



Chief Executive's Management Report

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Chief Executive's Foreword

I hope you all had a very pleasant Easter. Spring is a time of regeneration and growth and last month Fingal County Council continued to promote our county wide tree planting programme by giving away 8,000 native and non-native tree species to residents for planting in their own gardens during National Tree Week. The health, social and ecological benefit of trees is well documented and since 2019, Fingal County Council has given away over 60,000 trees reflecting our commitment to boosting tree cover and enhancing species diversity. This year marks the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Tree Council of Ireland and we were very pleased to welcome President of Ireland Catherine Connolly to Newbridge House and Demesne on March 8th to officially launch the National Tree Week programme. President Connolly also took part in a tree planting ceremony in the grounds and learned about the tree species and history of this magnificent heritage site. Newbridge Demesne forms part of our 2,300 hectares of public open space and is an excellent example of a space which is defined by its woodlands and majestic, mature trees which provide such enjoyment for visitors. I wish to thank our Parks & Green Infrastructure Division and our Operations teams who facilitated this year's tree giveaway at 7 locations across Fingal and I hope all the recipients reap the rewards which come with tending these trees.

Last month significant milestones were marked in the progression of the R132 Connectivity Project in Swords with the appointment of Murphy as the contractor and the subsequent signing of the multi-million euro contract in County Hall. The project, which is being funded by the NTA, will take 25 months to complete and will be carried out in four phases along the 3km route from the Bostik junction to the edge of the Pinnock Hill roundabout. The first phase of the works will see the Estuary Roundabout being replaced by a 4-point junction which will be safer and more accessible for road users and pedestrians. The project objective is to enhance functionality of the R132 while supporting the development of BusConnects and MetroLink which will deliver more sustainable, accessible transport links for the people of the county. The contractor, Murphy, has a stellar reputation as a transportation specialist and has previously delivered sustainable infrastructure solutions on an international scale as well as high profile projects here at home. Cognisant of the projection that the population of Swords is set to double over the next 20 years, the R132 Connectivity Project will provide safe and efficient connectivity within the town and its transformation will

support sustainable growth as part of the Sustainable Swords Strategy. A sod turning on the R132 on Friday, March 27th signified the beginning of the works and was attended by Minister for Transport, Darragh O'Brien TD along with The Mayor of Fingal and Elected Members, representatives of MetroLink, TII and NTA and community stakeholders. Meticulous traffic management planning has taken place to ensure that the R132, which is a major commuter corridor, will remain open for the duration of the works. Two lanes in each direction — northbound and southbound — will remain open during peak traffic hours (6:30am - 10:00am and 4:00pm - 7:30pm) to ensure traffic at peak commuter times is minimally affected. Traffic impact will be continuously monitored and managed throughout the project. I look forward to bringing you updates on the progress of this project in the coming months.

The Community Development and Inclusion Office recently marked the 19th year of World Autism Awareness Day by compiling sensory kits which were distributed to ten community centres across Fingal. The sensory kits contain items designed to support regulation, comfort, and wellbeing for children and adults with sensory processing needs. This initiative aligns with training provided by AsIAM to the Fingal Community Facilities network in June 2025 and highlights our ongoing commitment to fostering inclusivity, accessibility and respect in our communities and shared spaces. The 2026 observance of World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD), themed "Autism and Humanity – Every Life Has Value," highlights and affirms the dignity and worth of all autistic people. I wish to commend the staff for their tireless work in promoting initiatives which seek to include those who face barriers and challenges in their everyday lives.

Finally, I wish to formally welcome Sinéad Murphy as she attends her first Council Meeting as Director of Service for Operations. Sinéad was appointed following the retirement of Mary T. Daly in March and brings to the role a wealth of knowledge and experience amassed in her previous appointments including in Water Services, Transportation and Planning & Strategic Infrastructure. Most recently, Sinéad was the Senior Engineer with the Active Travel Unit and worked on many high-profile projects within the county. I know you will join me in wishing Sinéad all the very best as she embarks on this new chapter in her career.

Best wishes,

AnnMarie Farrelly
Chief Executive

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Interviews Held to date	311
New Starters	46
Promotions	30
Number of Current Job Offers	59

Learning & Development Update

Learning & Development	Year to date
Number of courses	88
Number of Attendees	742
Number of Training Days	718

Throughout March courses in the areas of mandatory Disciplinary Training for all staff, Health & Safety – Teleporter, Signing Lighting Guarding – Driver CPC and many more took place.

Wellbeing Update

We continue to offer a comprehensive and inclusive Wellbeing Programme for all staff, designed to support positive health and engagement throughout the organisation. Our programme includes a wide range of initiatives across our four Wellbeing pillars under the following headings:

(physical, mental, social and financial wellbeing), along with access to a dedicated **Employee Assistance Scheme** for confidential guidance and support.

HSU – Health & Safety Unit

The HSU is committed to ensuring that safety measures are in place by undertaking a proactive blended approach which creates an effective safe and healthy working environment. This includes undertaking risk assessments, safety audits and inspections, encouraging hazard reporting and taking corrective action. This approach is essential for preventing incidents and improving future safety practices in Fingal County Council.

Customer Services

Customer Care Unit Statistics – March 2026

Total Calls CCU	Total Emails CCU	Total In Person Transactions
9,047	1,579	1,444

CRM

Staff continue to work on the Customer Relationship Management System (CRM) and issue responses to representations from Elected Members (Councillors, TDs and Senators) and complaints submitted by the public. The total number of representations for March was 782.

Communications

Digital Statistics

The fingal.ie website had 201,750 visitors during March, up 15,681 from the previous period. The number of page views decreased to 381,747. The average time spent on the website decreased to 1m 12s. One of the most popular pages was for St. Patrick's Day parades (27,158 views).

Planning Applications remains popular, with 24,893 views.

Facebook rose to 46,747 followers (+0.8%) while the number of views decreased to 1,834,917 from the previous month. There were 8,405 interactions (-30.3%). The most popular post related to the Free Trees give away (61,701 views). Instagram rose by 301 to 18,704 followers. Total views went down by 37.3% to 658,492, with a reach of 41,007 (-62.9%). There were 6,882 (-42.2%) interactions. The most read post was Swords St Patrick's Day parade 2026 (67,508 views).

WhatsApp now has 3,920 followers (+2.43%) while numbers following our other corporate channels remain steady - Threads (1,745), TikTok (1,218) and Bluesky (540).

LinkedIn followers are now at 13,416 (+224). Our YouTube Channel subscribers rose by 26 to 2,010 in March. Total views were 7,6044. We now have 863 videos, our most popular videos during March were the new affordable homes in Skerries (672 views) and the Affordable Housing Scheme - Online Application Tutorial (554). We continue to webcast the monthly Council Meeting - March had 265 views.

Press Releases

There were 13 press releases issued during March covering topics such the approval of the variation to the Development Plan, the sod turn on the R132 connectivity project, the contract signing for the Ballymastone Recreational Hub, the Fingal Student Enterprise Awards, the opening of Newtown Bridge at Balheary, and National Tree Week. Key coverage included RTE and Newstalk attending the sod turn for the R132. The Irish Independent also featured the 2nd Spin Project. Local newspapers picked up the likes of plans to manage coastal erosion in Portrane, new parking charges, and the Fingal Student Enterprise Awards as well as the variation to the development plan.

Media Queries

Media queries during March included taking in charge of estates, notices to quit issued by landlords, the Burrow Road planning dispute (FCC v Phillip Farrelly), the Dublin Airport Passenger Cap, the Mobile Sauna Scheme, unfinished housing developments and the building of affordable homes in the county.

Irish Language

Over 80 people attended our Seachtain na Gaeilge concert in County Hall with Éamonn de Barra, Paudie O'Connor, and Aoife Ní Chaoimh. Fingal staff also took part in Fis - a fantastic Irish language promotion event for young people in the Convention centre as part of Gaeilge365. Another Irish language episode of the Fingal Podcast Inside Fingal was recorded with Daire Bracken and Brian O'Connor from our Architects Department.



Sod Turn for the R132

Digital Services

Stock Management System

A new Stock Management system was rolled out in the Council in March. The system was implemented in Coolmine and Watery Lane depots. The new system has delivered early benefits such as improved stock visibility, more consistent controls, and a standardised approach to inventory management. Fancourt depot is scheduled for implementation in April and County Hall Stores is scheduled for implementation in May.



Open Data Awareness



A staff Open Data Awareness Campaign was organized for 18th and 19th March with kiosks set up in both Blanchardstown and Swords offices. Over 200 staff engaged with the campaign with flyers distributed introducing the concepts of open data sharing; how it can support staff in their departments; and how it can make access to our data easier for our communities. 103 staff took part in an Open Data quiz with 92% correct answers.



CE Innovation Fund

The CE Innovation Fund 2025 staff awards and 2026 kick-off took place on 25th March with a great networking event at The Carnegie venue, Swords.

All of the 2025 projects were on display and the new 2026 project teams were in attendance to network with experienced teams and staff. This is the 5th year of the CE Innovation Fund, and for the first time crystal awards were presented by the Chief Executive in recognition of the successful 2025 projects.



Smart Balbriggan

The €1.2M EU-funded periASTY project to support climate-neutral peri-urban areas is underway in partnership with UCD and will run from 2026-2029. Interviews took place in March for the new Community Energy Officer hired by the Balbriggan Sustainable Energy Community CLG, who will be based in Balbriggan. Their planned start date is in May on a two-year contract to develop business models for local sustainable energy projects.



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The Explore Fingal Roadshow visited Blanchardstown on Thursday 5th March. Attendees are pictured with Declan Power (2nd from left) and Ciarán Staunton (3rd from right), both from Fingal County Council Tourism Department, in the foyer of the Fingal County Council offices in Blanchardstown.



Explore Fingal also featured on Phoenix FM early in the month when Ciarán Staunton was interviewed live on air about the new tourism brand and how Fingal residents and businesses can get involved.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

Explore Fingal Roadshow on Whistle Stop Tour

Following on from the launch of the new tourism destination brand for Fingal, a Roadshow visited seven venues around the county as part of the rollout of 'Explore Fingal'. The meetings were an opportunity to meet with local community tourism groups to discuss the new brand and how it can be used by them for marketing and in social media. Between Monday 2nd and Thursday 5th March the Roadshow visited Balbriggan, Skerries, Lusk, Howth, Malahide, Rush and Blanchardstown.

All tourism businesses and organisations in Fingal are encouraged to visit the website (www.explorefingal.ie) and connect through the Trade link.

St. Patricks Day Celebrations in New York

A Fingal County Council delegation visited New York from Sunday March 15th to Wednesday March 18th to promote the new Fingal Tourism Destination Brand Explore Fingal and develop opportunities for economic development and tourism promotion with local elected officials, media, tourism, cultural and business representatives. The Mayor had the honour of raising the Irish flag at the Irish/US flag raising ceremony marking the start of St Patrick's day celebrations in New York City.

The delegation supported the launch of the American 250 programme and the expansion of the Global Irish Famine Way (National Famine Way) into the US. Additional meetings were also held to strengthen the Council's links with the IDA, Tourism Ireland, the Dublin Society and Irish American / NY business, tourism and cultural associations.



Swords Parade



Blanchardstown Parade

EVENTS

St Patrick's Events

Eight parades were successfully run across the county, including the inaugural Donabate St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday 14th of March. Feedback received across the county was very positive and thankfully the weather was very good on the 17th adding to the enjoyment for all.

