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#### Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall Fingal County Council





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## A message from **AnnMarie Farrelly,** Chief Executive, **Fingal County** Council

The annual meeting of the council was held on the I am delighted to be welcoming people back to 17th of June where Councillor Howard Mahony was elected as the 17th Mayor of Fingal and Councillor Cathal Boland was elected as Deputy Mayor. I wish both of them well as they begin their term and I look forward to working closely with them over the next 12 months. I would also like to thank Councillor Seána Ó Rodaigh for a tremendous year where she made the most of every opportunity which presented itself over the course of her term and of course Councillor Daniel Whooley who enthusiastically supported her.

As the third biggest local authority in the country, it is extremely important for the sector that Fingal County Council takes the lead in being a modern and innovative organisation committed to excellence in all areas of our work which means that, as the ways of working evolve, we adapt and ensure our staff have the best possible platform from which to deliver our services to the people who live, work, visit and do business in our county.

Having spent many months examining all aspects of the new way of working a series of initiatives are well advanced including the fast-forwarding of our Digital Workplace Strategy, the planning of a Workplace Spatial Strategy and the preparation of a Wellbeing Strategy. We have launched our Blended Working Policy which is aligned to the recently introduced policy for the local authority sector.

From 5th September, all staff who wish to work remotely for one or two full days per week will be in a position to do so once their application has been approved and their role is suited to this way of working. Staff have already demonstrated their willingness to adapt over the past two years to ensure we delivered our services and I am confident that we will continue to meet the high standards expected from this council.

Flavours of Fingal this year after two year's absence. This is a great day out for the whole family and a great way to start the summer holidays. We are expecting up to 80,000 visitors to make their way to Donabate for the event that brings together city and country in a celebration of food, family and fun. The Fingal Village will be a great attraction for anyone heading to Flavours and is an opportunity for the community to find out more about their Council and what's going on in Fingal and the work underway to make Fingal a great place to live, work, visit and do business. Our staff will be delighted to meet our visitors over the weekend.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a lovely summer break.

AnnMarie Farrelly Chief Executive



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New Mayor and Deputy Mayor elected at the Council AGM on June 17

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12 - 17 September 2022



**Local Authorities Leading** on Climate Action



## **Election of New Mayor** and Deputy Mayor



Councillor Howard Mahony (Fianna Fáil) has been as Chair of the Balbriggan / Rush-Lusk / Swords elected as the 17th Mayor of Fingal at the annual meeting of Fingal County Council held on the 17th Party) elected as Deputy Mayor.

Cllr Grainne Maguire (Independent) was elected of the Howth-Malahide Area Committee.

Area Committee. Cllr Mary McCamley (Labour) was elected as Chair of the Blanchardstown / of June 2022 with Councillor Cathal Boland (Non Mulhuddart / Castleknock / Ongar Area Committee

Cllr David Healy (Green Party) was elected as Chair

#### **Recent Communication Campaigns**

The Communications Unit assisted the Strategic Infrastructure department in holding two webinars during June to increase awareness about the Fingal Biodiversity Action Plan which is currently out to public consultation.

The Unit also worked with colleagues from the other three Dublin Local Authorities on the launch of the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy for Dublin.





## Our Top Tweet of The Month!



Our Facebook page now has 27,936 followers and over the first three weeks of June had a post reach of 131,085 and a post engagement of 58,584 with 23,420 interactions.

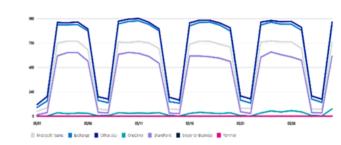
Instagram saw its number of followers rise to 5,297 while there are now 752 subscribers to our You Tube channel. On LinkedIn we now have 5,766 following the Fingal County Council account and during June 11% of visitors had operations backgrounds, 10% were engineers and 10% were from business. Media and Communications accounted for 7% of people's backgrounds while 6% had a community and social services background.

On Twitter there are now 21,595 followers and June saw 250 posts generate 358,300 impressions with a 1.9% engagement rate. The most popular tweet was a message asking those attending the concerts in Malahide to use public transport wherever possible and respect local residents.

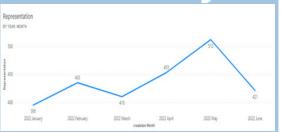
## Digital Working

In June staff took part in 7,942 Teams meetings, 24,659 calls took place, and 784,013 emails were received or sent by the Council.

