

November 2017 Council Management Report

Update On Annual Service Plan

This report includes the strategy updates for the month of Nov

Corporate Performance and Change Management

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

OP&F Special Budget meeting held on the 9th November, Annual Budget meeting held on the 16th November where the 2018 budget was considered and adopted. Following the vacancy due to the resignation of Anne Marie Dermody, Conor McMahon was co-opted to fill this position on a casual basis. Work on voter.ie is ongoing across the four Dublin local authorities. SDCC live target date for the cut-over to the shared system is January 2018.

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

Finance: The Councils budget for 2018 was considered and adopted by the members of South Dublin County Council at the statutory annual budget meeting on Thursday the 16th November. The Councils three year Capital Programme for the years 2018 – 2020 has been prepared and will be considered by the Council at the December monthly meeting. The quarterly three accounts are being completed to be returned to the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government along with the GGB report. The new accounting system Agresso Milestone 4 has been installed and went live on the 31st October. The second seminar in insurance training with Irish Public Bodies was completed. Audit: The implementation of the Audit Plan is ongoing. The development of the Strategic Audit Plan (SAP) 2018 – 2020 is underway. Procurement: The Procurement Steering Group met on 8th November 2017 and considered the draft Corporate Procurement Plan 2018 – 2020 and further inputs required. New Procurement checks available through Agresso Milestone 4 were live from Monday 27th November to Friday 22nd December. FOI & Data Protection: 191 FOI requests have been received year to date. 9 Access to Information on the Environment requests received to date. A workshop for FOI Decision Makers in relation to specific themes was held on the 20th November. The Lean Six Sigma Steering Group met in November and endorsed the findings of two yellow belt projects for implementation.

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

- Continuing with our ICT supporting role with MS4 implementation.
- Consultants engaged with respect to the ICT Security Audit with work due to commence.
- Proof of concept using Survey123 prototype completed in respect of a potential new solution for RTB Property inspections.
- Vacant Sites development underway – Sign off of specification expected shortly. Expected delivery Q4 2017/ Q1 2018.
- Property Economic Portal development - Content generation continues in preparing for a go live.
- Replacement of Server Infrastructure - Deployment has begun. Pilot migration of technical server infrastructure to begin shortly.
- eRecruitment tender - Evaluation currently underway. Evaluation team and regional evaluation board established.
- National Dog Licence System – National pilot is planned for April 2018
- Integrated Housing System – New tender in preparation and should be issued before end of November.
- Internet redesign – We expect to go live with the new website at end of Q4 / beginning of Q1.

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

National Accessibility Week was held from 27th Nov to 4th Dec with a full programme of events across a range of venues in South Dublin County and organized in partnership with key partners. Consultation Portal: Design your space- Youth Facilities Survey is live and accompanied by a significant communications campaign targeting young people. The Citizens Newsletter went to the printers on the 27th November and will be delivered to all homes in South Dublin County in early December. NOAC Best Practice Conference held on 21st November SDCC where South Dublin

presented on Citizen Engagement.

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

Management Team Plan for 2018 was finalised in November and communicated to all staff. Department Team Plans are now progressing and the 2017/18 timeline for the Performance Management and development system has been circulated to all to all departments. Recruitment is ongoing to fill all vacancies and implementation of the staff training and development plan is ongoing. Preparations for the transfer of Superannuation to the Shared Service is ongoing with a new transfer date of Jan 2018. Consultative staff meetings took place across September/October/November to review the Depots in South Dublin County Council. The workforce plan was reviewed by management in October with critical vacancies, skills requirements and succession planning requirements discussed. A Flu vaccination programme was provided for all staff in November. A workshop was held on the Management Development Programme with all participants of the at Grade 7 level (Administrative Officer and analogous) programme with the Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Performance. A delegation order template and report on the workshop will follow in December.