Overall audiences figures were 71,500, with 20,000 people watching the Swords Parade, 10,000 watching Balbriggan, 18,000 watching Blanchardstown, 9,000 in Malahide, 5,000 in Skerries, 3,500 in Donabate and 3,000 each in Rush and Lusk. On top of this over 11,000 participants marched in the parades.

An extensive gallery of photos and videos from the parades can be found on www.eventsinfingal.ie



Balbriggan Parade



Malahide Parade



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Skerries St Patrick's Day Parade

Skerries 10k Race

Garden Talk Series

Baldoyle Easter Family Fun Day

Brian Boru's Wake Festival

Lady Barbalade 10th Anniversary Event

Polish Constitution Day Festival

Total Funding: €62,000

HERITAGE PROPERTIES

Skerries Mills



The Manager of Skerries Mills attended Meitheal for the first time in Killarney on 24th and 25th March. Over 200 international buyers from 17 countries attended Fáilte Ireland's largest international travel trade fair, organised in partnership with Tourism Ireland. Meitheal provides Irish tourism businesses with a unique opportunity to sell directly to top international buyers and tour operators. A prominent member of the Fingal Food Circle, McNallys Organic Farm were also present at Meitheal, promoting their new farm tour.

Ardgillan Castle



Ardgillan Castle has completely revamped the castle visitor experience with a slick, family friendly immersive re-telling of the Taylor family story. A modern audio tour that tells the story of the castle through the voice of the family matriarch Marianne St Ledger Taylor is now available on visitors' phones using a QR Code. New graphics in every room depict many of the aspects of the history of the castle. Notable features include a family Activity Trail booklet, a Discovery Nook for children includes a historic dress-up rack, games and puzzles, soundscapes that provide a real historic atmosphere and smellometers – where the smells of days gone by are strategically placed to enhance the visitor engagement further.

Malahide Castle and Gardens

The EU CAP Network welcome evening, held ahead of their conference at the Grand Hotel, took place on Wednesday 18th March at Malahide Castle. The event featured a curated tasting experience by Fingal Food Circle members, showcasing the region's finest local producers in a unique heritage setting, delivered through a collaboration between Fingal County Council, Fingal Food Circle, and Malahide Castle and Gardens.



Joe Savage, Joe's Smokeshouse, Julieanne Collins, Malahide Castle and Gardens, Niamh McNally, McNallys Family Farm, Carol Lopez, Dainty Greens, Laura Duffy, Chair of Fingal Food Network and La Cocina Cuevas and Joe Collins, Old Stone Wall Farm

CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

The Carnegie

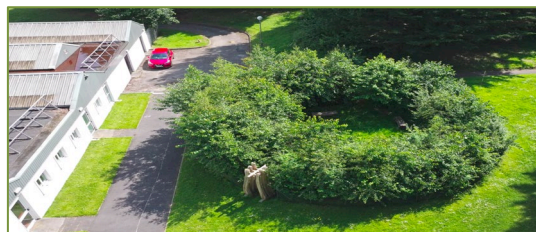
Songwriting workshop with Carnegie Musician in Residence



The Arts Office and Libraries teamed up to host a songwriting workshop for TY students. Musician Luke Clerkin is leading a series of sessions with the group and was recently joined by The Carnegie's Musician in Residence, harpist Alannah Thornburgh.

During the workshop, Alannah shared some of the pieces she has developed during her residency and introduced students to the harp, offering insight into the instrument and its possibilities.

Youth & Education



Fingal County Council Arts Office and Superprojects are finalising a very special arts-in education project publication titled *Seanchaí Microforest (2020-24)*.

Seanchaí Microforest was conceived by artist Gareth Kennedy during the pandemic of 2020 as a means to work with artists and young people outdoors. It is now a thriving habitat that serves as an outdoor learning and recreation space, addressing climate action at a local level, while also enhancing students' mental and physical wellbeing. This publication offers insight into the origins of the Microforest method and its compelling value in our lives. It reveals the unique seasonal and creative workshops supported by artists and ecological experts over a 4-year period on site. It is hoped that this project will inspire further radical acts of afforestation in other educational settings and beyond. A publication launch event will be announced shortly.

Public Art



The first phase of a new public artwork for the Harry Reynolds Road is now complete. Heritage Stonemasons have completed and integrated stonework which will include a series of ceramic tiles created by artist John Kindness and featuring images of the life and times of “The Fingal Flier” and road namesake “Harry Reynolds” in Balbriggan.

Creative Places Balbriggan



Creative Places Balbriggan has begun accepting memberships for Balbriggan Cultural Companions. The initiative is in partnership with Age & Opportunity to increase participation and attendance in arts activities and cultural events for those aged over 50.

The aim is to reduce social isolation and make the arts more socially accessible by offering a meet-up for tea and coffee at the monthly events. The initiative was successfully launched in Ardgillan Castle during Fingal Inclusion Week 2025 and will begin in May to mark Bealtaine Festival with participatory arts workshops for its members. Creative Places Balbriggan is also now a member of Creative Coastal Communities Network which spread across Ireland and the UK. It is a research network framed exclusively around socially engaged arts practice and its value within coastal communities to help understand, practice-share and develop creative mechanisms to support community-driven change.

Draíocht

The March/April programme is well underway. Local groups programmed include ‘The Songs & Poems of Percy French’, Aoife Brogan Ballet, Hartstown Community School, Castleknock Community College, Bolton Academy and Cecilian Theatre Arts. Our children’s performance programme included ‘For the Love of Milseán’ presented with Fingal Libraries for Seachtain na Gaeilge. The May/June brochure is with our printers and will be distributed shortly. It includes our programme mix of local, arts and commercial work. 4 Dublin 15 based schools of dance/drama/music will present their end of year performances in Draíocht during that period. We are now fully booked for the remainder of the year. Jan to June 2027 is heavily booked at this point. The Artist Studio space has been allocated from April to mid-May to artists who are creating work for our annual Toddle TakeOver event. This takes place over two days, May 13th and 14th. May 13th is a sensory friendly day with local playschools with sensory units being invited to attend. May 14th is open to the public. This is the 11th Toddler Takeover Event which caters for children aged 18 months and 4 years. Over 400 people will attend over the two days. ‘Spring 26’, our Exhibition platforming and celebrating the work of 26 emerging Fingal artists was opened on 4th March by Councilor Siobhan Shovlin on behalf of The Mayor of Fingal. It was a very well attended Opening with the support of Draíocht to Fingal artists practice being widely acknowledged.

Our Children/Youth Arts programme has included film screenings for secondary schools, Artist and Self led Gallery explore tours, tours for Primary schools, Taster Dance workshops for secondary schools, Youth Theatre workshops, Create Dance workshops and Family days. 2 commissioned artworks (by ceramicist, Deirdre Kelly and painter, Tom Climent) have been hung in the Foyer. These works, created in response to the same theme, facilitates viewers, touch, hear about and explore the works. Prompts on the wall ask questions which children, with their accompanying adults can talk about together. A particular emphasis in terms of engagement has been with children with a variety of additional needs. Our artist support programme continues. There is huge demand regarding any available dates we have either in the rehearsal room or in the studio space. Space for development/rehearsal has been allocated in each month of 2026.

Full details are available on www.draiocht.ie

The Seamus Ennis Arts Centre

Workshops

We started the month with our **'Art Classes with Dave West'** on 2/3/26 which were sold out. Art classes run every Monday from 10am for a term of 6 weeks. We held a **Soap Making** workshop on 14/3/26 which was also sold out.

Film

Our cinema event this month was 'Souleyman's Story' and was screened on 5/3/26 with 38 attendees. This film was in French with English subtitles.

Kids Family Events

Our **Céilí Beag** had a St. Patrick's Day theme on 13/03/26 and was sold out with 15 mother and toddlers in attendance. Céilí Beag continues to be sold out for the next few months ahead. On 31/3/26 we will begin our kids Easter workshops starting with our **Spring Planter Workshop** and a **Glass Painting Workshop**. Both of these workshops have now sold out with more Easter workshops being ran throughout the Easter school holidays.

Music

Our first music event of the month was **'Southern Legacy'** who played to a sold out audience on 12/3/26. This month we had programmed **Heidi Talbot** to perform on 13/3/26 however she unfortunately had to cancel her tour due to personal circumstances. We were also due to host our **Seisiún Oige** in March however, the facilitating band unfortunately had to cancel the session. Coming up on 27/03/26 we will welcome **'The Henry Girls'** to TSEAC. Tickets are already sold out for this show.



Traditional Irish Music Sessions

Our monthly **Traditional Irish Music Slow Session with Paudie O'Connor** went ahead on 15/03/26 which hosted 27 musicians inside our theatre and 24 joining the session online via zoom. On 17/03/26 we hosted a free **St. Patrick's Day Session** open to musicians of all ages. Spaces at this booked out with 45 attendees and lots of positive feedback from our patrons. The **TSEAC Singing Session** welcomed special guest singer Emma Langford on 19/03/26. The Singing session was attended by 16 singers in person and also 13 online via zoom and many more viewers tuning in via our live stream on Fb, IG and YouTube. Also on 19/3/26 we hosted our monthly **Pop Up Gaeltacht** which welcomed participants to come along and practice Irish in a relaxed and informal setting. There were 23 attendees who came along.

Visual Arts

We are currently showing an exhibition by Dublin artist **Cormac Dennis** in our Easter Snow Gallery which is being received well by viewers. The collection is called 'Sanctuary' and will be on show until 31/3/26.

LIBRARIES

Spring into Storytime

Spring into Storytime is part of the national Right to Read programme, which aims to promote literacy and reading for fun. Story sessions for children will take place in all Fingal libraries during the month of April.

Sensory-friendly Programme

Sensory-friendly events for children are ongoing in libraries. These include workshops where children learn through play, active Lego sessions, and musical sessions.



Makerspace

A programme of hands-on workshops for adults, teens and children is taking place at the Makerspace in Blanchardstown Library, where people come together to learn new skills, collaborate on projects and access equipment. Upcoming workshops include a bookbinding workshop for adults, a workshop for children where young makers build and light their own star dome, and an introduction to punch needle embroidery for teens.



Louder Voices

Creative Fingal is collaborating with singer-songwriter Luke Clerkin on Louder Voices, a six-week creative wellbeing and songwriting programme for Transition Year students from Fingal Community College. Held in the Carnegie Library in Swords, the programme supports young people to express themselves through music. The project will culminate in an evening of live performances by the students and Luke in Swords Castle Chapel on Thursday, 30th April.

Story2remember with Engaging Dementia

Story2Remember is a series of five workshops for people living with dementia in the community and their family members. The programme combines storytelling, reminiscence, and creative activities to support communication and encourage shared experiences. Beginning in April, the initiative includes training sessions for Story2Remember facilitators who can deliver the programme across Fingal.

Creative Response to Drumanagh Archaeological Site

Creative Fingal in collaboration with the Fingal Heritage and Arts Offices, will support a creative writing residency with children's book author and illustrator Niamh Sharkey. Working with St. Catherine's National School in Rush, Niamh will co-create a publication in the form of a comic or zine, inspired by recent archaeological discoveries at the Drumanagh promontory fort. The project aims to engage students with local heritage, archaeology, biodiversity, and storytelling.

Economic Development

Fingal Skills Strategy Update – March 2026



The Green Skills Sectoral Subgroup met on the 4th of March, laying out the groups focus for 2026.

- The transport and logistics subgroup met on the 25th of March with discussions taking place over a potential subgroup led event in September and on events running during transport and logistics week 2026.