#### Active users



#### 421 Elected **Members' Reps Submitted in June**



Relationship Management System (CRM) and issue responses to representations from Elected Members (Councillors, TDs and

#### **Press Releases & Media Queries**

The Communications Unit dealt with 21 nedia queries up to June 26 and issued 22 press releases covering topics such as the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Malahide Concerts, Flavours of Fingal, Electric Bikes, Play Policy and Fingal conosting the 2023 Women's Softball World



#### **Customers Calling**

For the month of June (up to June 27th) the Council's Customer Care Agents dealt with -

- 11,417 phone calls
- 1,553 in person visits to our offices



## Flavours of Fingal is back!

Flavours of Fingal is the largest, free, family-friendly summer country show for a two-day extravaganza which combines the sights and sounds of an agricultural show with an unforgettable food and family fun experience.

Taking place on Saturday and Sunday 2nd and 3rd July at Newbridge House and Farm, Donabate, this outdoor event is back bigger and better.

This licenced event places a significant focus on people movement including a comprehensive traffic management plan involving all statutory agencies and the appointment of a traffic management company.

The event is also an opportunity to profile council services.

The Communications Unit are managing a Fingal Village in the Walled Garden where citizens can meet and greet our staff form a variety of departments.





#### Malahide Castle Rocks to Seven Summer gigs



Over 150,000 revellers attended 7 licenced events at Malahide Castle.

This was a welcome opportunity for Malahide Castle and Gardens, local businesses and the village to benefit from these events.



### Cruinniú na nÓg

Cruinniú na nÓg, Ireland's national day of creativity took place on Saturday 11th June. Events were held across the County and attracted high numbers of attendees. Amongst the events organised were:

The launch of the second Fingal Libraries Storytrail in Kenure Park in Rush. This Storytrail features the tale of the Lonely Beast, a brilliantly illustrated book by Dublin author Chris Judge. It joins our Storytrail of the Ravenous Beast by Niamh Sharkey in Ardgillan Castle and Gardens which was launched last year. These trails are aimed at young children and families and aim to bring stories to the outdoors, incorporating family activity and reading.

A full programme of events took place across the Fingal library network including storytelling, coding, programming, design, Manga, podcasting and author workshops.

The Fingal library network also distributed 200 sets of juggling balls so that our young citizens could get involved in online juggling workshops provided by the Irish Street Arts, Circus and Spectacle Network.

Fingal also received 88 entries through the This is Art national art competition project through RTÉ. The entries are all being shown on digital screens across the Fingal library network and

are available on our YouTube channel. An exhibition of these works is planned for the summer.

The Arts Office commissioned four beautiful projects for Cruinniú na nÓg:

Make space in Draiocht, a sensory play space for children of 3 years and up, where they can explore a variety of materials such as wood, stone, sand etc and different processes including weaving, drawing, making and arranging.

**Daily cloud** by Illustrator Chris Judge (of Kenure Storytrail fame) who is connecting with 10 schools in Fingal to deliver creative workshops based on his Daily Cloud artworks.

In association with the Irish Institute of Music, a full week of musical programming was delivered. Seachtain na nÓg ran from 12th -16th June with a variety of events including a youth day, Irish music day and an early year's day.

**Plyscape** is an innovative architectural project delivered by Balbriggan architects Laura Carroll and Ciaran Molumby to young people aged 14-18. These workshops promise to engage participants in methodologies that mirror the conventional architecture process.



## Photo Shoot for Artist John Byrne's exciting new Artwork

Fingal residents who were cast for a major artwork by John Byrne, joined the renowned artist and his production team at the Fingal Liam Rodgers Community Centre in Swords to pose for a photo shoot for an iconic new artwork.

Commissioned by Fingal Arts Office under the Infrastructure 2018 – 2021 Public Art Programme, this public artwork will comprise of a large-scale photograph, that references two historical European artworks.

The photograph will represent and document a cross

section of people living and working in Fingal for a permanent artwork for the new Swords Cultural Quarter. Following a two-year delay due to Covid 19, over forty-five volunteers from diverse communities and of varying ages across the county were styled and posed on specially constructed sets for the photographic composition.

Working closely with the volunteers, Byrne choreographed them into groups representing urban and rural life in Fingal.

## Fingal Tourism Strategy 2023 - 2029

A tender seeking Consultancy Services to develop a Tourism Strategy for Fingal County Council 2023-2029 issued on eTenders on 30th May 2022. Closing date for submissions was Monday, 20th June 2022. Five submissions were received and were evaluated on 29th June.

