be included in the Mitigation and Adaptation Plans has been developed by Codema. This has been circulated to the 4 LA's. SDCC are currently working to populate this action list and meeting with all stake holders will be progressed over the coming weeks. Eastern/Midlands Regional WMP and WERLA Awareness/Prevention - The regional Brown Food Waste/Food waste awareness campaign is currently being advertised via social media and the SDCC site. Activity ongoing in line with WERLA programme. Surface Water Schemes: Surveying work completed for the Chapel Hill SW Scheme. Tender design issued. Works to be carried out during the schools summer holidays. Cookstown Industrial estate works commenced. Design and preparations work underway for the 2017 Programme. Stream clearing works at the Glebe, Lucan have been completed. Flood Alleviation Schemes: Poddle - DCC completed tender documentation for the Framework of Consultants, which was approved by DCC Procurement

Section, comments have now been requested from the procurement sections of the other 3 Local Authorities. Ballycullen Flood Alleviation Scheme -Works are progressing and pipe laying has commenced in the green areas of the scheme. Works are also ongoing with service provider in relation to the diversion and protection of services. SDCC procurement section have replied with comments. River Basin Plans and Measures: EPA Catchment Management Network meeting held in Athlone on Friday 24th February. Community work planned for the River Dodder for the end of March 2017. Meeting with the EPA in May to decide on water bodies of importance for assessment work in each local authority area to be carried out during 2018-2021 period. The meeting is in Ballycoolin 8-12 May 2017. Water Conservation Programme: Repairs of leaks and Bursts by Water Operations ongoing. Mechanical: Installation of new Transpoco GPS System in fleet underway. Approx 85% complete 5 No. 3.5T and 7 no. 7.5T Pickups ordered (on 22nd Feb last) as per 2017 vehicle replacement programme. Tenders for balance of 2017 VRP have now all being submitted (on 27/02/17). Currently in standstill period. Also in standstill period is recent tender for replacement workshop ramp at Ballymount Depot Workshop.

Objective 3: Manage our regulatory, licensing and enforcement roles together with the Environmental Protection Agency

Waste Enforcement Action: Ongoing scheduled inspections and Audits/Reviews undertaken on permitted facilities in accordance with risk rating. Inspection / enforcement activity on going. Control of Animals: Activity continues in relation to the control of dogs/horses and animal welfare. Dublin Noise Action Plan: Environmental Health in conjunction with Traffic Unit of LUPT and GIS systems have met several times in the past few weeks to establish what information we can provide and what information we cannot provide, to the Noise Modelling of the County. Require a partial re-modelling of our county for the length of the M50, the N4 and the N7 national roadways. We have submitted this plan to the Environmental Protection Agency last week. It was agreed that the best and most cost effective option, was to seek the involvement of a noise consultancy company. Transport Ireland Infrastructure (TII) have confirmed they will support the Dublin Agglomeration councils. The tendering document was submitted to the EPA in February on behalf of the three Dublin County Councils by Dun Laoire/ Rathdown.

Objective 4: Maintain and improve our parks and recreation areas to enhance our quality of life

Playspace Programme: Kilnamanagh and Kingswood playgrounds opened and well used. Tymon approaching completion. Glendoher open. Griffeen Park playground lead-in period. Presentation to Lucan ACM on Newcastle playground options being considered. Brookview playspace being subjected to repeated and determined vandalism by a small group since October last. Concerted effort by residents, councillors, public realm and community sections, local school and other local groups over the winter months has solved some issues but vandalism persists. Agreed locally that playspace will be removed if damage persists. Local residents and councillors are aware. One last effort being made to try to halt damage this fortnight. Allotments: Additional Allotments: The design of the extension to the allotments at Corkagh Park were on hold during 2016 pending the Tourism study for the area, this is now due for report. Provision has been made in the 2017 capital budget to continue to progress the allotment scheme at both locations. Tymon Park allotments design progressing. Pavilion Programme: Pavilions: Provision has been made in the 2017 capital budget to continue to progress the pavilions programme with a design-build with traditional materials for the sports pavilion and car-park in Oldbawn. If successful it can be expanded to address the other pavilions originally included in the programme. Tender Assessment underway for Pavilions. Dodder Valley Mt. Carmel: Preliminary design stage continues.