Interreg Skyla Project - Update - February 2026



- Fingal has submitted their semester 6 policy report to the SKYLA team for approval. The report covers activities undertaken in relation to the SKYLA project for the past 6 months.
- Fingal have submitted our dissemination report to SKYLA covering all communications related to our policy instrument, the Fingal Skills Strategy, and to the SKYLA project over the past 6 months.
- The team are currently preparing the semester 6 payment claim for the project.

Sustainable Fingal - Update - February 2026



- The SPC were briefed on the progress of the DRAFT Sustainability Strategy. The full DRAFT will be presented to the SPC in April.

Circular Cities - Update - February 2026



- Feasibility study from EcoCore Hackathon in progress on a Circular Hub and Digital Platform for the Balbriggan area.
- Information on circular initiatives across Fingal is being compiled for the first CCD Report. The team attended a Q&A session on the report on the 27th of March

LOCAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Fingal LCDC

- Next LCDC Meeting: 13th May 2026
- Healthy Ireland & LECP: Ongoing implementation and review.



LEADER Programme Update

- LAG Meeting took place on 25th March 2026.
- LEADER Annual Progress Report 2025 and Implementation Plan 2026 has been submitted to Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht (DRCDG).



Local Enhancement Programme (LEP) 2026

- Funding Available: €268,827 allocated to Fingal for Capital Projects only.
- The Evaluation Meeting for final sign-off took place on 24 March 2026.
- List of successful projects to be submitted to DRCDG by 22 April 2026.



Walking Football

Healthy Fingal is working with Total Football Solutions and local sports clubs to deliver a Walking Football Programme in Fingal.

This will be rolled out in Q2 & Q3, 2026 in the following 4 areas: Balbriggan, Blanchardstown, Lusk and Malahide/Portmarnock.



TOWN REGENERATION OFFICE

Our Balbriggan 2025 - 2030 Rejuvenation Plan – A Socio-Economic Strategy

The Balbriggan Leadership Group, chaired by Dr. David Begg met on 11th March, members received updates on the Urban Regeneration Development funded Public Infrastructure Projects and progress reports from its four Pillar Chairs; Economic Development, Education, Skills & Training, Community Development & Sustainability, Climate Action & Biodiversity. Membership comprises of the five Balbriggan locally elected councillors, senior representatives from the Public Sector together with Local and Community Development stakeholders.



The Council appointed contractor John Craddock Ltd on the redevelopment of the Quay Street, Harbour & Environs area in Q2 2024. Work is continuing to progress well across all key elements, with the majority of the work scheduled to be substantially completed in Spring 2026.

Phase 5 works are underway with the heritage restoration of the RNLI Boathouse building in its final stages. The restoration works are due for completion in Q2 2026. The new public toilets, harbour pavilion buildings and kiosks are progressing well with exposed aggregate concrete and granite paving being completed. Site testing investigations are complete on the site of Balbriggan's old gas works, which is part of the new Harbour Square development.

Following the February Swords/Balbriggan ACM, the Section 38 Quay Street & Environs Traffic Management Scheme was agreed and traffic control measures works in Georges Hill, Mill Street, Quay Street, Harbour Road and Seapoint Lane are to proceed in Q2 2026.



The procurement process to appoint a contractor for the redevelopment of 2-4 Dublin Street is ongoing. The property and adjoining commercial unit are set to be transformed into a new Creative Hub with 8 workspaces at 2 Dublin Street and an ancillary connected space at 4 Dublin Street which will support STEAM education, digital learning, training and enterprise activities. Substantial completion is expected in 2027.



An Integrated Design Team, McCullough Mulvin Architects, have been appointed for the DeBruns site and are progressing work on design options based on best possible uses and site constraints. It is intended to proceed to a Part 8 planning public consultation process in 2026.

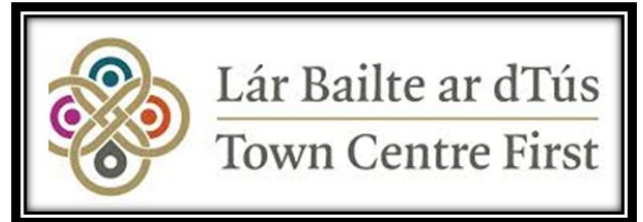
A Feasibility Study for a Swim Platform has been completed by Langan Consulting (Marine) Engineers. The Programme Office are reviewing the proposed options and costs before progressing with next steps.

An Internal Project Team has been established from the Town Regeneration Office, Our Balbriggan Programme Office and FCC Architects to progress the Boathouse and Bathhouse project. Based on the current programme, a public planning process is likely to commence in Q3 2026 with construction commencing in early 2027 for completion of the project in late 2027.



Our Balbriggan Programme Office continues to work with the Operations Department on a programme of works to enhance spaces for young people. Three locations have been completed in Millpond, Bremore and Charlie Moore Parks.

The Open Spaces Scheme for Chieftan's Drive/Moylaragh Road, Balbriggan will commence Q2 2026 with the installation of a Half MUGA and additional outdoor enhancements to include seating.



Town Centre First

The Town Teams of Ballyboughal, Balrothery, Donabate, Lusk and Rush, in consultation with the Town Regeneration Office all continue to identify objectives from their Town Plans to implement during 2026 ensuring that the agreed actions of local residents and businesses alike are prioritised.



Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2025

The Town Regeneration Office secured €1,035,450 in funding for all five applications submitted to the TVRS scheme operated by the Department of Rural and Community Development & The Gaeltacht which was announced in December 2025. Consultations are ongoing between the Town Regeneration Office, other departments within FCC and Town Teams to determine the details of each project in order to ensure a maximum return on these funds for each local community.

The Successful applications under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, 2025 were:

St. Margaret's - Community Hall Enhancement

Funding of €500,000 has been approved to complete the repair, refurbishment and extension of the existing Community Hall in St Margaret's to include mechanical and electrical upgrades, fire safety and site clearing. This project will be led by the Community Development Office and supported by the Town Regeneration Office.

Ballyboughal - Public Realm Enhancement

Funding of €218,700 has been approved. This project will be led by the Ballyboughal Town Team and supported by the Town Regeneration Office.

Lusk - Public Realm Enhancement

Funding of €195,075 has been approved. This project will be led by the Lusk Town Team and supported by the Town Regeneration Office.

Rush – Feasibility Study for Public Realm Enhancement

Funding of €50,000 has been approved. This project will be led by the Rush Town Team and supported by the Town Regeneration Office.

Balrothery – Feasibility Study for Public Realm Enhancement

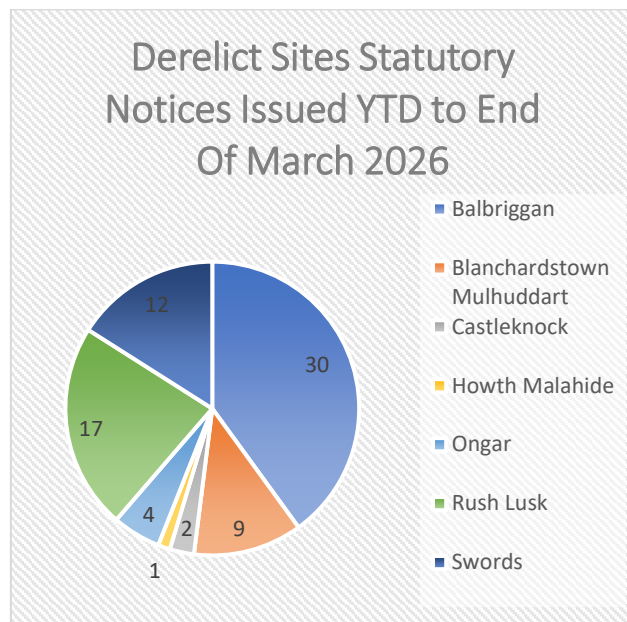
Funding of €49,500 has been approved. This project will be led by the Balrothery Town Team and supported by the Town Regeneration Office.

Derelict Sites

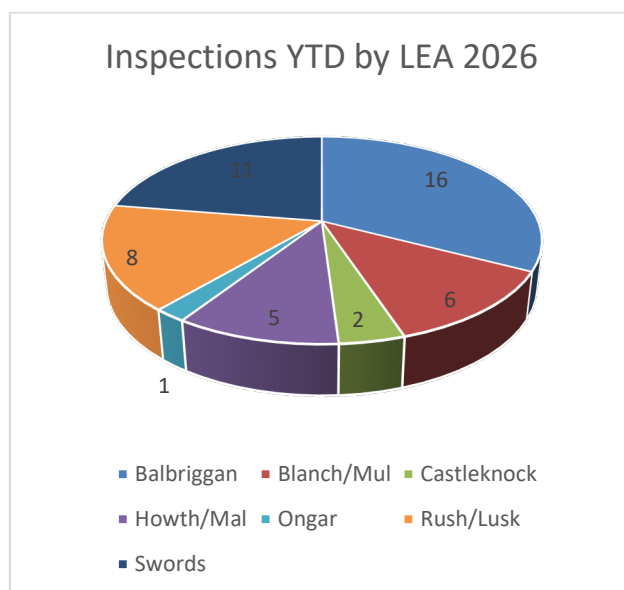
74 no. Statutory notices have issued to owners of Derelict sites for the month of March 2026.

2 no. properties have been removed from the Derelict Sites Register since the start of the year following compliance with Section 11 Notices.

A further 2 no. properties have been added to the Derelict Sites Register this year which brings the current number of properties on the Derelict Sites Register to 28.



There has been a total of 49 no. inspections carried out year to date in 2026 on existing files and new referrals from members of the public and through the activity of the Derelict Sites team.



Local Enterprise Office



LEO Fingal provides a broad suite of support services to stimulate enterprise and enable small businesses to succeed.

Local Enterprise Week 2026



Local Enterprise Week took place on the 2nd to 6th March 2026. It featured a packed schedule of 15 events for start-ups and small businesses focusing on management training, networking, mentoring and much more.

Highlights included the Fingal Start-up bootcamp where we were joined by the 2fm Roadcaster and The Laura Fox Show, Fingal Enterprise Awards, 'Drive for Success' with Fingal Chamber, 'AI without the hype' in partnership with Balbriggan Chamber, and Fingal Enterprising Network Lunch with Claire McKenna.

Over 1,000 entrepreneurs and small business owners attended events throughout the course of the week.

Student Enterprise Awards 2026 - Fingal County Final



The Student Enterprise Programme County Final was held on 19th March at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown, where students from 21 schools showcased exceptional entrepreneurial talent through innovative products, strong branding and confident pitches, reflecting months of teamwork, creativity and resilience.

The winning teams will now compete against student businesses from across Ireland in Mullingar in May.

The overall winners were:

Senior: Micro Forge 3D, Coolmine Community School

Intermediate: Tiny Terrariums, Loreto Balbriggan

Junior: Powerblocker, Sutton Park School

Fingal Business Supports Briefing



The March monthly online *Business Supports Briefing on Local Enterprise Week*, attracted 139 registrants to learn about supports for their business. The next briefing will take place online on April 3rd and will continue to run monthly throughout the year.

Food Sectoral Supports



The Dublin Food Chain hosted an Innovation and Foods Trend conference for producers within the Dublin Region as part of the Local Enterprise Week activities, they also hosted a Middle East conflict impact on food and drink producers Briefing Session on 19th March as a free Webinar to Dublin based Food and Drinks producers. The Dublin Food Chain is an initiative of the 4 Dublin Local Enterprise Offices.

Evaluations and Approvals Committee

The Evaluation and Approvals Committee (EVAC) approved €160,000 across 8 business grant applications in February 2026. The next EVAC meeting will convene on 1st April 2026.

