

January 2019 Council Management Report

Update On Annual Service Plan

This report includes the strategy updates for the month of Jan

Corporate Performance and Change Management

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

January CPG, Council and OP&F meetings serviced. Corporate Plan Achievements for 2018, Audit Committee Charter and Work Programme for 2019 were approved at the Council meeting. Member Reps performance for November and December 2018 reported to the January OP&F (964 received of which 69% have been responded to/ closed). Guidance from the Data Protection Commission regarding the processing of personal data by elected members and by the Council as separate data controllers was presented to all members and discussed at the OP&F. Details of public liability insurance for elected members were presented at the OP&F and the policy is available to elected members. Dual processing of the register on iReg and voter.ie is ongoing but will transfer fully over to voter.ie on Feb 15th 2019 with the publication of the Register of Electors. The statutory order has been signed by the Minister on the changes to the local electoral areas and the maps with the new boundaries are now being finalised for printing. Councillors were asked to notify Corporate of what areas they plan to run for election in and maps will be issued accordingly. Minor amendments are being made to the Polling Scheme to facilitate the requirements of the voter.ie system and the new LEA boundaries being finalised for the changes to the boundaries. It is a ten year scheme and so a full review is scheduled to take place in 2020. Preparations are underway for the holding of the local elections, European elections and possible referenda in May 2019.

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

Audit Committee's Annual Report for 2018 is being drafted for presentation to the March Council meeting. Preparation of the 2019 Service Delivery Plan is underway for presentation to February Council meeting, including improvement targets on identified national service indicators. New Ethics Registrar appointed for 2019 – 2020 two year appointment (Martina Campbell). The Procurement Pipeline for 2019 is being completed, as well as preparation of the Activity Report for 2018, the Procurement Steering Group met on January 9th and a focus on Brexit preparations where relevant across the organisation. Working Group on Low Value Purchase Cards meeting to identify recommendations for improving governance and usage levels.

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

- Internet redesign – Final changes agreed and being pursued – expected deployment in Q1 2019.
- Office 365 initial setup and deployment being advanced. Generalised roll out expected to begin at end of Q1/beginning of Q2 2019.
- Integrated Housing System – Related Hosting Tender being advanced. ICT support being provided as needed in particular with the data preparation phase.
- Work on the Council's ICT Security Audit continues.
- Disaster recovery and business continuity planning progressing.
- Cyber Insurance being advanced – response from Council's insurers received and being evaluated.
- Vacant Sites system development – UAT continues.
- Supports being continuously provided for the regional voter.ie project
- eRecruitment – Implementation and User Acceptance Testing continues.
- Intranet revamp. Work continues on implementation of same. Expected go live for Mid February.

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

2019 Events Calendar is being finalised. Communications and event management support for the First Fortnight Festival, including a visit / event with Professor Green and young people to talk about mental health. 4 Public Consultations live during January. Collation of 2019 office / building maintenance requirements to finalise the plan of

work for 2019.

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

People Strategy priorities for 2019 are being identified as well as research on appropriate HR Standard to progress to application in 2019. Depot Review and Organisational Change Report referred to the WRC for final agreement. Review of Child Safeguarding statements and risk assessments across all relevant services underway and direct liaison to address identified issues. Transition from Pension Related Deduction to Additional Superannuation Contribution implemented.

Land Use Planning & Transportation

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

Footpath works programmes have been prepared and will be presented to the February ACMs. Winter Gritting 2018/19 season has commenced, call outs to date 14, 7 established gritting routes. Programme C LED Upgrade – projection to end Q2 2019 - 1,250 upgrades. Programme D LED Upgrade - Regional Road Upgrade (RRU) Prog 2018/2019, ten Regional Roads in the County. A total of 2,120 PL points to be upgraded over two phases commencing with R148 and R120. Annual Road Works- Minor Works Programmes 2019 – Programme of works drawn up for presentation to ACM's February and to County Council for Noting in March 2019. TII Allocation for N81 Strengthening works, Works to commence next 3 -4 weeks. Traffic Light Refurbishment Programme 2019 programme in place. Traffic Calming Ramps installation programme out for Public Consultation under S38 for 2019.