Once appointed the Consultants will be required to:

☐ Undertake a review and audit of the Tourism landscape in the Fingal administrative area to provide a SCOT assessment and gap analysis of current tourism status in Fingal; assess visitor accommodation, food, attractions, outdoor activities; audit the appeal of visitor experiences and tourism infrastructure.

- ☐ Establish the economic baseline, growth targets and related KPIs
- ☐ Undertake key consultations with defined stakeholders
- ☐ Articulate vision and strategic initiatives to catalyse tourism in the County.
- ☐ Propose key product and visitor experience developments
- 🛘 Review a Marketing plan and how this can tie in within Fáilte Ireland's Dublin brand
- ☐ Present a proposed Implementation Plan.



Ongoing collaboration with Failte Ireland continues, particularly with the Dublin Team. Key projects going forward include:

- ☐ Dublin Coastal Trail & Fingal Coastal Way
- ☐ Fingal Food Tourism Development
- ☐ Destination Towns -Completion of Saint Patricks Trail
- ☐ Outdoor Dining Scheme –Howth
- ☐ Sustainable Tourism with Howth as a possible text model for Dublin.



#### Director: Mary T. Daly



## Cricket T20 Internationals at Malahide

The build is coming along nicely for Ireland V India Sunday the 26th and Tuesday the 28th. This will be then followed up with New Zealand on 10, 12 and 15 July, 2022.

#### **Brand New Eco Toilets** installed at Shackleton **Gardens, Dublin 15**







Floral Displays recently installed on Main Street Swords. There are a total of 18 towns and villages in Fingal included in the 2022 Floral Display provision.







#### Very Successful Series of Concerts held in Malahide







## **New Sports Equipment** Storage area in Newbridge





As part of recent discussions and agreements with sports clubs using the sports pitches in Newbridge Demesne it was agreed to provide a fenced area to store portable goal posts and other equipment.

It is planned to provide an additional hard surface area at this location to facilitate additional cars during busy sports activity days, which will take the pressure away from the existing public car park at Newbridge Demesne.

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

A new framework for the future of water services developed through an engagement process facilitated by the Workplace Relations Commission was announced by the Minister on 24th June 2022.

The Framework will help to ensure a stable operational environment is maintained as the water sector completes the transition to a national water services authority, based on the full integration of public water services within Irish Water.

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

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

2. The voluntary transfer, of existing local authority water services staff to Irish Water as permanent employees between now and 2026:

3.The identification of opportunities for water services staff not transferring to Irish Water to avail of

opportunities to re-deploy to other areas within local

4. The commencement of water services staff recruitment directly by Irish Water to fill vacancies arising in water services;

5.A voluntary redundancy scheme for local authority water service staff: and

6. A new Irish Water-Local Authority agreement, replacing the existing Service Level Agreement arrangements, to ensure that Irish Water has full accountability for the delivery of water services and direct management of the water services staff who choose to remain employed by their local authority under contract to Irish Water for the transitional period to the end of 2026.







## 1,900+ Submissions on Fingal County Council 2023 - 2029 Received

The public consultation on the Draft Fingal Development Plan finished on 12th May. During the consultation period online and drop-in events were held for members of the public. Planning and Strategic Infrastructure Department staff were available to brief the public and answer questions on the Draft Development Plan.

More than 1,900 submissions have been received and these are currently being summarised and responded too. These will form part of the Chief Executive's Report which will issue to the Members at the end of July. Meetings to discuss the submissions in September and October.

The Development Plan process has been running for over a year now and the final plan is scheduled to be adopted by councillors in February 2023.



#### **Update on Porterstown Park All-Weather Facility**

Progress with the construction of the new LED floodlit sporting facilities at Porterstown Park continues to run on schedule. To date, the specialist contractors have completed major earthworks, the stone base layer, drainage and ducting installation as well as foundations for the floodlight columns.

The facilities will consist of a 3rd Generation all-weather pitch built to FIFA approved standards providing for soccer and other sporting codes, surrounded by a 6-lane synthetic running track built to approved international athletics standards.

It is anticipated that the works will be complete in first quarter of 2023, becoming a valuable sporting amenity for the people of Dublin 15 and the wider area.

