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**Background**

There are four current Local Area Plans within the South Dublin County Council area:

* + Tallaght Town Centre Local Area Plan, 2020
  + Ballycullen-Oldcourt Local Area Plan, 2014
  + Fortunestown Local Area Plan, 2012
  + Newcastle Local Area Plan, 2012.

Local Area Plans (LAPs) have a life span of six years with the potential for this period to be extended in certain circumstances, including where objectives of an LAP are not fully achieved. The time periods for Fortunestown, Newcastle and Ballycullen-Oldcourt LAPs have all been extended as these plans were made at a time when development activity was very limited following the recession of the late 2000’s. The time extensions have allowed for progress to be made in the building out of the development envisaged under these plans. However, it is acknowledged that there are still outstanding facilities required in each area. The Tallaght LAP was adopted in 2020 and thus applies for a further four-year period. Given this Plan is so recent, there has been very limited development on the ground associated with it.

**Funding and Delivery Mechanisms**

There are a range of infrastructure funding and delivery mechanisms available to the Council including:

* The Council’s Capital Infrastructure Programme.
* Development Contribution Levies under the Council’s Development Contribution Scheme.
* Grant funding such as the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) and Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund (LIHAF).
* Supporting other public agencies such as the Health Services Executive (HSE) or Department of Education and Skills (DES).
* Working in partnership with other public and private sector stakeholders, where appropriate.

The Council is committed to delivering capital infrastructure as identified in the Capital Infrastructure Programme including parks, libraries and community centres. The Capital Infrastructure Programme is informed by a variety of Council strategies including the Parks and Open Spaces Strategy, Play Space Strategy, Teen Space Strategy, Sports Pitch Strategy, Local Economic and Community Plan and Development Contributions Scheme.

The current Development Plan 2016-2022 sets out policies and objectives for the delivery of a range of infrastructure in tandem with development. The new Draft Development Plan 2022-2028 builds on this by setting out specific standards for the provision of certain types of community facilities including parks and open spaces, community centres, schools, childcare facilities and primary care centres. It should be noted that provision of some facilities such as schools, healthcare, childcare, Garda Stations, etc. are the ultimately the responsibility of other state agencies or private developers. In the case of schools, the Council works closely with the Department of Education and Skills to ensure timely provision to meet the needs of growing populations.

Where planning permission is being granted for a relevant development covered by a Local Area Plan, conditions are attached requiring provision of infrastructure in accordance with the phasing and infrastructure requirements of that Local Area Plan.

**Progress with Providing Facilities**

Where information is available, the following details are set out in the tables below for each LAP area:

* The requirements for facilities as set out in the LAP
* What facilities have been granted permission
* What facilities has been delivered, and
* What facilities are outstanding.

However, it should be noted that the information available and the extent to which this information is up to date, differs between LAPs, and the format of the tables vary accordingly. The Tallaght LAP 2020 was adopted most recently, therefore information regarding facilities mainly relates to requirements under the preceding Tallaght LAP. The information relating to facilities accompanying Strategic Housing Developments (SHDs) is up to date for all LAP areas (this was most recently updated in January 2022).

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| **Newcastle Local Area Plan 2012 – Infrastructure Delivery**  (SHD information updated January 2022; all other information updated 2020) |

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| **Required by LAP** | **Granted Permission** | **Under Construction** | **Completed** | **Floorspace still to be provided** |
| **Large Village Community Centre** (Youth Specific facilities) – Preferably located near Existing St Finian’s CC | No | No | No | Minimum Specification for Multi-use Community Centre |
| **Community Facilities provided at a rate of 3sqm per 10 dwellings**. 1,098 Units Estimated over lifetime of LAP = 330 sqm total required Community Floorspace, (to be located around/adjoining existing Community Centre creating community hub) | 140 sqm Community Space on First floor of block under SD20A/0037 | No | No | 190sqm |
| **130 sqm Community Floorspace** (relocated from original Ballynakelly Local Centre Development SD05A/0344/EP to centre hub) | Floorspace not relocated to date, can be considered complete if floorspace as granted is constructed | No | No | 130 sqm Located in Village core |
| **Reservation of School Site** | Reservation of School Site 1.5ha permitted as part of Cairn SHD development (granted under SDH 305343-19) for 372 units | 292 residential units | 74 residential units |  |
| **Creche (not explicitly required in LAP phasing)** | Permitted as part of Cairn SHD development (granted under SDH 305343-19) | 292 residential units | 74 residential units |  |
| **Commercial Unit** | Permitted as part of Cairn SHD development (granted under SDH 305343-19) | 292 residential units | 74 residential units |  |
| **Village Park**  Taobh Chnoic | Part Permitted (2ha of 3.5ha, remainder in phase 2 boundary) under SHD3ABP-305343-19, Includes: Allotments, Playing Pitch, Play areas, 873sq.m MUGA | Yes | No | N/A |
| **Squares and Plazas**  Main Street  Ballynakelly West | Permitted Square at Market Square under SD17A/0010  Permitted Square/Green under SHD3ABP-305343-19 | Yes | No | N/A |
| **Neighbourhood/Local Parks**  - Burgage South Park, South of New School - (Still to be delivered)  - Sean Feirm Park – (Still to be delivered)  - Burgage North Park – (Still to be delivered)  - Ballynakelly Park  - Tower House Park – (Still to be delivered) | Burgage Green Part 8 Application for Play Space 13/6/2019 **No Decision** | No | No | N/A |
| **Pocket Parks**  All Neighbourhoods | 9 pocket parks permitted under SHD3ABP-305343-19  Ongoing on individual basis per application | Yes | No | N/A |
| **Home Zones**  All Neighbourhoods | Granted on individual basis per application |  |  | N/A |
| **Green Corridors**  All Neighbourhoods | Granted on individual basis per application |  |  | N/A |