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

Clonburris SDZ Oral Hearing commenced on 22nd January 2019 and concluded on 24th January 2019. A decision is now awaited from An Bord Pleanála. My Doorstep service now available to the public and providing consultation portal access for all Council schemes. SHD applications managed and briefing to elected members provided at correct stage in process. Increase in Planning activity and numbers of applications 2018.

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 underway and nearing completion. Bridge now complete and open to traffic. Substantial completion date Mid February 2019. Construction works on the NTA funded Projects are nearing completion on the Tallaght to Ballyboden /Scholarstown Road section following conclusion of the S38 consultation process. NTA allocations for 2019 expected, design work continuing on a number of projects. Proposals for continuation of existing and new schemes being prepared. Proposals submitted and allocations in place. Fortunestown Junction upgrade nearing completion. Belgard to Cookstown Link Part 8 adopted at Co Co Meeting February 2018, progressed to detailed design. Celbridge Link Road [LHAF] Part 8 Adopted March Meeting. Final Design being prepared. Tender issued to consultants, construction to commence mid-year. Dodder Greenway progressing to final detailed design and tender stage with construction expected to commence on bridges this year.

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

Tender Documents for the Village Enhancement Works in Saggart are finalised and works are due to commence shortly. Revision of Lucan Village Green and Plaza designs in progress. School Wardens service enhanced and fully operational at assigned schools across the county, recruitment of relief wardens ongoing. 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. Christmas and New Year Road Safety campaigns being supported and promoted. Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2019, allocation €60,000 notified. King Johns Bridge –studies to inform restoration work undertaken. Ballymount Gate House – survey works undertaken. Archaeological Impact Assessment and Ecological Report completed. River Liffey Heritage Project – Publication of 'The River Liffey, History and Heritage'. Corkagh, the Life and Times of a South Dublin Demesne 1650-1960' published. Irish Crochet Lace Revival project supported.

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

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

LEO training schedule continued in December 2018, with Winter programme ongoing including additional training to be provided under the Business Support Fund, in conjunction with South Dublin Chamber. To end December, 766 clients have attended LEO provided training, with a further 388 attending training provided by South Dublin Chamber, supported through the Business Support Fund. The next Evaluation & Approvals Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 12th February 2019 (TBC). 11 Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters grants, including food branding, were approved in 2018 to the end of November to the value €23,634. 30 Trading Online Voucher applications were approved in 2018 with a total value of €63,321.50. The next TOV's seminar is due to take place on February 2019 in the LEO training room. 452 clients availed of in-house clinics/ outreach clinics/mentor assignments to end December 2018. The following Business Supports are being promoted on the LEO Website, Council website, through social media, at various business events and through SD Chamber.

- Microenterprise Development Fund: Number applications approved in December: 1 estimated total commitment €900,000 Spend to date: €142,448.31
- Individual Unit Support Scheme: number applications approved in December: 1 Estimated total commitment €97,500 Spend to date €11,702.72
- Microenterprise Start Up Support (Rates) Scheme: Number applications approved in December: 1 estimated total commitment €0 Spend to date: €14,629.69
- Industrial Area Improvement Scheme: number of applications received in December: 1 Estimated total commitment €8,750 Spend to date: €53,500

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

Grange Castle • Camera and monitor replacement for Grange Castle and along the Grand Canal to comply with GDPR requirements are complete. Grange Castle South: • Eirgrid – Cable pulling through Grange Castle to the station commenced in November 2018, still ongoing • Archaeology – GC South: Archaeological excavation complete in southern field, final report due by the end of November 2018, however Rubicon specialists have reported they will not deliver now until April 2019. Northern field was retendered, CE order to award the contract signed and letters to successful and unsuccessful tenderers were issued on the 13th December 2018. Pre start meeting with successful tenderer was held on the 17th January 2019. • CyrusOne planning application for a 3 storey office block and a data centre, Planning permission was granted on the 24/09/2018 and appealed by a 3rd party on 22/10/2018. A decision is due by the 25th February 2019 (18 weeks guidelines by ABP). Lands to West. • The Part 8 for the proposed Grange Castle West Access Road was passed at the December 2018 Council meeting. • The Part 8 for the proposed Grand Canal Greenway from the 12th lock to Hazelhatch is currently advertised, with submissions to be received by 4th February, 2019. • Geophysical Survey of the lands to the West commenced in October 2018 and is complete with final report awaited