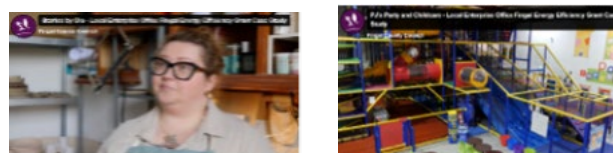
Management Development



Seven Fingal businesses graduated from the Leadership for Business Acceleration Programme on March 12th 2026. The next programme is underway and LEO Fingal have initiated a host of short multi-day Management Development Programmes over the remainder of 2026.

These programmes will be open for booking from April 2026 and include Financial Planning, HR, Taxation and other important topics for the owner manager.

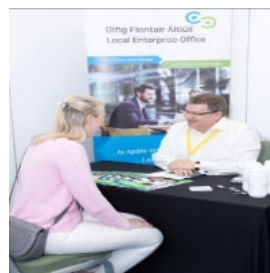
Sustainability Supports



LEO Fingal provides expertise and incentives to enable small businesses to reduce their carbon footprint and become more sustainable. The Green for Business programme was delivered to 41 Fingal based businesses in 2025 allowing many of these businesses to apply for the Energy Efficiency Grant with funding of up to €10,000 and 75% of eligible costs, to enable small businesses to acquire energy efficient equipment and processes.

20 applicants were approved for funding under this scheme in 2025. 5 applicants have been approved so far in 2026.

Business Advice Clinics and Mentoring



LEO Fingal provides one to one business support services through Business Advice Clinics and a Mentoring programme, both online and in person. In 2025, 665 clients availed of a Business Advice Clinic and 371 signed up for mentoring, with consistently high demand for this service among Fingal businesses. So far this year 277 clients have signed up to the mentor and business advice clinic service.

Business Loan scheme

LEO Fingal provides a loan scheme through its partnership with Microfinance Ireland (MFI), up to €50,000 per approved applicant.

In 2025, 40 MFI loan applications were processed, supported by an expert mentor who guides applicants through the process to maximise their prospect of approval. So far in 2026, 7 clients have applied for MFI via LEO Fingal demonstrating another year of strong uptake,

Training and Events

Training attendance remains strong throughout Q1 in LEO Fingal. To end of March 2026, there have been 51 events with 1319 registered, including 4 Start Your Own Business Courses with 48 attending, a Startup Bootcamp with 60 attending and 2 Business Supports Briefings with 306 people expressing interest in the LEO Business Supports offered.

Internationalisation and Export Development

The new *Market Explorer Grant* is available to small enterprises in the manufacturing and international trading sectors (with up to 50 employees). The amount of the grant is 50% of eligible costs up to a maximum of €10,000. LEO Fingal approved seven applications in 2025 in the amount of €49,010, with one business approved to date and several businesses currently working on applications early in 2026.

Digital & Innovation Supports



The *Grow Digital Voucher* and *Digital for Business* schemes offer SMEs grant and capability supports to embrace digital technology. In 2026 so far 13 clients have been approved through these programmes.

Productivity & Competitiveness Supports



Lean For Business is designed to encourage clients to adopt Lean business principles in their organisations to increase performance and competitiveness. During Local Enterprise Week LEO Fingal hosted a Future-Ready Business: Gaining the Edge with Green, Lean and Digital Practices Webinar featuring panel discussions with LEO Fingal clients on their experiences using Lean principles. The Webinar was well attended.

Fingal Business Network



The next Fingal Business Network event will take place on April 24th in the Carlton Dublin Airport Hotel – the event theme is “The Grit and the Glory” and will feature a panel of Fingal businesses discussing the highs and lows of their business journey. The Fingal Business Network meets three to four times per annum, with very strong participation among Fingal SME owner/managers.



Community Development & Inclusion

Community Development

Community Development involves local people working collectively to address social, economic, environmental, and cultural challenges. Actions range from small local initiatives to wider community-level programmes.

Building community capacity and participation requires sustained collaboration between communities and the agencies that support them.

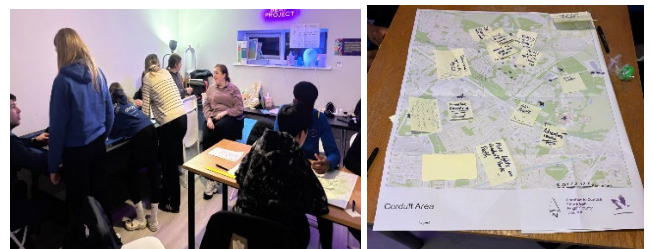
The Community Development & Inclusion Division delivers work across community support, social inclusion, equality, intercultural engagement, and empowerment.

This month the Community Development Office worked with community groups and partners to support the following projects/initiatives:

Launch of the Place Standards Tool Corduff Report.

The launch of the Place Standard Tool (PST) report in Corduff represents a significant step in the Council's commitment to strengthening community voice and advancing evidence-based, community-led planning. The engagement process produced three detailed reports capturing local insights, strengths, and priority issues identified by residents. Following the successful launch, the Community Development and Inclusion Department is preparing to extend the initiative to additional areas across the county.

The Corduff pilot highlighted the effectiveness of the PST in facilitating meaningful community engagement, enabling residents and local organisations to share lived experiences and influence local priorities. Building on this success, the PST will now be rolled out in Mulhuddart and Rivermeade as part of Fingal's wider programme under the Local Economic and Community Plan 2023–2028. This next phase aims to empower communities, deepen participation, and support more inclusive planning across the county.



International Women's Day 2026

Celebrating International Women's Day, a small bursary of up to €300 was provided to 65 community and voluntary groups across Fingal including the Swords Women's Shed who held a well-attended, inclusive and vibrant Mná na Cheile on Sunday the 8th of March 2026 and which was attended by Mayor of Fingal Cllr Tom O Leary.



Fingal Street Feasts Roadshow

The Street Feast Roadshow visited the Racecourse Community Centre in Baldoye and the Mulhuddart Community Centre on Saturday, 28 March 2026. The roadshow encouraged communities to host a Street Feast event this summer and provided guidance on how residents can come together to celebrate and strengthen their local community. Street Feast aims to build more connected neighbourhoods by bringing people together to share food, conversation, and a sense of belonging.



Thrive Balbriggan How to Be Human Event

Thrive Balbriggan hosted a well-attended mental-health-themed evening of education and entertainment at the Lark Balbriggan, funded through the Community Development and Inclusion Division's Community Activities Funding Scheme. Fingallian Margot Fox presented her one-woman show *How to Be Human*, which explores everyday mental-health challenges in a humorous and thought-provoking way. Fox was inspired to develop the show after attending last year's Thrive Balbriggan talk by athlete and commentator David Gillick. The Thrive Balbriggan project is now preparing for the annual Hello How Are You Day and its own AGM.



St Patrick's Day Inclusive Parade and Family Fun in Donabate

The first inclusive St Patrick's Day parade in Donabate took place last month, supported by the Donabate Town Team and the Community Development and Inclusion Division. Favourable weather contributed to a highly successful event, with the parade and subsequent family activities held along Main Street and at St Patrick's Park.

More than 25 local groups—including sporting, recreational, cultural, and community organisations—participated, reflecting the strong community spirit and commitment to inclusivity in Donabate. Large crowds lined the surrounding streets from an early stage, and the parade was attended by local councillors, TDs, and staff from the ECCD Department.



Community Facilities Management

The Community Facilities Unit supports 38 community centres and manages the Community Development Office's Capital Works programme.

Fingal Community Facilities Network - Quarterly Meeting

On Thursday, 26 March, the Community Facilities Engagement Team supported the first quarterly session of the Fingal Community Facilities Network. Representatives from 28 community facilities, including managers and directors, attended the event. The session featured a masterclass on Personal Effectiveness and Wellbeing delivered by Mandy Spencer Hunt of Protrain, followed by a presentation from Hans Zomer of Global Action Plan, outlining their current work and launching the Climate Heroes Challenge 2026, which will run across participating facilities during Dublin Climate Action Week in May. The Team also introduced the next phase of the Keen to be Green initiative, an energy-efficiency audit to be completed by all centres.

Interagency

The Community Development Office collaborates with agencies to enhance service delivery across Fingal.

Fingal Comhairle na nÓg (FCNN)



The group are working on their annual project on anti-social behaviour and are preparing for Dáil na nÓg 2026 which will take place on the 1st of May. There will be 6 delegates representing Fingal at this event, where the theme of discussion will centre around Education. The representatives have attended preparation sessions to explore themes relevant to the Convention on Education.

Fingal Public Participation Network (FPPN)

The staff of FPPN attended the National PPN staff Forum on 26th March. This meeting brings together all 31 national PPNs and provides support and training to staff. Planning for the DCU Summer School is underway and we are looking forward to working with lecturers to run 7 training and networking sessions for PPN members in May 2026. Re-registration of all groups on the County register is being undertaken by the PPN so communication may be improved to all members.



Age Friendly Fingal

Age Friendly Fingal leads a collaborative, multi-sector approach to improving quality of life for older people in Fingal, both now and into the future.



Age Friendly Alliance

Information Event for Over 55s in Castleknock

Consultations for the Age Friendly Strategy identified difficulties older people face in accessing information, alongside an over-reliance on social media and online sources. In response, two information events for older people will now be held annually in different locations across the county.



The first event took place at Castleknock Community Centre, Laurel Lodge, on Tuesday, 31 March 2026. Promotion was delivered through social media, supplemented by posters and flyers distributed in community settings and venues frequently used by older people. Strong community engagement resulted in high attendance on the day, confirming the value and impact of these information events.

Funding

17 Community Activities Funding Grants totaling €47,424.21 are awarded in 2026:

ACM Area	Number of Grants	Amount
BRLS	5	€13,474
BMCO	10	€27,998.21
HOWTH/MAL	2	€5,952

Further grant applications are moving through the process to award stage. Closing date for receipt of applications **30th June 2026**

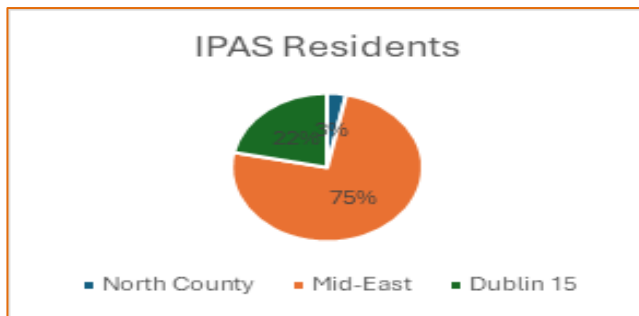
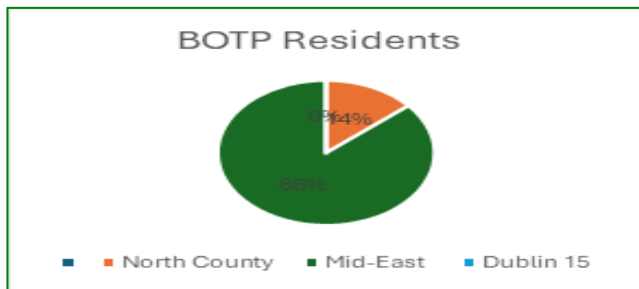
Integration

The Fingal Integration Office supports social inclusion and intercultural understanding.

Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT)

LAIT continues to provide clinics for International Protection applicants, Programme Refugees, and Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection.

