



Fingal County Council **Annual Report** **2022**

Our Mission

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

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Foreword

Howard Mahony
Mayor of Fingal

In June I was extremely honoured and humbled to be elected as the 17th Mayor of Fingal by my fellow Councillors, particularly having only joined their ranks back in 2016. My life has always been about public service, so it is an absolute privilege to have the opportunity to represent our beloved County and to get about to meet the many residents and businesses who call Fingal home.

As we come to the end of 2022, it is important to reflect on the progress we have made and to celebrate the successes we have had in making this a great place to live and work. At the core of this has been the desire to improve the quality of life for all of us here in Fingal, which has meant ensuring we have the right kind of infrastructure in place, supporting initiatives which will boost the local economy and drive economic growth, and implementing projects that can make a positive difference in the community.

To help deliver these initiatives, we recognise that we need to invest in the future which is why Councillors agreed that the 2023 budget should be set at €333 million, an 11 percent increase on the previous year. This represents an expenditure of €1,013 per head of population and allows the Council to continue and expand on what services are delivered to the public. It will mean extra funding is available for works programmes, parks and open spaces, public conveniences, community facilities, housing and the environment.

We are constantly working to improve what is available for people across the County, which has meant expanding our green spaces and providing outdoor amenities. One such project close to my heart is the Liffey Valley Trail which highlights 29 places of interest that feature a rich diversity of historical sites, visitor attractions, shopping and recreational activities that can be enjoyed in Dublin 15.

Fingal has set itself ambitious targets around housing, and this remains a key priority for me. As such, I am encouraged by what is being built in the various LEAs that make up Fingal and I was delighted to be able to see the likes of the Ladyswell Social Housing Scheme in Mulhuddart come online. There is much still to be done around housing development, but Fingal has a strong pipeline that aims to deliver around 3,300 new build social homes before 2026, as well as a

further 1,000 affordable purchase and cost rental homes over that same period.

Across this year we have also been heavily focused on finalising the delivery of the Fingal Development Plan 2023-2029. There has been widespread interest in this, with public debate and input coming from our citizens, businesses, community groups and other interested parties. With over 1,900 submissions and observations received during the public consultation, this has been a very lengthy process and I would like to acknowledge the tremendous commitment Councillors have made as we have looked to examine what can be done to help Fingal grow in a sustainable manner.

I was especially pleased this year to welcome back the return of the County's flagship event, the Flavours of Fingal held at Newbridge House & Farm in the summer. The largest two-day County Show in Ireland celebrated its 10th year and it was great to see huge numbers of people from all areas of Fingal coming to enjoy the very best of what is on offer, particularly when it comes to showcasing our farmers and produce.

In Fingal we have an exceptionally vibrant and welcoming community for families and individuals alike and the Council continues to champion the development of new recreational facilities and outlets, be it to support older people, members of ethnic minority communities, young people or children. The power of community partnership is vital to making this a success and I would like to express my ongoing gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to the many local community groups of Fingal who work tirelessly for the betterment of society.

As 2022 comes to an end, I would like to express my thanks to my colleagues on the Council for their commitment to delivering for the people of Fingal and for continually championing the many causes that matter to them. Here too, my thanks go to the Deputy Mayor, Cllr C. Boland, for the extensive experience he brings to the role.

Finally, I would like to thank the Chief Executive, AnnMarie Farrelly for her astute advice, steady leadership and vision, and also take the opportunity to recognise the efforts of all Council staff who work so hard to improve the lives of those around them.





Introduction

AnnMarie Farrelly
Chief Executive

The return to normality in 2022, as the threat from the Covid pandemic receded, saw Fingal County Council get back on track with project delivery. By the end of 2022 we had 40 projects, worth €140m, on site and some of these are major housing developments which are nearing completion.

In November, the then Taoiseach, Micheál Martin, came to Mulhuddart to see for himself the innovative way we are delivering the first 67 family homes in the Church Fields project which will eventually yield 1,000 social, affordable and cost rental homes to meet the high demand for housing in Dublin 15.

Over the next 18 months, 58 projects, valued at €128m, will be completed and our pipeline includes 48 projects, valued at €234m, which will commence between now and June 2024. This will include the construction of a new civic and cultural centre as part of the Swords Cultural Quarter and the redevelopment of Quay Street and the Harbour Area as part of the Our Balbriggan Regeneration project.

Making Fingal a great place to live is part of our vision for the county but it doesn't just involve major infrastructure projects. One of the most successful projects we completed in 2022 was to work with other Dublin Local Authorities to establish a new dog pound and dog warden service for the region.

Having clean streets, parks and beaches is very important to our 329,000 residents so we have continued to increase our operations budget to allow for increased expenditure on our works programmes, road maintenance, parks and open spaces.

Our commitment to delivering the actions contained in our Climate Action Plan remains undiminished and is reflected in our policies and plans. We are on track to reduce our energy consumption by 50% by 2030 and have converted 95% of public lighting in Fingal to LED while the roll-out of Active Travel measures continues at pace. We have also embarked on a programme to improve the energy efficiency of our housing stock and exceeded our targets in 2022 as we began the journey to ensure our social housing stock has a minimum BER rating of B2 by 2030.

The Fingal Ukraine Response Forum, which comprises many of the stakeholders who were part of our COVID Community Response Forum, is working to deal with the influx of people displaced by the war in Ukraine.

I would like to thank the Mayor, Cllr Howard Mahony, and his predecessor, Cllr Seána Ó'Rodaigh, for the guidance and vision they both brought to the role over the past 12 months.

Nothing that we do would be possible without the support of our 40 Councillors. I would like to thank them for their work on our new Development Plan, which will be completed early in the New Year, and will ensure the sustainable growth of our county for the next six years.

I would also like to pay special tribute to the Council's 1,600 staff for adapting to new ways of working in a post-pandemic world as we look to deliver a better service to the people of Fingal. Our commitment to the county will never waiver and I hope you will once again see the results of that over the next 12 months.



Elected Members

2022



Mayors of Fingal

2022





Mayor
Seána Ó Rodaigh
January-June 2022



Mayor
Howard Mahony
June-December 2022



Deputy Mayor
Daniel Whooley
January-June 2022



Deputy Mayor
Cathal Boland
June-December 2022

Fingal Councillors 2022

Balbriggan



Gráinne Maguire
Independent



Tony Murphy
Independent



Seána Ó Rodaigh
Labour Party



Tom O'Leary
Fine Gael



Karen Power
Green Party
Comhaontas Glas

Castleknock



Pamela Conroy
Green Party
Comhaontas Glas



Ted Leddy
Fine Gael



Howard Mahony
Fianna Fáil



Siobhan Shovlin
Fine Gael



Natalie Treacy
Sinn Féin



John Walsh
Labour Party

Howth -Malahide



Jimmy Guerin
Independent



David Healy
Green Party
Comhaontas Glas



Joan Hopkins
Social Democrats



Anthony Lavin
Fine Gael



Brian McDonagh
Labour Party



Eoghan O'Brien
Fianna Fáil



Aoibhinn Tormey
Fine Gael

Blanchardstown -Mulhuddart



John Burtchaell
Solidarity



Breda Hanaphy
Sinn Féin





Mary McCamley
Labour Party



JK Onwumereh
Fianna Fáil



Punam Rane
Fine Gael



Darragh Butler
Fianna Fáil



Ian Carey
Green Party
Comhaontas Glas



Ann Graves
Sinn Féin



James Humphreys
Labour Party



Brigid Manton
Fianna Fáil



Dean Mulligan
Independents 4
Change



Joe Newman
Independent



Kieran Dennison
Fine Gael



Aaron O'Rourke
Sinn Féin
(until Feb 22)



Angela Donnelly
Sinn Féin
(from March 22)



Tania Doyle
Independent



Tom Kitt
Fianna Fáil



Daniel Whooley
Green Party
Comhaontas Glas



Cathal Boland
Independent



Brian Dennehy
Fianna Fáil



Adrian Henchy
Fianna Fáil



Paul Mulville
Social Democrats



Robert O'Donoghue
Labour party



Key Achievements

2022



Highlights:

- €989m Capital Programme (2023-2025)
- Fingal New Public Art Commission for the Banks Balbriggan
- Fingal County Council, Tyrone Guthrie Centre and Bealtaine Festival Residency Award 2022
- She Leads Fingal
- New Connected Hubs open
- Dublin Coastal Trail launched
- Women of Fingal Tapestry launched Swords Castle: Digging History
- Four LAMA Awards
- Launch of the Fingal Maker Space at Blanchardstown Library
- Successful Cruinniú na nÓg 2022
- Blue Flag Status at key beaches
- Fingal Cycling Without Age project Pop-up Swimming Pool initiative
- Fingal Thatch Project
- Fingal Connect App launched
- Fingal Festival of Children's Literature
- Town and Village Streetscape Enhancement Scheme
- Six Green Flag Awards
- JAM Card introduced to all libraries
- Nine awards at the Irish Landscape Institute Awards
- President's Award for the Howth Head Goat Grazing Project
- Great Banquet Hall in Malahide Castle reopens
- Return of Flavours of Fingal Festival
- St Patrick's Days Festivals

Reports/Plans/Strategies:

- Efforts to tackle climate change across the County
- Gender Pay Gap Report 2022
- Forest of Fingal Tree Strategy unveiled
- Draft Biodiversity Action Plan for Fingal (2022 to 2030)

Grants:

- Over €42,000 in grants to help design public spaces in Balbriggan
- Funding of local community cricket
- Town and Village Renewal Scheme
- Cultural Centre in Lusk awarded new funding of €48,600
- €3.9m for the Hayestown housing development under the Affordable Housing Fund (AHF)
- €150,000 under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS)
- €25.5m funding for Active Travel
- €300,000 Grant Community Centre Investment Fund (CCIF) for Community Centres
- Communities Monument Fund



Corporate Plan 2019-2024 Review





Theme 1:
Quality of Life



Theme 2:
**Quality of
Climate
Resilient
Environment**



Theme 3:
**Quality
Business
Environment**



Theme 4:
**Quality in our
Work**



Support the Diverse Needs of the People of Fingal

Provide for the sustainable development of the county through the review of the County Development Plan - and the preparation of a new plan.

The second and third rounds of public consultation were completed in May and December of this year. The Chief Executive's Report on Material Alterations is due to issue to members in January 2023, with a view to the Plan being adopted in February 2023. The Fingal Development Plan 2023 – 2029 is expected to come into effect in April 2023.

Facilitate the supply of housing, both public and private, in the county to provide sustainable, quality, affordable, mixed tenure housing options through land use activation and development management.

The Council continued the acquisition of strategic housing sites to support the provision of housing delivery throughout the county. The Property Section supported the acquisition of strategic housing sites and sites to support the provision of key infrastructure throughout the county.

Facilitate good quality private rented accommodation standards to enhance the quality of life for individuals and families living in the private rented accommodation sector.

The Private Rented Inspection Section continues to carry out inspections on private rented properties to ensure that the properties meet the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019. In 2022 over 2,798 inspections were carried out of which 2,183 were first inspections. In line with Rebuilding Ireland's Strategy for the Rental Sector, Fingal County Council is dedicated to improving the living standards of tenants in private rented housing in the Fingal area.

Strive to ensure that all communities in Fingal irrespective of age, nationality, ethnicity, religious or cultural background are encouraged to participate in and avail of the services delivered by the Council.

The Council appointed an Inclusion Officer and established an inclusion team during 2022 to support the integration work being undertaken. The inclusion team supports the work of the Migrant Integration Forum in promoting integration and inter-culturalism. An organisation wide approach to integration and equality was supported with 5 Strategic Pillars identified to deliver on the objectives of the Migrant Integration and Social Cohesion Strategy. Fingal LCDC secured funding from DRCD for a pilot engagement project with the LGBT community on the new LECP.

Provide a safe and sustainable public realm to meet the needs of all the citizens of the County.

The public realm, namely the road network, footpaths and paved areas are required to be secure, accessible, connected and well maintained. High quality upkeep of the public realm contributes to a positive image and fosters a sense of community. Meeting the requirements in relation to accessibility/ mobility/ age friendly commitments is important in the retro-fitting of infrastructure within the public realm e.g. tactile paving, noise aids at crossings, mobility hubs placement of street furniture. Delivery of the Programme of Works, preventative and response maintenance programmes ensures the provision of a high quality public realm for citizens and visitors to the County. In terms of sustainability the Council is committed to encompassing the principles of green infrastructure and whole life cost in terms of reinstatement and upgrading of existing infrastructure. Redesign and retrofitting, in order to ensure that the public realm better serves the needs of the citizens will also take place.

Develop and enhance the arts and cultural identity of Fingal, make space for the arts connecting people and ideas and encouraging participation in all art forms.

The implementation of the Fingal Arts Development Plan 2019-2025 continued in 2022 with the Public Arts Programme 'Infrastructure' and the awarding of grants, commissions and bursaries schemes.

The actions resulting from the eight year framework agreement with the Arts Council of Ireland continued in 2022 on the two areas of agreement:

- a)** Research & Development
- b)** Building capacity

in respect of the Swords Cultural Quarter, Our Balbriggan and the development of Artist studios at 2-4 Dublin Street, Balbriggan.

Provide dynamic and inclusive library spaces and services for the community.

The objectives of Fingal Libraries Development Plan 2018-2023 continued to be implemented in 2022. Work commenced on the refurbishment of and extension to Skerries Library. The Libraries Department worked with the Architect led integrated design team to develop detailed plans for the new County Library in the Swords Cultural Quarter. Baldoyle Library was opened as the first 'My Open Library' in Fingal. The 'My Open Library' service offers extended opening hours, providing access to the library from 8:00am to 10:00pm, 365 days per year. Staffed opening hours at Baldoyle, Rush and the temporary library in Skerries were increased during 2022.



Support culture and recreation and enable literacy, education and economic development through innovative programmes.

The LCDC supported programmes of literacy, digital literacy, education and economic development through SICAP and the Dublin Rural LEADER Programme.

The Urbact Let's Play Rush Project supported creativity and play in the town of Rush for all ages.

The Libraries Department through programmes such as Creative Ireland, Healthy Ireland at Your Library, Right to Read, Work Matters and Europe Direct and through events such as the Writers Festival, Fingal Festival of History, the Children's Literature Festival, the Cruinniú na nÓg Story Trail and the Frank Lawless exhibition engaged and informed citizens throughout 2022.

Create effective pathways for citizens of Fingal to develop and participate in lifelong patterns of involvement in sport, recreation and leisure creating healthy lifestyles and building a sustainable approach to sport development.

The Community Development and Sports Division works in partnership with voluntary community groups, agencies and service providers to strengthen and empower communities to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Fingal. These sustainable partnerships provide support to communities through the delivery of community, recreation and sports facilities, education programmes, grant funding schemes, support & advice services to develop strong, self-reliant, and sustainable vibrant communities. The LCDC supported programmes of healthy living and well-being through the Healthy Ireland Programme.

Ensure our Existing & New Communities are Safe, Inclusive & Sustainable

Develop plans to facilitate the increase of supply of housing in the county.

Ongoing residential developments:

- There were 67 active residential sites in December 2022 with 2,933 units under construction. 2,083 units have been constructed during the 12 months to end Q4 2022. There are 49 inactive sites with a potential to deliver a further 7,626 units.
- Construction continues to progress in Hansfield. There are seven planning applications currently on the SDZ lands, with five of these sites active. There is a total of 1,568 occupied/completed units to date on the overall SDZ lands since the inception of the scheme. One new Planning Application was granted this quarter with a total of 174 Apartments.
- At Oldtown/Mooretown (MUHDS/LIHAF), there are six active sites on these lands. There are 254 units under construction in Q4 2022.
- In Donabate (MUHDS/LIHAF), construction activity increased between Q3 2022 and Q4 2022. There are ten planning applications in total in Donabate, six of these are active. Of the four planning applications yet to commence, one of these is an SHD Application.
- In Northwood, Santry, construction continues within four active sites, one of which is a SHD, one new Planning Application commenced in Q4 2022. There are six extant permissions with 294 units not yet started and a total of 381 units granted that have yet to commence across all ten permissions in this area.
- Rural Villages: There are 10 Granted Planning Applications, one of which is a SHD. Nine of the Applications are active in five Fingal Villages with one new Planning Application commencing in Q4. Project Talamh advanced development to increase housing supply at Ballymastone with the lodgement of a LRD application for 432 dwellings.

Build a strong sense of place, identity and wellbeing through the development of equal, inclusive and connected communities.

The focus of the Community Development Office (CDO) is to develop strong, engaged, integrated communities across Fingal where people are proud to live and where they can have access to a range of social, cultural and developmental opportunities and where they can input into the local decision-making processes. The work of the CDO is delivered under five pillars:

1. Inter-Agency Support
2. Community Development Support
3. Strategic Support
4. Facilities Support
5. Funding Support



Build a strong sense of place, identity and wellbeing through the development of equal, inclusive and connected communities (continued).

The key priorities are promoting equality and inclusion, supporting and encouraging participation, working in collaboration with a wide range of groups and organisations and ensuring the delivery of National and Local strategies that support civic engagement and social inclusion.

The Our Balbriggan team progressed public realm improvements in the town by completing key acquisitions, progressing the procurement of integrated design teams and progressing planning and design work on identified projects. Our Balbriggan ran a Place-making Grant Scheme to fund groups to make transformational improvements to the town and ran a series of hackathons with TY students in 3 schools in Balbriggan and 'The Changing Face of Balbriggan' Citizen Engagement Hackathon as part of the Smart Balbriggan Programme. The Urbact Let's Play Rush Project built a strong sense of place in Rush and a playful identity for the town as well as promoting the wellbeing of residents of the town through playful activities.

Support the growth of strong and resilient neighbourhoods.

The Council works closely with other service providers across the county to combat crime and anti-social behaviour, i.e Balbriggan through the Safe Balbriggan Pillar Group. Various sporting initiatives throughout the county are facilitated by the Council to target specific groups such as drop-in football, late night leagues, show racism the red card, supporting the establishment of new football and other clubs in areas of disadvantage, including work with minority sports groups such as the basketball and Skatepark users in Balheary, Swords.

The LCDC supported the growth of strong and resilient neighbourhoods through various funding programmes run in 2022 i.e. CEP/Town & Village Renewal Scheme/Community Activities Fund/SICAP etc.

Provide high quality parks and open spaces to meet the needs of all users and create a healthy environment.

The Council continues to invest in the regional parks and open spaces through the Capital Works Programme and the Programme of Works. Parks and open spaces provide opportunities for passive and active recreation. The value and importance of our parks and open spaces was highlighted during the Covid years as they provided an important outlet for residents and visitors to the County. Parks and open spaces help build and strengthen ties within communities by bringing people together for community events, including those who may be separated by ethnic or social background. A network of high-quality certified playgrounds demonstrates our commitment to the importance of play and child development. As part of Our Play Strategy an audit was carried out of play facilities across the County and this will guide future development of play facilities for various age groups. Continued investment in sports pitches, recreational hubs and installation of outdoor exercise equipment meets the needs of a broad cross section of the community of all ability levels and age groups. A significant emphasis has been placed on providing age friendly facilities across the county in the last number of years.



Foster collaborative leadership among stakeholders in local community and economic development.

The Fingal SICAP Programme supported physical and mental well-being through the LCDC Healthy Ireland Programme community safety and integration.

The Fingal LCDC is responsible for the delivery of the Dublin Rural LEADER Programme, and all available funding under that Programme was approved during 2022.

Additional funding under the Community Enhancement Programme, the Town & Villages Renewal Scheme, Community Facilities, Community Grants and Sports Grant Schemes supported local community and economic development with funds supporting online events, measures to repurpose open space, supports for social distancing in community centres and providing equipment to community groups and sports clubs.

The Our Balbriggan Programme Leadership Group, comprising senior public, private and community stakeholders, with an independent chair, leads on local community and economic development in Balbriggan and in 2022 in response to feedback from the community the Programme added a fifth pillar to focus on community safety.

Support the development of strong, safe and engaged communities to actively participate in civic life celebrating our identity through arts, culture, heritage and sport.