## **Launch of Space for Play - A Play Policy for Fingal**

Fingal County Council's first policy on play provision, Space for Play - A Play Policy for Fingal, was launched on the 16th of June in Skerries Town Park play space. The Policy establishes design guidelines and a planning framework which will guide the equitable provision of play spaces throughout the County and place the provision of natural and engaging play spaces at the heart of planning decisions. The framework is a four-tiered hierarchy which details the scale, type and intended users of play provision. Clear standards are established relating to the location of play spaces within residential areas and the policy advocates for the consideration of the play value of the civic space in its entirety.

A central tenet of the policy is that play spaces should be inclusive and accessible, thereby providing opportunities, from the local to the regional scale, for children and teenagers of diverse abilities to play together outdoors in environments that have been developed in response to the end user's desires. To achieve this, the Policy emphasises that children must be given a voice and listened to through a process of consultation which will inform the provision of the play spaces.

The Policy will inform the development of play provision throughout the County for the next ten years with a review to take place after five years.



The Public Consultation Report for the Royal **Canal Urban Greenway Non-Statutory Public** Consultation which was undertaken in 2021 is expected to be published in the summer

An EIA Screening Report and Determination will also be published. It is anticipated that a planning application for the scheme will be submitted to An Bord Pleanála in September



#### **Snugborough Interchange Upgrade Project**



The Main Bridge Deck over the N3 was poured with 400m3 of concrete in June with parapets being constructed at present to complete the main structure. Walls, columns and abutments were constructed to take the bridge beams to form the bridge structure over the River Tolka which is due to be installed in July.

Road crash barrier works were carried out in June along the N3 to install permanent elements of the road barrier for this route. This is a key element to returning

the N3 to its full capacity which is expected later this year.

BMCO Councillors visited the site for an organised site visit in June to get a closer picture of the works taking place.

website snugboroughinterchange. ie containing information on the project is now live and will continue to be updated with information relating to the project over its life term.







#### The Mayor's Awards 2022 Held

The Mayor's Awards took place on 9th June in the Crowne Plaza, Santry. This event, which was attended by 200 people, acknowledged those individuals and groups who have contributed to their communities across Fingal.

On the evening, seven Local Electoral Area Winners were awarded with two Special Merit Awards presented to Dublin Civil Defence and Stephen Ennis from the Liam Rodgers Centre for the amazing job that they did over the last few months in looking after people fleeing

from the war in Ukraine.

A further 21 individuals and groups received certificates on the evening with 75 individuals and groups receiving certificates of appreciation in recognition of their work in the community post event.

This highly successful event was delivered by cross departmental collaboration across the organisation by Community Development, Corporate (Communications Team & CE's Office), and EETCD (Events) Departments.

# **Choice Based Lettings (CBL) Scheme Update**

The new online portal to facilitate the Choice Based Letting (CBL) scheme has proven effective and efficient with staff and applicants.

CBL is an approach used for the allocation of designated Social Housing Units. It allows housing applicants to express an interest in being considered for the allocation of designated Social Housing Units.

Applicants with active applications can access Choice Based Letting by logging onto https://cbl.fingal.ie using their unique username and password. To access their unique username and password applicants must contact choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie with their housing reference number and phone number. The housing team continue to issue passwords and usernames. Applicants are actively encouraged to obtain their passwords and usernames to express interest in any properties advertised.

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

To date 1,959 passwords have been issued to applicants since the CBL portal opened (08/12/2021) of which 96 were issued during the month of June. In June, 6 properties were advertised across the County.



## **Accessible Bike**

As part of Fingal Sports Office's Inclusion work we have procured the Dresien Bliss Bike, a battery assisted bike that gives people unable to leave their wheelchair safe access to Cycling.

The Bike was delivered at the start of June and is earmarked for St Michael's House, Baldoyle. In order to ensure the Bike gets as much use as possible we have loaned it to DLRCC Sports Partnership for the Summer Months for use in their Mobility Hub along the coastal mobility route.

The Bike has been extremely popular and is a great example of local authorities working together for the people we serve.

\_\_The Bike will be back in Fingal Mid-August where training will be provided for staff in SMH. The Sports Office will work in conjunction with the Walking and Cycling Officers then to maximise the usage of this wonderful asset.

#### **Housing Loans Update**



The Local Authority Home Loan continues to attract queries and applications from members of the public seeking to secure a mortgage with the Local Authority. To date there have been 159 applications.