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

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

SPC meeting held in November 2017. LEO training schedule continued in October 2017, with Autumn programme ongoing including additional training provided under the Business Support Fund, in conjunction with South Dublin Chamber. To end October, 557 clients have attended LEO provided training, with a further 340 attending training provided by South Dublin Chamber, supported through the Business Support Fund. An Evaluation and Approvals Committee Meeting was held on 26th September 2017, approving 4 projects, creating 7 new jobs, with grant amounts of €135,822 approved. The next meeting is scheduled for 28th November 2017. The following Business Supports are being promoted on the LEO Website, Council website, through social media, at various business events and through SD Chamber. • Business Support Grant 2017 to, 30/09/2017, 870 applications received, (for the same period in 2016, 889 applications received) • Microenterprise Development Fund: 14 applications approved. Estimated total commitment: €280k. Spend to date €39,758. • Individual Unit Support Scheme: 27 applications approved. Estimated total commitment €60k. Spend to date €12,369. • Microenterprise Start Up Support (Rates) Scheme: 6 applications approved. Estimated total commitment: €90k. • Shop Fronts: 32 applications received.

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

Grange Castle • Interxion – Open for business • Grifols submitted planning application for production expansion and permission granted SD16A/0250. Works are ongoing. • Microsoft – Works ongoing, DFS site near completion, permanent entrance complete. Work on wall along Nangor Road commenced on the 17/10/2017. Microsoft – Planning application submitted on the 06/09/2017 for a temporary (for 3 years) gas powered energy plant on the Microsoft site. Permission granted 27/10/17. • Eirgrid - Works commenced on site in September 2017. • Capital Programme – Nangor Road / R120: Approved for funding by DTTAS. CPO Approved for R120. Tender assessment complete, letter of intent issued on 27/09/2017 to Wills Bros. Wills Bros started on site week commencing 21/11/2017. • Archaeological – GC South: Archaeological work ongoing, feedback from the DAHRRGA is to preserve by record. Rubicon Heritage are the successful tenderer and have received their Archaeological Licence from the Department. Rubicon started on site on 6th November 2017. • Edgeconnex: Application for new Datacentres approved directly adjacent to the Business park. Access to datacentre will be via Grange Castle Business Park, construction now ongoing. Supplementary Gas Main for Edgeconnex under construction, installation complete and line has been tested. licence for temporary use of ducts agreed and fibre cables now being pulled through the ducts. • Edgeconnex planning application for an additional data hall was approved on the 04/07/2017. • Grange Backup Power. Planning application submitted for intensification of a previous application. • Takeda. Planning Permission granted on the 27/03/2017 for new production facility: SD 17A/0019. Sod turning ceremony took place on Wednesday 31/05/2017 Construction ongoing. Takeda – Planning application submitted on the 29/09/2017 for a new biopharma production facility on the Takeda lands. The closing date for submissions is the 02/11/2017 and was granted on the 23/11/2017. • Energy Masterplan: SEAI granted funding to SDCC to carry out an energy masterplan for the Grange Castle Business Park. Element energy Ltd were appointed to carry out the masterplan and a 'final draft report' was issued on the 13th October 2017 and presented at a meeting in GC on the 17th October 2017. SDCC submitted the

grant claim documentation to SEAI by the milestone deadline of the 13th October 2017. • Lands to West. The Grange Castle West Infrastructure Masterplan is underway. 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 Grange Castle South: • Archaeological – GC South: Archaeological work ongoing, feedback from the DAHRRGA is to preserve by record. Rubicon Heritage are now on site. Potential client (CyrusOne) identified for a 16 acre site in Grange Castle South, Section 183 approved at the July 2017 Council.

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

• The Business Support Fund for 2017 continues to seek to identify projects whereby improvements to the Council infrastructure can have a wider beneficial impact. Some pre-application consultation work has been done with business representatives in various industrial areas with a view to bringing forward applications under the Area Improvement Scheme. • Grange Castle Business Park employment figures are on the rise by way of new clientele and construction activities. Employment now circa 5500 (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 commenced March 2017. SDCC has just received grant funding from SEAI to carry out an energy masterplan for Grange Castle Business Park – the tender for the energy masterplan was published on 04/06/2017 with a closing date of the 23/06/2017. Element energy Ltd were appointed to carry out the masterplan and the project is ongoing. A 'final draft report' was issued on the 13th October 2017 and presented at a meeting in GC on the 17th October 2017. SDCC submitted the grant claim documentation to SEAI by the milestone deadline of the 13th October 2017