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

Objective 1: Maintain a supportive business environment with job creation and retention at its heart

SPC meetings held in February 2017. Recommendation on implementation plan for enterprise strategy to March Council meeting. LEO training schedule started January 2017, including additional training provided under the Business Support Fund, in conjunction with South Dublin Chamber and will incorporate learning from exporters survey. To end February, 111 clients have attended LEO provided training, with a further 108 attending training provided by South Dublin Chamber, supported through the Business Support Fund. An Evaluation and Approvals Committee Meeting was held on 7th February 2017, approving 5 projects, creating 11.5 new jobs, with grant amounts of €119,000 approved. The next meeting is scheduled for 4th April 2017. The Business Support Funds scheme is being promoted on the LEO Website, Council website, through social media and through SD Chamber. Shop Fronts: 15 applications received, closing date 31-03-2017. 1184 Applications were made under the Business Support Grant scheme, with an

amount of €354,818 paid out.

Objective 2: Work with enterprise support agencies to increase foreign direct investment in South Dublin County

Grange Castle • Official launch of Interxion project held on 3rd March. Interxion currently installing fibre connectivity • Grifols Works are ongoing on new production facility • Microsoft – Works ongoing on datacentres • Eirgrid – S.I. Application granted by ABP 28/06/16. Judicial Review decision made. Work proceeding. • Capital Programme – Nangor Road / R120: Approved for funding by DTTAS. CPO Approved for R120. Work due to commence Q3 2017. • Archaeological – GC South: Archaeological work ongoing • Edgeconnex: Application for new Datacentres approved directly adjacent to the Business park. Access to datacentre will be via Grange Castle Business Park, subject to finalisation of terms. Edgeconnex also acquiring fibre duct connectivity. • Grange Backup Power. Planning granted for intensification of a previous application. • Takeda. Planning granted March 2017 for new production facility • Lands to West. Tender for professional services to develop master plan to issued in March 2017. All lands currently under conacre • Architects working on conservation and development Grange “Castle” ET3 SLO 1: To conduct a review of the zoning of lands south of the Grand Canal and west and north of the R120, including lands adjoining Peamount Healthcare, with a view to preparing a long term plan for the expansion of the Grange Castle Economic and Enterprise Zone to this area, to accommodate strategic investment in the future, while also seeking to provide public open space along the Canal, including a natural heritage area in the vicinity of the historic canal quarries at Gollierstown. IDA fully informed of status of available lands. SDCC actively seeking new clients

Objective 3: Manage the assets of South Dublin County Council in a way that supports economic development

• The BSG support fund for 2017 has been improved and launched. In conjunction with that SDCC will continue to identify projects whereby improvements to the Council infrastructure can have a wider beneficial impact. • Grange Castle Business Park employment figures are on the rise by way of new clientele and construction activities. Employment now circa 3,400 (incl construction) • Tallaght Stadium is being promoted as a location of choice for business events. Approval in place for third stand. Shamrock Rovers new Season commence 3rd March

Objective 4: Maximise the contribution of arts, libraries, heritage and the Irish language to quality of life and our tourism experience