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

- The Business Support Fund for 2018 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 now circa 5410 (incl construction). Microsoft and Grifols have both given updated emp figures.
- Tallaght Stadium is being promoted as a location of choice for business events. Construction of South Stand commenced in February 2018, and was completed in November 2018. Seating capacity will be over 8,000 on completion of South Stand. North Stand Options Report was delivered by Consultant Architects to CPG & December 2018, Council Meeting. Project to proceed to Part 8 in Q1 2019.

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

Full participation in 2019 projects from Creative Ireland, Arts Strategy 2016-20, Music Generation and the Arts Grants Schemes. Grant-aid ICT Funding of €171,000 to support the establishment, of public libraries as digital learning centres and enablers of digital services was received. Healthy Ireland at Your Library is continuing in branch libraries. Active Storytime in conjunction with SDCC Sports Partnership will be held in branch libraries as well as community centres in North Clondalkin and Castletymon. Libraries Ireland will run a radio campaign on RTE 1 and 2FM starting 28th January. Right to Read – Books for Babies pilot project extended until May 2019. Working in conjunction with

Public Health Nurses, we are introducing books into homes where literacy levels are low. Research & Development Tender awarded for consultancy services to research and develop policy and strategy in early childhood arts (0-6 years) and children's arts (7-12 years). The brief for 'A Social Audit of Tallaght's Cultural Organisations and the Neighbourhood' was issued and is currently being promoted with the assistance of the Irish Architecture Foundation. Creative Ireland Teams briefing to take place in January in the Foundry, Google HQ.

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

The Castle Stables & Courtyard at Rathfarnham – 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. Stabilisation works commenced at Rathfarnham. Pre-Qualification Questionnaire for the project issued on tenders on Wednesday 5th September 2018, the closing date for submission is Friday 5th October 2018. The project was advertised in the national newspapers on 5th & 6th September 2018. No submissions were received on foot of the PPQ advertised. Dublin Marathon Race Series- The 10K road race successfully took place on Sunday 22nd July with c3000 competitors taking part. Due to the success and extremely positive response, SEE Airticity Dublin Race Series in conjunction with South Dublin's County Promotion Unit will be hosting this event again in 2019. 2019 race is planned to take place on Sunday 21st July at Grange Castle. First meeting with race organisers, Gardaí etc to take place in February. Dublin Mountains Project South Dublin County Council requested by An Bord Pleanála to conduct a bird survey in the area to be submitted by the 30th September 2018, this will extend the application period. ABP have advised that an Oral Hearing will take place on the application for the proposed development. The requested bird survey has been completed by the consultants and will be submitted to An Bord Pleanála before 30th September. The Oral Hearing concluded on Tuesday 27th November. A decision is not expected until April 2019. Liffey Valley Cluster – South Dublin County Tourism Strategy Presentation to Lucan Area Committee on the River Liffey Blue Feasibility Study and Dublin Canals Greenway Project Shop Fronts Grants Scheme 2018/2019 A total of 29 applications from businesses were received for the Shop Front Grant Scheme 2018. 28 applications approved and 2 withdrawn. There are 5 pending works and In progress. All shopfronts completed and grant payments made. Mayor Ward presented Freynes Pharmacy, Clondalkin with €1,000 prize for Best Shop Front Design 2018. 2019 scheme to be launched by the beginning of February 2019. Leaflets advertising the scheme are being issued to all commercial rates customers. South Dublin County Council – Events and Festival Funding 2018 A total of 3 applications were received for the Events and Festival Funding 2018. As some funding is still available under this grant, it was advertised again on 30th August 2018. The closing date for new submissions is 28th September 2018. A further two applications for funding were received and confirmation of funding has been issued to the applicants. Round Tower Centre, Brú Chrónáin • Book Launch of Corkagh Demesne on the 3rd June 2018 • Pride of Place Awards judging took place in the centre on the 28th June 2018 Gaelforce 2019 The official launch of Gaelforce Dublin 2019 took place on 4th December 2018. This is the third year Gaelforce Dublin is hosting an action packed adventure race within South Dublin. The event will take on Saturday 23rd March 2019. Preparations for the event are under way. South Dublin Chamber Tourism Group • Tourism Meeting held with the South Dublin Chamber Marketing subgroup- 17th July 2018 Fáilte Ireland • Meeting held with the Fáilte Ireland Dublin Regional Team -29th June 2018 South Dublin on Ice 2018/2019 • South Dublin on Ice 2018/2019 has opened at Tallaght stadium and ran to Sunday 20th January 2019. Fossett's Circus 2018/2019 • Fossett's Christmas Circus returns to Tallaght Stadium, opening on Thursday 13th December and ran to Sunday 6th January 2019.