Fingal County Council (FCC) Sports Office is part of Sport Ireland's network of Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs). The aim of the LSP Network is to help people get active and remove barriers to sport and physical activity that may exist.

The Sports Office undertakes a wide range of actions with the aim of increasing sport and physical activity participation levels in their local communities.

Actions included:

- Working to develop clubs, coaches, volunteers and supporting partnerships between local sports clubs, community-based organisations and sector agencies.
- Creating greater opportunities for access to training and education in relation to sports and physical activity provision.
- Provision of targeted programmes, events, and initiatives to increase physical activity and sport participation.
- Providing information about sport and physical activity to create awareness and access.

The Sports Office supports and delivers programmes aimed at increasing participation in sport, targeting specific groups such as children, youth at risk, disadvantaged groups, teenage girls, women in sport, older adults and people with disabilities.

The Sports Office – via FCC's Sports Development Officers and its nine Co-Funded NGB Officers, delivered 1,195 programmes, attracting 65,583 participants.

Some 'targeted' highlights included:

- Safeguarding courses.
- Delivery of 'Her Outdoors Week' in August – a Sport Ireland Initiative, where females were offered the chance to partake in a 'new' activity.

Support the development of strong, safe and engaged communities to actively participate in civic life celebrating our identity through arts, culture, heritage and sport (continued).

FCC Sports Office delivered a different daily 'session', including:

- Snorkeling / Orienteering / Cycling / 'Intro to Triathlon' / Rowing / 'Go All Out Week', a week targeting disabled participants to try a new activity. FCC Sport organised daily events including Orienteering / Kayaking / Cycling - Trishaw / Tried local gym equipment in Millennium Park.
- Energise & Exercise – in 12 schools, 480 teenage girls introduced to 'new' activities to promote continued positive lifestyle choices.
- Introduction (and continuation of) Flemington Friday Night Basketball, which has attracted excellent numbers and facilitated soft communication channels for Community Garda and a 'difficult to reach' target group.
- Sports Office successfully facilitated a 'first' Beach Volleyball 'elite' event on Balbriggan Beach - the legacy being a 'public' net will be in place for April through summer in 2023.
- 'Sociaball' was introduced in Q4 in Luttrellstown - aimed at encouraging females who played basketball previously, to 'get back', a fun environment which is gaining participants weekly.
- Promoting 'Olympic Handball' in schools - an introduction into a 'Minority Sport' which is also prevalent to many 'new' communities.

'Try Track & Field' - a further primary school intervention to encourage trying athletics and aiming to sustain concept with teachers, ergo schools.

Work with Consultants began on the FCC 'Sports Strategy' 2023-2027.

The Sports Office also embarked on a process to employ a Consultant for 'Sports and Recreational Facilities Audit' for Fingal County Council and 10km beyond its boundaries.

In August, the Sports Office again facilitated an Outdoor Beach and Water Sports Activity Day in Balbriggan with over 1500 people turning out on the day to participate.

40 primary school kids took part in the 'MarathonKids' programme promoting sustained exercise in primary schools. Additionally, 42 primary schools enjoyed FCC's 'Athletics League' running events.

Sports Equipment, to the value of €102,942, was provided to over 44 groups to assist with purchasing equipment to upgrade and increase membership as well as enabling clubs to work with young people. Additionally, Youth Sports Grants were awarded to 24 clubs €950 euro each, totalling €22,800.

Support local communities and residents to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in our society working with other agencies in Fingal.

The Community Development Office (CDO) provide administrative and financial support to 35 Community Centres throughout 2022. The ongoing support continues to ensure that Council owned and supported facilities are operated and managed to a high standard, are working towards sustainability and are accessible to the whole community. The CDO also provided administrative and financial support to 35 Community Centres throughout 2022. The ongoing support continues to ensure that Council owned and supported facilities are operated and managed to a high standard, are working towards sustainability and are accessible to the whole community.



Support local communities and residents to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in our society working with other agencies in Fingal (continued).

The CDO supports and develops the growth of the Fingal Community Facilities Network which provides networking support structure for managers, staff and volunteers of community facilities across the county of Fingal. The Fingal Community Facilities Network promotes the work of the 31 Fingal County Council supported community facilities and community centres.

The Community Development Office, with support from the Architects department, continue to work through recommendations identified in conditioning surveys to maintain the upkeep of the older community facilities within Fingal.

Throughout 2022 Grant funding to the value of €71k was also processed to non-council owned facilities under the non-council owned facilities remedial works grant scheme to support capital renovation costs in those facilities.

Throughout 2022 grant funding was provided by the Community Development Office to support Summer and Halloween Projects, Activity Funding and Special Funding Schemes such as Period Poverty, intergenerational projects and funding support to Residents Associations. Funding was also provided to Volunteers Ireland in support of the Community Volunteers programme and the ongoing work of connecting communities through volunteering.

The CDO provide ongoing support to the PPN by facilitating a number of Induction and PPN workshops and through the distribution of monthly newsletters to inform and engage members.

The Community Department support the Migrant Integration Forum to develop in its work to promote integration and inter-culturalism under the 5 Strategic Pillars set out in the Migrant Integration and Social Cohesion Strategy 2019 – 2024.

The CDO Ongoing support Fingal Comhairle na nÓg to assist with the development of research on the groups chosen subject topics. The department also support the work of Age Friendly Fingal to the implementation of the Age Friendly Strategy 2019-2024.

The LCDCC and its partner agencies supported local communities and residents and met the needs of the most vulnerable in our society working with other agencies through SICAP.



Develop Engagement with Our Stakeholders

Ensure that our citizens, businesses and organisations can easily communicate with the Council.

Continuing to ensure that our information is in plain English, end-user friendly and translated to different languages.

Engage and consult with citizens and stakeholders in a way that allows their views to be taken on board, through the use of both statutory and non-statutory processes.

Continued engagement and consultation with organisations throughout the County such as Fingal PPN, Comhairle na nÓg, the Age Friendly Alliance and use of the Council's consultation portal for both statutory and non-statutory purposes.

Strengthen and support stakeholders and statutory providers by collaborating in the economic and social development of the county.

The Council supported economic and social development through collaboration with Dublin Fingal Chamber of Commerce on a variety of initiatives in 2022 including wider collaboration with industry and education stakeholders on the implementation of the Fingal Skills Strategy. The Property Section progressed a number of key acquisitions and disposals to support the economic development of the county.

The Dublin Rural LEADER LAG approved 25 projects with a total value of €1,090,918, with 89% of the projects in Fingal.

The Council's three Enterprise Centres continued to support start-up enterprises through the provision of remote working hubs through the ConnectedHubs programme.

The Property Section progressed a number of key acquisitions and disposals to support the economic development of the county. The Our Balbriggan Programme Office supports five work stream pillars, collaborating across economic and social development: Local Economy, Education, Skills & Employment, Community Safety, Public Realm and Community Affairs.

Strengthen, support and expand the work of the Fingal Public Participation Network (PPN).

The Fingal LCDC continues to work in partnership with the Fingal PPN Membership through the LCDC programmes.

The SICAP Programme continued to support and mentor the development of Social Enterprises in the County, many of which are PPN Members.

Action on Climate Change

Deliver on the specific actions in the Climate Action Plan to improve climate resilience.

Implementation of actions in the CCAP 2019-2024 is underway and good progress is being made. The third Annual Progress Report has been prepared, communicated and submitted to the Department of Environment Climate & Communications.

Play a leadership role in transitioning to a decarbonised society.

The Council has demonstrated a leadership role in transitioning to a decarbonised society by improving its energy efficiency by 41.8% by December 2022 and through the combined effect of delivering on the actions in the CCAP 2019-2024. These actions include the delivery of active travel and other infrastructure which will enable decarbonisation.

Promote and protect the biodiversity of the county and work to restore ecosystems and ecosystem services.

The new Fingal Biodiversity Action Plan 2023-2030 was prepared and approved. Twenty-two smaller biodiversity plans were prepared for all tidy towns groups in Fingal. Wetland restoration works at St Ita's in Donabate are ongoing. Clearing out of the former Turvey depot for a nature education facility is ongoing. Ongoing implementation of actions of the Howth SAAO Operational Plan and the Dublin Bay Biosphere Nature Conservation Strategy including wildfire management, wetland restoration and the goat grazing project.

Promote and enforce a culture of compliance within the county to advance Climate Action commitments.

The Climate Action Awareness Officer along with the Environmental Awareness Officer promote climate action awareness within the county.

Foster a strong local economy through environmentally sustainable businesses.

The Sustainable Fingal Initiative continued in 2022 to promote sustainable business measures in line with objectives under the Council's Climate Change Action Plan. The Initiative included the execution of an MoU with DCU and DAA to drive innovation in collaborative sustainable projects.

The Fingal Skills Strategy Implementation Group established a sub-group to focus on the development of Green Skills.



Protect Our Environment & Heritage

Promote and protect the built and cultural heritage of the county.

The Conservation Office is based in the Architects Department and delivers a work programme related to the built heritage of Fingal. This comprises of administering 3 grant schemes – The Built Heritage Investment Scheme, the Historic Structures fund and the Stitch in Time grant. It also prepares planning reports as an internal consultee for the Planning Department, participates in preplanning meetings, advises the Planning Department in relation to the architectural heritage of the county for the Development Plan review, inputs to the FCC Monuments/Structures at Risk Programme, inputs into Climate Change Initiatives as related to the historic built environment, responds to Elected Members queries and questions, responds to correspondence/emails from the public and others related to the built environment. It also reviews and updates the Record of Protected Structures for the County. The County Architect is a Grade 1 RIAI registered Architect and several members of the Department also have individual accreditation. The Department advises client departments in regard to the Council's property portfolio of historic and protected structure and provides architectural services for projects involving historic structures.

Promote the unique urban, rural and coastal landscape character of Fingal.

Broadmeadow Way - Advance works contracts underway.

Fingal Coastal Way - Emerging preferred route consultation completed.

Sutton-Malahide - Preferred option consultation completed, planning documentation being prepared for submission to An Bord Pleanála in 2023.

Royal Canal Greenway land acquisition and planning application due for submission in 2023.

Ongar-Barnhill - Tender commenced with a view to appointing contractor in 2023.

Harry Reynolds Road - Tender commenced with a view to appointing contractor in 2023.

Consultancy frameworks for Swords, Kinsealy and Donabate commenced for a range of projects across these areas.

Sustainable Swords Strategy published which proposes a range of transportation infrastructure for Swords.

Support the unique cultural heritage of Fingal and the Irish language.

A budget of €319,215 was allocated in 2022 to 49 different creative projects/initiatives across the 3 separate funding streams of Creative Communities, Cruinniú na nÓg, and the Decade of Centenaries Commemoration programme.

Promote the sustainable management of waste & the circular economy.

Promoted through the waste enforcement and environmental awareness work programme (including through Green Schools programme) and also through the Sustainable Fingal initiative. The Council adopted the Circular Cities declaration in January 2023.

Promote the sustainable management of waste & the circular economy (continued).

Promoted sustainability through the Sustainable Fingal initiative. The Fingal Skills Strategy Implementation Group established a sub-group to focus on the development of Green Skills.

Reduce the environmental impact of Council activities.

The Council has improved its energy efficiency by 41.8% to December 2022. MS Teams has been provided to all staff to reduce the need to travel to meetings. EV charge points have been provided in staff carparks. The Council has Environmental Management Systems in place aimed at reducing waste and increasing recycling in offices and depots.

Ensure our coast, beaches and waterways are managed in a sustainable manner.

In total 88kms of Fingal's coastline is managed and maintained by the Council. This includes the 3 large protected estuaries and 11 designated beaches. Continuous monitoring of seawater samples was carried out during the bathing season to ensure compliance with the Bathing Water Quality requirements. Harbours and piers at Balbriggan, Skerries, Loughshinny and Rush were managed and maintained during the year with works carried out on the marker buoys and navigational aids. The new Marine and Coastal Management SPC was set up in 2022.

Promote & Enable Sustainable Economic Growth

Foster collaborative leadership in the development of future skills in the county.

The Fingal Skills Strategy Implementation Group launched a Skills webpage on the Council's website in collaboration with education stakeholders. Established sub-groups in Transport & Logistics and the Construction Sectors advanced work in skills provision in these sectors while 2 new sub-groups in Green Skills and Services were established and commenced work. There was a strong focus on school engagement with a Mentoring Programme for business leaders to assist local school students with future career choices and planning for a Student Skills Expo in 2023.

The Council was successful in securing Interreg funding for participation in future skills development Project SKYLA.

The Council continued to liaise with the Dublin Regional Skills Forum to share knowledge and information on emerging challenges for businesses, adapt existing courses to online provision and restructuring of apprenticeships to meet employers requirements. Existing online courses were provided by Empower under SICAP.

Support and promote the sustainable economic development of Fingal.

The Council supported businesses through the Fingal In It Together initiative and collaborations with Fingal Chamber and through the Fingal Skills Strategy Implementation Group and the DBEC partnership.

Support the performance, innovation, competitiveness, productivity and success of business in Fingal.

The Sustainable Fingal Initiative continued to promote sustainable business measures. The Dublin-Belfast Economic Corridor partnership continued and secured Shared Island Funding to carry out a Feasibility Study on Innovation Enterprise Hubs in the DBEC region.

Support local economic development by promoting Fingal as a location in which to invest and by developing and implementing sectoral policy initiatives.

Implement Our Balbriggan 2019 – 2025 Rejuvenation Plan. The demolition of O'Shea's at Balbriggan Harbour was completed in 2022, a precursor for Quay Street, Harbour & Environs, Part 8 planning approval by the Council, for this transformative, ambitious scheme, funded by the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund & Fingal County Council, to create a new family friendly civic space in a low traffic, pedestrianised environment.

Support local economic development by promoting Fingal as a location in which to invest and by developing and implementing sectoral policy initiatives (continued).

Stage 2 design was completed for 2 – 4 Dublin Street to develop a Creative Hub with flexible (8) work spaces, courtyard, gallery, STEAM, enterprise and multi-media spaces in line with SMART Balbriggan. The Draft Public Realm Strategy & Design Guide and Active Travel and Transportation plans for the town have been completed. An Integrated Action Plan was completed as part of Balbriggan's participation in the EU URBACT iPlace Project, focused on the towns creative entrepreneurial potential and strengthening its proposition as a destination for the Arts. Work programmes progressed across all work streams in the Town Strategy: Local Economy, Education, Skills & Training, Community Safety, Community Integration & Well Being & Public Realm & Placemaking.



Grow & Enable Sustainable Tourism

Strengthen the proposition and marketing of tourism in the county.

Collaboration with Fáilte Ireland continued to promote Fingal as a tourist destination to both the domestic market and to the returning international visitor. A major new Dublin proposition was launched in March 2022, the Dublin Coastal Trail. This trail includes Howth, Malahide and Skerries. Fingal participated in Fáilte Ireland's promotional campaigns including the Keep Discovering and Winter in Dublin campaigns. Destination Town Skerries and the Food Tourism project, Dublin's Coast and Fields, all progressed during the year.

Support to local tourism development groups continued throughout 2022 with various initiatives around sustainable tourism, digital trails, social media campaigns, events and collaboration on clustering of products and experiences. The Council also ran and facilitated a number of digital, social media and print campaigns. The development of a new Fingal Tourism Strategy 2023 - 2029 commenced in 2022. The process has a detailed timeline for the delivery of the strategy of 10 months, with the final draft due in June 2023.

Facilitate the creation of a Fingal Food & Drink Tourism Destination.

The Council continued to work with food network consultant Marie Brouder and with Fáilte Ireland in the further development of the Fingal Food and Drink Network. The network committee worked through an action plan developed with the consultant throughout 2022 which included the further promotion of food through the digital, social media and print campaigns of the Dublin Coast and Fields brand, a series of networking events, familiarisation visits and workshops. The Fingal Food and Drink Network had its official launch, following the pandemic, on the 16th November 2022 in County Hall and shortly after agreed its action plan for 2023 which includes a Fingal food event at Flavours of Fingal County Show.

The development of a new Fingal Food Policy also commenced in 2022. The aim of this policy is to support the food industry by building a Food & Drink Tourism Strategy aligned to the broader Fingal Tourism Strategy (also in development), including, the ongoing 'Dublin's Coast & Fields' development, implementation & promotion; creating & maintaining world class, sustainable, saleable food & drink experiences; and continued investment in food and drink festivals and events.

Promote heritage led tourism initiatives at Fingal Heritage properties.

In 2022 Newbridge House launched two new tour options with Guided Parkland Tours and Guided Farm Tours. An educational programme was also created and rolled out to both primary and secondary schools focusing on the upstairs/downstairs aspect within the house and its connection with the workings on the Heritage Farm. A new event addition saw '21st Century Abba' performing in the walled garden to an audience of 600. A virtual tour of the Great Hall in Malahide Castle was developed highlighting the restored features including paintings and fully laid dining table.

Extensive marketing campaigns took place in 2022 using print, radio and social media to promote the Malahide Casino, Malahide Castle and Newbridge House.

Optimise and expand visitor experiences at all Fingal visitor attractions and events.

There was continued capital investment for maintenance and upgrading of our Heritage Property facilities during 2022 including the restoration of the Great Hall at Malahide Castle and the commencement of substantive roof and windows conservation works at Ardgillan Castle and Newbridge House.

The Council engaged with its Operators and Café providers to optimise visitor experiences.

The Council began a collaboration with Irish Rail to provide a new interactive Children's Interpretative Centre at the Malahide Casino Railway Museum. This is due to launch in Q2 of 2023.

Collaboration with Fáilte Ireland continued during 2022 on several projects including the Coastal Development Plan, engagement with the Tourism Development Groups and marketing of Fingal.

Newbridge House – work commenced on the basement room to house the Betty Cobbe porcelain collection that will form part of the house tour and is due to open in Q1 2023. A new gallery space was developed in the basement of Ardgillan Castle that will launch in 2023 and allow local artists to showcase their art.

Provide & Maintain Strategic Infrastructure

Activate lands by delivering infrastructure to facilitate the delivery of housing, economic development and sustainable communities.

- Lissenhall East Local Area Plan adopted.
- Work on Residential Zoned Land Tax (RZLT) commenced.

Deliver a sustainable transport system for all citizens.

- Church Fields Link Road construction ongoing.
- Snugborough Interchange construction ongoing.
- Turvey Avenue at main contract procurement.
- Harry Reynolds Road at construction procurement.
- Ongar-Barnhill at procurement.

Deliver work programmes that develop and maintain strategic, physical and green infrastructure of the county.

- Advance works contracts and land acquisition well advanced for Broadmeadow Way.
- Large consultations took place for Fingal Coastal Way and Sutton-Malahide, with planning documentation being prepared for submission to An Bord Pleanála for Sutton-Malahide.
- Royal Canal Greenway land acquisition and planning application due for submission in 2023.
- Ongar-Barnhill and Harry Reynolds Road tender procurements commenced with a view to appointing contractors in 2023.
- Consultancy frameworks for Swords, Kinsealy and Donabate commenced for a range of projects across these areas.
- Sustainable Swords strategy published which proposes a range of transportation infrastructure for Swords.
- 1st phase of non-statutory public consultation on the Ward River Regional Park Development Project took place in October 2022.
- Park Development project for the Racecourse Park in Baldoyle approved by An Bord Pleanála.

Improve Democracy, Governance, Openness & Transparency

Provide the highest quality of service to our Councillors and all Elected Representatives.

The meetings of the Council (County Council, Area Committee, Strategic Policy Committees, etc.) are serviced to a high standard allowing the Elected Members carry out their democratic and statutory functions. The Council and Area Committee meetings are webcast ensuring that members of the public can view the meetings in real-time and agendas and minutes of meetings are available on the Council's website. Additionally, Councillors, TD's and Senators can make representations on behalf of their constituents through the Council's CRM system.

Ensure good governance, openness and transparency within the Council.

The Chief Executive, Management Team and staff engage in a positive and open manner with the Local Government Audit Service and the Audit Committee to ensure that best practice in corporate governance is adhered to throughout the year.