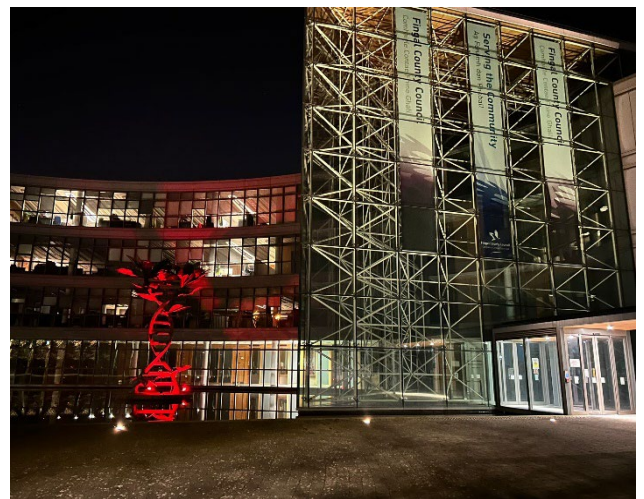
Geographical Area	BOTP Residents	IPAS Residents
North County	49	64
Mid-East	308	1503
Dublin 15	0	435
Total	357	2002



International Day of the Elimination of Racial Discrimination - Integration Initiatives

To mark Anti-racism Month, the Fingal Integration Office led a series of awareness raising initiatives designed to promote equality, inclusion and meaningful reflection across Fingal.

County Hall and Civic Offices were lit up red between the 19th - 21st of March, to mark International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, highlighting Fingal County Council's continued commitment to equality, inclusion and diversity.



On the 20th of March we invited all staff to take part in *Wear Red Day* to show our shared commitment to embracing diversity and standing up for equality and inclusion.



Building Inclusive Communities - Moving Forward Together

The Fingal Integration Office hosted the second *Building Inclusive Communities* workshop, themed "Moving Forward Together." Delivered in collaboration with the Hope and Courage Collective, the interactive session built on work initiated last November and focused on developing a values charter for organisations and communities in Fingal. SEO Cormac Healy opened the event, which was attended by 50 participants.



We hosted our *Building Bridges: Forging Pathways Beyond Prejudice* exhibition in Malahide Library, encouraging reflection and conversation on the values that shape an inclusive society.



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Area Business Totals for February 2026

Area	Public CRM's	Rep CRM's	Area Questions	Area Motions	Headed Items
Balbriggan/Swords	1103	233	60	15	2
Castleknock/Mulhuddart	280	145	16	5	1
Howth/Malahide	351	63	17	8	0
Total	1734	441	93	28	3

Works Programme

Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area

Santry

Hard surface improvements undertaken around the park signage within Santry Demesne as part of the Capital Works Program. This improves access for all park users to view and interpret the signage, along with improved aesthetics and the reduction in maintenance requirements.



Newbridge

New gardening team at Newbridge Demesne. Getting ready to fill the newly restored glasshouse



The public tree giveaway took place in Ward River Valley Park, to mark National Tree Week 2026. Operations staff were again assisted by members of Swords Woodland Association on both days.





Operations staff planted 130 trees in verges, parks and open spaces across Donabate, Portrane, Santry and Swords as part of this season's tree planting program.





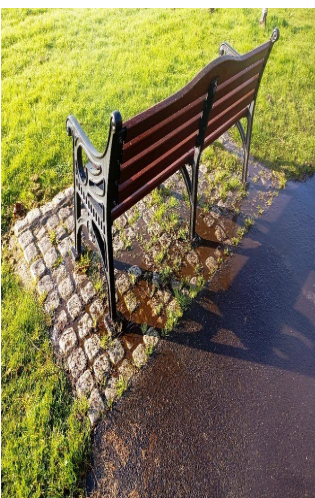
Presidential Visit - Launch of National Tree Week

To mark the 40th anniversary of the Tree Council of Ireland being founded, this year's National Tree Week programme was officially launched by President Catherine Connolly at Newbridge House and Demesne - a fitting location whose historic woodlands and heritage landscape reflect the Council's long-standing mission to promote and protect Ireland's trees.



Swords

Operations Crews power washing and weeding at Swords Rock Garden.



Ardgillan Castle

Ardgillan Castle & Gardens Inaugural SPRING flower show held on the 22nd of March was a resounding success, showcasing a diverse array of vibrant flowers.

Organised by Head Gardener, Dominica McKeivitt in collaboration with the Balbriggan & District Horticultural Society. Well done to all the participants and organisers for their outstanding effort.



Roads/Footpaths

Road patching of southbound bus lane of R132 opposite Northwood Santry.



Carriageway patch repairs on R106 opposite Ashley Estate.



Resetting of failing carriageway irons on R132, Dublin Airport to Dardistown Cemetery.



Trial holes samples taking in Hampton Cove and Flemington Park ahead of road resurfacing works for this year's Roads Programme.



Footpath and cycle track renewal work on Stephenstown by-pass in Balbriggan as part of Area Engineer's general maintenance works.



New retaining wall being built in Fancourt Depot form part of the installation of 19 new EV charging points for depot fleet vehicles.



Reinstatement works by Fancourt roads crew to new storm water sewer installed on Borranstown Lane as part of Area Engineer's general maintenance works.



Resurfacing works carried out at Mill Bank in Rush as part of this year's Roads programme.



Howth/ Malahide Area

National tree week 2026 - Fingal County Council tree giveaway



Howth/Malahide area held the annual Tree giveaway at Malahide Demesne carpark and Baldoyle Racecourse carpark. It was a great success on both days. Staff were on hand to give advice on tree selection and care.



Tree giveaway, Baldoyle racecourse carpark.



Malahide demesne tree giveaway.

Grace O'Malley community gardens, Howth.



New vegetable planters installed for the Grace O'Malley community group.



Plinths and ping-pong tables installed adjacent to the MUGA in Grace O'Malley.



Malahide Demesne & Woods





Over seeding works in front lawn of the Castle.



Newly planted Liquid Amber trees line the drive up to the 'Avoca' carpark.



Pterocarya tree enroute for planting



Drainage work carried out beside the cricket grounds in Malahide demesne. Repeat ponding of water in this area was occurring.



Liquid Amber planted along Main vehicle access.



Avoca and overflow carpark, Malahide demesne.



New fencing installed along perimeter of carpark.



New Beech hedging planted.



Succession planting along main avenue in the Demesne.



Heavy decay noted during tree inspection, dangerous tree removed. Succession planting continues here with the planting of evergreen oak, beech and pine.

The West Lawn gardens



Azeleas and Rhododendrons planted up adjacent to the new water feature in the west lawn/Asiatic gardens.





New addition to the Asiatic garden - Dragon wood carving.



Seating area at 'The Well' cleared and planted up in keeping with the Tree fern (Dicksonia) avenue adjacent.



New fencing installed along the main avenue.

Howth Pathways

Numerous water bars keep the pathways walkable, moving rainwater off the path and causing less surface damage.



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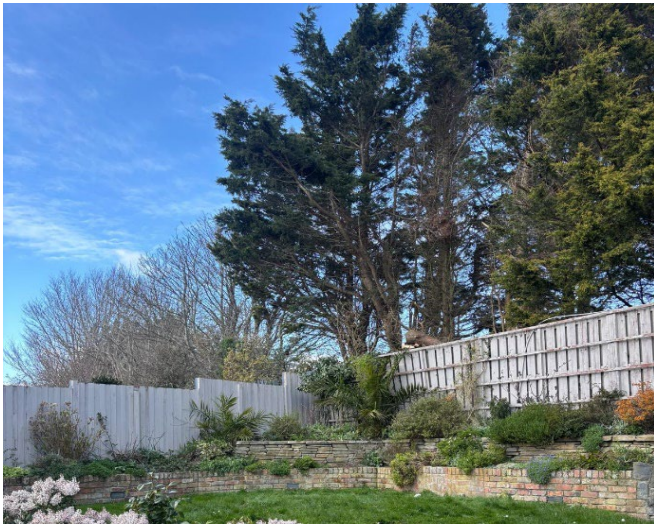


After

Clearing of the water bars along the Howth pathways has begun before the busy tourist season. The water bars are an important part of the infrastructure here they must be cleared regularly to function properly.



Fallen tree at Knockdara, Malahide was removed and the area cleared.



Knockdara after tree removed.

Bayside

Bayside North, laneway cleared of overgrowth and tidied up.



Seabury woods



Rough sleepers tents and litter removed from the wooded area in Seabury.



Seamount Park

Operations staff assisted the community group by preparing the ground for them to plant more fruit trees.



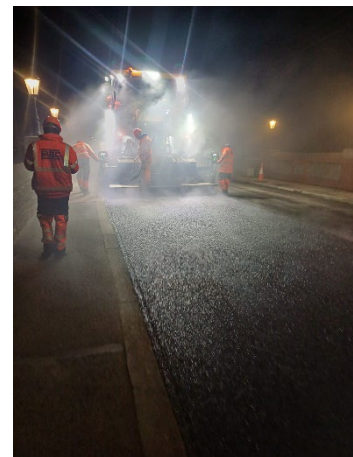
**Roads / Footpaths – Howth/Malahide
Howth – Dunbo Hill & Church Street**

The Contractor has completed works involving resurfacing of the footpath and road, along with new kerbs at Dunbo Hill. The contractor has also completed resurfacing a section of road on Church Street. Additionally, the Howth Malahide Crew Completed a new drainage system at Dunbo Hill.



Portmarnock

The Contractor has completed works involving patching at Portmarnock Bridge.



Baldoyle – Coast Road

The Contractor has completed works involving pothole repairs at Coast Road.



Kinsealy – Chapel Road

The Contractor has completed works involving the resurfacing of a section of road on Chapel Road, along with ancillary works.

Cleansing, Beaches and Toilets



Entrance to Kilbarrack burial grounds rebuilding of pillars and refitting of gates following collapse due to storm damage.



Marine walkway the green Malahide new bins and lifebuoys complete.



Robswall wall toilets Malahide new plumbing fittings installed to address leaking issue.



Fingal burial grounds new lay of hydro water piping for extra water taps works by our burial ground staff.



Fingal Balgriffin burial grounds landscaping works by our Fingal burial grounds staff.



Marine walkway The Green Malahide installation of new lifebuoys.

Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area
St Catherine's Park Woodland Walk



Footpath resurfacing along the woodland walk in St Catherine's Park has been completed. A total of 1.1km of footpath was resurfaced.



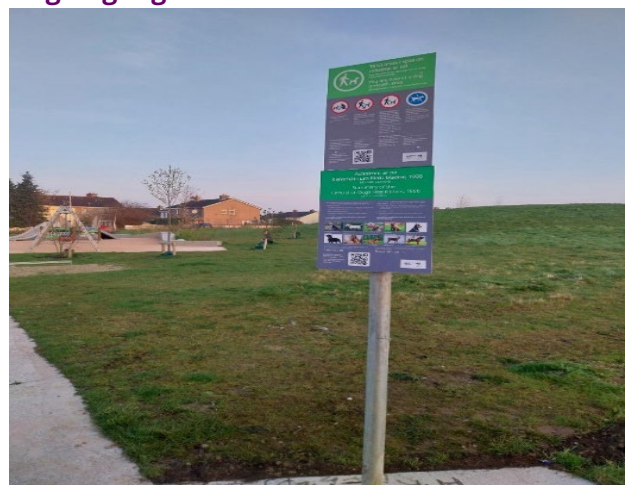
New hook lorry for our skip removal



Churchfield Open Space Mulhuddart - Control of Dogs signage



Jetting and clearing foul sewer serving the public toilets opposite Howth Market.