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

Library Development Plan 2018-2022 The consultation process has almost been completed. The public survey is now closed and over 900 completed surveys were received. Focus groups have been held at Lucan (families), Ballyroan (over 55years) and County Library Tallaght (stakeholders and members of the public). The SDCC Disability Advisory and Consultative panel were met with last Thursday. A final focus group with teenagers from North Clondalkin will take place soon. A report analysing the results from this consultation process is awaited from the research. Chambers Ireland Awards South Dublin Libraries were shortlisted in 2 areas: ICT: STEAM in South Dublin Libraries and Local History: Our Heroes. Science Week 2017 South Dublin Libraries had an action-packed week for its 2017 Science Week. Anyone4Science were all over the county giving a series of workshops such as Fantastic Physics, Colourful Chemistry, Bright Sparks and CSI Murder Mystery & Forensic Science, as were Junior Einsteins who visited seven libraries with their Amazing Science show. Astronomer Deirdre Kelleghan visited two libraries and kept the children right up to date about NASA's Cassini mission to Mars and Eleanor from SeaSynergy brought the wonders of the Wild Atlantic Way to Dublin with their Marine Creature Feature workshop. Ryan Coyne delivered a fascinating talk on weather and climate change in Lucan Library and closing out the week we had Scientific Sue deliver her The Science of Bubbles show in the County Library, Tallaght to six classes of students. Social Inclusion Week 2017 Libraries are once again delighted to support Social Inclusion Week 2017 with events across our branches. Highlights include the second annual Great Lucan Bake off which took place on Sat 18th November at Lucan Library. Work Matters The Christmas fair is a wonderful opportunity for local crafts people to showcase their wares and generate some income through sales. Lucan Library - this weekend 24th / 25th November County Library Tallaght - Sat 2nd Dec. 300K have your say free library book bank Currently identifying venues in the Lucan area and purchasing books. Right to Read Literacy Initiative Funding of €12,000 received from Department of Community and Rural Affairs. Relevant literacy material has been identified and is in the process of being purchased. Our classroom novel and junior book club titles have been updated. We also purchased a selection of Silent Books – a collection of books for children and families who are living in direct provision and who may have experienced trauma and loss. These picture books are of varying complexity designed to be used in Storytelling, without the need for a common language. They help with integration, cultural transmission, and psychosocial support. As well as being a means of transmitting stories without literacy barriers, it has been shown to have a therapeutic effect on children suffering from trauma. History and Heritage Tallaght Historical Society in conjunction with the County Library have an interesting lecture series planned from September 2017 until June 2018. "Jonathan Swift – The Dublin Connection" was on 14th November and 'Ogham

Stones, Trees and 3D Technology' on 21st November in the County Library. Healthy Ireland Programme is a government initiative to encourage engagement and participation in activities leading to a healthy lifestyle. The programme has been launched nationally and book displays have been set up in each branch library. A series of awareness-raising events will be held in our branch libraries over the coming months. In December, special events will be held in the County Library (4th) and Lucan (8th) to promote a "Mindful Christmas" and reduce stress. Programme highlights in What's Happening October – December 2017. <http://www.southdublinlibraries.ie/news/2017/09/whats-happening-october-december-2017>. Library Capital Projects: 1) North Clondalkin Library - Shortlisting for contractor commenced on November 9th. Tenders will be issued mid-January 2018 with construction commencement March 2018. (2) New Castletymon Library Design team in place and plans being drawn up. Tenders will be issued early March 2018 with construction beginning in May. The existing library will be closed to the public from December 14th 2017 with provision for a Mobile Library to service the area. Creative Ireland All strands of the 2017 Creative Ireland South Dublin Awards have now been completed. Consultation on the 2018-2022 strategy will continue with a presentation to the Arts, Culture, Gaeilge, Heritage and Libraries SPC on the 1st Nov. A public Consultation will take place on Wednesday the 22nd Nov, (venue to be confirmed) and a Culture team workshop on Monday 4th December at 2.30pm. A consultation survey will be circulated to the public this week by Arts Office newsletter and through online platforms and social media. Events NOISE Flicks Youth Film Festival screenings will take place on Friday 27th October at 8.30pm at the IMC, Tallaght. Over 80 entries were received from around the country for this year's competition. Workshops will be held in Rua Red on Sat 28th October.