Library News April 2017 1) North Clondalkin Library - Site surveys and ground condition surveys completed. Working on design and tender documentation. Positive meeting held with Department. (2) Palmerstown Library - Fit-out is almost completed. County Architect has recommended Library furniture and fittings. (3) New Castletymon Library - Part 8 agreed and plans being drawn up for discussion. Readings and workshops to celebrate International Childrens' Book Day in Ballyroan Library and in Lucan library 8th April. Caomhán Mac Con Iomaire of the National Gallery will present 'Masterpieces of the European Collection of the National Gallery: bring a little beauty into your life' in the County Library on 18th April. One City, One Book 2017 - ECHOLAND by Joe Joyce. The author will talk on writing historical fiction with a Q & A to follow. • Tuesday 18th April - Ballyroan Library • Wednesday 12th April – Lucan library Craft classes for Easter throughout branch network • 4th & 11th April - County Library • 6th & 13th - Castletymon Library • 11th April: From Page to Stage- Musical workshop – learning and performing for children – County Library • 26th April : “Spring into Storytime” interactive fun with Sarah Tully – Castletymon Library Technorama events (24th-27th April 2017) • The Library At Home: Online resources explained. Do you know what is available online from your library service? Come in and try out our ebooks, emagazines, online language learning and online learning resources. – County Library – 24th April • Tablet and Smartphone Clinic: Do you have a particular question about your smartphone or tablet? In this clinic we will do our best to answer them for you. County Library – 25th April • Learn Online with Open Education: Many universities and educational organisations offer free courses online (MOOCs Massive Open Online Course). Silvia Elena Gallagher of Trinity College Dublin is coming in to tell us about and demonstrate Trinity's online learning courses. County Library – 26th April • Trace Your Ancestors Online: Are you curious about your family tree? Local studies staff will demonstrate the different free online resources you can use to trace your ancestors. County Library – 27th April • Internet for Beginners - How to pay your motor tax on line – Clondalkin Library 12th April • CV preparation – Castletymon and Lucan Libraries - 5th April. Full programme of events available at www.southdublinlibraries.ie Programme highlights in What's Happening April - June 2017 issue Red Line Book Festival 2017 Fáilte Ireland Regional Festival fund: application results expected soon; Working on programme schedule – exploring new venues. Call for proposals for a new literary strand to support local writers and

emerging authors – in co-operation with Arts Office. Library Capital Projects: (1) North Clondalkin Library - Site surveys and ground condition surveys completed. Working on design and tender documentation. (2) Palmerstown Library - Fit-out is almost completed. Library furniture and book stock to be sourced. Meeting with SORD Data Systems Ltd. To firm up in ICT issues. (3) New Castletymon Library - Part 8 agreed and plans drawn up for discussion. Public Art Projects In Context 4 In Our Time: Six artists have been commissioned across a number of art forms to create new public artworks between 2017 and 2018. Details to be announced in March. International Early Childhood Arts Commission: One Commission awarded to theatre practitioner Anna Newell to develop a new work for babies aged 0-12mths. An additional development award was made to two collaborating artists to develop a module of an interactive sound sculpture for children. Grange Road Public Art Commission (Entrance to St Enda's Park) Emmets Table Installation complete Music Generation South Dublin The Music Development Officer for the Music Generation South Dublin Project has taken up her position. She is currently reviewing existing programmes and practices. Creative Ireland The Council's Culture team has been meeting regularly to: -Devise a programme for Crinniú na Cásca on the 17th April -Prepare to draft the Creative Ireland South Dublin 2017 Activation Plan and Creative Ireland South Dublin 5 year strategy. A public presentation and workshop will be held in Rua Red on the 8th March, 5.30pm-7.30pm.

Objective 5: Put in place a tourism strategy focussed on new product and brand development