New Control of Dogs Regulations 1998 signage was placed in Churchfields open spaces in Mulhuddart, to inform the general public of the law regarding dogs in public open spaces.

Park Drive - Tree Planting



These trees were planted in conjunction with Castleknock Tidy Towns, in Park Drive. The Operation's Department helped prepare the ground and supplied shovels and stakes for this planting operation.



10 fruit Trees purchased by Castleknock tidy towns were planted on the open space.

Porterstown Park - Temporary Overflow Carpark



Approximately 2,500 square meters of new matting has been installed just off Porterstown Road to facilitate a temporary overflow carpark, while construction to the actual overflow Carpark is taking place. Works on the overflow carpark in Porterstown Park itself has commenced and will take around 12 weeks to complete.

Works include the creation of asphalt carriage ways with grass parking bays, landscaping, perimeter fencing and public lighting.



Dunsoughly Estate -New Playground Equipment.



New playground equipment has been installed in Dunsoughly estate open space in Cappagh.



National Tree Week



A Tree give away took place during National Tree week in St Catherine's Park and Millennium Park. There were approx. 2,000 trees given out across the 2 days.



Riverwood Biodiversity Group Tree Planting



Operations Department assisted Riverwood Biodiversity Group in planting an Orchard of apple and pear trees in Riverwood Court estate.



Hollywoodrath Area - Reinstatement of cycle lane



Remedial works to cycle-lanes were carried out.



Hazelbury Park - Kissing gate



A re-instatement of the tar at the kissing gate going into Hazelbury Park was undertaken.

Kilshane Cross - drainage kerbs



The drainage kerbs at Kilshane Cross were damaged due to vehicles driving over them. New kerbs were installed. In addition, barriers were installed to prevent traffic from driving over the drainage line and causing further damage.

Blanchardstown Road South - Graffiti removal



Removal of graffiti on the main Blanchardstown Road South has been completed. All affected surfaces were cleaned and restored to their original condition.



College Road - Drainage Works



Drainage works were carried out on the College Roads in Castleknock. The works included clearing and improving the drainage system to ensure proper water flow and prevent future surface-water issues.



Ongar Road



Reinstatement of a pothole was carried out on Ongar Road. The damaged section of the roadway was cleaned, prepared, and resurfaced to restore a safe and smooth driving surface.



Millennium Park



Refurbishment works have now completed at Millenium Park and it is open for use. This 2nd section of the playground includes an activity trail, play unit with accessible levels, wood sculptures, giant spinning disc, play panels and more.

Car Parking Services

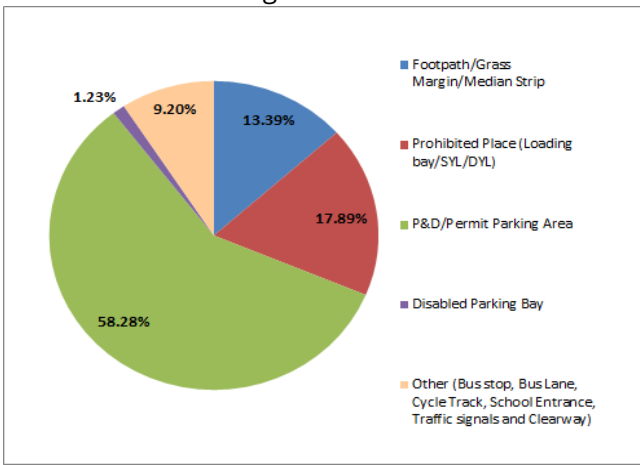
February 2026

There were a total of 978 parking tickets issued during February 2026.

Top 10 Main Ticketing Locations:

Location	Main Ticket Locations February 2026
North Street - Swords	98
Bridgefield Car Park - Malahide	85
Drogheda Street - Balbriggan	43
Main Street - Swords	38
South Strand Skerries	35
Strand Street - Skerries	35
Harbour Road - Skerries	30
The Green - Malahide	27
Coast Road - Malahide	26
Old Street - Malahide	26

Breakdown of Parking Offences:



Cashless Parking Operator

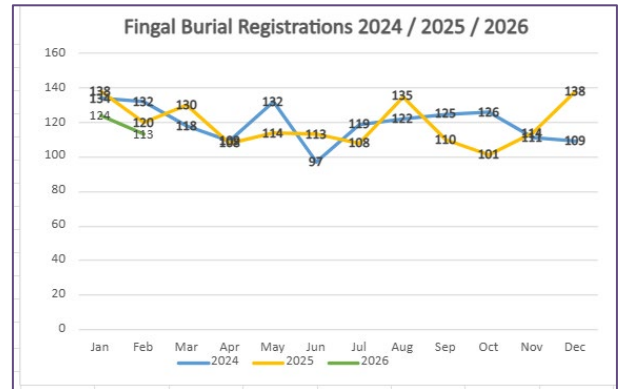
Tendering is currently underway for a new contract for cashless parking payment option, including pay by electronic application, and retail payment option.

2026 Parking Control Bye-Laws

New parking meters and signage has been ordered for Skerries Red Island (North), Malahide Beach, Portmarnock and Howth Summit Car Parks. Installation will commence once received.

Burial Ground Services

There were 113 Interments in February 2026 in Fingal Cemeteries.



Kellystown Burial Ground

This phase of cemetery development works on a greenfield site at Kellystown will provide approximately 650 grave plots, a columbarium wall for the storage of ashes, a landscaped angel garden, a small services facilities building and yard, including all associated site services and landscaping.

The works are expected to take up to 12 months to complete. Currently the grave plots and paths are well advanced with buildings at early stages of construction.

Traffic Operations County-Wide

Default Speed Limits Update

As guidance has been received from the Department of Transport, work is progressing on Phase 2 of the Speed Limit Review for Urban Areas. The estimated no. of signs and poles required for the implementation have also been sent to Department of Transport in order to allow the nationwide tender to progress.

Balbriggan/Swords Area

Chapel Street, Balbriggan- New School Road Markings.



Browns Cross, R122 Oldtown - Road markings renewal works.



Barrack Lane, Lusk- Double Yellow Lines and junction road markings renewal works.



LED Lights installed at junction of Old Swords Road/Turnapin Lane.



Howth/Malahide Area

Programme of Works 2026 has commenced. Junction upgrade works at Seamount and R124-Malahide completed.



Pedestrian signal upgrade, adjacent to St. Sylvester's Church, Malahide now completed.



Anti parking measures and pedestrian crossing upgrade completed by Dunnes Stores car park entrance – Portmarnock.



Additional signage for Estuary Road near Swords Sailing & Boat Club.

Above: New Road Markings and refreshed marking in Baldoyle industrial estate

Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area

Traffic Calming Schemes



Traffic Calming Ramp replaced on Lohunda Downs.



Left speed cushion replaced on Blackcourt Road.

Charlestown



New hardstanding area installed for drop off/pick up passengers outside the Charlestown Shopping Centre.

Fleet Management & Plant Hire Unit

130 Plant Hires were put in place from 14/02/2026 to 23/03/2026, engaging 26 suppliers.

Public Lighting

2026 Programme of Works

Works on the 2026 Public Lighting Programme of Works is progressing.

2026 POW Works in Progress/Ongoing:

- Annaly Grove, Ongar
- Charlie Moore Park, Balbriggan
- Glebe Park Carpark, Balrothery - beside tennis courts
- Willow Wood Grove/Stonebridge Road Walkway, Clonsilla
- Whitestown Park Walkway, Coolmine
- Hazelbury Park/Littlepace Park Walkway, Littlepace

Public Lighting Column Replacement and Cable Upgrade Programme.

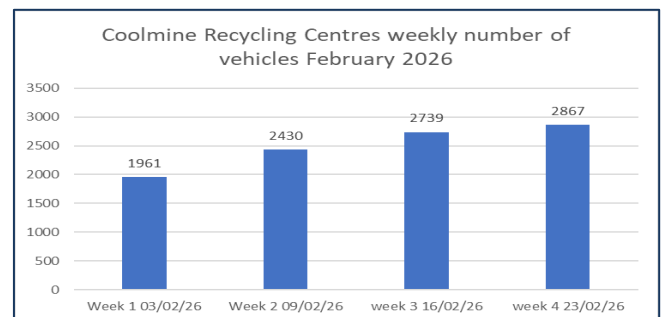
Works on the public lighting column replacement programme are ongoing in the County.

Public Lighting Column Replacements ongoing:

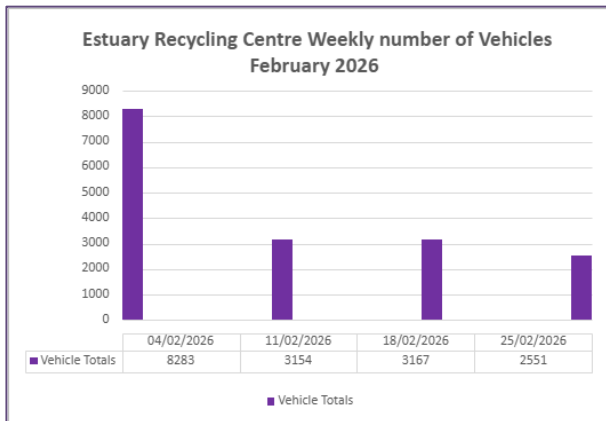
- Woodvale Estate, Clonsilla

Recycling Centres Update

The Council is currently in the process of recruitment of additional Recycling Centre Operators to implement the new opening hours at Coolmine.



Statistics for Estuary Recycling Centre above



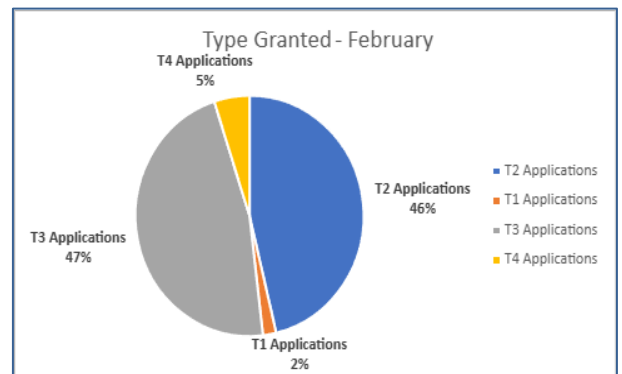
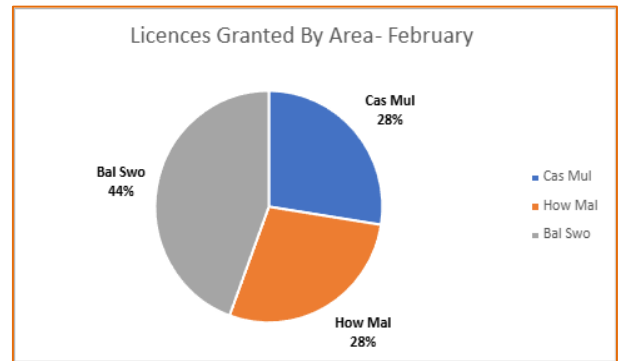
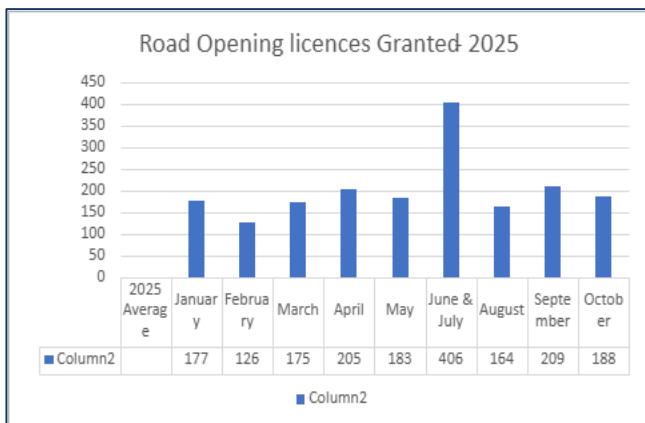
Statistics for Coolmine Recycling Centre above

Licences

➤ Road Opening Licenses

The Licensing Unit continues to process and manage the licensing system for the County. Applications are allocated by area for examination and conditioning which includes reviews of the existing carriageway, footpaths, cycleways, and grass verges. Applicants submit temporary traffic management plans for review to ensure all works are carried out safely within the public domain.