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

- Social Housing Construction programme progressing: Projected 112 homes to be delivered in 2019 (Balance of 9 homes in ongoing development at Killinarden; 40 new homes in Owendoher, and 63 homes in St. Cuthberts). Part 8 Consultation has commenced for developments at Balgaddy and Greenfort "Coffee Shop". Proposals for development at Stocking Lane presented to Rathfarnham/Terenure/Templogue ACM. • Planning for projected delivery of 332 homes in 2019 through Part V, AHBs, CAS, CALF, Leasing and acquisitions. • Pre-planning application submitted to An Bord Pleanála for Kilcarberry Integrated Housing Project in December with Pre-Planning Consultation meeting scheduled for 11th February in ABP. • Preparatory works ongoing for delivery of 109 units at Corkagh Grange under the PPP bundle with Project Liaison manager due to be appointed imminently. Contractor scheduled to commence on

site in March. • 7,244 on Housing List & 624 on Homeless Register at end January. • Currently examining a range of options and proposals for supported homeless facilities in the County. • 2,634 active Housing Assistance Payment tenancies as at end January. Target of 14 tenancies per week in 2019 i.e. a total of 728 new HAP tenancies to be established this year. • Leasing staff participated in DHPLG on Social Housing Leasing Practitioners' Forum on 28th January to explore maximising leasing opportunities. • Roll out of new online inspections survey application commencing January 2019 with all inspectors using the same online application linked to ARC GIS mapping and with real time data. 2019 target of 2,402 properties for inspection. • Project team has commenced work on delivery of Housing Integrated System. 2nd Project Board meeting to be held on 4th February. • New Traveller Accommodation programme being drafted – public consultation to begin in April. • Payment cards are now in operation for Caravan Loans and bin collection scheme being piloted in Cherryfield RCP. • 268 applications received to date under the Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan scheme. Additional €10 million in funding approved for RIHL scheme by DHPLG. • New Rent Statements website live (<https://rents.southdublin.ie>) with positive uptake.

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

• Integration Strategy for the County has been reviewed by Management Team and will be presented to Social & Community SPC in February. • Report presented to Clondalkin ACM on range of Balgaddy estate management initiatives and prioritisation of maintenance/clean-ups. • 2019 work plan for under Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme agreed in principle by LCDC in December. • South Dublin Children and Young People's Services Committees (CYPSC) meeting held on 18th January – workshop scheduled for 12th February to finalise priorities for CYPSC three-year action plan. • Football participation initiative at Clondalkin Leisure Centre launched for residents in Clondalkin Direct Provision accommodation in partnership with St. Patrick's Athletic F.C. • Social Inclusion team exploring options for awareness event during European Week Against Racism (16th – 23rd March (tbc)) with 21st March being the designated International Day for the Elimination of All Forms of Racism. • Joint Policing Committee scheduled for 1st February.