Round Tower • Contractor for construction appointed May 2016 and construction commenced. approaching completion. • Detailed Interpretative Plan approved Nov 25th. Final design and production of full interpretative plan ongoing - to be installed over 5 weeks prior to opening. • Happy Pear identified as preferred operator-commercial following competitive process. Action plan developed with same and SDCC, weekly meeting ongoing. • March 15 ACM Happy Pear introduced to elected members and to local Heritage Group. • April 12 Community evening being organized re Happy Pear and Round Tower – invitations issuing. • Marketing plan under development. • Tourism plans, including Round Tower, presented to County Disability Seminar March 22ND • Corkagh Park Feasibility Plan – final report and implementation plan reviewed in Nov, presented to Feb EETD & Env Services SPCs. Implementation plan being prepared. • Logo being designed for Clondalkin Cluster. Dublin Mountains flagship : New MOU/SLA signed with Coillte to facilitate project moving to planning stage Consultant and team engaged and preparing review of feasibility, EIS and planning application for lodgment May 2017. Communications team and Project webpage established (access via www.sdcc.ie). Project Booklet published. Briefings held with elected representatives during Feb and two adjoining landowners meetings held Feb 27 and Mar 22nd Project Open Days to be held on April 6th and 7th in Tallaght Stadium. Decision awaited from An Bord Pleanála regarding statutory process and EIA ongoing. Failte Capital Fund: Application submitted, decision likely Mar-April. SDCC, DLR & DMP progressing Dublin Mtns Prehistoric Discovery Trail – tender issued. Archaeological excavation at Hell Fire completed. Liffey Blueway: Collaborative Project with Fingal Co Co. Consultant engaged, inception meeting held in October and stakeholder consultation completed.. ACM briefing held in Nov. Surveys and questionnaires published and 586 online completed and 135 face to face. Project update meeting and meeting for elected members to be scheduled for April. Marketing: Contract: Stage 1 – Research & Consultation (incl Logo and tagline) approved following EETD SPC Sept 14th Tourism website and social media launched on 9th Feb 2017. Brochures under development. Meetings to be held with each sector in development. Tourism network event Tallaght Stadium Mar 21 well attended – SDCC seeking to establish an ongoing tourism network/mentoring group. Social media marketing plan developed and services being contracted. Shop Front Scheme: Widely publicized during Feb and March, closing March 31st. Events/festivals for 2016/17 to be developed – Gael Force Dublin 2017 and Red Line Festival 2016. Gael Force Dublin Festival presented to SPC Sept 14. Over 800 participants in Gael Force 2017 on Feb 18th and festival debrief occurring March 31st. Proposals from other activity events operators under consideration. Terms and details for an SDCC supported events and festivals scheme under development. Red Line Festival: Grant application made to Failte Ireland Regional Festival fund. See Libraries report above for more info.

Land Use Planning & Transportation

Objective 1: Implement an Annual Road Works Programme of maintenance and improvements

The Annual Roadworks Programme has been adopted and work is underway as follows:- Works have commenced on Road Resurfacing works on New Nangor Road and Orchard Lane. Footpath repairs are underway in Monksfield Estate. The following Road Resurfacing Schemes are at tender Stage and will commence shortly:- Mill lane Palmerstown, Kennelsfort Road Upper, Knockmeenagh Road, Harelawn Green, St Ronans Estate, and Moorefield Estate. Footpath repairs in Riversdale Estate and St. Anthonys Avenue are also at tender stage and will commence

shortly. Works will also commence shortly on Ramp repair countywide and footpath repairs in Templeroan Estate, Castleside Drive, Limekiln Estate, and Allenton Estate.

Objective 2: Maintain a professional planning and development management structure and processes

A further round of formal notices regarding the Vacant Site levy will be issued to landowners in the County during April. Landowners have 28 days to make written submissions and can appeal a decision to place them on the register to An Bord Pleanála. The Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government have announced the allocations from the Local Housing Infrastructure Activation Fund (LIHAF). SDCC has been allocated a total of €27.39m to fund infrastructure associated with Residential Development. 25% of this funding has to be from each Local Authorities own Capital resources, which in this case will be funded via Development Contributions. €20m has been allocated to fund construction of the Celbridge access Road and Two Parks in Adamstown SDZ, €3m has been allocated to fund off site surface water drainage improvement works associated with the Clonburris SDZ, and €4.39 has been allocated to fund an Access Road and Pumping Station associated with the Corkagh Grange Mixed Tenure Scheme.

Objective 3: Promote all modes of transport including walking and cycling to improve the movement of people within and beyond the county

Works are substantially complete on upgrading the waling and cycling track in Willsbrook Park in Lucan. A new public lighting scheme for the main walkway through the Park will also be installed shortly. Works are now complete on the Grange Road Plaza at St Endas, which will be officially opened on 28th April. and are progressing on Ballyroan Green Schools Cluster project. Design works on the NTA funded Projects that will go to Construction later in the year are progressing.

Objective 4 : Invest in Sustainable Communities and Quality of Life Initiatives

Work is progressing on the Installation of signs associated with the New Speed Limit Byelaws. The new Speed limits will come into effect on 8th May and it is intended to have all relevant signage in place prior to this date. Works are progressing on the village enhancement works at the Texaco Garage / Newcastle Lyons roundabout in Newcastle and on the Belgard Walkway in Tallaght. Design works are progressing on Village enhancement works in Tallaght Village and Templeogue Village.