160 Licences were granted in the month of February, **52% of which were granted by way of automation.** Clerks of Works in each area continue to carry out regular inspections following road opening works by Utilities.

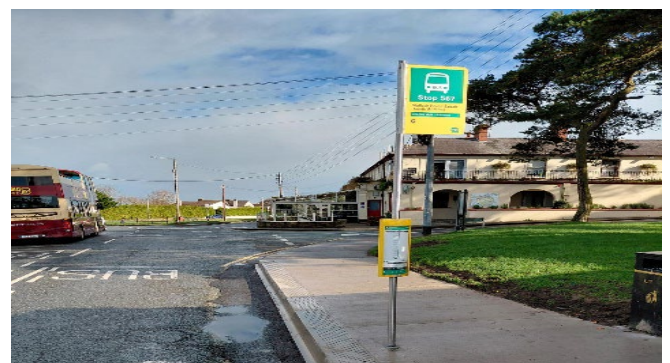


Bus Enhancement Scheme

Works are ongoing in all three administrative areas on the NTA approved and funded bus stop enhancements at 13 locations.

➤ Howth Malahide Area

As part of the 13 countywide locations bus enhancement scheme, the upgrading of stops at Howth and Malahide have been completed.



Howth - Thormanby Road

Malahide: The Contractor has completed works on two bus stops. One has been completed at the front of the Tennis Club on St. James Terrace, on the R106. The other bus stop which was completed is at St. Andrews School on Church Road.



Malahide – St. James Terraces R106



Malahide – Church Road

➤ **Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area**

Works on two bus stops on the R127 in Balbriggan have been completed as part of the 2025 BSEP Works Programme.

The 2026 BSEP Work Programme for the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area is currently under feasibility review from a short list received from the NTA.



➤ **Castleknock/Mulhuddart Area**

The bus stop enhancement projects which received final NTA Approval to be constructed are as follows: one located on the Ratoath Road (L3080), Hollywoodrath and two on the R122 close to the National Reception Centre, Baleskin, Dubber. All these bus stop enhancements have been completed.

Grass Pitch Applications 2025/26

Fingal County Council have completed the grass pitch allocation process for the 2025/2026 playing season. All of the 74 clubs have now paid in full. The process for re-allocation of pitches will begin in May/June of this year and we are expecting high demand for all pitches throughout the county.

Casual Trading License

Fingal County Council has a total of 28 valid Casual Trading Licences for the 2026/27 trading season covering trading of hot food, tea and coffee, ice cream and flowers, these licences run from 1st of March 2026 until the 28th of February 2027. Fingal County Council is currently in the process of processing x8 new applications, site inspection are currently being carried out and once invoices are paid these new business will be issued with their new Casual Trading licence. Any Casual Trading locations that remain available will be advertised on the Fingal County Council website and social media channels.

Pilot Scheme Beach Mobile Saunas

Fingal County Council are again extending the Mobile Sauna Pilot Scheme from the 1st of April to the 30th of September 2026 for the summer season. We currently have 3 mobile saunas operating in the County at Portmarnock Beach Car Park, Red Island Car Park in Skerries and Balbriggan Beach Martello Tower.

Street Furniture Licences

A total of 28 valid Street Furniture Licences have been issued to businesses so far in 2026.

All 28 business have been issued with their Licence, which must be displayed prominently in the front window of their business premises. Any additional applications will be dealt with on an ad hoc basis.

We are currently processing 5 additional applications.

Inspections will continue throughout the county to ensure compliance.

Harbours

As part of the general maintenance and control of end of lifeboats at Fingal Harbours, the Council removed one sunken vessel from Balbriggan Harbour.



Skerries Harbour

Emergency stabilisation works are due to commence on Skerries Pier in mid April pending contract award and it is envisaged the work will take up to 8 weeks to complete. During this time the Council will require the cooperation of all Pier users as we deliver out on this project. An information meeting will be scheduled in early April with Pier users.

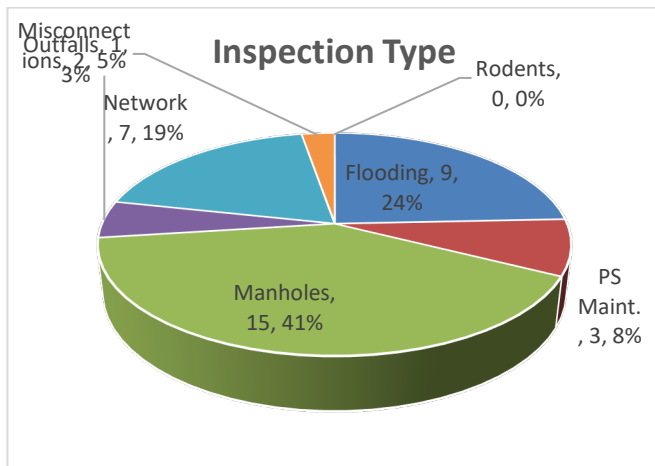
Fingal – Water Safety

The competition for recruitment of Lifeguards for the 2026 Bathing Season ended in March with 63 applications being received. Interviews will take place in April.



**Surface Water
Storm Water Maintenance**

The types and volumes of issues reported are shown in the chart.



Tuckett's Lane works

Storm Water Connections:

To date 7 Stormwater Connection Applications have been received for 2026.

Stormwater Capital Programme 2026-2028

Fingal County Council are continuing to progress 15 projects valued at €2.4m in the 2026-2028 Stormwater Capital Programme. Below is a brief update in relation to the status of some of the projects.

Howth Stormwater Culvert

Work Package A: design & construction of a replacement stormwater culvert on Howth Main Street. Preliminary design is complete with the preferred option being a new 1200mm SW pipe on Main Street and Harbour Road to replace the existing defective sections of culvert. Additional Topographical and GPR survey has been awarded to inform detailed design.

Work Package B: Separation of a combined sewer on Tuckett's Lane. Work was completed on 5th March. Final resurfacing is expected to be complete in early May.

Howth Stormwater Network Improvements. Installation of upsized pipes in **Seaview Terrace** is now complete with a road reinstatement contract to mobilise in April 2026.



Road resurfacing is now complete following drainage improvements on Church St, Dunbo Hill and R105 road in Howth.



Malahide/Portmarnock



CCTV surveys were carried out in the Gaybrook estate following reports of road flooding. Several defects and inaccessible manholes have now been addressed and all areas reinstated.



Beaverstown, Donabate.

Works are now complete on a contract to clean and reprofile a series of ditches that lead to a Stormwater Pump Station to improve storage at the location and allow for access for future maintenance.



Lusk Network Remedial Works:

A works schedule has been developed to carry out additional pipeline repairs between Post Office Road and Chapel Road to complete Phase 3 of the above project. Materials procurement has commenced with site works scheduled for April 2026.

Swords

Hilltown, Forrest Avenue, Rathingle Road, Cherry Garth and Rivervalley Lawns estates. Survey reports informed a number of work packages. A contractor has been appointed to commence specialised lining and robotic works during Q2 2026.

Surveys of the network in Pine Grove have identified heavy siltation and root penetration. Sections of pipeline will be replaced in Early April Cliffords Lane intersection network. Following reports of road flooding during the recent spell of heavy rain, CCTV and Robotic works have been undertaken to improve flow in the stormwater network. This will now include minor excavation works to remove dense roots.



Brackenstown Road

It was determined from a heavy rainfall event that the Stormwater network on Brackenstown road was not flowing freely. A CCTV survey was carried out, but this could not be completed due to a blockage. From invasive works it was determined that a previous utility installation had damaged the pipe. Works has since been completed to repair the pipe, and we are liaising with the utility provider on a permanent reinstatement.



Santry

Northwood Avenue. A tender process to procure a specialist Contractor to carry out repair works of the SW line running along the R132 will begin in April 2026.

Works include repairs following discovery of collapses & buried manholes.

Dublin 15

Grove Road area. CCTV surveys identified issues requiring remedial works e.g. raising of buried manholes, jetting, root cutting & installation of pipeline and full replacement of 100m of damaged pipeline. Works will commence in July 2026 during school holidays.



A diversion of a SW line in a laneway at Woodview Grove, Clonsilla was completed solving complaints of rodent infestation.



Surface Water Pollution

Work is ongoing regarding sources of any reported pollution to surface water.

Ironworks

Stormwater manhole cover and frame replacement is ongoing countywide. Manhole cover and frame replacements were carried out in Damastown and in Howth.

Outfall Upgrades/Maintenance

Ongoing weekly maintenance continues at the major Coastal Outfalls in Skerries, Howth & Sutton. Significant repairs to a storm damaged outfall at Claremont Beach took place in March.



Preventative Maintenance Jetting Programme

The recently commenced Countywide Preventative Maintenance Programme carried out Jetting, Robotic & CCTV works in Skerries, Malahide and Portmarnock in March 2026.

Underground Stormwater storage Assets

Continuing Identification and recording of underground storm water management assets county wide.

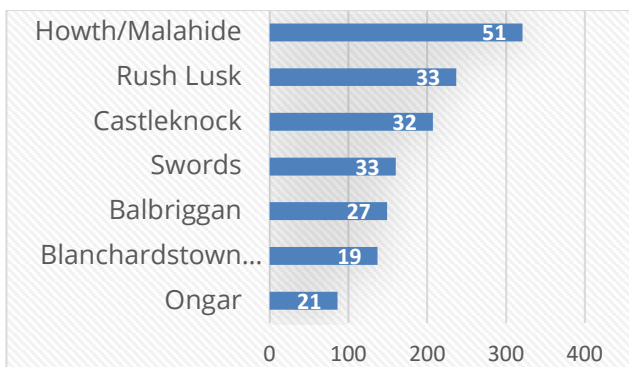


PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT

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Planning Applications

Between 1st January and 28th February 2026, a total of 217 planning applications were received, including 189 electronic applications via the national portal. Of these, 33 applications were deemed invalid, resulting in 184 valid applications. The accompanying bar chart illustrates the distribution of applications across various areas.



During the same period, no new Large-scale Residential Development applications were submitted to the Local Authority, 3 granted decisions issued on LRD applications.

Additionally, An Coimisiún Pleanála have issued one refusal decision on Strategic Housing Development applications during this period.

Planning Decisions

Between 1st January 2026 to the 28th February 2026, a total of 286 planning decisions were issued. The figures include 170 decisions to grant permission and 57 refusals of permission.