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| **Fortunestown Local Area Plan – Infrastructure Delivery**  (SHD information updated January 2022; all other information updated July 2021) | | |
| **Required by LAP** | **Status** |
| Major junction upgrade: Fortunestown Lane/Citywest Road | **Completed:**  Modification of roundabout junction at Citywest Road and Fortunestown Lane into a signalised junction including footpaths, cycleways, public lighting, traffic signals and drainage. |
| Strategic pedestrian cycle link: Boherboy to Fortunestown District Park | **Pending Planning Permission:**  As part of a 15.2ha site under SHD2 ABP-308352-20, (stage 2 of the SHD process), the proposed development would provide for pedestrian and cyclist connectivity from Boherboy to the adjoining District Park to the north-east. |
| Community floorspace: 780 sq.m | **Ongoing:**  592.3sqm of Community Floorspace granted permission over 6 different developments within the LAP boundary area. Developments are at various stages of construction. SDCC has a commitment to providing and delivering a large community facility in the LAP area. (Please see details in answering Q6) |
| District Park: Saggart-Cooldown Commons | **Under Construction:**  Under SHD3ABP-300555-18, in Cooldown Commons, the development provides for a District Park of 4.58 ha in accordance with the LAP. Development is currently under construction on the site. |
| Neighbourhood parks in the different framework areas | **Under Construction:**  Neighbourhood parks are being delivered in each of the framework areas on an ongoing basis in tandem with housing developments. This includes:   * 0.71 ha Park in Cooldown Commons, * 0.79 ha Park in Fortunestown Centre, * 2.3 ha Linear Park in Citywest Road, * Proposed 0.51 ha Park in Boherboy |
| Strategic road extension: Citywest Avenue | **Completed:**  Extension linking Citywest Drive to Citywest Avenue and Citywest Road |
| Secondary school site | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Secondary School site and 1,000 student school granted permission under SD19A/0393, currently under appeal. |
| Childcare Facilities | **Planning Permission Granted:**  2,948.8 sqm of Creche floorspace – see other entries below for further details |
| Library | **Ongoing**  The Council is actively looking to procure a site to progress the development of a library at Citywest. Funding is provided within the Council’s Capital Programme. |
| Community Floorspace | **Ongoing**  The Council has recently held discussions with Councillors around a proposed site (8/2/22) and hopes to be in a position to agree the next stages for development with a landowner in the coming weeks. Funding is provided within the Council’s Capital Programme. |
| 3 no Retail Units | **Planning Permission Granted:**  3 no. retail units (285sqm, 252sqm, 182sqm) permitted under SHD3-310570-21 (421 residential units). Development not commenced. |
| Community building | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Community building 141sqm permitted under SHD3ABP-306602-20 (463 residential units permitted, not commenced). |
| Creche | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Creche 431sqm granted under SHD3ABP-305563-19 (488 units permitted, not commenced) |
| Community Floorspace | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Community floorspace 186sqm granted under SHD3ABP-305563-19 (488 units permitted, not commenced) |
| Retail/commercial floorspace | **Planning Permission Granted:**  6 units containing retail/commercial floorspace 1,180sqm granted under SHD3ABP-305563-19 (488 units permitted, not commenced) |
| Café/bar/restaurant | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Café/bar/restaurant 188sqm granted under SHD3ABP-305563-19 granted under SHD3ABP-305556-19 (488 units permitted, not commenced) |
| Creche | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Creche 265sqm with 385sqm outdoor play area granted under SHD3ABP-305556-19 (290 units permitted, not commenced) |
| 3 Retail units | **Planning Permission Granted:**  3 retail units 76.4sqm, 54.3sqm and 76.3sqm granted under SHD3ABP-305556-19 (290 units permitted, not commenced) |
| 2 Café/restaurant units | **Planning Permission Granted:**  187.7sqm and 18.1sqm granted under SHD3ABP-305556-19 (290 units permitted, not commenced) |
| Creche | **Planning Permission Granted:**  Creche 327sqm, external play space 275sqm granted under SHD3ABP-302398-18 (459 residential units – 431 commenced) |