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

• Healthy County Committee met on 23rd January to prioritise 2019 work plan and review implementation plan Healthy County Strategy awaiting sign off by CYPSC & LCDC – sub-group collating final feedback. • Tender process for Lucan swimming pool to be re-run commencing 22nd January with construction commencement now likely in March. • MeDex pilot project shortlisted as a finalist in the 2019 All Ireland Community & Council Awards in Best Community Health Initiative category. • Drug and Alcohol Task Forces: Tallaght - Draft Evaluation of the Community Action on Alcohol Programme for the Tallaght area is being finalised for launch in February. Clondalkin - Planning session held on 17th Jan for 2019 work programme. • Pilot Social Prescribing Project ongoing at two GP practices in Tallaght area. • Sportivate South Dublin 2018/19 programme ongoing. • New Sports Disability Officer has commenced work in Sports Partnership Office. • 2019 Operation Transformation commenced in early January. • 2019 Learn to Swim course for Primary Schools being prepared. • Sports Science course for coaches commenced on 17th Jan in partnership with TU Dublin (Tallaght). • 2019 children's cross-country programme launched with schedule as follows: Griffeen: 6th February, 6th March, 3rd April. Clondalkin: 7th February, 7th March, 4th April. Fettercairn: 13th February, 13th March, 10th April. Tymon: 14th February, 14th March, 11th April. Finals Day will take place in Corkagh Park on 16th May 2019. • Carbon Monoxide Alarms scheme fully subscribed for 2018 (580 households) with works for installations ongoing. • Home Security (Locks) scheme 2018 installations ongoing with 840 locks completed to date and programme scheduled for completion in January. • Council supported applications for Sports Capital Grants have been submitted to the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport for: Lucan Athletics Club Phase 2, Greenhills Bowling clubhouse extension, Cricket Pitch Mower, Cholaiste Chillian AWP Clondalkin

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

• LCDC approved applications for additional funding allocated to South Dublin under the Community Enhancement Programme by the Department of Rural and Community Development in the total sum of €568k at its December meeting – all projects to be funded by March 2019. • LEADER programme ongoing – applications being reviewed and assessed. • Purchase of St Mary's Old Primary School, Saggart for use as community centre to be completed in Q1 2019 and LEADER application for funding to be supported. • Scoping of existing and future community facility needs in Balgaddy ongoing. • Funding being provided to LCDC for National Community Weekend in May – planning to involve all relevant Council departments with theme of reconnecting neighbours and communities.

Environment, Water & Climate Change

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

Public Realm Maintenance: Draft 2019 Improvement Works Programme presented to the ACM's in January. Revised Maintenance Works Programme will be drawn up following completion of the Public Realm Review Process. N81 Improvement Scheme: Contractor on site for Phase 1a) on site. Phase 1b) detailed design underway. Tree Maintenance Programme: Report on the final review recommendations for Interim Review of the Tree Maintenance Programme will be presented to the next Environment SPC meeting in February 2019. Contractor continues to carry out contract tree pruning and removal works and is currently assigned to works in Crannagh and Glenbrook Park estates. A contract for supply, planting and maintenance of 1,000 trees is in the process of being awarded for the spring 2019 Tree Planting Programme. List being collated of outstanding individual tree works. Scheduled Street Cleaning Programme: Oxygen clarifications document received on December 24th, street sweeping procurement process to be concluded by end January Litter Management: - Environmental Awareness: Q4/2018 report presented to all ACM's in January. Review of LMP presented to all ACM's in January. Conscious cup campaign ongoing. Green dog walker stand available for all local/ community groups to promote as well as conscious cup materials. Anti-litter, Anti-cigarette litter & Anti-Dog fouling radio campaigns. 97 community clean ups. Green schools-99 primary & 37 secondary. Hessian bags available. Environment poster competition advertised out. Enforcement & Licencing: CCTVs - roving and decoy at 8 locations countywide (13 cameras). Public Realm: Cleansing Schedule continues, pickups for community clean-ups ongoing. The Solar Bin Pilot (agreed for Rathfarnham) tender process underway. Ongoing servicing of Bottle banks / recycling facilities carried out. Continuous clean-ups of areas prone to repetitive instances of illegal dumping.