The Council is committed to complying with all legislative requirements with regard to FOI, GDPR, Protected Disclosures and public procurement, as well as providing information to the public on our website in a transparent and open manner.

Ensure that the democratic functions of the Council are performed in an open, informed and effective way.

The Chief Executive and the Management Team continue to work closely with the Elected Members as well as County stakeholders e.g. businesses, community groups, etc.

Through the Strategic Policy Committees, the Elected Members continued to fulfil their policy making role with the Corporate Policy Group advising and assisting the Elected Council in the formulation, development, monitoring and review of policy.

Meetings continued to be serviced and webcast to ensure the transparency of the democratic function.

Inform citizens through effective communications programmes.

The Council's Communications Strategy provides for an extensive programme of external communications in order to promote the Council's activities and increase awareness of the work that we do for our citizens.

The Council is also committed to ensuring that our information is in plain English, is end-user friendly and translated to different languages.



Deliver Quality Services

Deliver services in the most efficient and effective manner.

The Council continues to deliver a broad range of services to the public in an open and transparent manner. There is a continuous focus on improving service delivery across the organisation.

Foster a culture of continuous improvement in all our activities.

By implementing a culture of continuous improvement, the Council regularly looks at processes to see where and how improvements can be made and by measuring performance against metrics established at operational and strategic levels.

Use digital technologies to enable and transform our workplace and the delivery of services.

Digital Workplace Transformation Programme is in place and continued to facilitate the operations of the Council and the services it provides.

Apply the principles of good design, delivery, management and informed decision making to all projects, programmes and delivery of services.

The Council is committed to and is cognisant of the principles of good design, delivery, management and informed decision in order to provide an effective programme delivery of all projects, programmes and services.

Perform statutory obligations in a way that ensures fairness and efficiency for both the community being protected and those being regulated.

The Council is committed to complying with all statutory and legislative requirements in the delivery of its functions and carrying out these requirements in the most efficient and effective way.

Deliver on the Public Sector Duty under the Irish Human Rights and Equality Act 2014.

The Council is cognisant of its Public Sector Duty and training for staff is provided through our Diversity and Equality Programmes.

Within the Migrant and Social Cohesion Strategy, the Council continues to embrace the cultural diversity within the County.

Strengthen Organisational & Staff Development

Build a workforce of the future by recruiting, retaining and developing high quality and motivated staff.

- Recruitment of qualified staff progressing and adapted to accommodate on-line processes. Competency based Performance and Development Framework in place for all staff.
- Extensive Training and Development Programmes.
- PMDS process informs succession plans.

Protect and promote Health, Safety and Wellbeing amongst our staff.

- Health Safety and Wellbeing Framework and Programmes in place.
- Safety Awareness Programmes, Inspections & Safety Audits continued at worksites.
- Pro-active attendance management process in place.
- In-house provision of Staff Welfare Services.

Develop capacity and capability of the organisation.

- PMDS process ongoing annually.
- Competency Framework an integral part of the recruitment procedures and Training and Development Programme.
- Extensive Training and Development Opportunities offered and completed.

Manage the organisation effectively.

The effective management of the Council is ensured through the Management Team structure, led by the Chief Executive, supported by Departmental and team meetings and underpinned by the PMDS process.

Strategic Policy Committee

Programme Reports 2022





Climate Action, Biodiversity & Environment

Chairperson: Cllr David Healy

Council Members: Cllr Mary McCamley, Cllr Aoibhinn Tormey, Cllr Ian Carey (Until Feb 2022) Cllr Pamela Conroy (Feb 2022), Cllr Joe Newman, Cllr Paul Mulville

External Members: Seamus McGrath, Edward Stevenson, Sean Barry (Resigned May 2022)

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
29/03/2022	End of Year 'Environment Inspection Plan Review RMCEI 2021	Presentation Given
	Biodiversity Action Plan 2022 – 2030	Presentation Given
	Investigation on Monitoring Strategies for Assessment of Water Quality Pressures in Balbriggan	Presentation Given
	Car Clubs/Car Sharing Scheme	Motion Noted
27/06/2022	The Weather Stations for Schools Project	Presentation Given
	Fingal County Council's Textile Recycling	Presentation Given
	Light Pollution	Motion Agreed
	Programme of Training	Motion Noted
	Fingal Draft Biodiversity Action Plan 2022 to 2030	Motion Agreed
25/10/2022	National Waste Management Plan	Presentation Given
	A Review of Pricing and the Provision of a Free Bulky Waste Service	Presentation Given
	Litter Management Plan	Presentation Given
	Data Centres	Motion Accepted



Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
25/10/2022	Micro Generation Scheme	Motion Accepted
	Analysis of heat pump and energy upgrades	Motion Accepted
20/12/2022	Circular Cities Declaration	Presentation Given
	Fingal Biodiversity Action Plan	Presentation Given
	Climate Action Plan - Annual Progress Report	Report Noted
	Fingal County Council Glyphosate Usage	Motion Accepted
	Segregation of Commercial Waste	Motion Accepted
	Biodiversity Action Plan	Motion Accepted





Community Development, Heritage, Culture & Creativity

Chairperson: Cllr Joan Hopkins

Council Members: Cllr JK Onwumereh, Cllr John Walsh, Cllr Gráinne Maguire, Cllr Seána Ó'Rodaigh, Cllr Cathal Boland

External Members: Liz Madden (until September 2022), Abbi Wise

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
03/03/2022	Provision of Early years Services in Fingal – Empower	Report Noted
	2022 SPC Workplan	Report Noted
	Public Art Policy on Private Developments	Presentation Given
	Support for Tidy Towns	Motion Agreed
	Report on the Costings for Community Project	Motion Noted
28/09/2022	Heritage Office Update	Presentation Given
	Creative Ireland Strategy	Presentation Given
	Subgroup - Funding Scheme for Non-Council Owned Community Facilities	Report Agreed
	Subgroup - Childcare in Fingal	Report Agreed
	Swimming Lessons	Motion Agreed
13/12/2022	Update from Libraries	Presentation Given
	Fingal Sports Development Strategy 2022 – 2026	Presentation Given
	Update on Draft Creative Ireland/Fingal Strategy	Presentation Given
	Random Acts of Kindness Month February 2023	Motion Agreed





Economic Enterprise & Tourism Development

Chairperson: Cllr Tony Murphy (until June 2022) Cllr Darragh Butler (from July 2022)

Council Members: Cllr Pamela Conroy (until Feb 2022), Cllr Ian Carey (from Feb 2022), Cllr Ted Leddy, Cllr Anthony Lavin, Cllr Siobhan Shovlin, Cllr Howard Mahony, Cllr Breda Hanaphy

External Members: Anthony Cooney, Eric Fleming, David Normoyle (until June 2022), Kesava Gollapalli (until May 2022) Yetunde Joyce (from June 2022), Helen Keng Mobit (from June 2022)

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
29/03/2022	Preparation of Tourism Strategy 2023 - 2029	Presentation Given
	Development of an Outdoor Dining Policy	Presentation Given
	Inclusion of Dublin 15 when advertising for Fingal Tourism	Motion Noted
	Christmas Market in Castleknock 2022	Motion Noted
22/06/2022	Fingal Tourism Strategy Update	Presentation Given
	Fingal Skills Strategy Update	Presentation Given
	Urbact Initiatives	Presentation Given
	Town & Village Funding	Presentation Given
13/09/2022	Fingal Skills Strategy Update	Presentation Given
	Sustainable Fingal Update	Presentation Given
	Fingal Food Policy	Motion Noted
14/12/2022	Regional Enterprise Plan Update	Presentation Given
	Enterprise Hubs in Dublin Research Report	Report Noted



Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
14/12/2022	LECP Process	Presentation Given
	Tourism Strategy Update	Presentation Given
	Food Strategy Update	Presentation Given
	SPC Programme 2023	Report Agreed





Planning, Strategic Transport & Infrastructure

Chairperson: Cllr Brian Dennehy (until June 2022) Cllr Brian McDonagh (from July 2022)

Council Members: Cllr Tania Doyle, Cllr Dean Mulligan, Cllr Punam Rane, Cllr Tom Kitt

External Members: Kieran O'Neill (until May 2022), Paul Arnold (from Aug 2022)

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
26/04/2022	SPC Works Programme 2022	Presentation Given
	Development Plan 2023 - 2029	Update Noted
	Major Studies/LAP's	Update Noted
	Fingal Greenways/Cycleways	Update Noted
	Biodiversity Action Plan	Presentation Given
	Large Scale Residential Development Legislation	Presentation Given
21/06/2022	Development Plan 2023 - 2029	Update Noted
	Major Studies/LAP's	Update Noted
	Fingal Greenways/Cycleways	Update Noted
	Building Control Part B (Fire Safety) and Part M (Accessibility)	Presentation Given
	Vacant Site Register	Presentation Given
	Liaise with Transport Infrastructure Ireland to confirm status of the recommendations into proposed link between N3 and N4 referred to as The Scoping Report	Motion Noted



Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
06/09/2022	Planning Advisor/Marine Planning Policy of Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Presentation Given
	Fingal Development Plan 2023 - 2029	Update Noted
	Major Studies/LAP's	Update Noted
	Fingal Greenways/Cycleways	Update Noted
	Flood Risk Assessment	Presentation Given
	Derelict Site Register	Presentation Given
28/11/2022	Development Plan 2023 - 2029	Update Noted
	Major Studies/LAP's	Update Noted
	Fingal Greenway/Cycleways	Update Noted
	Residential Zoned Land Tax	Presentation Given
	New Residential Zoned Land Tax	Motion Noted
	Derelict Sites	Motion Noted





Marine & Coastal Management Strategic Policy Committee

Chairperson: Cllr Eoghan O'Brien

Council Members: Cllr Adrian Henchy, Cllr Brian Dennehy, Cllr Robert O'Donoghue, Cllr Ann Graves, Cllr Paul Mulville, Cllr Tom O'Leary, Cllr Karen Power, Cllr Cathal Boland, Cllr David Healy

External Members: Máire O'Brien (from May 2022), James Magrane

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
23/03/2022	National Marine Planning Framework	Presentation Given
	Protection of Natura 2000 Sites/SPCs/SACs	Report Noted
	Coastal Defence Proposals	Motion Noted
	Educational Signage	Motion Noted
	Open Sea Water Swimming	Motion Noted
30/06/2022	NISA Offshore Wind Farm a Statkraft Proposal	Presentation Given
	Rogerstown Outer Estuary Coastal Defence Project	Motion Noted
	Lifeguard services across all Fingal Beaches	Motion Noted
	Permanent coastal protection measure - Portrane and Rush	Motion Noted
15/09/2022	National Parks Wildlife Services	Presentation Given
	Rogerstown Outer Estuary Coastal Defence Project	Motion Noted
	Year-Round Swimmers Lifeguard Training	Motion Noted
	Encouragement to Clubs	Motion Noted
30/11/2022	Protected Measures – Dunes – South Beach	Motion Noted
	Co-ordinated response to Coastal Erosion	Motion Noted





Transport & Infrastructure Management Strategic Policy Committee

Chairperson: Cllr Tom O'Leary

Council Members: Cllr Angela Donnelly (from March 2022), Cllr Aaron O'Rourke (until Feb 2022), Cllr Ann Graves, Cllr Jimmy Guerin, Cllr Eoghan O'Brien, Cllr Karen Power

External Members: Raymond Ryan (until May 2022), Doreen Keaney (until May 2022), Michael Lenehan (from May 2022)

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
09/03/2022	Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Charging Presentation given Infrastructure Implementation Plan	Presentation Given
	Fingal Active Travel Strategy	Presentation Given
	Status of Skerries Active Travel Plan	Motion Noted
	Removal of Kissing Gates	Motion Noted
	Parking of buses in Swords	Motion Noted
07/06/2022	Transportation & Infrastructure SPC update on Works Programme Presentation	Presentation Given
	Draft Fingal County Council Control of Stationless on-street Bike Hire bye-laws	Presentation Given
	Road Safety Authority Annual County Figures- Road Fatalities and serious Injuries	Presentation Given
	Update on Active Travel work	Report Noted
	Issues with areas of frequent road crashes	Motion Noted
	Kerb Protected Cycle Paths in Hartstown and River Valley	Motion Noted
05/09/2022	Review of the Allocation Policy for Allotments	Presentation Given
	Coolmine and Estuary Recycling Centres - A review of Pricing and the Provision of a Free Bulky Waste Service	Presentation Given
	Active Travel Work Presentation	Motion Noted



Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
06/12/2022	Review of Work Programme 2022 and Proposed Work Presentation given Programme 2023 Presentation	Presentation Given
	Western Distributor Road	Motion Noted
	Map Based Format - Traffic Data for Councillors and the Public	Motion Noted





Housing Strategic Policy Committee

Chairperson: Cllr Robert O'Donoghue

Council Members: Cllr Brigid Manton, Cllr James Humphreys, Cllr Natalie Treacy, Cllr Daniel Whooley, Cllr John Burtchaell, Cllr Kieran Dennison, Cllr Adrian Henchy

External Members: Finbarr Geaney, Dayakar Reddy Komirelly, Oghenetano John Uwhumiakpor, Adeline O'Brien

Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
28/03/2022	Housing SPC Work Programme 2022	Presentation Given
	Ukrainian Refugee Crisis and Emergency Accommodation	Presentation Given
	Housing for All and Housing Delivery Plan Update	Presentation Given
	Housing First and Homelessness	Presentation Given
	Croí Cónaithe funding and Social Housing retrofit numbers	Motion Noted
	Housing Needs Report	Motion Noted
	Update on delivery of short-term housing	Motion Noted
	RAS contracts to have their status on the housing list reinstated	Motion Noted
27/06/2022	Strategy for Housing People with a Disability 2021-2026	Presentation Given
	Housing Delivery Action Plan	Presentation Given
	Draft DRHE Homeless Action Plan 2022 - 2024	Presentation Given
	Update on the HAP online portal	Presentation Given
	Housing update at Portrane Avenue, Portrane	Motion Noted
	Upsizing and Downsizing Mechanism as Tenants/Residents Housing Needs Change	Motion Noted
	Costings of retrofit and query around targets	Motion Noted



Meeting Date	Theme/Policy Issue	Meeting Update
27/06/2022	Housing Support for Residents Marginally above the Housing Support Threshold	Motion Noted
27/09/2022	Housing for All	Presentation Given
	Draft Vacant Homes Plans 2022 – 2027	Presentation Given
	Rent Assessment	Presentation Given
	Housing Evictions	Motion Noted
29/11/2022	Housing Delivery Update	Presentation Given
	Traveller Accommodation Programme	Presentation Given
	Right Sizing Concept	Presentation Given
	Vacant Homes Emergency Accommodation Information	Presentation Given
	Emergency Accommodation	Motion Noted



Joint Policing Committee

Membership & Activities



Membership:

15 Local Authority Members:

Cllr Adrian Henchy (Chair – March 2022 Meeting), Cllr Ian Carey (Chair – from June 2022 Meeting), Cllr Grainne Maguire, Cllr John Walsh, Cllr Daniel Whooley, Cllr Anthony Lavin, Cllr Tony Murphy, Cllr Robert O'Donoghue, Cllr Ann Graves, Cllr Tania Doyle, Cllr Dean Mulligan, Cllr James Humphreys, Cllr JohnKingley Onwumereh, Cllr Pamela Conroy, Cllr Ted Leddy.

Oireachtas Members:

Alan Farrell TD, Louise O'Reilly TD, Senator Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Duncan Smith TD, Senator Emer Currie.

PPN (Community) Representatives:

Jossy Akwuobi (to September 2022), Myles Caulfield (to September 2022), Ray Smyth (to September 2022), Aisling Kelly (to September 2022), Pat Doyle (to September 2022), Tom O'Brien (to September 2022), Angela Rogers, John Fox (from December 2022)
Currently 5 x vacancies for PPN Representatives on Fingal JPC.

An Garda Síochána:

Chief Superintendent Mark Curran (DMR-N) and Chief Superintendent Finbarr Murphy (DMR-W).

Fingal County Council: AnnMarie Farrelly, Chief Executive; Mary T. Daly, Director of Services, Operations and Water Services; and Liam Burke, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department.

Activities:

The Fingal Joint Policing Committee is established under the Garda Síochána Act 2005, and its function is to serve as a forum for consultations, discussions and recommendations on matters affecting the policing of the Local Authority's administrative area, and in particular to keep under review –

- The levels and patterns of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in that area (including the patterns and levels of misuse of alcohol and drugs)
- The factors underlying and contributing to the levels of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the area.
- This is managed through the Annual Work Programme of the Joint Policing Committee which sets out four strategic areas for collaboration between Fingal County Council and An Garda Síochána.

In 2022, the Fingal Joint Policing Committee met on the following dates:

- 11th March 2022 via Microsoft Teams
- 3rd June 2022 via Microsoft Teams
- 2nd September 2022 via Microsoft Teams
- 2nd December 2022 via Microsoft Teams



Public Meetings took place as follows, and were well attended:

Date/Day	Time	Area	Meeting Location	Attendance
Tuesday 27th September 2022	7pm–8.30pm	Balbriggan Area (Skerries, Rush, Lusk, Naul, Garristown, Balrothery etc.)	Bracken Court Hotel Balbriggan	56
Wednesday 28th September 2022	7pm–8.30pm	Dublin 15 Area (Blanchardstown, Castleknock, Mulhuddart, Ongar, Carpenterstown, Clonsilla, Coolmine, Tyrrelstown)	Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown	70
Wednesday 5th October 2022	7pm–8.30pm	Swords/Malahide (Swords, Santry, Donabate, Portrane, Malahide/ Portmarnock)	The Grand Hotel, Malahide	81
Thursday 20th October 2022	7pm–8.30pm	Sutton/Howth/ Baldoyle	Marine Hotel, Sutton	44



Financial Position



Revenue Account Statement

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Expenditure	Draft 2022 €	2021 Audited €
Housing & Building	79,934,862	71,066,537
Roads Transportation & Safety	34,235,143	29,307,005
Water & Sewerage	17,261,184	16,248,409
Development Incentives & Controls	24,259,274	23,045,917
Environmental Protection	45,289,429	44,244,490
Recreation & Amenity	49,984,433	41,441,572
Agriculture, Education, Health & Safety	1,245,320	932,685
Miscellaneous	23,828,175	70,173,170
Total Gross Expenditure	276,037,820	296,459,785

Income	Draft 2022 €	2021 Audited €
Housing & Building	84,028,141	72,664,558
Roads Transportation & Safety	9,684,149	9,007,308
Water & Sewerage	19,353,548	22,908,789
Development Incentives & Controls	7,495,298	8,833,835
Environmental Protection	10,187,381	7,677,340



Revenue Account Statement

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Income	Draft 2022 €	2021 Audited €
Recreation & Amenity	4,191,423	3,697,660
Agriculture, Education, Health & Safety	478,311	276,934
Miscellaneous	23,816,379	74,573,324
Total Income	159,234,630	199,639,748
Net Expenditure	116,803,190	96,820,037
<i>which is funded by:</i>		
County Rates	151,293,793	149,291,077
Local Property Tax	8,698,895	7,503,957
Pension Related Deduction	0	0
Total	159,992,688	156,795,034
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year before Transfers	43,189,498	59,974,997
Transfers from/(to) Reserves	(43,189,108)	(59,974,864)
Overall surplus/(Deficit) for the year.	390	133
Incoming Balance @ 1st January 2022	15,979,812	15,979,679
Closing Balance @ 31st December 2022	15,980,202	15,979,812



Capital Account Statement

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Expenditure (Net of Internal Transfers)*	Draft 2022 €	2021 Audited €
Housing & Building	77,247,464	40,983,325
Roads Transportation & Safety	30,018,389	19,925,552
Water & Sewerage	1,784,980	1,254,302
Development Incentives & Controls	35,200,627	20,908,076
Environmental Protection	1,896,080	1,368,078
Recreation & Amenity	17,769,284	9,967,318
Miscellaneous Services	15,317,188	51,781,352
	179,234,012	146,188,003