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| **Tallaght Local Area Plan – Infrastructure Delivery**  (SHD information updated January 2022; all other information updated January 2019) | | | |
| **Planning Application Reference and Location** | **No. Res Units** | **Facility to be Provided** | **Status January 2019** |
| SD17A/0412  Belgard Square West, Tallaght | 19 | - Gymnasium 1,918sqm  - Creche 141sqm | 19 units under construction |
| SD18A/0239  Bruce House, Main Street, Talllaght | 31 | - Communal open space including a children's play space (c.686sq.m) | 31 units under construction |
| SD19A/0346  Airton House, Airton Road, Tallaght | 38 | - Internal amenities 416.3sqm  - 258sqm courtyard area including 181sqm playground area | 38 units under construction |
| SHD3ABP-303306-18  Junction of Belgard Road and Belgard Square North, Tallaght | 438 | - Childcare facility (c.380 sq.m) and external playing area (c. 242sq.m)  - A public plaza of c.2,366 sqm is proposed to the north of Block B1 | Not commenced |
| SHD3ABP-305763-19  Corner of Airton Road and Belgard Road, Tallaght | 328 | - Creche 360sqm  - Public Plaza | Not commenced |
| SHD3ABP-303803-19  Unit 5A-C, Second Avenue, Cookstown Industrial Estate | 196 | - Creche 192sqm  - Gym 18sqm  - Commercial and office units 248sqm and 111sqm | Not commenced |
| SD17A/0212  SHD3ABP-303803-19  Unit, 5A-C, Second Avenue, Cookstown Industrial Estate, Tallaght | 196 | - Creche 192sqm  - Amenity space including picnic area, games area and toddler playspace | 196 units under construction |
| SHD3ABP-308398-20  Units 66 & 67 Fourth Avenue, Cookstown Industrial Estate | 208 | - Commercial unit 145sqm  - Café/restaurant 95sqm  - Gym  - Creche 275sqm plus 86sqm play area  - | Not commenced |
| SHD3ABP-306705-20  Former Gallaher's Cigarette Factory site, at the junction of Airton Road and Greenhills Road | 502 | - Creche  - 3 retail units | Not commenced |
| SHD3ABP-309916-21  Glen Abbey Complex, Belgard Road, Cookstown Industrial Estate | 170 | - Creche 163sqm with outdoor play area 75sqm  - Gym | Not commenced |

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| **Ballycullen-Oldcourt Local Area Plan – Infrastructure Delivery**  (SHD information updated January 2022; all other information updated November 2020) | | | |
| **Planning Application Reference and Location** | **No. Res Units** | **Facility to be Provided** | **Status Q1 2020** |
| SD14A/0180  Oldcourt/Dodderbrook | 137 | - Creche 177sqm with 120sqm play space  - 0.6513 ha green play area, green amenity belt area around site existing hedges with cycle lane | 134 units complete |
| SD15A/0150  Oldcourt Road | 78 | - Linear Park 7600 sqm including 930 sqm equipped NEAP play area | 48 units complete |
| SD16A/0059 and SD20A/0149  Oldcourt Lane | N/A | - 1.97 ha playing pitch area  - Floodlights |  |
| SD17A/0121  Oldcourt Cottages | 133 | - Creche 423 sqm  - 0.928 public open space around site boundary buffer with NEAP play space/park | 62 units complete |
| SD17A/0376 (Follow on from SD17A/0132)  East end Stocking Avenue | N/A | Stand-alone Creche facility 766.25 sqm; 1,513 sqm outdoor play area |  |
| SD17A/0468  Oldcourt Road | 64 | 1.5 ha green play spaces and park around development, suitable play equipment conditioned | Not commenced |
| SD19A/0104  Dodderbrook | 21 | 0.107 ha open space | Not commenced |
| SD19A/0345  South Stocking Avenue | N/A | - Retail Centre 1,479sqm  - Creche 385sqm  - Community space 192sqm |  |
| SHD3ABP-309836-21  Lands north of Stocking Avenue, Stocking Avenue, Woodstown | 241 | - Dedicated Community Building Space 552sqm  - Gym space | Not commenced |
| SHD3ABP-310398-21  Lands south of Stocking Avenue, Woodtown, | 114 | - Public open space | Not commenced |
| SHD3ABP-310578-21  Woodtown, Ballycullen | 329 | - Creche 295sqm  - Public park  - Pocket parks | Not commenced |