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

Round Tower Centre, Brú Chrónáin. Official opening by Mayor took place on the 3rd October 2017. Stakeholder Consultation has commenced on a Marketing and Sales Strategy for the centre arranged by consultants Crowe Horwath. Guide brochure for centre produced in English and Irish and educational materials for schools. A website for the centre is also ready to go live as part of the Dublin's Outdoors brand. Proposed Dublin Mountains Visitor Centre: closing date for submissions to An Bord Pleanála (ABP) was 25th September 2017 with documentation available for inspection in the offices of ABP, County Hall, Tallaght and Ballyroan Library, Rathfarnham. 84 submissions have been made to ABP, available to view on the website at the following link: Dublin Mountains Project An Bord Pleanála Application (Ref: JA0040) | South Dublin County Council Tourism and Festival Events Grants Scheme for 2018 was approved by the members of the Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development SPC at the September 2017 meeting. Rathfarnham Castle – Courtyard and Stables – New Capital Project, the Council engaged a conservation architect to complete a conservation report on the Rathfarnham Castle Courtyard and Stables. The purpose of the report, which was presented to the members of the ACM on 10/10/17 is to highlight the necessary conservation issues and to identify potential future uses Dublin Mountains Visitor Centre: Further information response to An Bord Pleanála ref JA0040 to be submitted on the 30th November 2017 Round Tower Centre, Brú Chrónáin - 4 year Lease Agreement signed with the private operator in November 2017. Round Tower nominated and application submitted in the Best Heritage Building Category for the All Ireland Community and Council Awards (LAMA) to be held in Croke Park in February 2018. Fáilte Ireland- delegation of 30 representatives from Fáilte will visit South Dublin County Council on the 30th November- Visit Itinerary will include Dublin Mountains, Rathfarnham Castle, Pearse Museum, Round Tower Centre and Lucan Village

Land Use Planning & Transportation

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

FOOTPATH REPAIRS Schemes Completed to date: Ballyowen Lane, Elmbrook, Wheatfield Road, Ballyowen Park, Ardeevin, Glenvara Est., Orchardstown Drive, Dangan/Rockfield/ Shelton, Templeville Drive /Rushbrook/Woodstown, Cushlawn, Killinarden, St Marks Estate, Turret Road, Ballyowen Lane (at N4 apartments), Woodlawn Park Ave. The Footpath Works works programme for 2017 is essentially complete. Minor repairs continue. ROAD RE-SURFACING Schemes Completed to date: Mill Lane (Palmerstown), Slade Valley Road, Farrells Lane, Garter Lane, Lucan Heights, Orchardstown Drive, Lansdowne Park, Templeville Road, Templeogue Bridge junction, Aylmer Road, Fonthill Link Road. The Annual Road Works Programme is also essentially complete. In addition to the above Substantial footpath repair works have recently being completed in Kilclare Drive under the Councils Social Housing Estate improvement works fund. Winter Maintenance Programme 2017 is underway and winter ready information is available on website.

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

The Draft Clonburris SDZ Planning Scheme has been published on 22nd September and Submissions have been invited. The closing date for submissions is the 3rd November 2017 and preparation of the CE report is underway for issue to members on Dec 14th, followed by a briefing on Dec 15th. Pre-draft public consultation on a new Local Area Plan for Tallaght has also been completed and a report circulated to Members. Preparation of the Draft Tallaght LAP is now underway, this will be brought to the next available SPC following its completion. C700 Submissions were received on the Weston Aerodrome Public Consultation which are currently being considered and a report will be presented to the November LUPT SPC [rescheduled for Dec 4th 2017].

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

Construction of the R120 Adamstown Road Improvement Scheme including the link to the Nangor Road has commenced, a sod turning event is arranged for Friday 8th December. Design works on the NTA funded Projects are progressing on the Scholarstown Road Cycletrack following conclusion of the S38 consultation process. Works are almost completed on a further section of Cycle lane on Willsbrook road between Mount Bellew and St Andrews.