Capital Account Statement

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Income (Net of Internal Transfers)*	Draft 2022 €	2021 Audited €
Housing & Building	78,653,366	51,421,367
Roads Transportation & Safety	15,472,319	16,002,807
Water & Sewerage	1,236,787	996,826
Development Incentives & Controls	68,907,915	61,965,549
Environmental Protection	1,950,000	7,969,693
Recreation & Amenity	5,042,484	5,558,657
Miscellaneous Services	11,576,302	27,955,709
	182,839,173	171,870,608
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	3,605,161	25,682,605
Balance (Debit)/Credit @ 1st January 2022	262,152,603	236,469,998
Balance (Debit)/Credit @ 31 December 2022	265,757,764	262,152,603

**Excludes internal transfers, includes transfers to and from Revenue account*



Service Delivery Reports



Airport Noise Competent Authority

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Ensure the noise generated by aircraft activity at Dublin Airport is assessed and provide for the application of the ICAO balanced approach where a noise problem is identified.	ANCA completed a full aircraft noise impact assessment for Dublin Airport during 2022 in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of the Aircraft Noise (Dublin Airport) Regulation Act 2019. The process resulted in the establishment of a noise abatement objective for Dublin Airport that was supported by a regulatory decision.
Ensure that the aircraft noise implications of planning applications at Dublin Airport are assessed.	ANCA completed an assessment of the aircraft noise implications of all planning applications for development at Dublin Airport during 2022. Nine planning applications were referred to ANCA during 2022 and a statutory report was issued to the Planning Authority on all applications within the four-week period prescribed by Section 34B(1) (a)(ii) of the Planning and Development Act 2000.
Monitor compliance and effectiveness of noise mitigation measures and operating restrictions in place at Dublin Airport.	<p>The Airport Authority has a statutory obligation to prepare a report on compliance with noise mitigation measures and operating restrictions by airport users. The compliance report for the preceding year was audited by ANCA during 2022 and both the initial report and the additional information requested was published on the ANCA website for public inspection.</p> <p>During 2022, ANCA carried out an effectiveness assessment of noise mitigation measures in place at Dublin Airport for the preceding year against the outcomes established by the noise abatement objective. The report is available to view and download from the ANCA website.</p>
Informing Communities.	<p>ANCA continued to work with the Airport Authority during 2022 on the delivery of an expanded network of community aircraft noise monitors. Four additional monitors were commissioned by the Airport Authority during 2022. The data from these monitors is available on a public web portal.</p> <p>Annual aircraft noise exposure contours for the full preceding year were added to the ANCA website to facilitate an examination of aircraft noise exposure or eligibility for home insulation grants down to the level of individual properties.</p>



Architects

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>To provide a quality professional Architectural Service to meet the requirements of the client departments and Council Initiatives.</p>	<p>Architectural Services and advice have been delivered to various council departments throughout 2022 across a range of project types.</p> <p>The diverse services offered ranged from feasibility studies, site assessment, statutory consent processes, tender and contract administration, procurement, cost planning and control, urban and interior design and administration of conservation grants to protect the built heritage.</p> <p>The services were provided in relation to various project types including newbuild, extensions, refurbishment, conservation and maintenance services. The services covered many building types - housing, public buildings, offices, historic buildings and design of the public realm.</p>
<p>Assist with built heritage protection issues including managing the Architectural Conservation Office and the assessment and administration of grant supports and Council Initiatives.</p>	<p>The Conservation Office has delivered a work programme comprising Grants – administration of the Built Heritage investment scheme, the Historic Structures fund and the Stitch in time grant, Planning reports as an internal consultee for the Planning Department, participation in preplanning meetings, work related to the architectural heritage of the county for the development plan review, input to the FCC Monuments/Structures at Risk programme, input into Climate Change initiatives as related to the historic built environment, responses to Elected members queries and questions, responding to correspondence/e-mails from the public and others.</p>
<p>To engage with relevant Government departments in relation to budget approvals, administration of grant schemes and policy on the built environment as it relates to the Council.</p>	<p>The Architects Department have engaged with relevant government departments via our client council departments for all funded capital projects and grant schemes.</p>
<p>To ensure that building projects commissioned by the Council meet statutory requirements in relation to Planning, Health and Safety, Building Control and Environmental and Heritage protection.</p>	<p>All statutory requirements have been met regarding Planning, Health and Safety, Building Control and Environmental and Heritage protection. In addition, an effective suite of controls is in place to ensure ongoing compliance.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
To manage and implement efficient cyclical and planned maintenance services for existing Fingal housing stock and to efficiently manage re-let repairs of existing and newly acquired stock including implementation of the council's climate change action plan.	Cyclical planned and response maintenance programmes were carried out in council housing stock throughout the year including boiler and window and door replacement and Retrofit programmes. Relet repairs were carried out on properties throughout the county. Process improvements were applied to all programmes.
To manage construction budgets and process contractor claims for payment efficiently and fairly.	Budgets were managed for capital and maintenance projects for client department. Requirements of the CWMF and the OGP were applied to cost control activities. There was close engagement with the CPU.



Community & Sports Development

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
To provide developmental and management support to voluntary Fingal County Council Facility Committees.	<p>The Community Development Office continued to provide administrative and financial support to 35 Community Centres throughout 2022. The ongoing support continues to ensure that Council owned and supported facilities are operated and managed to a high standard, are working towards sustainability and are accessible to the whole community.</p> <p>The Department supports and develops the growth of the Fingal Community Facilities Network which provides networking support structure for managers, staff and volunteers of community facilities across the county of Fingal. The Fingal Community Facilities Network promotes the work of the 31 Fingal County Council supported community facilities and community centres.</p>
Continue to manage the upkeep and renovation of old facilities.	<p>The Community Development Office, with support from the Architects Department, continued to work through recommendations identified in conditioning surveys to maintain the upkeep of the older community facilities within Fingal.</p> <p>Throughout 2022 Grant funding to the value of €71k was also processed to non-council owned facilities under the Non-Council Owned Facilities Remedial Works Grant Scheme to support capital renovation costs in those facilities.</p>
Supports to Community & Voluntary programmes of activities.	<p>Throughout 2022 grant funding to the value of €250K was provided by the Community Development Office to support Summer & Halloween Projects, Activity Funding and Special Funding Schemes such as Period Poverty and funding support to Residents Associations.</p> <p>Funding was also provided to Volunteers Ireland in support of the Community Volunteers Programme and the ongoing work of connecting communities through volunteering.</p>
Fingal Public Participation Network.	<p>During 2022, 62 new members groups registered on the PPN network bringing the total membership to 667.</p> <p>Throughout the year the Community Development Office provided ongoing support to the PPN by facilitating a number of Induction and PPN workshops and through the distribution of monthly newsletters to inform and engage members.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Fingal Public Participation Network.	In May the Community Development Office supported Fingal PPN in hosting the first in person Plenary since 2019. Over 75 PPN members attended this meeting where four new Secretariat members were elected.
Fingal Migrant Integration and Social Cohesion Policy.	<p>In 2022, the Community Department continued to support the Migrant Integration Forum to develop in its work to promote integration and inter-culturalism under the 5 Strategic Pillars set out in the Migrant Integration and Social Cohesion Strategy 2019 – 2024.</p> <p>The Community Department supported projects such as Fun with Families from Afar – Migrant Literacy Project, Cultúr Migrant Support Service, Cambridge English Classes. SALAAM Project (Sustainable Alliances Against Anti-Muslim Hatred Project) throughout 2022.</p>
Fingal Comhairle na nÓg.	<p>Ongoing support was provided to Fingal Comhairle na nÓg throughout 2022 to assist with the development of research on the groups chosen subject topic for 2022 'Improve the School Curriculum to educate students on racism, sexism and misogyny'.</p> <p>A Funding Provision was made to enhance the support provided and increase stakeholder engagement.</p> <p>In November the Comhairle na nÓg AGM was held in Swords. There were over 90 young people in attendance on the day across 23 schools in Fingal.</p>
Continue to support the work of Age Friendly Fingal Alliance, continue to support the work of Age Friendly Ireland.	<p>10 in-person meetings were facilitated to support the work of the Older Persons Council.</p> <p>In May, the Age Friendly team supported the hosting of the first Annual Conference of Fingal's Older People's Council (OPC), since 2019. 100 delegates attended the conference.</p> <p>4 in-person meetings were facilitated to support the work of the Age Friendly Alliance.</p>



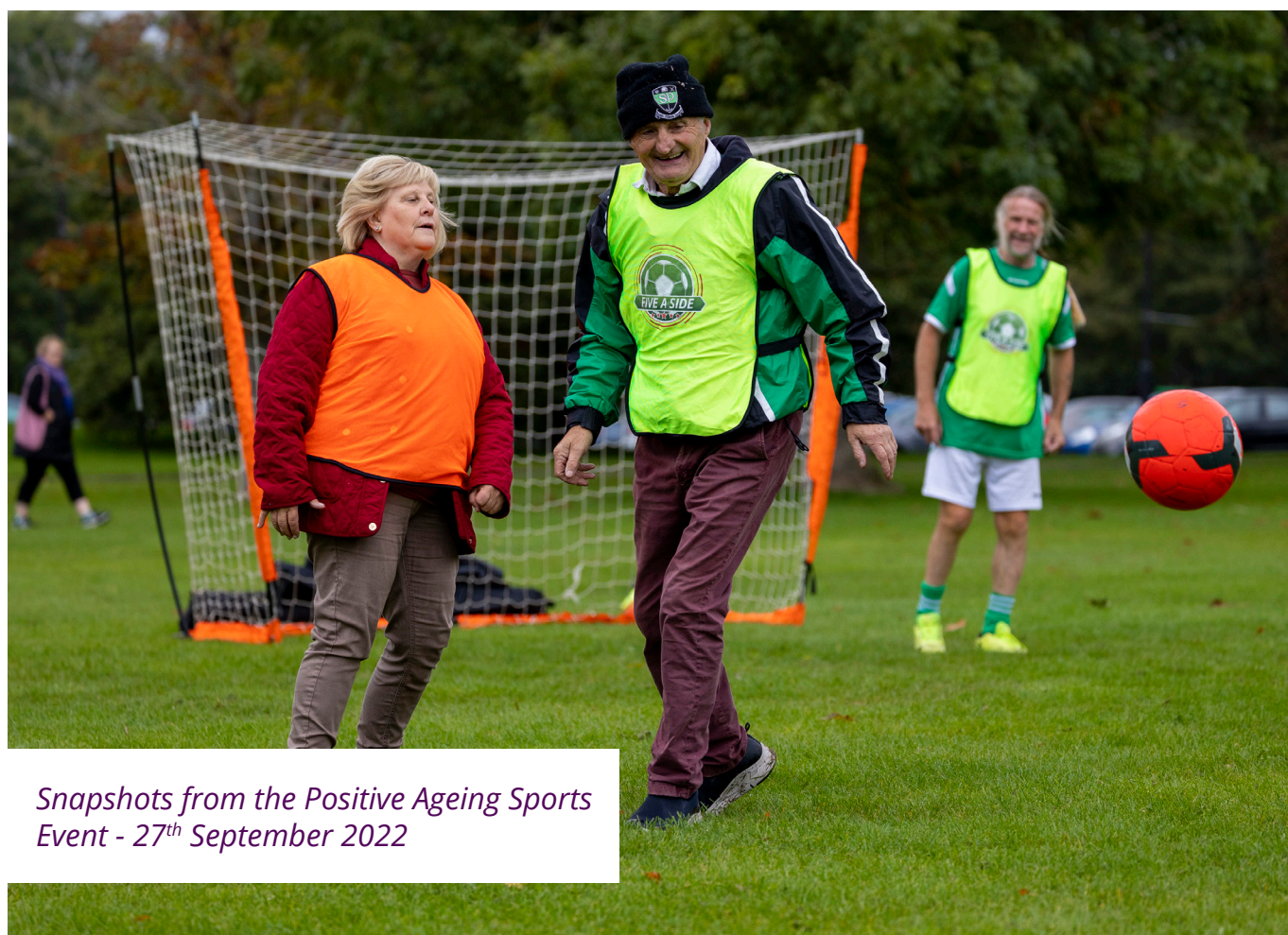
Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Continue to support the work of Age Friendly Fingal Alliance, continue to support the work of Age Friendly Ireland.</p>	<p>Fingal's Age friendly interdepartmental team with representatives from Operations, EETCD, Active Travel, Housing, Architects, Planning & Strategic, Communications and Community was established to align the Age Friendly Activities across the organisation to ensure the Fingal is a great place to enjoy and to age well in.</p> <p>2 Information Events for Older People were supported in the Dublin 15 area.</p> <p>During Positive Ageing week the Age Friendly team hosted "Give it a go day" with the aim of showcasing what is possible, presenting a positive image of growing older, and encouraging older people to participate in activities and to "reconnect" after Covid.</p>
<p>Continued implementation the aims of Fingal Sport Vision Statement 2019-2021, and began the process of delivering a new Strategy 2023-2027.</p>	<p>The Sports Office – via FCC's Sports Development Officers and its nine Co-Funded NGB Officers, delivered 1,195 programmes, attracting 65,583 participants. Some 'targeted' highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safeguarding courses. • Delivery of 'Her Outdoors Week' in August – a Sport Ireland Initiative, where females were offered the chance to partake in a 'new' activity. <p>FCC Sports Office delivered a different daily 'session', including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snorkeling / Orienteering / Cycling / 'Intro to Triathlon' / Rowing • 'Go All Out Week', a week targeting disabled participants to try a new activity. FCC Sport organised daily events including Orienteering / Kayaking / Cycling - Trishaw / Tried local gym equipment in Millennium Park. • Energise & Exercise – in 12 schools, 480 teenage girls introduced to 'new' activities to promote continued positive lifestyle choices. • Introduction (and continuation of) Flemington Friday Night Basketball, which has attracted excellent numbers and facilitated soft communication channels for Community Garda and a 'difficult to reach' target group. • Sports Office successfully facilitated a 'first' Beach Volleyball 'elite' event on Balbriggan Beach - the legacy being a 'public' net will be in place for April through summer in 2023. • 'Sociaball' was introduced in Q4 in Luttrellstown - aimed at encouraging females who played basketball previously, to 'get back', a fun environment which is gaining participants weekly.

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Continued Implementation the aims of Fingal Sport Vision Statement 2019-2021, and began Process of delivering a new Strategy 2023-2027.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promoting 'Olympic Handball' in schools - an introduction into a 'Minority Sport' which is also prevalent to many 'new' communities. 'Try Track & Field' - a further primary school intervention to encourage trying athletics and aiming to sustain concept with teachers, ergo schools. <p>Work with Consultants began on the FCC 'Sports Strategy' 2023-2027.</p> <p>The Sports Office also embarked on a process to employ a Consultant for 'Sports and Recreational Facilities Audit' for Fingal County Council and 10km beyond its boundaries.</p> <p>In August, the Sports Office again facilitated an Outdoor Beach and Water Sports Activity Day in Balbriggan with over 1500 people turning out on the day to participate.</p> <p>40 primary school kids took part in the 'MarathonKids' programme promoting sustained exercise in primary schools. Additionally, 42 primary schools enjoyed FCC's 'Athletics League' running events.</p> <p>Sports Equipment, to the value of €102,942, was provided to over 44 groups to assist with purchasing equipment to upgrade and increase membership as well as enabling clubs to work with young people. Additionally, Youth Sports Grants were awarded to 24 clubs €950 euro each, totalling €22,800.</p>





Snapshots from the Ukrainian Family Fun Day - 4th September 2022





*Westmanstown Bowling –
Intergenerational event 2022*



Africa Day 2022

Corporate Services

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
To ensure the effective delivery and transparency of democratic processes within the Council.	<p>The Chief Executive and her team continued to work closely with the Elected Members as well as County Stakeholders (e.g. businesses, community groups, etc.)</p> <p>Through the Strategic Policy Committees, the Elected Members continued to fulfill their governance and oversight role.</p> <p>Meetings continued to be serviced and webcast to ensure the transparency of the democratic function.</p>
To ensure the provision of good customer service across the organisation.	<p>The Customer Care Unit consists of trained agents who aim to resolve queries at the first point of contact for the customer. Throughout the pandemic the Council remained open for business to the public and in 2022 our Agents dealt with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 164,396 phone calls • 8,880 emails • 21,917 in-person queries
To uphold the Citizen Charter and good customer service.	In accordance with the Council's Citizen's Charter, all complaints received were processed and responded to in a timely manner during 2022.
To ensure effective internal and external communications and the promotion of Council activities.	In accordance with the Council's Communications Strategy, an extensive programme of internal and external communications was implemented to promote the Council's activities and increase awareness of the work that we do for our citizens.
To promote the use of the Irish language through the implementation of the Irish Language Scheme.	The Fourth Irish Language Scheme 2021 - 2024 was adopted by the Members for implementation across the Council.
To ensure all Corporate buildings are improved, maintained and protected to the highest possible standard.	<p>The Buildings Facilities Team during 2022 ensured that all Corporate Buildings were maintained and protected to the highest standard.</p> <p>The staff play a key role in maintaining the Council's commitment to Energy Efficiency and continual improvement through the management of the Council's Energy Management System ISO 50001:2018.</p>





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Digital Services

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Promote innovative solutions through the mediums of Web, GIS, CRM, Data Analytics, BPI, Open Data and Knowledge Management.	<p>Continuous improvements and enhancements were made to the Development Plan workflow management system including higher quality mapping and user interface changes.</p> <p>A project to migrate CRM to Dynamics 365 was initiated. The project team will engage with Council staff and plan to introduce a new mobile interface, improved workflows and reporting features to the new system in 2023.</p> <p>The department delivered and supported a number of PowerBi Dashboards, Power Apps and Dataverse solutions across the organisation. Infrastructure, GIS, SQL and Enterprise Service Business platforms were upgraded.</p>
To implement best practice in IT governance.	In 2022 Digital Services continued the programme of engagement with every Council Department to review systems, project requirements and quality of service.
Implementation and management of required infrastructure for IT systems and services.	<p>The Council's server and network infrastructure was managed and upgraded to ensure that it performed reliably in 2022. Server availability for the year was 99.40% and network availability was 99.99%.</p> <p>Infrastructure upgrades included Network Switch Upgrades in Depots and Library Branches; Rollout of Teams Meeting Rooms in County Hall, Swords and the Civic Offices, Blanchardstown; Commissioning of a second 10GB Inter-site Link (County Hall – Civic Offices); Continued Rollout of WiFi.</p>
Deliver an efficient support service for our Staff and Councillors and members of the public.	The service desk dealt with 13,994 tickets from staff in 2022 and a New Service Catalogue was launched for staff. 112 calls were logged by Councillors. IT Support was provided to Councillors including during online Council and Development Plan meetings and on-site support was provided to Councillors for socially distanced Council meetings.
Analysis, design and deployment of secure IT systems to support business processes.	Digital Services maintained and supported 70 applications, to facilitate business processes. The Agresso Financial Management System was upgraded to Milestone 7. Spydus was introduced as the new Library Management System. The Law Department's Case Management system (Keyhouse) was migrated to a supplier hosted solution. Progress was made on the NEC Housing project, due in 2023. The APAS planning system was upgraded to SR7 as part of the continuation of the ePlanning programme of works. Choice based letting functionality requests were implemented.



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Deploy Enterprise Architecture to ensure that the Councils Corporate Strategy utilises proper technology systems architecture to achieve its goals.	Data Protection Impact Assessments were carried out on new and updated systems.
To meet the expectations of an increasingly digital world and improve the experience of those interacting with the Council.	A department-wide governance body was established to manage the sustainment, continuous improvement and best practice for Corporate Document Management. This informed the development of a new SharePoint Corporate Document Management system for every Council department. A new Chief Executive Orders System was rolled-out across the Council in 2022. A project to migrate the Council's CRM system to Dynamics 365 advanced from a Discovery and Requirements Phase, to an Implementation Phase, which will see the delivery of an updated Councillors' Portal and a standardisation of processes across Council services.
Successfully manage the Council's IT Programme and Project Lifecycle and related Resourcing.	Twenty six projects were completed in 2022. Phases three and four of the Development Plan were completed. Digital Services provided support for Council meetings. The support measures were provided for Webcasting, Electronic Voting, GIS, Meeting Management and reporting systems (RMAS).
Establish and maintain enterprise vision, strategy, and programme to ensure information assets and technologies are adequately protected.	IT Security was a priority due to the increased threat from cybercriminals seeking to take advantage of the ongoing Covid disruptions and the crisis in Ukraine. Additional Security measures are improved on a continual basis.