In June the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage issued circular 20/2022 which signaled the raising of the lending interest rate to the HFA, and consequently a new interest rate for borrowers for all loans drawn down on or after 1st July 2022.

The new interest rates are 2.845% for loans under 25-year terms and 2.945% for loans up to 30-year terms.

#### **OPC Afternoon Tea!**





On the 8th of June 2022 the Mayor hosted an afternoon tea in the Walled Garden, Newbridge House, as a token of her appreciation and gratitude to Fingal's Older Peoples Council (FOPC) for their ongoing dedication and commitment as the Voice of the older people in Fingal during Covid and beyond.

Special guests The Forget me nots choir entertained the members with a repertoire of songs that was as uplifting as it was entertaining and memorable. Following a presentation by the Mayor to each of the members, it was the turn of OPC member to entertain and delight with poetry recitals, singing and songs played on the ukulele. The Mayor was not shy and sang a version of "I'll tell me ma" to the delight of all attending.

## **Details on Housing List Positions**

List Position letters issued to all applicants on 11th April. Choice Based Lettings information was communicated through this letter which advised applicants to obtain their secure username and password to access the Choice Based Lettings system.

Applicants can view their list position at the 1st April 2022 through the CBL system. It is intended to update the list positions in January 2023 and applicants will be able to access them through the CBL system.

#### Ireland V Ukraine Nations League International match



The Community & Sports Development Office in partnership with the FAI were able to make 100 tickets available, free of charge, to Ukrainians based in Fingal for the recent Ireland V Ukraine Nations League international match in Dublin, which was appreciated by our Ukrainian guests, who also enjoyed the full-time result.

#### Fingal Africa Day Celebrations

Fingal Integration Forum celebrated Africa Day by bringing us "Beauty in Diversity" on 25 May in Donabate Portrane Community Centre. This event was in collaboration with The Fingal Integration Team and the Department of Foreign Affairs / Irish Aid, and it included tastes, colours, sounds and stories from many parts of Africa.



Fingal Ethnic Network Celebrated Africa Day on the 28th of May with a parade around Laurel Lodge in Castleknock followed by a "Celebrating African Culture and Heritage" event in Castleknock Community Centre.





## Launch of Fingal e-bike Share Pilot scheme with TIER



E-bikes Roll into Fingal County as Council partners with TIER Mobility Limited

On a sunny Monday afternoon, 20th June, the Active Travel team launched Fingals first e-bike share pilot scheme in partnership with TIER Mobility Limited. This exciting project involves the initial rollout of 100 battery power-assisted bicycles, also known as e-bikes, in Blanchardstown, Swords, Malahide, Baldoyle, Portmarnock and Howth.

The state-of-the-art, distinctive aqua-coloured, climate-friendly e-bikes are now available for residents and visitors to Fingal to unlock and take a spin.

E-bikes offer battery power to help you along your journey and choosing an e-bike could prove the smarter way to get wherever you're going. With up to 80km battery life, TIER e-bikes are ideal for longer journeys or trips where a little extra oomph might come in handy as the battery power kicks in after a moment or two of pedalling and helps you get moving.

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



Following a recent recruitment drive, 9 candidates were interviewed for the position of temporary reserve school warden on Wednesday 15th June. A panel has now been created with 7 successful applicants included.

All applicants will now be garda vetted and once this is approved, training will be arranged over the summer months so that Wardens can be included on the reserve panel for the new school year from September 2022.

We wish all new wardens the best of luck in their new roles





# 149 Submissions on Draft Active Travel Strategy

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



## **Environmental Awareness Updates**

As part of National Food Waste Recycling Week over 1000 food waste kitchen caddies were given out to members of the public through the seven hub Community Centres. These were available for collection and were promoted by Fingal on social media. Schools and creches availed of the offer.

Litter pickers are continuously given out at the seven hub community centres. 150 Litter Pickers and 50 doggie dispensers were given out to FCC staff through the reception desks at Swords and Blanchardstown.

The 23 Fingal schools awarded new Green Flags in 2022 have received €250 prizes payment from FCC for their achievements - these funds will be used for sustainable projects in the schools. The Schools list is here https://www.fingal.ie/greenschools/. St Brigids School Castleknock received funding to install a water bottle filler as part of their initiative to eliminate single use water bottles in the school. Edmund Rice College received a payment of €1,000 towards their garden project which will include a poly tunnel and raised beds. St Patricks Senior National School Corduff Dublin 15 received a drum kit from the Instruments Project.