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

Works are continuing on Phase 1 (Greenhills Road) of the Tallaght Village Improvement Scheme. Design works are progressing on Village enhancement works in Tallaght Village (Phase 2) and Templeogue Village. A Draft Design for Templeogue village has been prepared and is currently under review with intention of bringing to Part 8, update meeting scheduled for Dec 5th. Tender Documents for the Village Enhancement Works in Saggart are currently being prepared and will be issued shortly. The 6 additional School Wardens are now fully operational at their assigned schools across the County. There is an increased level of engagement with schools and participation in road safety campaigns to address safety concerns and promote the road safety message.

Environment, Water & Climate Change

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

Public Realm Maintenance: 2017 Plan has been implemented and works are progressing on this programme. N81 Improvement Scheme: A PIN Notice issued to e-tenders with a view to tender for phased construction prior to year end. Tree Maintenance Programme: The tree crew operating south of the N7 is currently completing tree pruning and removal works in Knocklyon Avenue. The tree crew north of the N7 is currently completing tree removals in Woodview Estate, Lucan. Arrangements are being made to mobilise additional seasonal tree maintenance crews. Derelict Sites Preparing CEO's for Levy 2018. Scheduled Street Cleaning Programme: Tender process underway for procurement of new road sweeping contract. Litter Management Plan The two Rapid Deployment Cameras have been installed at Lennox Laboratories JFK Industrial Estate and Brookview, Tallaght. CCTV at the Ballyowen Bottle bank being monitored on a daily basis. Environmental Awareness - Till Receipts - Anti litter add on Super Valu receipts. Cinema Advert - Dog fouling 10-17th November, Dog Fouling add 24-01st Dec. Tackle litter 17-24th Community Clean Ups - 206 Clean ups have taken place so far for November - We have 71 GDW registered. - 9 new community minor landscaping scheme projects have started work. EWWR - The Deputy Mayor took part in a photo call on the 15th November for a social media campaign to advertise EWWR. 2 school trips to the rediscovery centre and two school workshops took place for EWWR 20-24th November. Green Schools - 99 Primary & 35 Secondary schools registered. Schools have started to book in their green school visit for the new year. The advert for the Christmas recycled decoration competition has gone to all schools and has been advertised on the SDCC site and social media. Christmas recycling workshops will take place in the libraries on the 27/30 November and 1st December. LAPN - A second SFW training course for Tidy Towns on the Saturday 25th November and Saturday 9th December 2017 Christmas - Adds have been booked for the echo 7th, 14th & 21st December, and the Gazette for the 7th December. Smart Dublin Continued collaboration with SBIR. Illegal dumping initiatives progressing. Roundabout Sponsorship: Orwell Roundabout - Hard landscape works and top soiling complete. Planting scheduled to commence within next week. Sponsorship arrangements being finalised in respect of Templeville and Greentrees Roads roundabouts in Templeogue. New sponsorship proposal recently received and being progressed in respect of roundabout at entrance to Orlagh Estate on Scholarstown Road.

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

Climate Change: Action Plans under review by SDCC for practicality/ feasibility. Signed Covenant of Mayors document uploaded to www.covenantofmayors.eu SDCC now committed to 40% reduction in CO2 emissions by 2030 and to increasing our resilience by adapting to the impacts of climate change. Eastern/Midlands Regional WMP & WERLA EWWR - Social media updates are going out for the week of the 20th November. 2 school trips to the rediscovery centre and two school workshops taking place for EWWR 20-24th November. Surface Water Schemes: Chapel Hill SW Scheme complete except for some minor surfacing. Cookstown Industrial estate works complete. Ballynakelly surface water scheme complete. Works on the Poddle at the Wainsfort pre-rack complete. Preparations work underway for the remaining 2017 Programme. Upgrade to the remote monitoring of the Poddle screens underway approved, procurement complete, CE Order drafted. River clearing and cleaning works largely completed. Additional SW jetting being carried out as resources allow. Prioritisation of works for 2018 under consideration, draft list prepared and estimates being prepared. Weather conditions on 22nd November resulted in the re-deployment of all resources to deal with flooding issues. Flood Alleviation Schemes: Ballycullen Flood Alleviation Scheme - Pipe line installation complete. Substantial Completion Cert issued to Clonmel Enterprise for completion of the works and the beginning of the 12 month defects period. Poddle - An appointment of a consultant is awaited as one tenderer has lodged an objection and this has been sent by DCC to Engineers Ireland for adjudication. Camac - The OPW have drafted a technical brief for the engagement of consultants. This is currently being reviewed by DCC and SDCC. River Basin Plans and Measures: No further update on the DRBMP. Work progressing on inspections under the RMCEI. Water Conservation Programme: Repairs of leaks and Bursts by Water Operations ongoing. Mechanical Services: CE Order requests submitted for the purchase of part of the 2018 vehicle replacement programme (delivery Jan 2018 at the earliest). About to be ordered are: Large Panel Vans, Beaver-tailed pickups, large Roller Mowers.