Economic, Enterprise, Tourism & Cultural Development

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Foster a strong local economy and promote environmentally sustainable business.	The Sustainable Fingal Initiative continued to encourage business sustainability. During 2022 the Council commenced work with DCU and DAA to drive innovation in collaborative sustainable projects.
<p>Channel a range of supports to local businesses in Fingal.</p> <p>To promote entrepreneurship, foster business start-ups and develop existing micro and small businesses.</p> <p>To drive job creation and to provide accessible high quality supports for new business ideas.</p>	<p>Small Business Assistance Scheme grants totalling €1.13m were paid to 214 businesses in the Fingal area. SBASC gave grants to businesses who were not eligible for the Government's COVID Restrictions Support Scheme (CRSS), the Fáilte Ireland Business Continuity grant or other direct sectoral grant schemes.</p> <p>The Council's three Enterprise Centres continued to participate in ConnectedHubs.ie and to support start-up and growing businesses through the provision of enterprise space, remote working space and related supports and also secured Town & Village funding for remote working hub marketing.</p> <p>In 2022 LEO Fingal continued to implement the actions from the Local Enterprise Development plan. These actions provide businesses in Fingal with the support and skills to scale and increase employment throughout the County.</p> <p>2022 saw a return to normality for a lot of businesses and a renewed focus from Fingal LEO on helping businesses expand into export markets, increased collaboration and networking events.</p> <p>A total of €1,299,053 in financial aid was approved to 166 Fingal businesses for various grant aid schemes and Trading Online Vouchers. These businesses reported an increase of 206 jobs at the end of 2022 signalling the robustness of the Fingal economy. In total, 3055 places were booked by clients for Training/ Networking/ Events/ Webinars both online and in-person.</p> <p>Local Enterprise Week proved hugely successful with over 900 businesses participating. Business clinics and mentoring assignments were delivered to 1,264 clients. 111 Trading Online Vouchers were approved. 14 Start Your Own Business courses were delivered to 179 aspiring entrepreneurs.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Channel a range of supports to local businesses in Fingal.</p> <p>To promote entrepreneurship, foster business start-ups and develop existing micro and small businesses.</p> <p>To drive job creation and to provide accessible high quality supports for new business ideas.</p>	<p>Fingal Business Network was launched in September 2022 with over 100 businesses participating. The Fingal Exporter Programme was launched in October 2022 with 13 businesses participating in a 4 module programme to expand their export presence. Fingal continues to have a vibrant Entrepreneurial Women's Network with quarterly networking events well attended throughout the year.</p>
<p>Implement and manage Local Community and Economic Development Programmes including (SICAP) and LEADER.</p>	<p>The Fingal SICAP Programme performed strongly with a budget of €1.39 million and an additional budget secured for provision of assistance to Ukrainian Refugees.</p> <p>The LEADER Programme is overseen by the Dublin Rural LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) which comprises representation from South Dublin, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown and Fingal LCDC's. In 2022 25 LEADER projects to the value of €1,090,918 were approved, with 89% of the projects in Fingal.</p>
<p>Foster collaborative leadership among stakeholders in Local Community and Economic Development.</p>	<p>Guidelines for the new Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP) issued with the process to commence in 2023. The Council secured funding for a pilot engagement project for the new LECP.</p> <p>A New Healthy Ireland Co-ordinator was appointed.</p> <p>The Council was secured Shared Island Funding for a Feasibility Study on Innovation Hubs along the Dublin-Belfast Economic Corridor.</p> <p>The Fingal Skills Strategy Group launched a Skills webpage. Existing sub-groups progressed work and two new sub-groups for Green Skills and Services were established. The Council was successful for Interreg funding for skills on the SKYLA Project. The Council also engaged with schools for a Careers Mentoring Programme and planning a Student Skills Expo for 2023.</p>

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Foster collaborative leadership among stakeholders in Local Community and Economic Development.	<p>Rush completed participation on the URBACT Playful Towns Initiative, opening streets for play and activating public open space around the town for successful play events throughout the year.</p> <p>The Council also secured funding for 2 EU CERV Projects, one on Green Skills and another on Inclusion for 2023.</p>
Implement Our Balbriggan 2019 – 2025 Rejuvenation Plan.	<p>The Council was awarded €24,438,875 in Urban Regeneration Development Funding (URDF) to implement the Our Balbriggan 2019 – 2025 Rejuvenation Plan. The demolition of O'Shea's at Balbriggan Harbour was completed in 2022. This was a precursor for the redevelopment of Quay Street, the Harbour and it's Environs. Part 8 Planning was approved by Fingal County Council for this transformative and ambitious scheme. This scheme will be funded by the URDF and Fingal County Council and will create a new family friendly civic space in a low traffic pedestrianised environment. Stage 2 design phase was completed for 2 – 4 Dublin Street to develop a new Creative Hub with 8 flexible work-spaces. Also included will be a new courtyard, gallery, STEAM, enterprise space, and multi-media spaces for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM) in line with the ambitions of SMART Balbriggan.</p> <p>A Draft Public Realm Strategy & Design Guide, together with an Active Travel and Transportation plan for Balbriggan have been completed. An Integrated Action Plan was completed as part of Balbriggan's participation in the EU URBACT iPlace Project, which focused on the town's creative entrepreneurial potential and strengthening its proposition as a destination location for the Arts.</p> <p>Work Programmes progressed across all work streams in the Town Strategy namely Local Economy, Education, Skills & Training, Community Safety, Community Integration & Well Being and Public Realm & Placemaking.</p>
Strengthen the proposition and marketing of tourism in the County.	<p>The EETCD continued to collaborate with Fáilte Ireland in the ongoing strengthening of the Fingal tourism proposition and in the marketing of the area. Key projects included the Dublin Coastal Trail, one of Fáilte Ireland's main propositions for Dublin launched in March 2022, Fingal Food Tourism / Food Trail Development, Destination Towns, the Outdoor Dining Scheme, developing sustainable tourism destinations, and facilitating Fingal familiarisation trips by overseas press and Fáilte Ireland's Meet in Ireland team.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Strengthen the proposition and marketing of tourism in the County.</p>	<p>Work also continued with the eight tourism development groups throughout the County on various initiatives aimed at furthering tourism in their individual destinations and working collaboratively through the development of the Dublin Coastal Trail and its various stories and experiences.</p> <p>Tourism Strategy 2023 – 2029 A tender for consultancy services to develop a Tourism Strategy for Fingal County Council 2023-2029 was issued in May 2022. From the submissions received a consultant was chosen to deliver a tourism strategy. This process commenced in September with a review and audit of the Fingal tourism landscape, establishing an economic baseline, growth targets and related KPIs and consultations with stakeholders. A consultant completed 12 one to one interviews, 6 focus groups and an industry stakeholder survey. The key findings document of the consultation was presented to the in-house team at the beginning of December. There is a detailed timeline for the delivery of the Strategy of 10 months, with the final draft due in June 2023.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Facilitate the creation of a Fingal food and drink tourism destination.	<p>The Council continued to work with a marketing and food network Consultant and with Fáilte Ireland in the further development of the Fingal Food and Drink Network. Though the network Committee worked through an action plan developed with a Consultant throughout 2021 and 2022, the network had it's official launch, following the pandemic, on the 16th November 2022 in County Hall. The event afforded businesses an opportunity to network, engage with the Committee, hear about the exciting plans for 2023 and the benefits for food business in joining the network. Fingal County Council continued to resource the various digital, social media and print campaigns promoting Fingal Food through the Dublin Coast and Fields brand.</p> <p>The development of a new Fingal Food Strategy also commenced in 2022. The aim of this strategy is to support the food industry by building a Food & Drink Tourism Strategy aligned to the broader Fingal Tourism Strategy also in development, including: the ongoing 'Dublin's Coast & Fields' development, implementation, & promotion; creating & maintaining world class, sustainable, saleable food & drink experiences; and continued investment in food and drink festivals and events.</p> <p>The strategy will develop 2 key overlapping strands;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Fingal Food & Drink Tourism Offering • Growth of the Fingal Food and Drink sector <p>The strategy is being developed by a consultant, marketing mentor and trainer for Fáilte Ireland and LEO's and also Fingal Food Network Facilitator, as provided by Fáilte Ireland per 'creating world class food networks' programme.</p> <p>December 2022 Project Initiation/Scoping/Stakeholder identification.</p> <p>Timeframe for delivery of the food policy is June 2023.</p>
Promote Heritage led tourism initiatives at Fingal Heritage Properties.	<p>In 2022 Newbridge House launched two new tour options with Guided Parkland Tours and Guided Farm Tours. An educational programme was also created and rolled out to both primary and secondary schools focusing on the upstairs/downstairs aspect within the house and it's connection with the workings on the Heritage Farm. A new additional event saw '21st Century Abba' performing in the walled garden to an audience of 600.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Promote Heritage led tourism initiatives at Fingal Heritage Properties.	<p>A virtual tour of the Great Hall in Malahide Castle was developed highlighting the restored features including paintings and fully laid dining table.</p> <p>Extensive marketing campaigns took place in 2022 using print, radio and social media to promote the Malahide Casino, Malahide Castle and Newbridge House.</p>
Optimise and expand visitor experiences at all Fingal visitor attractions and events.	<p>There was continued Capital investment for maintenance and upgrading of our Heritage Property facilities during 2022 including the restoration of the Great Hall at Malahide Castle and the commencement of substantive roof and windows conservation works at Ardgillan Castle and Newbridge House.</p> <p>The Council engaged with its operators and Café providers to optimise visitor experiences. The Council began a collaboration with Irish Rail to provide a new interactive children's interpretative centre at the Malahide Casino Railway Museum. This is due to launch in Q2 of 2023.</p> <p>Collaboration with Fáilte Ireland continued during 2022 on several projects including the Coastal Development Plan, engagement with the Tourism Development Groups and marketing of Fingal.</p> <p>Newbridge House – work commenced on the basement room to house the Betty Cobbe porcelain collection that will form part of the house tour and is due to open in Q1 2023.</p> <p>A new gallery space was developed in the basement of Ardgillan Castle that will launch in 2023 and allow local artists to showcase their art.</p>
Implement the Fingal Arts Development Plan 2019-2025.	The implementation of the Fingal Arts Development Plan 2019-2025 continued in 2022 with our public arts programme 'Infrastructure' and our grants, commissions and bursaries schemes, including supporting the Swords Cultural Quarter and the "Our Balbriggan" rejuvenation project.
Implement the Eight Year Framework Agreement with the Arts Council.	<p>The actions of the eight-year framework agreement with the Arts Council continued in 2022. The two areas of agreement are:</p> <p>a) Research & Development – the Arts Office continues to engage with the SCQ development team on the new public cultural facility and theatre model.</p> <p>b) Building Capacity - The Arts staff have developed a suite of research on how the Council can best meet its public service ambitions in Arts and Culture, in the areas of public arts practice and youth and education.</p>



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To co-ordinate the implementation of the Creative Ireland Programme in Fingal.	<p>A budget of €319,215 was allocated in 2022 to 49 different creative projects/initiatives across the 3 separate funding streams of Creative Communities, Cruinniú na nÓg, and the Decade of Centenaries Commemoration Programme.</p> <p>The Commemorations Programme focused on the funeral of Frank Lawless with specific emphasis on his role as an Irish Revolutionary and TD from Dublin North. An exhibition, short film and launch event was held.</p> <p>Cruinniú Na nÓg, Ireland's national day of free creative activities for children took place on 11th June and included a new Storytrail in Rush, a street play day, events in libraries and arts projects including Makerspace, Playscape and the Daily Cloud.</p> <p>The Creativity in older age funding provided 50 Covid Care concerts in care homes across Fingal throughout 2022.</p>
Swords Civic & Cultural Centre.	During 2022 procurements and appointments for consultancies were completed to form the design team necessary to deliver the SCQ project. The full design team have been developing their design from initial concept in preparation for the planning process. During 2022, the Arts Officer signed off on the plans for the new 'Black Box' theatre and gallery with the Consultants. This work will continue into 2023 with the public consultation planning to take place and tendering of the project in 2023.



*Culture Night Balbriggan -
23rd September 2022*

Environment, Climate Action & Active Travel

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Implement the Eastern - Midlands Regional Waste Management Plan 2015-2021.	An evaluation of the current 5 year plan has been undertaken prior to the review of the plan. Available here .
Aftercare of historic and closed landfills.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management of closed licensed landfills - Balleally, Dunsink, Nevitt, Barnageeragh- ongoing. • Capital Works Programme for Balleally progressing with some works commenced – upgrade of electrical works for leachate collection. • Progressed Design, Screening and foreshore agreements for protection wall for Brooks End Legacy Landfill.
Monitor Air and Noise Pollution.	<p>Environmental Inspections and activities related to this activity are reported to the EPA in the National Enforcement Priorities Progress Report 2022 available here.</p> <p>The report enumerates a wide range of activities including complaints, planned inspections and permitting/licensing activities. This report together with the reports from other Local Authorities will be evaluated by the EPA later this year. The number of routine and non-routine air/noise related inspections undertaken in 2022 was 558.</p>
Enforce Waste Regulations.	<p>Environmental Inspections and activities related to this activity are reported to the EPA in the National Enforcement Priorities Progress Report 2022 available here. The report enumerates a wide range of activities including complaints, planned inspections and permitting/licensing activities. This report, together with the reports from other Local Authorities, will be evaluated by the EPA later this year. The number of routine and non-routine waste inspections undertaken in 2022 was 1,432 against a target of 1,208. End of Life Vehicle Project – 81 illegal sites were cleared and closed down by the end of 2022. Six remaining sites are in the process of removing ELV's with legal action ongoing for 2 of these sites.</p>
Operate dog and horse control service.	The Dog Warden Service, in operation since September 2021, have been carrying out enforcement under the Control of Dogs Act 1986. In 2022, 455 fines were issued in relation to dog offences.



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Operate dog and horse control service.	<p>A pilot project of door-to-door dog licence checks were carried out at 12,500 homes in Fingal by the dog wardens where they issued 10 day notices to dog owners to produce licences within 10 days. In 2022, 10,417 dog licences were purchased and revenue from licence sales totalled €315,020.</p> <p>The Dog Wardens patrol parks and beaches and have been working alongside EETCD at some of Fingal's outdoor events.</p> <p>In 2022, 154 stray dogs entered the shelter and 51 were surrendered. 70 were reclaimed by their owners and 136 were rehomed either through rescue centres or to members of the public.</p> <p>An Animal Welfare project began on Dunsink Landfill in conjunction with DAFM and the DSPCA and two subsequent equine round-ups took place in May and August 2022. In total, 128 horses were identified with owners. Those not microchipped were microchipped and all horses received treatment for parasites. 11 stallions were castrated as part of the project in order to reduce indiscriminate breeding.</p> <p>In 2022, 11 horses were seized from the public realm. 9 of these were rehomed and 2 were PTS on welfare grounds.</p>
Operate Litter Warden Service.	<p>This service is operated in line with the Litter Pollution Acts 1997 – 2009. In 2022 there was an increased focus on illegal dumping and known blackspots were patrolled daily. The number of routine litter patrols/investigations undertaken in 2022 was 3387. The litter wardens continued their weekend patrols in 2022. They also carried out awareness campaigns on our coastal routes, to advise citizens of their responsibilities as dog owners to pick up after their dogs and their responsibility never to leave litter behind.</p> <p>The abandoned car pilot project continued in 2022 with a total number of 383 vehicles being reported as abandoned. Following investigation, a total of 13 were deemed abandoned and subsequently removed.</p>



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Protect Surface, Ground and Coastal Waters.	Environmental Inspections and activities related to this activity are reported to the EPA in the National Enforcement Priorities Progress Report 2022 available here . The report enumerates a wide range of activities including complaints, planned inspections and permitting/licensing activities. This report together with the reports from other local authorities will be evaluated by the EPA later this year. The number of routine and non-routine water/wastewater inspections undertaken in 2021 was 850.
Provide an Environmental Awareness Programme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supported the 145 schools in the Green Schools Programme, with 23 New Green Flags awarded to Fingal Schools in 2022. Worked with the Dublin LA's, the Eastern Midlands Regional Waste Plan Office and Composting Ireland to roll out the Composting for Schools which introduces and subsidises composting and food waste in schools. The project won the REPAK prize in the sustainability category. Rolled out litter programmes such as the Picker Pals in national schools and provided litter pickers through the 6 hub Community Centres. Picker Pals Litter initiative now in 40 new classes in primary schools, this is in addition to the already active 80 Picker Pals classes. Worked with Dublin LA's, An Taisce and other groups to run the Dublin Community Clean-Up Week in September. Funded 15 Anti-Litter & Anti-Graffiti projects in communities county-wide to the value of €20k. In partnership with six Community Centres, litter kits were provided to Fingal individuals and communities. The Dublin Clean-Up Week was an event which mobilised several groups to carry out clean-ups. Litter kits were also provided directly to Community Groups and Schools. Promoted and facilitated the Fingal Instruments Project whereby instruments are handed in at Recycling Centres, cleaned and repaired and redistributed back into communities. The 'Fingal Keen to be Green' Project awards were held, and all 32 Fingal Community Centres received their first star for the Waste phase. This is a programme designed to assist the centre managers in becoming more sustainable in their delivery of services. Ongoing promotional campaigns in co-operation with Communications to address litter, beach and marine environments, food waste, biodiversity and general environmental awareness. Sustainable gardening workshops were delivered to the public.



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Provide an Environmental Awareness Programme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree-planting workshops were held in 3 secondary and 5 primary schools in Fingal in December. Three Community planting days were organised in Castleknock, Malahide and Newbridge House Grounds. • The community leaf mould composting initiative was extremely-well received in communities all across Fingal. 26 communities participated in the programme. 136 leaf mould cages were set up in over 50 locations. Training was provided in 17 workshops. • As part of the ReUse initiatives with the Rediscovery Centre, a total 325 5L tins of paint were delivered to Fingal community groups in 2022 for use in public areas.
Implement Flood Protection Schemes in co-operation with the OPW.	There are three flood schemes (Malahide, Portmarnock & Skerries) with the OPW. These are undergoing a Scheme Viability Review by the OPW currently.
Co-ordination of Climate Change Action Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance and reporting structures are in place. Climate Action Co-ordinator works with Implementation leads from across all internal Departments, and with colleagues from the Dublin Local Authorities, CARO, Codema, and other stakeholders to co-ordinate delivery of the Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024. The Plan was adopted by the Council in May 2019 and actions are ongoing. The Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment SPC has been provided with regular updates. The Climate Change Action Plan Annual Progress Report 2022 was delivered and communicated to SPC, CPG and Council.
Provide Bring Banks for glass bottles.	The Council operates two civic amenity sites (Estuary and Coolmine), a network of 60 Bring Banks for glass recycling throughout the County and a total of 29 Textile Bank locations. In 2022 a total of 5775.16 tonnes of glass was collected and recycled from Fingal Bring Banks. A total of 219 tonnes of textiles was collected from Textile Banks.