Balseskin Migrant Reception Centre received 5 guitars for residents at the centre. 10 Repaired Bikes (5 Adults and 5 childrens) were given to residents of the Balseskin Reception Centre in June again in partnership with the Rediscovery Centre. Director Dave Storey visited the Centre to see the projects.

Gum Litter Task Force were facilitated by Blanchardstown Shopping Centre to hold an awareness event on Monday 27th June. They were joined by Fingal Litter Wardens and Dog wardens, and Blanchardstown Tidy Towns for the event.

Environmental Awareness Officer Sinead Fox was interviewed on Phoenix FM to talk about the Anti litter Anti Graffiti winners and projects and also Fingal Repair and ReUse projects.



#### Dublin Climate Action Week

12 - 17 September 2022



#### Local Authorities Leading on Climate Action

The second Dublin Climate Action Week is in planning and will take place from the 12th -17th September. The week, which is being organised and delivered by the partnership of South Dublin County Council, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council, Codema – Dublin's Energy Agency and the Dublin Climate Action Regional Office (CARO), will showcase the ongoing efforts, ambitions and the collaborative approach of the four Dublin local authorities, in addressing climate action.





#### The Month in Numbers

3,400

Since its inception in Fingal County Council in 2017, the HAP team has set up over 3,400 tenancies.

In 2022 to date approximately 200 HAP tenancies have been set up for Fingal housing applicants.



63

The number of clients in Fingal who availed of 9 Business Advice Clinic days in June 2022.

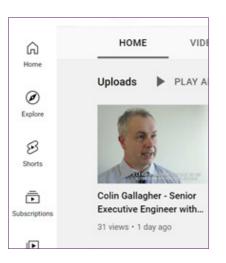


€33,252.00

41 summer projects were awarded funding totalling €33,252 by Fingal County Council in June.

**752** 

The number of subscribers to Fingal County Council's YouTube channel.



1,291

The total of 1,291 parking tickets issued during May 2022.

| Breakdown of Parking Offences  | Total | Percentage |
|--|-------|------------|
| Footpath/Grass Margin/Median Strip   | 131   | 10.15%     |
| Prohibited Place (Loading bay/SYL/DYL)   | 248   | 19.21%     |
| P&D/Permit Parking Area  | 799   | 61.89%     |
| Disabled Parking Bay   | 27    | 2.09%      |
| Other (Bus stop, Bus Lane, Cycle Track,<br>School Entrance, Traffic signals and<br>Clearway) | 86    | 6.66%      |
| Total  | 1291  | 100%       |

**67** 

The number of units which will be delivered under the Fingal County Council Construction Scheme at Church Fields, Dublin 15..

€1.39m

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



1,900

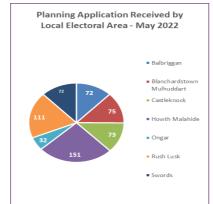
The number of submissions received on the Draft Fingal Development Plan. These are currently being summarised and responded to. These will form part of the Chief Executive's Report which will issue to the Members at the end of July.



#### **586**

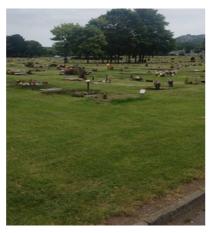
There have been 586 planning applications received to the end of May 2022, 35 of these applications were invalid leaving a total of 551 valid applications. The volume of applications received by Local Electoral Area (LEA) is detailed in the table below.

Between January and end May 2022, 17 Strategic Housing Development (SHD) applications were made to An Bord Pleanála totalling 9,188 units.



**97** 

The number of internments in Fingal's burial grounds during May 2022.



**19.61** tonnes

The total weight of textiles collected throughout Fingal in May 2022.





## A Round Up from Fingal



Avid reader Martha Caden at the launch of the Fingal Libraries Summer Stars Reading Adventure for 2022.



Sinéad Fox FCC, Lucy Ray Jesuit Refugee Service, David Storey FCC, JP Hayes and Mark Dunn Rediscovery Centre with newly restored bicycles for use at Balseskin Reception Centre.



New Mayor of Fingal Cllr Howard Mahony with Deputy Mayor Cllr Cathal Boland following their election at the Annual General Meeting held on June 17 at County Hall, Swords.

## **OUR MISSION**

To be a vibrant, outward looking, well run Council that shows leadership and embraces diversity and opportunity

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