Housing, Social & Community Development

Objective 1 : Put in place a three year programme to supply social housing in the context of the Social Housing Strategy 2020

Council has received Stage 2 approval from DECLG to Dromcarra, Letts Field and Owendoher, Ballyboden projects. Stage 3 pre tender applications submitted to Department for approval. Three projects are on site – Suncroft Tallaght - 10 dwellings, Belgard Road Tallaght - 3 Dwellings, St Finians - 2 Dwellings -Total 15 Units and due for completion by end Qtr. 2 2016. Report on schedule of Part 8s for 2016 presented at Council Meeting April. Rapid Delivery Homes Reported to Council Meeting - 105 units to be included in proposed Part 8s as presented to Council. Other Sites being investigated also. 740 on HAP at 22nd April 2016. Details of New Tenant Purchase Scheme as presented to Housing SPC at its February meeting and Noted at March Council meeting now available on Council Website. 296 on Homeless Register at end of March 2016 (103 families and 149 single males). 516 presentations during February (401 repeats). 215 Emergency Bed Placements during March and 7 Homeless Allocations made. Agreement reached with DECLG for funding for RESPOND for the reopening of 9 units for homeless women and children at Cuan Aláinn.

Objective 2: Take a leadership role in social inclusion and interagency co-operation

'Super LAG' (Local Action Group) established comprising the Fingal LCDC and representatives from SDCC and DRL LCDC - submitted the Local Development Strategy (LDS) for the Dublin Rural Area to the Department at the end of January 2016. Preliminary feedback on the draft strategy received in April 2016 with a number of technical queries and been responded to and approval now awaited from evaluation committee. The Healthy County Strategy Group promoting Physical activity and leading actions from the National Physical Activity Plan on an interagency basis. The SDCC Healthy County Strategy Group promoting and supporting Health Gatherings – interactive sessions for people to consider health issues that are important to them - held by the Adelaide Health Foundation at Tallaght Stadium 26th April 2016. It was an opportunity for the community to come together and share their views through a 'World Café method' on issues relating to health and wellbeing in Tallaght. It went very well. We will use this information at our

upcoming Health Summit in Spring 2017 which will bring together senior officials from the HSE and the Department of Health to discuss health and wellbeing in Tallaght and also nationally. Further such event being organised for Health and Wellbeing week. Sub-committee formed re supply and fitting safety door locks/patios met on 7th April and agreement reached on scheme. Tender being prepared. Age Friendly new Facebook page now live: https://www.facebook.com/search/str/SouthDublin+Afc/keywords_top#!/southdublinagefriendlycounty/

Objective 3: Promote health, wellbeing, recreation and activity to improve quality of life

Annual Bealtaine Festival Brochure on events now available at this link: F:\SOCIAL INCLUSION UNIT\Maria Finn\Bealtaine 2016\B22841 Bealtaine Brochure.pdf Launch by Mayor on 4th May 2016 at Louis Fitzgerald Hotel at 11am. The Quit Campaign for Women is currently running and based at Fettercairn. Preparation for 2016 Health and Wellbeing Week currently being finalised.

Objective 4: Facilitate community leadership and development through community engagement and empowerment

The first round of Community Grants were advertised in April 2016 with the second round scheduled for 2016 in September. Also advertised the 2016 Community Initiative Fund in April with Assessment in May and announcement of winners notified in June. Workshops on Community Grants were held over 2 weeks in April by staff across the county - over 130 attendees - Closing date for applications was 29th April 2016. 2016 Endeavour Awards arranged for Friday the 2nd of December 2016.

Corporate Performance and Change Management

Objective 1: Support local democracy including the policy making and representation role of our Elected Members

The Mayor has scheduled a conference for the evening of 3rd April 2017 titled 'Putting People First in South Dublin', to be held in Tallaght Stadium. The target audience are Councillors, the PPN and the Executive of SDCC. Mayor's Ceili Event for Seachtain na Gaeilge 2017 Books of Condolence opened by the Mayor for the Victims of the tragedies at Kilcronan, Clondalkin, Crew members of Rescue-116 and the death of former Deputy First Minister of Northern Ireland- Martin McGuinness Data cleansing work commenced as phase one of the voters.ie project with South Dublin joining the three other Dublin local authorities on this initiative. Work is ongoing on the review of the Standing Orders with the 1st draft complete and request sent to Area Committee and SPC Administrators requesting them to inform us of any amendments, deletions or additions to the current ones.