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Protected Cycle Lanes – management of the design & construction of numerous protected cycle lane projects.	Approximately 30km of cycle facilities completed for the following schemes; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hartstown/Huntstown • Rivervalley/Rathingle • Baldoyle/Howth • St. Cronans/Brackenstown Road
Towns & Villages enhancements – mobility reviews and public realm projects with an emphasis on Active Travel.	Works are continuing in the development of an Active Travel Plan for a number of our Towns & Villages; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Street Malahide • Balrothery • Skerries
Connectivity/Permeability – review & enhancement of existing infrastructure to promote overall connectivity for Active Travel users.	We are continuing to receive various requests for permeability and connectivity improvements from various stakeholders across the county. These requests are being recorded in detail for evaluation through a multi criteria analysis. The projects are then reviewed across the departments to identify if an appropriate means of delivery can be established on the ground.
Strategic planning – preparation and implementation of an Active Travel Strategy.	The Active Travel Strategy has been prepared and was presented to the SPC.
Road Safety Office – implementation of the Safer Routes to School programme, encouraging a transport modal shift for school goers. Management of the school wardens.	<p>Round 1 – Tranche 1 – The following projects are currently under construction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rush/Lusk Educate Together • Castaheany ETNS/St. Benedicts NS • Bayside Junior and Senior Schools <p>Round 1 – Tranche 2 – the remaining schools are currently in the advanced designs stage with a view to construction during 2023.</p> <p>Round 2 schools were announced in late 2022. An Taisce is managing the preparation of a development plan, for delivery on the ground by Fingal County Council during 2023.</p>
Preparation and publication of Fingal's Road Safety Plan.	Fingal's Road Safety Plan is currently under review following the release of the RSA Road Strategy 2021–2030 Vision Zero.



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<p>Mobility & Behavioural Change – rolling out various Active Travel Projects & Events to raise awareness and promote a modal shift.</p>	<p>The Active Travel Team held numerous events internally and externally to raise awareness and promote a modal shift:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programmes & Initiatives • Learn to Cycle with a Disability Course • Walking Groups • Adult Cycling Courses • Cycling Without Age • Bike Share for E-Bikes launched in Fingal with Tier as the operator



Weather Station for Schools Project



Light Up Your Bike Campaign



ESB Blepper eBikes in Fingal

Finance

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Active Debt Management (Rates/PEL/NPPR).	In 2022, 98.1% of Commercial Rates were collected (including rates waiver). The Property Entry Levy (PEL), which is a charge that applies to all newly erected or newly constructed properties pending the assessment of commercial rates, took in revenue of €0.904m. Revenue from the Non-Principal Private Residence (NPPR) charge was €1.05m in 2022.
The Management of Accounts Payable and Treasury Management Cash Outflows.	Accounts Payable processed €455.2m of payments during 2022. The treasury management and cashflow was actively managed throughout the year.
Effective Management of Liability Claims and Insurance Policies.	All claims against the Council were pro-actively managed and investigated by the Council. We continued to engage with our insurers with regard to the insurance policies in place.
Ensure Budgets are reviewed and monitored.	Revenue account budgets and Capital Plan are reviewed regularly with each department.
Production of 3 Year Capital Programme.	The 2023-2025 Capital Plan was presented to Councillors in October 2022.
Production of Annual Budget.	The 2023 Budget was presented to the Council on the 8th November 2022.
Production of Annual Financial Statement.	The 2021 Financial Statements were completed in March 2022 with the Auditor's Report signed in September 2022.
To achieve best practice and value for money in procurement.	<p>The Central Procurement Unit (CPU) conducted procurement processes identified in the Annual Procurement Plan during 2022. A total of 323 procurements with an estimated value of €253.26m commenced and 270 contracts with a value of €81.38m were awarded during the year.</p> <p>The CPU also carried out monitoring and reporting on procurement compliance and performance across the organisation to the Executive Management Team.</p>

Housing Services

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Delivery of housing in Fingal County Council in line with the Housing Strategy and Housing for All.</p>	<p>A total of 1,191 social housing units were delivered in 2022 via acquisitions, build, leasing and HAP streams.</p> <p>A target of delivering 404 units during 2022 through new builds and leasing of social housing units during 2022 was set for Fingal. At the end of the year, the target was exceeded and a total of 525 units were delivered under these streams.</p> <p>The Council's Vacant Homes Action was launched in December 2022.</p> <p>The Croí Cónaithe Refurbishment Vacant Property Grant Scheme was launched in July 2022. Eight applications were received in 2022, with works underway at 3 properties and 16 other property owners in dialogue with the Vacant Homes Section moving to formal application stage.</p> <p>Work commenced on-site on Phase 1 of the restoration of 14 vacant cottages at St. Ita's Portrane.</p>
<p>Delivery and Management of Homeless Services in accordance with the Homelessness Action Plan 2022 – 2024.</p>	<p>Continued progress has been made with the implementation of the objectives of the Homelessness Action Plan 2022-2024.</p> <p>During 2022, the Homeless Team completed 748 homeless assessments, comprising 380 families and 368 single or couple households.</p> <p>A total of 364 households were assisted to exit homelessness via the provision of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 172 Social Housing Tenancies • 192 Homeless - HAP Tenancies <p>There is ongoing engagement and collaboration with various stakeholders regarding the provision and delivery of homeless services.</p>
<p>Administration of the Housing Assistance Payment Scheme.</p>	<p>HAP continued to be administered in 2022 through the new online application portal. Three hundred and eighty-two (382) tenancies were set up by Fingal County Council in 2022 and over 3,600 tenancies have been set up since HAP was introduced in 2017.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Management and Maintenance of Housing Stock/Vacancies/Voids.	<p>The Council continued to deliver an estate management and housing maintenance service provision to over 6,400 tenancies, incorporating a wide range of housing stock.</p> <p>There were 13,620 response maintenance requests received in 2022, a 9% reduction on the previous year. The Estate Management Section received 1,556 complaints pertaining to allegations of anti-social behaviour representing an increase of 14.7% on the previous year.</p> <p>The vacancy rate on council stock in 2022 was 1.7%.</p>
Implementation of the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019 - 2024.	<p>The implementation of the objectives of the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019 – 2024 has progressed, with ongoing refurbishment works and the provision of accommodation in line with the needs of the Traveller population in the Fingal administrative area.</p>
Facilitate Access to Good Quality Private Rented Accommodation through an Annual Inspections Programme.	<p>In line with the Strategy for the Private Rental Sector the DHLGH has set annual inspection targets for all local authorities. These targets are based on a percentage of properties registered with the RTB. In 2022 there were 20,824 tenancies registered with the RTB in the Fingal administrative area.</p> <p>An annual inspection target of 25% of these registered tenancies has been set by DHLGH.</p> <p>As part of the Council's Annual Inspection Programme, 6,113 inspections of private rented properties were carried out in 2022.</p>
Deliver Sufficient and Appropriate Housing Solutions for Disabled Persons.	<p>In 2022, 480 applications received from the private sector were approved for the Housing Adaptation Scheme for Older People and People with a Disability with grants over the value of €2.7m paid out.</p> <p>Through the Disabled Persons Adaptation Grant Scheme, 71 new applications were received by the Council in 2022. Works concluded on 51 minor adaptation applications and works commenced on one extension application.</p> <p>Minor adaptations works included the provision of level access showers, ramps, stairlifts and grabrails. The Housing Department received approximately €240,000 funding from the DHLGH to support these works.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Support the Provision of Mixed Tenure, Quality and Affordable Housing.	<p>The Council continued to advance a number of mixed tenure schemes across the county in 2022. The proposed mixed tenure development at Churchfields, Mulhuddart comprises 1,000 social and affordable housing units. The Part 8 planning for the first phase of 300 dwellings and the Eastern Linear Park was approved in 2022.</p> <p>Works progressed on the Dun Emer development in Lusk where the Council are constructing 39 affordable and 12 social homes, which is one of the first social and affordable housing schemes developed under the Government's Housing for All Policy.</p> <p>In 2022, the tender process was advanced for a mixed tenure scheme at Hayestown, Rush to build 52 affordable and 10 social homes.</p>



From left to right: Minister for Housing Darragh O'Brien TD, Chief Architectural Technologist at FCC Orla Harte, FCC Director of Housing Robert Burns and FCC Chief Executive AnnMarie Farrelly



*Affordable Housing Scheme Development
in Dun Emer, Lusk, Co. Dublin.*

Law

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
To provide legal services to the Chief Executive and all Council Departments.	Legal services are provided to the Chief Executive and Council Departments as requested.



Libraries

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Implement the Libraries Development Plan 2018 - 2023.	The objectives of Fingal Libraries Development Plan 2018 - 2023 continued to be implemented in 2022 by way of 42 actions.
Provide high quality, welcoming, accessible spaces which meet the needs of library users.	<p>Site work commenced on the refurbishment of and extension to Skerries Library in March 2022. A temporary library is open on Church Street for the duration of the works.</p> <p>The Libraries Department worked with the Architect led integrated design team to develop detailed plans for the new County Library in the Swords Cultural Quarter.</p> <p>In September, Baldoyle Library was opened as the first 'My Open Library' in Fingal. The 'My Open Library' service offers extended opening hours, providing access to the library from 8:00am to 10:00pm, 365 days per year.</p> <p>Staffed opening hours at Baldoyle, Rush and the temporary library in Skerries were increased during 2022.</p>
Ensure that libraries are staffed with well trained, informed and customer focused staff.	Throughout 2022 staff received appropriate training, engaged in continuing professional development and received support to avail of relevant third level educational opportunities.
Recognise and meet the changing needs of library users, in accordance with our Collection Development Policy.	<p>In March 2022 a new Library Management System, was selected for public libraries in Ireland. The Spydus consortium model allows for the sharing of bibliographic records, loans and reservations across each of the 30 library authorities, thereby ensuring that Fingal library patrons have easy and quick access to millions of books nationwide.</p> <p>The Digital Repository of Ireland published a photographic collection titled 'Fingal and the Fight for Irish Freedom' - the first Fingal County Libraries collection to be published by the DRI. This rich collection is made up of material that was gathered at Memorabilia Days across Fingal in 2015 and 2016.</p> <p>As part of a pilot project, a range of educational and developmental toys and resources were made available for borrowing at Balbriggan, Blanchardstown, Garristown and Malahide Libraries.</p>



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<p>Reinforce the position of libraries in the community as key points of access to information technology and digital services.</p>	<p>In April 2022, Libraries launched the Makerspace at Blanchardstown Library - a multi-use, creative and educational community facility which houses a range of equipment including laptops, a 3-D printer, a vinyl cutter and design software.</p> <p>In February, Fingal Libraries launched its newest e-service – LOTE (Languages Other than English). Offering over 1,500 digital picture books in over 50 languages, this is an entertaining, inclusive and educational platform.</p> <p>Also introduced were Reader Pens which read words and full lines of text aloud for independent reading. Those with dyslexia, those who have difficulty with reading or pronunciation, those learning languages or those with vision problems find these pens extremely helpful pieces of technology.</p> <p>In 2022, Libraries also started to offer free access to the wealth of genealogical resources available through FamilySearch. This popular web service has over 6 billion searchable names and 2 billion images of historical genealogical records.</p>
<p>Encourage the community to reach its full potential and engage all citizens through an innovative programme of events and activities in libraries.</p>	<p>Highlights in the events calendar in 2022 included the Writers Festival, Fingal Festival of History, and a Children's Literature Festival. Libraries also ran events under the Healthy Ireland, Right to Read, Work Matters and Europe Direct programmes.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Market Libraries in Fingal as democratic, inclusive and dynamic spaces, open to all who live and work in the County.	Throughout 2022, Libraries social media strategy involved scheduling daily messages, posts and content across our various platforms, in order to promote our online activities and programmes.
Ensure that Fingal Libraries continue to remain visible and relevant in the community through collaboration and partnerships.	<p>In 2022, in partnership with other Council departments and outside organisations, we welcomed Ukrainians to our libraries and provided them with meet-up spaces, English classes and books in their native language. Blanchardstown Library also hosted a collaborative photographic exhibition between Irish and Ukrainian photographers.</p> <p>We also partnered up with the NOW Group, a social enterprise that supports people with learning difficulties and autism, to introduce the Jam Card and App service into all Fingal libraries. They are a discreet way of communicating to others that 'Just A Minute' (JAM) of time / assistance is required in certain situations.</p>
Ensure Creative Ireland program is delivered across Fingal.	<p>A budget of €319,215 was allocated in 2022 to 49 different creative projects/initiatives across the 3 separate funding streams of Creative communities, Cruinniú na nÓg, and the Decade of Centenaries Commemoration programme</p> <p>The Commemorations Programme focused on the funeral of Frank Lawless with specific emphasis on his role as an Irish revolutionary and TD from Dublin North. An exhibition, short film and launch event was held.</p> <p>Cruinniú Na nÓg, Ireland's national day of free creative activities for children took place on 11th June and included a new Storytrail in Rush, a street play day, events in libraries and arts projects including Makespace, Playscape and the Daily Cloud.</p> <p>The Creativity in older age funding provided 50 Covid Care concerts in care home across Fingal throughout 2022.</p>
Consult on a new Creative Ireland Strategy to span the extended 5-year program 2023-2027.	Extensive consultation was carried out in 2022 with internal and external stakeholders to inform the 2023 - 2027 strategy.





*Ukrainian Book Launch
at Donabate Library*



*Fingal Libraries Launch
of Storytrail*

Operations Department

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022										
Management & Maintenance of Regional & Local Roads, Traffic Management, Road Safety.	<p>There are 65kms of National Roads including motorways in the County. The Council is responsible for managing 264Kms of regional and 1011kms of local roads in the County. Maintenance work including surface drainage, road and footpath repairs and replacement, traffic management and public lighting is delivered through the Programme of Works and the annual maintenance programmes delivered from the Depots in Coolmine, Fancourt and Swords. The Council continued to manage its stock 32,900 public lights with over 90% having been converted as part of the LED Energy Efficiency Programme.</p> <p>The following applications were processed during 2022:</p> <table> <tr> <th>Item</th><th>2022</th></tr> <tr> <td>Wayleave/ Communication/ Road Opening Licence</td><td>2,400</td></tr> <tr> <td>Taking in Charge Certs</td><td>2,057</td></tr> <tr> <td>Abnormal Load Permits</td><td>490</td></tr> <tr> <td>Temporary Road Closures</td><td>590</td></tr> </table>	Item	2022	Wayleave/ Communication/ Road Opening Licence	2,400	Taking in Charge Certs	2,057	Abnormal Load Permits	490	Temporary Road Closures	590
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Management & Maintenance of Regional Parks, Open Spaces, Pitches & Recreational Facilities.	<p>The Council continues to manage and maintain over 5000 acres (2000 Ha) of public open spaces at our regional, local and neighbourhood parks and 4 allotment sites with over 800 allotments. Within the parks and open spaces, we provide;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 54 playgrounds • 179 grass playing pitches • 8 all-weather playing facilities • 6 cricket pitches • 19 Multi Use Games Areas (MUGA's) • 4 skateparks • 1 BMX track • 8 public tennis courts • 10 boules courts • 33 separate locations for adult exercise equipment. 										



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Management & Maintenance of Harbours, Litter Management, Provision of Burial Grounds, Public Conveniences.</p>	<p>In total 88kms of Fingal's coastline is maintained by the Operations Department which includes the 11 designated beaches at Balbriggan, Skerries South, Loughshinny, Rush South and North, Portrane, Donabate, Malahide, Portmarnock, Sutton Burrow Beach, Claremont and Howth. 35 lifeguards were employed from June to early September 2022. Continuous monitoring of seawater samples was carried out during the bathing season to ensure compliance with the Bathing Water Quality requirements.</p> <p>Harbours and piers at Balbriggan, Skerries, Loughshinny and Rush were managed and maintained during the year with works carried out on the marker buoys and navigational aids at Skerries Harbour. The Council also appointed a Harbour Master to ensure the 4 Harbours are managed to the highest standard.</p> <p>Litter and Cleansing crews continued with their cyclical and response programmes in the public realm across the County and supported the work of Tidy Towns Groups and other local volunteers.</p>
<p>To support the delivery of major commercial and community events as appropriate.</p>	<p>A significant number of events were held in in our regional parks and open spaces and in the public realm during 2022 following the restrictions as a result of Covid 19. While a huge number of events were supported by the Operations Department in 2022 the following list provides a flavour of the variety of larger scale events across the County:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rush Harbour Festival • Malahide Concerts • Skerries Regatta • Cool Running Ice Skating Rink Millennium Park • Castleknock Village Festival • Sunday Market at St. Catherine's Park • St. Patrick's Day Parades in towns across the county <p>Management of commercial and sporting events and event licence applications when permitted involve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre and post event meetings • Document validation and issuing of event permits • Temporary road closure application • Litter Management • Professional advice on traffic management • Advice on crowd safety management





150 new solar powered compactable smart bins installed across Fingal



Concert-goers enjoying the summer series of gigs at Malahide Castle

People Services

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
To foster and embed an effective performance management and development culture in the organization.	A Performance Management and Development System is being implemented and supported by competency frameworks, an annual training plan and a financially assisted Further Education Programme as a normal business process.
To implement a programme that promotes wellbeing, equality and diversity in the workplace.	Staff wellbeing activities are regularly promoted by the Council's newly appointed Staff Wellbeing Officer and through the Wellbeing Strategy, and by the staff forum – Network Fingal and a network of informal social groups formed by staff members. Equality and Diversity is integrated in the business process of the organization.
To optimise the availability and skills of the Council's human resources.	Staff vacancies are being filled in a timely manner and there is a dynamic mobility programme in place allowing for the deployment of staff having regard to operational requirements and career development aspirations. An annual training programme was implemented on-line and in person. Proactive attendance management was also in place.
To promote a safe and healthy work environment.	There is a proactive and dynamic safety regime of safety inspections, safety auditing and accident investigation in place. In addition, staff are required to attend safety training courses on a structured and regular basis.



Planning & Strategic Infrastructure

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
<p>Deliver strategic infrastructure (physical & green) in the County.</p>	<p>Advance works contracts and land acquisition well advanced for Broadmeadow Way. Large consultations took place for Fingal Coastal Way and Sutton-Malahide, with planning documentation being prepared for submission to An Bord Pleanála for Sutton-Malahide. Royal Canal greenway land acquisition and planning application due for submission in 2023. Ongar-Barnhill and Harry Reynolds Road tender procurements commenced with a view to appointing contractors in 2023. Consultancy frameworks for Swords, Kinsealy and Donabate commenced for a range of projects across these areas. The Sustainable Swords Strategy was published, which proposes a range of transportation infrastructure for Swords. Church Fields Link Road construction ongoing. Snugborough Interchange construction ongoing.</p> <p>Work progressed on River Valley All Weather Pitch facility and work commenced on the development of Porterstown Recreational Hub and the first phase of Bremore Regional Park Recreational Hub. Works were completed on the restoration of four heritage glasshouses at Ardgillan Demesne. Procurement was progressed on the upgrade of Lanesborough Park, Naul Village Park, Garristown Public Space and Howth Harbour Playground. Work progressed on the preparation of the audit of public play facilities in Fingal in line with the adopted "Space for Play, A Play Policy for Fingal". Work commenced on the preparation of the Ward River Regional Park Development Project. Works progressed on the feature entrance Gatehouse at Bremore Castle. Planning approval was obtained from An Bord Pleanála for the Racecourse Park, Baldoyle Development Project. The preparation of plans for Rogerstown Park (Former Balleally Landfill) was advanced.</p>
<p>Promote & Enforce Building Regulations and Construction Product Regulations.</p>	<p>In 2022, a total of 2,935 new buildings submitted commencement notices through the BCMS system with over 50% of them going through a desktop technical review at completion stage. Also, the Council dealt with 275 Fire Safety Certificates and 189 Disability Access Certificates. The Building Control Authority carried out over 400 on-site inspections.</p> <p>Building Control is the Market Surveillance Authority for Construction Products in the Fingal area. The Target product in 2022 was aggregated and Fingal staff, with the assistance of the National Building Control Authority inspected quarries in the Fingal area. Furthermore, enforcement action was taken against one supplier of fabricated steel for non-conformance with the Harmonized National Standard.</p>



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Ensure appropriate action is taken on unauthorised development.	On-going investigations and enforcement action. 228 warning letters and 29 enforcement notices issued. 3 new cases were referred to the Law Department during 2022 bringing to 19 the number of enforcement cases with the Law Department or at varying stages in the legal system.
Ensure planning decisions are transparent and are decided in accordance with proper planning and sustainable development.	Planning decisions decided in accordance with statutory requirements. 1,303 planning applications received, 1,210 decisions made. 20 SHD applications were made to An Bord Pleanála, 2 SHD's were granted, 1 was withdrawn and 1 was refused. 6 Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) applications were made to Fingal County Council and 2 LRD decisions were granted during 2022.
Manage the Taking in Charge Statutory Process.	The Taking in Charge policy was reviewed and the specifications contained within were updated. The Council has moved over to online submission of the as-constructed information and CCTV from the Developers through Sharepoint. A total of 12 estates were Taken in Charge in 2022.