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

Waste Enforcement Action: Continuous scheduled inspections and Audits/Reviews undertaken on permitted facilities in accordance with risk rating. Burial Ground Strategy: Financial Report was presented to OP&F on 23rd November 2017. Control of Animals: Ongoing enforcement activity in relation to the control of dogs/horses and animal welfare. Air Quality: The EPA released their annual Air Quality Data for 2016. South Dublin had no daily breaches of the Particulate Matter Parameter (PM 10) and the average daily level was 14.2. The accepted level for the protection of human health is not to exceed a level of 40ug/m3 more than 35 times in any one year. So, our levels were very low for the whole of 2016. Similarly, our average Sulphur Dioxide levels was 2.4 ug/m3 for 2016 and these are again of excellent quality as the hourly level for the protection of public health is 350/ugm3. Dublin Noise Action Plan The noise mapping process is continuing at pace involving combined efforts of the Environmental Health and GIS/IT Departments. South Dublin has procured the assistance from Dublin City Council in the reconfiguration of the noise maps for the entire Dublin region and this should be far cheaper than going to tender for a private consultancy firm.

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

Regional and Local Parks: Currently assessments of all parks being carried out in order to decide on entries into the Green Flag Award scheme in 2018. Playspace Programme: Griffeen Playground refurbished and open over summer months. Consultation carried out on Waterstown Park playground currently being analysed. Teen Space Consultation Consultation with some teenage groups collated prior to holidays. Working with Corporate Services to implement a multi-media consultation process on Teen Spaces. Participatory Budget multi games wall will be incorporated into the process. Social media campaign is live. Paid advertisements targeted within SDCC region and to 13-19 year olds. Allotments Tender documents required for Tymon Park – survey underway. Recreational and Sporting Facilities Pavilions Programme - tender to be republished. Part 8 for Dodder Valley Mount Carmel passed by Council, Tender for detailed design and construction progressing. Frame Football Pitch sod turning scheduled for 4th December at Hermitage Park. Delivery of objectives in the Tourism Strategy Corkagh Park; Next step: tenders for consultants.

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 is progressing its Social Housing Construction programme of housing projects approved by the Council through Part 8 process. Currently 8 projects are on site and progressing totalling 265 units. A further 2 to start by end

of December with a total no of further 87 Units. The Part 8 for Oldcastle proposal is being finalised together with 2 other proposals at Homeville and New Nangor Road to be brought to area committee when prepared. Work is under way on a proposed schedule of further infill / social housing projects on Council land and these were discussed generally at the Housing SPC on 20th November 2017. The Vacant Homes Strategy was also presented at this SPC meeting. Evaluation of Expressions of interest on the Kilcarbery Integrated Housing Project is finalised with submissions shortlisted to 4 to progress to the Competitive Dialogue stage. PPP for 109 Units as part of bundle of 500 units being progressed at this location also. 4 Expressions of interest were received from Approved Housing Bodies for provision of Older Aged specific accommodation at Whitestown Way, Maplewood and Fernwood. Evaluation is now complete with one AHB selected to deliver on the 3 sites. Preliminary meeting has been held with CLUID to construct and, manage and operate the facilities. Part 8 for the 3 sites to be developed. 2046 active accounts on HAP at 17th November 2102. This is at average of 16 per week. Target for 2017 is 15 per week. 459 on Homeless Register at end of October 2017. (250 single males/females and 10 couples). 730 presentations during October 2017. 264 allocations to Homeless in 2017 to date and 35 refusals of accommodation offered in 2017 to date. SDCC Currently has 3 Homeless Hubs 70 units of singles STA and progressing a further 15 places and 20 step down, 16 Units for Domestic Violence Refuge and working on achieving a further 6 units. Also a Homeless old aged facility for 24 people.