Objective 2: Provide robust financial management, risk management, audit and corporate governance systems

Finance: The Annual Financial Statement for 2016 is being finalised with a view to have it submitted on Friday the 31st March 2017, as is required. The Rate collection is being monitored closely and is showing favourable trends for 2017. The Valuation Office will make a presentation to the Organisation Procedure and Finance Committee on Thursday the 30th March on the revaluation process. Proposed Valuation Certificates under the new valuation process are due to issue to the Ratepayers on 13th April 2017. The Audit Committees Annual Report 2016 was presented by the Chair of the Audit Committee at the March Council Meeting. The Audit Committee meeting took place on March 7th. Preparation and collation of National Performance Indicators underway Procurement - Procurement Steering Group meeting held 8 March All returns received for the Ethics Register by the end of February Lean Six Sigma: Six Yellow Belt Lean Six Sigma projects are underway with the deadline for presentation to the Steering Group meeting in late April; The Third yellow belt training course (16 staff) arranged for 5/6th April LGMA GDPR briefing Seminar attended; Draft Data Retention Policy finalised for circulation; 49 new FOI requests received year to date; FOI Network meeting held on 14th March 2017; Copies of the Regulation and Data Commissioner's Guidance document circulated to Management and Extended Management Teams and actions required to be taken by all Council departments at this stage highlighted; Draft of Record Management and Retention Policy ready for circulation.

Objective 3: Exploit advances in information and communications technology (ICT) to become more efficient and to improve services for local people

• Vacant Sites – Entered into a tendering/procurement process. Currently open. • Integrated Housing System Tender

Closed on 20th March. Evaluation team formed and evaluation has begun. • VM-Ware Replacement of Infrastructure. Evaluation continues. • OASIS – migration to ArcGIS Online continues • Participatory Budgeting – 300k Have Your Say! Ideation phase now complete. Online system shut down. Planning works continuing in respect of the online voting capability and interaction of that with the consultation portal as the next phase of the project. • Electoral Register - Commenced data cleansing prior to move to new system • Intranet and Internet Redesign continuing • Management monthly report – Graphing solution being trialled in beta • Branding work continues on the Property Economic Portal. • Knowledge Management - Open data workshop held and almost 30 datasets have been deployed and published publicly following QC, branding and site being “mobile ready”.

Objective 4: Develop and maintain appropriate communication channels that enable proactive citizen engagement

300K- Have your Say Participatory Budgeting Workshops held on the 7th, 13th and 15th March in the Lucan Electoral Area. South Dublin County Council took part in Local Authority Twitter Day on the 7th March 2017 promoting through social media the varied services that Local Authorities provide to citizens of the county. Preparation of the Annual Report for 2016 underway for approval at the April Council meeting. Customer Services System review initiated with process maps of ‘big hitters’ in customer care being created; Citymart meeting to be scheduled to explore procurement by challenge option Smart City project activity included Stakeholder workshop for SBIR (illegal litter dumping) 6th March DCC; CPD talk on Smart Cities 9th March Rua Red (Engineer’s week) Monitoring indicators for the Council’s Third Irish Language Scheme were added to local monthly report to Council.

Objective 5: Support staff and organisational development and performance through the implementation of best practice in Human Resource Management

Payroll and Superannuation: Preparations for the Superannuation cut-over to the national shared service on schedule for April/May 2017; Payment from April 1 of FEMPI Payroll amendments; New Travel and Subsistence rates agreed nationally – to be implemented from 1st April. Recruitment to fill current vacancies is ongoing. Child Safeguarding: New wallet sized information leaflet published and distributed and Child Safeguarding Training underway with the first staff session on the 29th March. Performance Management, Workforce Planning and Attendance management meetings held with the management teams of each department to review requirements and practices. Preparation of Training & Development Plan for 2017 commences on completion of the agreement of PDPs by all staff. Apprentices commence in March across Painters, Carpenter and Plumbers.