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

Climate Change: Draft Climate Change Action Plan complete and currently going through the AA screening process. Public Consultation begins 11th February. Launch event in South Dublin on Tuesday 19th February 5.30 -8.30pm. Public awareness sessions calendared for the PC period. Short video on the plan shot on Jan 18th - themes highlighted from the plan via examples in the 4 DLAs. Eastern/Midlands Regional WMP & WERLA: Packaging Inspections identified by WERLA in 2018 are complete. Companies for 2019 have been identified for inspection. Currently preparing RMCEI Plan for 2019 and Inspection Returns for 2018. The plan will incorporate the National Priorities for 2019. Compiling data from household waste inspection completed in 2018. Household Waste Collectors are being contacted to arrange meetings to discuss roll out of SDCC Waste Bye Laws and the format their customer information will be provided. Surface Water Schemes: Schemes for 2018 progressed: Upgrade to the remote monitoring of Poddle screens complete. Works in Glenmaroon complete. Works on Peamount Road complete. Works on the pond in Rathfarnham Castle and on SW culvert on Stocking Lane complete. Works on Ballyowen Lane complete. Survey work in Templeogue Village complete, ongoing liaison with Roads in relation to scheme commencement. Initial proposal to amalgamate jetter services in the Drainage section submitted, further details requested - Drainage, Roads and Public Realm met to revise proposals. Flood Alleviation Schemes: Poddle: Hydraulic model complete, draft Hydraulic Report submitted by NOD for comment. Environment work progressing, non-statutory public consultation event took place before Christmas. Whitechurch Stream: Preliminary Design Options completed by the OPW Design Office and issued to RPS. RPS reviewing this and progressing with the Environmental constraints study. Camac scheme has gone out to tender by DCC through their framework, DCC will lead this project for the preliminary design of the scheme. River Basin Plans and Measures: Water Pollution section is progressing the Dublin Urban Rivers LIFE project and has been invited to participate in the EPAs working group in the preparation of the urban pollution assessment manual by local authorities across Ireland. Water Services: Repairs of leaks and bursts by Water Operations ongoing. Annual Service Plan and Budget agreed with Irish Water for 2019. Dublin Leakage Regional programme ongoing. Kilmahuddrick DMA complete - 20 leaks repaired on public network - moving on to Esker DMA next. Target for lead replacements in SDCC - 70 per week.

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

Waste Enforcement Action: Enforcement / surveillance services (Litter and Waste) continues. Continued monitoring of high level activity sites. Calendar of inspections for 2019 being prepared. The calendar will take into account trends

identified in 2018. RMCEI 2018 Report and 2019 Plan currently being prepared. Submission date 15th Feb. Control of Animals 5 Horses seized. Meeting held with DSPCA on 15th January 2019 with a view to developing a common / shared work programme eg Horse Castration Clinics and Education & Outreach programme. Under the Control of Dogs legislation there were 21 10 day notices issued. 2 Section 9 Dog Fine Served. Air Quality: National Clean Air Strategy launched. Regulations are currently being finalised. The ban on the sale of smoky coal which has been in place in larger towns for some time, was extended countrywide from autumn of 2018. Mandatory legislation requirements for installation of stoves being considered by the department at the moment. Dublin Noise Action Plan: The public consultation period for South Dublin's Noise Maps and Action Plans concluded in mid-December. To date a total of 19 submissions to the plans were received. With the majority from the same area, Brownswood, close to the N7 near Kingswood. Draft Plan on February Environment SPC.

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

Regional and Local Parks: Proposal for new regional park maintenance structure is included in the Public Realm Review proposals. Play-space Programme: Waterstown Playground nearing completion. The Council have appointed contractors to install play spaces in Ballymount Park, Glendown Park, Bancroft Park, Lucan demesne and Whitechurch. 7 further tenders underway. Recreational and Sporting Facilities: Pavilions programme, CE completed. Dodder Valley Mt Carmel: Phase 1 Ogham Tree trail tree planting underway. Phase 2 athletics track, BMX track and pitch detailed design being completed. Phase 3: Playground part 8 2019. Delivery of LIHAF Funded Parks Airlie Park: Planning submitted by the landowner. Tandy's Lane Park: Tender for consultants completed. Progress Tallaght Urban Regeneration Awaiting confirmation of the grant amounts and details. Delivery of Sports Pitch Strategy 4 global appointed to progress strategy. This project will allow the development of a strategy to guide the development, construction and management of sports pitches and pitch-based recreation county-wide.