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

Endeavour Awards 2017 held in the Red Cow Hotel on Saturday 25th November 2017. Largest Community group attendance yet. There was a significant increase in submissions this year. Educational Bursaries: The retention, graduation and employment rate of recipients is above IT Tallaght's averages and significantly above national averages. Awards ceremony for 2017/2018 academic year was held on 14th November 2017 and presented by the Mayor at IT Tallaght. New programme for Older Aged persons will be progressed through Age Friendly Alliance Steering Group. SICAP Funding - Tender opened 31/7, Closing Date 29/9 - extended by 1 week - Evaluation completed by 17/11 and report issued to LCDC on 9th November 2017. Awaiting report from POBAL on the LCDC recommendation. Contract to be signed by 5/12 and Commencement on 1/1/18.

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

The Healthy County Strategy Group held a Communications workshop on 9th November for all committee members. Aim: Aim is to establish South Dublin County as a model of excellence in relation to health and wellbeing. The Healthy County Strategy Group "We Can Quit Campaign" for Women new course running since September in Fettercairn and a new one started in October in Clondalkin. Overall there is a 70% success rate in the courses to date which is higher than the national 50% rate. Home Security Scheme – Anti Snap Lock fitting – Installation started September and anticipate installation of 700 this year. Work continues on the new Community and Sports Centre at Adamstown with estimated completion by end of December 2017. All weather facility included. Part 8 report on Lucan Swimming Pool approved at September Council meeting. The Council is working closely with Special Olympics Ireland on hosting the Opening Ceremony of the Ireland Games at Tallaght Stadium on 24th June 2018. The Late Nite Leagues – winter – finals to be held on 1st December 2017. This year's venues as follows: Tallaght: Tallaght Leisure Centre, Fri:-10th - 17th - 24th Nov 8-11pm. North Clondalkin: SDFL, Sat: 4th – 18th – 25th Nov 8-10pm. Clondalkin Village: Clondalkin Leisure Centre, Sat: 18th - 25th Nov 8-10pm. Lucan: Weston Hockey Club, Fri: 3rd – 17th – 24th Nov 9-11pm. Finals Night: Astro Park Tallaght Fri 1st Dec 7-10pm. The final day of the Marathon Kids programme – Final Mile – at Morton Stadium Santry on 22nd November 2017 had to be cancelled due to the weather conditions and rescheduled for 30th November 2017. Social Inclusion Week was launched by the Mayor on 20th November 2017 and a successful week of free events followed. Sports Grants Announced 30th November 2017 – 9 Successful from SDCC submissions.

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

The SDCC Endeavour Awards night was held on Saturday 25th November 2017 hosted by the Mayor and compered by Marty Whelan. It was a celebration and acknowledgement of all the great services provided and volunteerism in the County. Established 2015 to acknowledge, promote and recognise the efforts of community and voluntary groups in the County. Awards were made under the following headings: Civic Pride and Community Endeavour: Lucan St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. Community Facility of the Year: Ballyroan Community & Youth Centre. Sport and Recreation Award: St. Mark's GAA Club. Social Inclusion Award: Esker Celtic F.C. Football for All Programme. Active Age Award: Rams in Rhythm. Gradam Cultúr agus Oidhreacht na hÉireann: Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group.

Community/School Garden or Allotment: Esker Educate Together N.S. Gardening Club. Community Sustainability Initiative: The Pink Ladies +1. Corporate Endeavour Award: Google, Ireland and Londis, Adamstown. Volunteer of the Year: Denis Cummins nominated by Peamount Utd. Special Recognition Award: Tree of Hope. Special Recognition Award: Jenny Egan, International Canoeist (to celebrate her numerous achievements including her recent Bronze Medal in the K1 Canoe Marathon World Championship). Special Recognition Award: Mick Bohan & The Dublin Ladies Gaelic Football Team (to celebrate winning the All Ireland Ladies Senior Gaelic Football Championship). Overall Community Endeavour Award 2017: Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group.