Cycling and Walking Scheme - Sutton to Malahide

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Preparation/review of County Development Plan - set out the strategy and objectives for the sustainable development of the County.	The Development Plan process has continued throughout 2022. The second and third round of public consultation was completed in May and December of this year. The Chief Executive's Report on Material Alterations is due to issue to members in January 2023, with the Plan being adopted in February 2023. The Fingal Development Plan 2023 – 2029 is expected to come into effect in April 2023.
Delivery of a sustainable transport system for all citizens.	<p>Capital Plan 2023-2025 adopted which contains a range of schemes that are currently being advanced including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadmeadow Way: advance works contracts underway; • Fingal Coastal Way: emerging preferred route consultation completed. • Sutton-Malahide: preferred option consultation completed, planning documentation being prepared for submission to An Bord Pleanála in 2023. • Royal Canal greenway land acquisition and planning application due for submission in 2023. • Ongar-Barnhill: tender commenced with a view to appointing contractor in 2023. • Harry Reynolds Road: tender commenced with a view to appointing contractor in 2023. • Consultancy frameworks for Swords, Kinsealy and Donabate, commenced for a range of projects across these areas. • Sustainable Swords Strategy published, proposes a range of transportation infrastructure for Swords. • Church Fields Link Road construction ongoing. • Snugborough Interchange construction ongoing.



Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Promote and Protect Biodiversity.	Public consultation was completed on the new Fingal Biodiversity Action Plan and works were progressed in line with the Dublin Bay Biosphere Plan.
Support Rebuilding Ireland.	<p>Ongoing residential development, December 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 67 active residential sites with 2,933 units under construction. 2,083 units have been constructed during the 12 months to end Q4 2022. There are 49 inactive sites with a potential to deliver a further 7,262 units. • Construction continues to progress in Hansfield. There are seven planning applications currently on the SDZ lands, with five of these sites active. There is a total of 1,568 Occupied/Completed units to date on the overall SDZ lands since the inception of the scheme. One new Planning Application was granted this quarter with a total of 174 Apartments. • At Oldtown/Mooretown (MUHDS/LIHAF), there are six active sites on these lands. There are 254 units Under Construction in Q4 2022. • In Donabate (MUHDS/LIHAF), construction activity increased between Q3 2022 and Q4 2022. There are ten planning applications in total in Donabate, six of these are active. Of the four planning applications yet to commence, one of these is an SHD Application. • In Northwood – Santry, construction continues within four active sites, one of which is an SHD, one new Planning Application commenced in Q4 2022. There are six extant permissions with 294 units not yet started and a total of 381 units granted that have yet to commence across all ten permissions in this area. • Rural Villages: There are 10 Granted Planning Applications, one of which is an SHD. Nine of the Applications are active in five Fingal Villages with one new Planning Application commencing in Q4.
Develop a Coastal Management Policy.	The Fingal Pilot Project for Coastal Monitoring works were progressed in collaboration with the OPW and the preparation of plans for Coastal Protection Works in the Rogerstown Outer Estuary was advanced.

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Promote and protect the built and cultural heritage of the County.	<p>The Heritage Office continued to contribute to the Development Plan process. In relation to Planning Files, Consultee reports were prepared for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 132 Planning Permissions • 6 LRDs • 18 SHDs • 27 Compliances <p>Infrastructural Projects; Review of documentation, input, and cross-departmental advice for Fingal's infrastructural projects including Swords Cultural Quarter, Ward River Regional Park, Our Balbriggan and Fingal Coastal Way.</p> <p>Naming of Developments; A total of 30 reports for compliance with naming conditions were requested from the Heritage Officer in 2022. Process includes liaison with local historical societies, Placename Commission, research, and evaluation. Guidance on naming for developers was progressed.</p> <p>The Heritage Officer also administers the Community Monument Fund in Fingal for the National Monuments Service, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. Several projects received funding in 2022, at St Marnock's Church, Portmarnock, St Catherine's Church, Kenure, Rush Tower House, St Columba's Towers Swords, Moat Wood, Naul, Balrothery Tower House and St Mary's Clonmethan, Oldtown.</p> <p>Other projects undertaken in 2022 include: Fingal Thatch Project 2022, Digging Drumanagh 2022, Legacies of Conflict 1914-1945 and Fingal Heritage X Climate.</p> <p>Work continued in the Heritage Network, the Heritage Forum and on a number of events for Heritage Week.</p>





Water Services

Service Delivery Objective	Assessment Report 2022
Provision of Water Services/SLA/ ASP.	<p>Úisce Éireann is the public utility with responsibility for Water Services, including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water production and distribution • Wastewater collection • Treatment & disposal continue to be delivered by the Council in accordance with the 2022 Service Level Agreement between Úisce Éireann and Fingal County Council.
Maintenance of the Fingal Surface Water Network.	<p>Development, management and maintenance of the Fingal Surface Water Network is the responsibility of the Council with provision in the Fingal Revenue and Capital budgets for 2022. During 2022, the Council continued with new works, ongoing maintenance and repairs, including the jetting of County wide blackspots to assist with flooding prevention.</p>



New Eco toilets installed at Shackleton Garden, D15

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Area Chairperson:

Councillor Tony Murphy, was replaced by Councillor Gráinne Maguire July 2022

Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/Ongar

Members of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart, Castleknock and Ongar Electoral Areas.

Area Chairperson:

Councillor Pamela Conroy, was replaced by Councillor Mary McCamley, July 2022

Howth-Malahide

Members of Howth-Malahide Electoral Area

Area Chairperson:

Councillor Eoghan O'Brien, was replaced by Councillor David Healy, July 2022

ORGANISATION AND PROCEDURE COMMITTEE

All Elected Members are members of this Committee.

CORPORATE POLICY GROUP

Mayor: Councillor Seána Ó'Rodaigh - Jan - June 2022

Mayor: Councillor Howard Mahony - June 2022 – Dec 2022

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HERITAGE CULTURE & CREATIVITY SPC

Councillors Joan Hopkins (Chairperson), John Walsh, Grainne Maguire, Seána Ó'Rodaigh, JK Onwumereh, Cathal Boland

Non-Elected Nominees:

Abbi Wise, Liz Madden (up to Sept 2022)

TRANSPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT SPC

Councillors Tom O'Leary (Chairperson), Ann Graves, Karen Power, Jimmy Guerin, Eoghan O'Brien, Angela Donnelly (from March 2022)

Non-Elected Nominees:

Sinead Kavanagh, Michael Lenahan, Doreen Keaney (until May 2022)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE SPC

Councillors Tony Murphy (Chairperson until June 2022), Darragh Butler (Chairperson from July 2022), Ian Carey, Ted Leddy, Breda Hanaphy, Howard

Mahony, Anthony Lavin, Siobhan Shovlin

Non-Elected Nominees:

Anthony Cooney, Eric Fleming, David Normoyle (until May 2022), Kesava Gollapalli (until May 2022), Yetunde Joyce (from June 2022), Helen Keng Mobit (from June 2022)

HOUSING SPC

Councillors Robert O'Donoghue (Chairperson), Brigid Manton, Natalie Treacy, Daniel Whooley,

John Burtchaell, Kieran Dennison, Adrian Henchy, James Humphreys

Non-Elected Nominees:

Finbarr Geaney, Adeline O'Brien, Dayakar Reddy Komirelly, John Uwhumiakpor

CLIMATE ACTION, BIODIVERSITY & ENVIRONMENT SPC

Councillors David Healy (Chairperson), Mary McCamley, Joe Newman, Paul Mulville, Aoibhinn Tormey, Pamela Conroy (from Feb 2022)

Non-Elected Nominees:

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LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Councillors Breda Hanaphy, Robert O'Donoghue, Siobhan Shovlin

MARINE & COASTAL MANAGEMENT SPC

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Councillors Cathal Boland, Punam Rane, Brigid Manton

JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE

Councillors Gráinne Maguire, John Walsh, Adrian Henchy,



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Councillor Gráinne Maguire

ASSOCIATION OF IRISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Councillors Gráinne Maguire, Kieran Dennison, Cathal Boland

BALLEALLY LIAISON COMMITTEE

Councillors Brian Dennehy, Robert O' Donoghue, Paul Mulville, Cathal Boland, Adrian Henchy

BASE ENTERPRISE CENTRE

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BLANCHARDSTOWN COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM

Councillors Ted Leddy, John Walsh

BLANCHARDSTOWN LOCAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL TASK FORCE

Councillors Ted Leddy, Natalie Treacy, Daniel Whooley

COUNTY HERITAGE FORUM

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Councillors Mary McCamley, Howard Mahony

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Councillor Brian McDonagh

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FINGAL TOURISM LIMITED

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June - Dec 2022
Mayor Howard Mahony
Mulhuddart/Castleknock/
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All Councillors from
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Meetings Held in 2022

Meeting	No. of Meetings held
Full Council	11
Balbriggan/Rush-Lush/Swords (Services A) Area Committee	10
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords (Services B) Area Committee	10
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar (Services A) Area Committee	10
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar (Services B) Area Committee	10
Howth/Malahide (Services A) Area Committee	10
Howth/Malahide (Services B) Area Committee	10
Special Meeting	7
Annual Meeting	1
Budget Meeting	1
Corporate Policy Group	7
Organisation, Procedures & Finance Committee	7
Climate Action, Biodiversity, Environment Strategic Policy Committee	4
Community Development, Heritage Culture & Creativity Strategic Policy Committee	4
Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development Strategic Policy Committee	4
Fingal Development Plan 2023 - 2029	19
Housing Strategic Policy Committee	4
Howth SAAO Management Committee	4
Planning Strategic Transport & Infrastructure Development Strategic Policy Committee	4
Transport & Infrastructure Management Strategic Policy Committee	4
Marine & Coastal Management Strategic Policy Committee	4



Attendance at Meetings 2022

Councillor	Number of meetings attended in 2022
Cathal Boland	65
John Burtchaell	39
Darragh Butler	65
Ian Carey	60
Pamela Conroy	49
Brian Dennehy	60
Kieran Dennison	56
Angela Donnelly (from March 2022)	49
Tania Doyle	66
Ann Graves	71
Jimmy Guerin	63
Breda Hanaphy	59
David Healy	70
Adrian Henchy	72
Joan Hopkins	61
James Humphreys	60
Tom Kitt	72
Anthony Lavin	63
Ted Leddy	60
Grainne Maguire	63
Howard Mahony	74



Councillor	Number of meetings attended in 2022
Brigid Manton	65
Mary McCamley	65
Brian McDonagh	68
Dean Mulligan	57
Paul Mulville	70
Tony Murphy	69
Joe Newman	72
Eoghan O'Brien	74
Robert O'Donoghue	76
Tom O'Leary	77
JK Onwumereh	62
Séana Ó Rodaigh	60
Aaron O'Rourke (until Feb 2022)	1
Karen Power	60
Punam Rane	60
Siobhan Shovlin	58
Aoibhinn Tormey	56
Natalie Treacy	64
John Walsh	69
Daniel Whooley	59



Local Elections (Disclosure of Donations and Expenditure) Act 1999

Councillor	Donations and Expenditure Disclosed (€)
Aaron O'Rourke	0
Adrian Henchy	0
Angela Donnelly	0
Ann Graves	0
Anthony Lavin	0
Aoibhinn Tormey	0
Breda Hanaphy	0
Brian Dennehy	0
Brian McDonagh	0
Brigid Manton	0
Cathal Boland	0
Daniel Whooley	0
Darragh Butler	0
David Healy	0
Dean Mulligan	0
Eoghan O'Brien	0
Grainne Maguire	0
Howard Mahony	0
Ian Carey	0



Councillor	Donations and Expenditure Disclosed (€)
James Humphreys	0
Jimmy Guerin	0
JK Onwumereh	0
Joan Hopkins	0
Joe Newman	0
John Burtchaell	0
John Walsh	0
Karen Power	0
Kieran Dennison	0
Mary McCamley	0
Natalie Treacy	0
Pamela Conroy	0
Paul Mulville	0
Punam Rane	0
Robert O'Donoghue	0
Seána Ó'Rodaigh	0
Siobhan Shovlin	0
Tania Doyle	0
Ted Leddy	0
Tom Kitt	0
Tom O'Leary	0
Tony Murphy	0



Payments to Councillors in 2022

Councillor Payments made to Councillors under Section 142 of the Local Government Act 2001	Amount (€)
Total Expenses paid to members in respect of attendance at meetings of the County Council and its Committees	383,330.13
Representational Payments Total	1,044,226.61
Strategic Policy Committee Chairpersons Allowance Total	41,100.55
Mayors Allowance (January – June 2022)	14,373.75
Mayors Allowance (July – Dec 2022)	15,523.65
Deputy Mayors Allowance (January – June 2022)	2,874.74
Deputy Mayors Allowance (July – Dec 2022)	3,104.72

Councillors Expenses and Representation at Conferences in 2022

Expense Type	Home (€)	Abroad (€)	Total (€)
Travel & Subsistence	8,659.55	0	8,659.55
Fees	3,660.00	0	3,660.00

**For details of Conference Payments – see Appendix VIII*



Conferences/Seminars/Training attended by Councillors in 2022

Name of Conference	Venue	Date	Councillors in Attendance	Travel/ Sub/ Expenses (€)	Conference Fee (€)
AILG - Module 1 of the 2022 Elected Members Training Programme - Personal Safety and Risk Assessment (Eastern Region)	The Mullingar Park Hotel, Co. Westmeath	17th February 2022	Cathal Boland		210
AILG - Module 1 of the 2022 Elected Members Training Programme - Personal Safety and Risk Assessment (Southern Region)	Silver Springs Hotel, Co. Cork	19th February 2022	Kieran Dennison	416.02	70
			Tom O'Leary	383.42	70
			Cathal Boland		70
AILG Annual Training Conference	Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana, Co. Donegal	23rd and 24th March 2022	Brigid Manton	449.44	155
			Cathal Boland	272.56	155
			Mary McCamley	435.21	155
			Grainne Maguire	420.39	155
			Tom O'Leary	411.22	155
			Kieran Dennison	552.23	155



Name of Conference	Venue	Date	Councillors in Attendance	Travel/ Sub/ Expenses (€)	Conference Fee (€)
Irish Planning Institute - Planning for Climate change	Ormond Hotel, Co. Kilkenny	7th and 8th April 2022	Kieran Dennison	414.39	360
			Tom O'Leary	362	360
LAMA Spring Training Seminar Rural Development	Hotel Kilkenny, College Road, Co. Kilkenny	11th and 12th April 2022	Tom O'Leary	341.71	180
			Kieran Dennison	415.43	180
			Cathal Boland		180
AILG Training Programme Module 2 Climate Action	Hillgrove Hotel, Co. Monaghan	14th May 2022	Tom O'Leary	227.99	70
			Kieran Dennison	140.95	70
AILG - (In-Person) Module 3 Training - "Finalising your Development Plan - Key steps and requirements from the Development Plan Guidelines	Hudson Bay Hotel, Athlone, Co. Westmeath	15th and 16th June 2022	Pamela Conroy		87.5
			Kieran Dennison	127.47	87.5
			David Healy		87.5
			Tom O'Leary	288.54	87.5
AILG - (In-Person) Module 3 Training - "Finalising your Development Plan - Key steps and requirements from the Development Plan Guidelines	Avalon House Hotel, Co. Kilkenny	Saturday 18th June 2022	Cathal Boland		
Patrick MacGill Summer School - "The destruction of Ukraine and its People - The Fallout for Mankind"	MacGill Summer School	21st to 24th July, 2022	Kieran Dennison	767.99	



Name of Conference	Venue	Date	Councillors in Attendance	Travel/ Sub/ Expenses (€)	Conference Fee (€)
AILG - "Government Legislation Policy Programme 2022 - A briefing for Elected Members"	Allingham Arms Hotel, Bundoran, Donegal	23rd July 2022	Cathal Boland	393.96	
AILG - "Celebrating Local Government"	Knightsbrook Hotel, Trim, Co. Meath	14th and 15th September 2022	Grainne Maguire	322.11	155
			Brigid Manton	340.57	155
			Mary McCamley	307.72	155
IPI Autumn Conference	Grand Hotel, Malahide, Co. Dublin	7th October 2022	Tom O'Leary		425
AILG - Disability and Inclusion	Radisson Blue Hotel, Sligo	27th October 2022	Kieran Dennison	362.13	
			Cathal Boland	257.94	
LAMA - Autumn/ Winter Seminar	Four Seasons Hotel, Coolshannagh, Monaghan	9th to 11th November 2022	Kieran Dennison	437.94	160
Data Protection - "What Councillors need to know"	Newgrange Hotel, Navan, Co. Meath	26th November 2022	Cathal Boland	37.83	70
				8,887.16	4,010.00



Part 15 Local Government Act 2001 - Contraventions

There were no contraventions of Part 15 of the Local Government Act 2001 in 2022.



Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014

There were no Protected Disclosures in 2022.



Freedom of Information Requests / Customer Complaints / Ombudsman Queries

Applications Received/Processed	2022
Applications received	170
Decisions made	154
Applications on hand at 31st December	16
Nature of Information Sought	2022
Personal (to applicant)	41
Non-Personal	129
Mixed	0
Granted	35
Part-Granted	56
Refused	52
Transferred	1
Withdrawn/Outside FOI	10
Appeals	2022
Appeals to Information Commissioner	4
Ombudsman Complaints	2022
Complaints received	39
Complaints responded to	39



Subject of Complaints	2022
Planning & Strategic Infrastructure	7
Operations	5
Housing	23
Finance	0
Environment & Water Services	1
Community	0
Economic, Enterprise, Tourism & Cultural Development	1
Corporate Affairs & Governance	2
Libraries	0
Citizen Charter Complaints	2022
Complaints received	48
Complaints responded	48
Subject of Complaints	2022
Planning & Strategic Infrastructure	9
Operations	9
Housing	20
Finance	0
Environment & Water Services	2
Community	0
Economic, Enterprise & Tourism	2
Corporate Affairs & Governance	3
Libraries	3



Performance Indicators

01/01/2022 - 31/12/2022

** All Figures in Appendix XII are correct at time of printing*

Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Housing: H1	A. No. of dwellings in the ownership of the LA at 1/1/2022	5,511	
	B. No. of dwellings added to the LA owned stock during 2022 (whether constructed or acquired)	184	
	C. No. of LA owned dwellings sold in 2022	13	
	D. No. of LA owned dwellings demolished in 2022	0	
	E. No. of dwellings in the ownership of the LA at 31/12/2022	5,682	
Housing: H2	F. No. of LA owned dwellings planned for demolition under a DHLGH approved scheme at 31/12/2022	0	
	A. The percentage of the total number of LA owned dwellings that were vacant on 31/12/2022	1.74%	
Housing: H4	The number of dwellings within their overall stock that were not tenanted on 31/12/2022	99	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Housing: H4	A. Expenditure during 2022 on the maintenance of LA housing compiled from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022, divided by the no. of dwellings in the LA stock at 31/12/2022, i.e. the H1E less H1F indicator figure	€1,229.76	
	Expenditure on maintenance of LA stock compiled from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022, including planned maintenance and expenditure that qualified for grants, such as SEAI grants for energy efficient retro-fitting works or the Fabric Upgrade Programme but excluding expenditure on vacant properties and expenditure under approved major refurbishment schemes (i.e. approved Regeneration or under the Remedial Works Schemes)	€6,987,490.43	
Housing: H3	A. The time taken from the date of vacation of a dwelling to the date in 2022 when the dwelling is re-tenanted, averaged across all dwellings re-let during 2022	32.87	
	B. The cost expended on getting the dwellings re-tenanted in 2022, averaged across all dwellings re-let in 2022	€18,226.97	
	The number of dwellings that were re-tenanted on any date in 2022 (but excluding all those that had been vacant due to an estate-wide refurbishment scheme)	79	
	The number of weeks from the date of vacation to the date the dwelling is re-tenanted	2,597	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Housing: H3	Total expenditure on works necessary to enable re-letting of the dwellings	€1,439,930.33	
Housing: H5	A. Total number of registered tenancies in the LA area at end of June 2022	20,824	
	B. Number of rented dwellings inspected in 2022	6,113	
	C. Percentage of inspected dwellings in 2022 which were found to be not compliant with Standards Regulations	93%	
	D. Number of dwellings deemed compliant in 2022 (including those originally deemed non-compliant)	1,573	
	E. The number of inspections (including re-inspections) undertaken by local authorities in 2022	7,681	
Housing: H6	A. Number of adult individuals in emergency accommodation that are long-term homeless as a % of the total number of homeless adult individuals in emergency accommodation at the end of 2022		This information is provided by the DRHE
	The number of adult individuals classified as homeless and in emergency accommodation on the night of 31 December 2022 as recorded on the PASS system		This information is provided by the DRHE
	The number out of those individuals who, on 31/12/2022, had been in emergency accommodation for 6 months continuously, or for 6 months cumulatively within the previous 12 months		This information is provided by the DRHE



Topic	Indicator	Value		Comment	
Roads: R1	The percentage of total Regional road kilometres that received a PSCI condition rating between 1/1/2018 and 31/12/2022	100%			
	The percentage of total Local Primary road kilometres that received a PSCI condition rating between 1/1/2018 and 31/12/2022	100%			
	The percentage of total Local Secondary road kilometres that received a PSCI rating between 1/1/2018 and 31/12/2022	100%			
	The percentage of total Local Tertiary road kilometres that received a PSCI rating between 1/1/2018 and 31/12/2022	100%			
Roads: R2	Road type	1-4 Rating	5-6 Rating	7-8 Rating	9-10 Rating
	(a) Regional	6.11%	14.37%	61.06%	16.44%
	(b) Local Primary	6.45%	18.15%	56.42%	15.24%
	(c) Local Secondary	16.13%	16.39%	46.14%	19.99%
	(d) Local Tertiary	6.15%	27.03%	51.45%	12.22%
	A1. Kilometres of regional road strengthened during 2022	4.77km			



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Roads: R2	A2. The amount expended on regional roads strengthening work during 2022	€1,073,513	
	A3. The average unit cost of regional road strengthening works per square metre (€/m2)	€34/32006.50 sqm	
	B1. Kilometres of regional road resealed during 2022	0	
	B2. The amount expended on regional road resealing work during 2022	0	
	B3. The average unit cost of regional road resealing works per square metre (€/m2)	0	
	C1. Kilometres of local road (ie total of primary, secondary and tertiary) strengthened during 2022	22.730	
	C2. The amount expended on local road strengthening work during 2022	€3,380,403	
	C3. The average unit cost of local road strengthening works per square metre (€/m2)	€26/ 127697.60sqm	
	D1. Kilometres of local road resealed during 2022	3.870	
	D2. The amount expended on local road resealing work during 2022	€241,758	
	D3. The average unit cost of local road resealing works per square metre (€/m2)	€13/18216.00 sqm	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Motor Tax: R3	A. The percentage of motor tax transactions which were dealt with online (i.e. transaction is processed and the tax disc is issued) in 2022		
Water: W1	Percentage of drinking water in private schemes in compliance with statutory requirements in respect of the monitoring of the quality of private drinking water supplies during 2022	100%	
Water: W2	Number of local authority registered schemes monitored in 2022	4	
	Total number of registered schemes in 2022	4	
Waste: E1	A. The number of households, which availed of a 3-bin service offered by a licensed operator at 31/12/2022		This data will be supplied by the National Waste Collection Permit Office
	B. The percentage of households within the local authority that the number at A represents		This data will be supplied by the National Waste Collection Permit Office
Environmental Pollution: E2	A1. Total number of pollution cases in respect of which a complaint was made during 2022	2,754	Fixyourstreet no longer in use from mid 2022
	A2. Number of pollution cases closed from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022	2,607	
	A3. Total number of cases on hands at 31/12/2022	147	
	The opening number of cases carried forward from the year end 2021	50	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Litter Pollution: E3	A1. The percentage of the area within the LA that when surveyed in 2022 was unpolluted or litter free		Data to be provided mid-year by Tobins
	A2. The percentage of the area within the LA that when surveyed in 2022 was slightly polluted		Data to be provided mid-year by Tobins
	A3. The percentage of the area within the LA that when surveyed in 2022 was moderately polluted		Data to be provided mid-year by Tobins
	A4. The percentage of the area within the LA that when surveyed in 2022 was significantly polluted		Data to be provided mid-year by Tobins
	A5. The percentage of the area within the LA that when surveyed in 2022 was grossly polluted		Data to be provided mid-year by Tobins
Green Flag Status: E4	A. The % of schools that have been awarded/renewed green flag status in the two years to 31 December 2022	32%	
	Schools which attained a Green Flag for the first time in 2022	3	
	Schools which renewed their Green Flag in 2022	20	
	Schools which held a Green Flag from 2021 and therefore do not require renewal until 2022	21	
Energy Efficiency Performance: E5	A. The cumulative percentage of energy savings achieved by 31/12/2022 relative to baseline year (2009)		Data for all local authorities will be obtained directly from the SEAI
Public Lighting: E6	A. Total annual consumption of the public lighting system		Data for all local authorities will be obtained directly from the RMO



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Public Lighting: E6	B. Average wattage of each public light		Data for all local authorities will be obtained directly from the RMO
	C. Percentage of the total system that LED lights represent		Data for all local authorities will be obtained directly from the RMO
	Number of LED lights in the public lighting system		Data for all local authorities will be obtained directly from the RMO
	Number of non-LED lights		Data for all local authorities will be obtained directly from the RMO
Climate Change: E7	Does the local authority have designated FTE climate action resources under the following headings?		This data will be collected directly from the LGMA
	Climate Action Coordinator (Yes/No/WIP)		This data will be collected directly from the LGMA
	Climate Action Officer (Yes/No/WIP)		This data will be collected directly from the LGMA
	Does the local authority have a climate action team?		This data will be collected directly from the LGMA
Planning: P1	A. Buildings inspected as a percentage of new buildings notified to the local authority	37.3%	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Planning: P1	Total number of new buildings notified to the local authority i.e. buildings where a valid Commencement Notice was served in the period 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022 by a builder or developer on the local authority, in accordance with section 6(2) (k) of the Building Control Act 1990 and Part II of the Building Control Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 496 of 1997) as amended by the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 85 of 2004) and the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2009 (S.I. No. 351 of 2009)	1150	
	Number of new buildings notified to the local authority in 2022 that were the subject of at least one on-site inspection during 2022 undertaken by the local authority under section 11 of the Building Control Act 1990	429	
Planning: P2	A. Number of LA planning decisions which were the subject of an appeal to An Bord Pleanála that were determined by the Board on any date in 2022	65	
	B. % of the determinations at A which confirmed (either with or without variation) the decision made by the LA	70.77%	
	Number of An Bórd Pleanála determinations confirming the LA's decision (either with or without variation)	46	
Planning: P3	A. Total number of planning cases referred to or initiated by the local authority in the period 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022 that were investigated	248	
	B. Total number of investigated cases that were closed during 2022	132	
	C. Percentage of the cases at B that were dismissed as trivial, minor or without foundation or were closed because statute barred or an exempted development	51.52%	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Planning: P3	D. Percentage of the cases at B that were resolved to the LA's satisfaction through negotiations	2.27%	
	E. Percentage of the Cases at B that were closed due to enforcement proceedings (i.e. remedied in response to a warning letter issued under section 152 of the Act or to an enforcement notice issued under section 154 of the Act or where a prosecution was brought under section 157 or an injunction was sought under section 160 of the Act)	46.21%	
	F. Total number of planning cases being investigated as at 31/12/2022	1,254	
	Number of cases at 'B' above that were dismissed under section 152(2), Planning and Development Act 2000	68	
	Number of cases at 'B' above that were resolved to the LA's satisfaction through negotiations	3	
	Number of cases at 'B' above that were closed due to enforcement proceedings	61	
Planning: P4	A. The 2022 Annual Financial Statement (AFS) Programme D data divided by the population of the LA area per the 2016 Census	€37.50	
	AFS Programme D data consisting of D01 - Forward Planning, D02 - Development Management, D03 - Enforcement (inclusive of the relevant Programme D proportion of the central management charge) for 2022	€12,346,822	NOTE AFS Figures not finalised
Planning: P5	A. The percentage of applications for fire safety certificates received in 2022 that were decided (granted or refused) within two months of their receipt	25.66%	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Planning: P5	B. The percentage of applications for fire safety certificates received in 2022 that were decided (granted or refused) within an extended period agreed with the applicant	74.34%	
	The total number of applications for fire safety certificates received in 2022 that were not withdrawn by the applicant	152	
	The number of applications for fire safety certificates received in 2022 that were decided (granted or refused) within two months of the date of receipt of the application	39	
	The number of applications for fire safety certificates received in 2022 that were decided (granted or refused) within an agreed extended time period	113	
Fire Service: F1 (Cost per Capita of the fire service)	<p>A. The Annual Financial Statement (AFS) Programme E expenditure data for 2022 divided by the population of the LA area per the 2022 Census figures for the population served by the fire authority as per the Risk Based Approach Phase One reports:</p> <p>AFS Programme E expenditure data consisting of E11 - Operation of Fire Service and E12 - Fire Prevention (inclusive of the relevant Programme E proportion of the central management charge) for 2022:</p>		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
Fire Service: F2	A. Average time taken, in minutes, to mobilise fire brigades in Full-Time Stations in respect of fire		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	B. Average time taken, in minutes, to mobilise fire brigades in Part-Time Stations (retained fire service) in respect of fire		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	C. Average time taken, in minutes, to mobilise fire brigades in Full-Time Stations in respect of all other (non-fire) emergency incidents		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Fire Service: F2	D. Average time taken, in minutes, to mobilise fire brigades in Part-Time Stations (retained fire service) in respect of all other (non-fire) emergency incidents		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	E. Percentage of cases in respect of all other emergency incidents in which first attendance at the scene is after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	F. Percentage of cases in respect of all other emergency incidents in which first attendance at the scene is after 20 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Total number of call-outs in respect of fires from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Number of these fire cases where first fire tender attendance at the scene is within 10 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Number of these fire cases in which first fire tender attendance at the scene is after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Number of these fire cases in which first fire tender attendance at the scene is after 20 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Total number of call-outs in respect of all other emergency incidents (i.e. not including fire) from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Number of these non-fire cases in which first fire tender attendance at the scene is within 10 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Number of these non-fire cases in which first fire tender attendance at the scene is after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade
	Number of these non-fire cases in which first fire tender attendance at the scene is after 20 minutes		N/A Data supplied by Dublin Fire Brigade



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Library Service: L1	A. Number of visits to libraries per head of population for the LA area per the 2016 Census	2.1	
	B. Number of items issued to library borrowers in the year	825,364	
	C. Library active members per head of population		The new LMS does not currently track active use, so for 2022 there is no active membership data available. NOAC are aware of this and are not expecting to receive this data from authorities.
	D. Number of registered members of the library in the year	48,795	
	Number of visits to its libraries from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022	688,214	
Library Service: L2	A. The Annual Financial Statement (AFS) Programme F data for 2022 divided by the population of the LA area per the 2016 Census	€51.73	
	B. The annual per capita expenditure on collections over the period 01/01/2022 to 31/12/2022	€2.64	
	AFS Programme F data consisting of F02 - Operation of Library and Archival Service (inclusive of the relevant proportion of the central management charge for Programme F) for 2022	€17,029,370	Figure taken from the draft unaudited 2022 AFS
	The annual expenditure on new stock acquired by the library in the year	€870,604	
Youth and Community: Y1	A. Percentage of local schools involved in the local Youth Council/Comhairle na nÓg scheme	66	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Youth and Community: Y1	Total number of second level schools in the LA area at 31/12/2022	35	
Youth and Community: Y2	Number of second level schools in the LA area from which representatives attended the local Comhairle na nÓg AGM held in 2022	23	
	A. Number of organisations included in the County Register at 31/12/2022 and the proportion of those organisations that opted to be part of the Social Inclusion College within the PPN	667 113	
	Total number of organisations included in the County Register for the local authority area as at 31/12/2022	667	
	Total number of those organisations that registered for the first time in 2022	18	Secretariat did not approve new registrations from May 2022 due to lack of staff resources required to process new memberships
	Number of organisations that opted to join the Social Inclusion Electoral College on whatever date they registered for the PPN	8	
Corporate: C1	A. The wholetime equivalent staffing number as at 31 December 2022	1,479.17	
Corporate: C2	A. Percentage of paid working days lost to sickness absence through medically certified leave in 2022	3.1%	
	B. Percentage of paid working days lost to sickness absence through self-certified leave in 2022	0.3%	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Corporate: C2	A. Percentage of paid working days lost to sickness absence through medically certified leave in 2022	3.1%	
	B. Percentage of paid working days lost to sickness absence through self-certified leave in 2022	0.3%	
	Total Number of working days lost to sickness absence through medically certified leave in 2022	11,605	
	Total Number of working days lost to sickness absence through self-certified leave in 2022	1,223	
	Number of unpaid working days lost to sickness absence included within the total of medically certified sick leave days in 2022	2,445	
	Number of unpaid working days lost to sickness absence included within the total of self-certified sick leave days in 2022	6	
Corporate: C4	If any staff are on long-term sick leave (i.e. a continuous period of more than 4 weeks), include a text note of the number of staff on long-term sick leave	24	
Corporate: C5	A. All ICT expenditure in the period from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022, divided by the WTE no.	€5,263.39	The AFS is not finalised, indicative figures only
	Total of ICT expenditure in 2022	€7,785,447.16	The AFS is not finalised, indicative figures only
	A. All ICT expenditure calculated in C4 as a proportion of Revenue expenditure		The AFS is not finalised and figures aren't available
	Total revenue expenditure from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022 before transfers to or from reserves		The AFS is not finalised and figures aren't available



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Corporate: C3	A. The per capita total page views of the local authority's websites in 2022	12.76	
	B. The per capita total number of followers at end 2022 of the local authority's social media accounts (if any)	1.16	
	The cumulative total page views of all websites operated by the local authority for the period from 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022 obtained from a page tagging on-site web analytics service or equivalent	4,200,200	
	The total number of social media users who, at 31/12/2022, were following the local authority on any social media sites	329,218	
	The number of social media accounts operated by the local authority	80	
	Indicate if there was a change to the cookie policies on the local authority sites and the date this came into effect	No	
Finance: M1	A. Cumulative surplus/deficit balance at 31/12/2018 in the Revenue Account from the Income & Expenditure Account Statement of the AFS	15,978,433	
	B. Cumulative surplus/deficit balance at 31/12/2019	15,979,356	
	C. Cumulative surplus/deficit balance at 31/12/2020	15,979,679	
	D. Cumulative surplus/deficit balance at 31/12/2021	15,979,812	



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Finance: M1	E. Cumulative surplus/deficit balance at 31/12/2022*	15,980,204	Un-Audited AFS
	F. Cumulative surplus or deficit at 31/12/2022 as a percentage of Total Income in 2022 from the Income and Expenditure Account Statement of the AFS*	5%	
	G. Revenue Expenditure per capita in 2022	838	Un Audited AFS (Population 329,218 - Census 2022)
	H. Revenue expenditure per capita in 2022 excluding significant out of county / shared service expenditure	761	Un Audited AFS (Population 329,218 - Census 2022)
	Cumulative surplus/deficit balance denoting which net of transfers to or from reserves at 31/12/2022 in the Revenue Account from the Income and Expenditure Account Statement of the AFS*	15,980,202	Un-Audited AFS
	The 2022 Total Income figure from the Income and Expenditure Account Statement of the AFS from which the percentage will be derived	356,434,782	Un-Audited AFS
Finance: M2	The 2022 Total Expenditure figure on the Income and Expenditure Account Statement (ie excluding transfers) of the AFS from which the per capita expenditure will be derived	276,037,820	Un-Audited AFS
	Collection Levels by Year	(a) % Rates	(b) % Rent & Annuities
			(c) % Housing Loans
	Individual percentage figures in the final column of Appendix 7 of the AFS for 2018	95.80%	86%
			101.7%



Topic	Indicator		Value	Comment
Finance: M2	Collection Levels by Year	(a) % Rates	(b) % Rent & Annuities	(c) % Housing Loans
	Individual percentage figures for 2019	97.90%	84%	97.7%
	Individual percentage figures for 2020	93.00%	79.6%	96.50%
	Individual percentage figures for 2021	93%	77.4%	100%
	Individual percentage figures for 2022*(AFS not finalised, draft numbers)	98.1%	76.1%	96.8%
Finance: M3	A.1 Per capita total cost of settled claims for 2022		€2.98	Provisional Numbers
	Number of notified claims for 2022		161	Provisional Numbers
	Number of settled claims for 2022		90	Provisional Numbers
	Total cost of settled claims for 2022		€979,855.77	Provisional Numbers
Finance: M4	A. Overall central management charge as a percentage (%) of total expenditure on revenue account		16.9%	Un-Audited AFS



Topic	Indicator	Value	Comment
Finance: M4	B. Total payroll costs as a percentage (%) of revenue expenditure	27.6%	Un-Audited AFS
	Overall central management charge from the Local Authority FMS and defined in the Annual Budget	46,731,599	Net CMC
	Total payroll costs from Appendix 1 of the AFS for 2022 (including Salaries, Wages and Pensions)	98,494,786	Un-Audited AFS
Economic Development: J1	A. The per capita number of jobs created with assistance from the Local Enterprise Office during the period 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022 per 100,000 of population	62.576	
Economic Development: J2	A. The number of trading online voucher applications approved by the Local Enterprise Office in 2022 per 100,000 of population	33.718	
	B. The number of those trading online vouchers that were drawn down in 2022 per 100,000 of population	13.062	
Economic Development: J3	A. The per capita number of participants who received mentoring during the period 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022 per 100,000 of population	383.96	
	The number of jobs created with assistance from the Local Enterprise Office during the period 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022	206	
Economic Development: J4	The number of trading online voucher applications approved by the Local Enterprise Office in 2022	111	
Economic Development: J5	The number of those trading online vouchers that were drawn down in 2022	43	



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Economic Development: J5	The number of those trading online vouchers that were drawn down in 2022	43	
	The number of participants who received mentoring during the period 1/1/2022 to 31/12/2022	1,264	
	A. Does the local authority have a current tourism strategy?		Yes
	B. Does the local authority have a designated Tourism Officer?		Yes
	<p>The total spend on local economic development by the local authority in 2022 per head of population: <i>Please refer to the detailed list of inclusions and exclusions contained on pages 40 to 45 of the NOAC Guidelines. The expenses to include and exclude are summarised below.</i></p> <p>Include the following expenses: The spend on local economic development by the local authority in 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D0101 – D0199 Forward Planning • D0401 – D0499 Industrial and Commercial • D0501 – D0599 Tourism Dev and Promo • D0601 – D0699 Community and Enterprise *Excluded D0602 and D0603 • D0901 – D0999 Economic Development Promotion • E0501 – E0599 Litter Management • E0601 – E0699 Street Cleaning • F0301 – F0399 Outdoor Leisure • F0502 – F0599 Other Bodies and Museum • G0201 – G0299 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours • H0701 -H0799 Operation Markets and Casual Trading H07 • C0401 – C0499 Public Conveniences C04 <p>Exclude the following expenses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Awareness • Car Parking • Leisure Facilities • Social Inclusion/RAPID 		<p>The 2022 Annual Financial Statements are not finalised and the figures are not available yet. -Per Finance Officer</p>