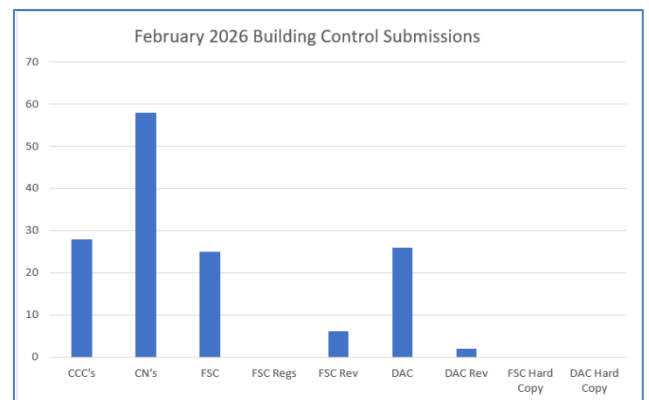
Building Control Admin

In February 2026, there were 146 building control submissions made via BCMS. This was made up of 58 Commencement notices, 28 Compliance of Completion Certificates, 31 Fire Safety related Certificates, 28 Disability Access related Certificates and 1 Dispensation/Relaxation.

Commencement notices and Compliance on Completion Certificates are submitted through the Projects module on BCMS.

Fire Safety, Disability Access, Regularisation and Dispensation/Relaxation Certificate applications can be submitted online via the Applications module on BCMS and the Council accepts hard copy applications directly into the office. Most applications are now being submitted via the online system.

The Building Control Admin team processed 97 decisions in February 2026 relating to Fire Safety and Disability Access Certificates. This was made up of 40 decisions to grant and 57 extensions of time.



Strategic Policy Unit

Urban Area Plans, Masterplans and Framework Plans

The first round of Plans emanating from the Fingal Development Plan 2023-2029 continue to be progressed. Work has commenced on the preparation of a draft Urban Area Plan for Dunsink, in support of Variation No. 1 to the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029. Further preparatory background analysis is being undertaken in relation to several other plans/studies, including advancement through the procurement process.

Residential Zoned Land Tax

The Residential Zoned Land Tax (RZLT) is a tax aimed at activating serviced and residentially zoned land for housing. Local authorities are responsible for identifying the land that is subject to RZLT. Consultation on the final RZLT map for 2026 is open until 1st April while consultation for the draft map for 2027 is open until 1st April.

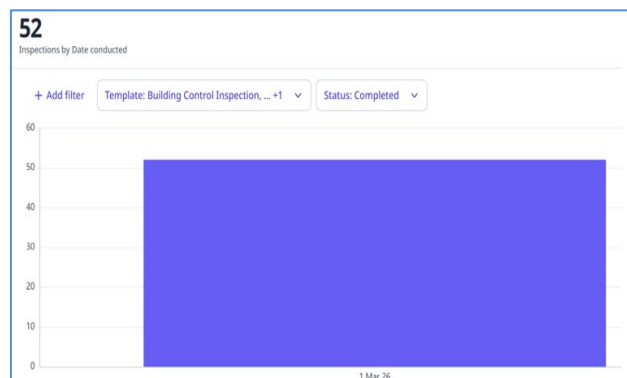
Section 28 Guidelines – NPF Guidelines: Housing Growth Requirements

A report on housing growth requirements was presented to the Members at the December council meeting. Variation No. 1 to the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029 proposes to vary the Development Plan to give effect to the NPF Implementation: Housing Growth Requirements Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2025), introduced in accordance with Section 28 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). This was on public display from 23rd December 2025 to 29th January 2026 (inclusive). The Chief Executive's report has been issued to the Elected Members for their consideration with council meetings scheduled for 30th and 31st March to consider the report and variation.

Variation No. 2 Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029

Variation No. 2 to the Development Plan proposes to vary the Plan by way of adopting a formal land use zoning objective for the subject lands known as Áras Mhuire Field, Barberstown Lane South, Barnhill, County Dublin, on Sheet 13, Blanchardstown South from Unzone lands to 'OS' Open Space. This was on public display from 23rd December 2025 to 29th January 2026 (inclusive). The Chief Executive's report has been issued to the Elected Members for their consideration with council meetings scheduled for 30th and 31st March to consider the report and variation.

Built Environment Division



Building Control

- 52 building control inspections were carried out in February 2026 so far, covering 33 Buildings.
- There were 2 Section 11 requests for further information issued during the month of March 2026.

Taking in Charge

2 no. Roads have been advertised for taking into maintenance in April

- Barnageeragh Cove phase 3
- Semple Woods phase 1

There are 50 developments with formal Taking in Charge requests, and an additional 295 developments recorded in the system.

O'Connor Sutton Cronin continue to manage Taking in Charge works where the bond has been taken. The first contract was for Chapelwood, Chapelton, Alderwood and Redwood in Dublin 15. Contract documents have been completed and will be tendering the works in April 2026.

The second contract for Weston Park, Oldtown Avenue, Dooroge Woods, Palmer Avenue, Ceol Na Mara and The Stableyard. Consultants are in the process of being appointed for these works and snagging works will commence on these estates within the next month.

Dangerous Structures

- There was 1 dangerous structure reported in March 2026.
- A total of 106 dangerous structures remain active in our database.

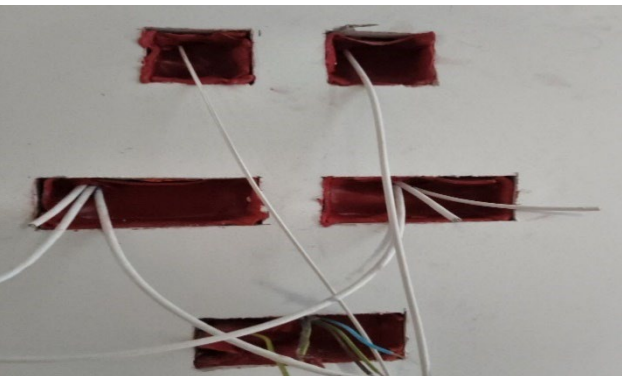
Pictures



Checking Rockwool Insulation on a site in Donabate



Checking plasterboard moisture content on a site in Malahide



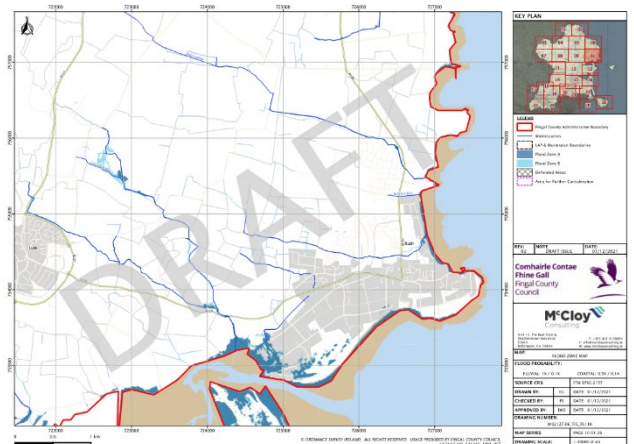
Checking "Putty Pads" – Fire proof backing to sockets and plugs.

Development Management

- WSFP continue to work on new LRD applications, planning files, additional information files, clarification of additional information files and compliances.
- WSFP continue to support pre-planning consultations with developers to discuss issues related to the provision of water services and to ensure the implementation of flood risk management and sustainable drainage systems on site.

Flood Risk Assessments/ Drainage Strategies

- FCC WSFP staff completed liaising with the appointed consultants developing the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for the County Development Plan. The SFRA flood mapping & report has been completed.
- The Water Services Planning Dept responded to motions received from the councillors under the motion headings of green infrastructure, flooding, Irish Water & re-zoning.
- WSFP are currently working on Variations 1,2 and 3 to the SFRA for the County Development Plan.

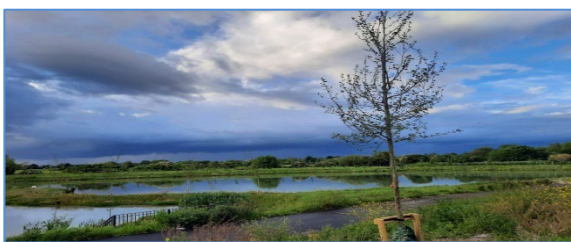


- A new document "Nature-based Solutions to the Management of Rainwater and Surface Water Runoff in Urban Areas - Water Sensitive Urban Design - Best Practice Interim Guidance Document" has been issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

- It is intended as a high-level best practice interim guidance document for all those whose work impacts on the urban environment, for urban planners and all built environment professionals involved in the planning process such as engineers, architects and landscape architects and shows how to move towards a more systematic and sustainable approach to urban planning and design that seeks to mimic the natural water balance of rural areas through “water sensitive urban design”.
- Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) – The Fingal SuDS guidance document (Green/Blue Infrastructure for Development) has been reviewed to include changes in technical standards. This document along with the SFRA documents have been incorporated into the new development plan.



Incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems in Residential Developments



The GDSDS has outlined SuDS as a sustainable way to manage surface water as we prepare to meet the challenges of climate change. This example of Millers Glen in Swords, shows an example of surface water being held onsite, providing treatment via appropriate planting, and then discharging at greenfield runoff rate. This is a move away from the traditional method of collecting all surface water via piped systems which can often no longer manage the intense rainfall`s being experienced.

Surface Water Management Plans (SWMP)

The procurement process is complete for the preparation of Surface Water Management Plans for *Northwood, Kilbarrack and Baldoyle*. Completed SWMP`s for Northwood, Kilbarrack and Baldoyle were submitted to FCC and approved in January 2025.

McCloys Consulting Engineers prepared a SFRA and SDS for Dubber with a submission received in October 2025 and final documents received in December 2025.

JBA Consultant Engineers were appointed to complete a CDP Variation SFRA for an area in Barnhill with completion achieved in December 2025.

McCloys Consultant Engineers were appointed to complete a CDP Variation SFRA for several areas in Fingal with completion achieved in December 2025. McCloys Consultant Engineers were requested to quote for a CDP Variation SFRA for Dunsink in Fingal with completion targeted for March 2026.

Domestic SuDS Guide

McCloys Consulting Engineers were appointed to produce a Domestic SuDS Guide for FCC. This was completed in Q3 2024, the guide is available on Fingal`s website along with a short presentation video.

Green Blue Roofs Guidance Document

McCloys Consulting Engineers have been appointed to produce a Green Blue Roofs Guidance Document for FCC. This was awarded in Q3 2024 and was completed in Q3 2025. A short promotional video is expected in Q2 2026.

National Guidance

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage issued “Nature Based Management of Urban Rainwater and Urban Surface Water Discharges A National Strategy” in May 2024.



Heritage Officer



Heritage Book Launch

The launch of In Far Foreign Fields: Fingal's Great War Dead took place on 24 March 2026. The book commemorates the 400 men and one woman from north County Dublin who died in WW1. Edited and published by the Heritage Office it an important work that places the names and stories of those in the context of a period of loss and change. The book is being distributed to interested schools and is available from your local library, at reception in County Hall or directly from:

heritage.officer@fingal.ie



Changing Fingal: Stories from my Place



This project is a community-led initiative that will look at different aspects of Fingal as it has changed over the years. An upcoming project is a collaboration with Blanchardstown Brass Band to mark the 200 years since their founding in 1826.

Transportation Planning

PSI 001 Snugborough Interchange upgrade

The contractor is continuing to carry out snagging at the interchange.

PSI 002 Ongar Barnhill Road

Fingal County Council celebrated the official opening of the Ongar Barnhill Road on February 13th, a major strategic investment that unlocks housing potential, boosts sustainable transport and delivers stronger, more efficient connections throughout the area. The completion of this key piece of infrastructure represents a significant advancement for Dublin 15.

Over the coming weeks Bam will complete snagging on the scheme.



PSI-039 – R132 Connectivity Project



Project summary

The works are expected to take 25 months to complete and will be carried out in four phases along the 3km route from the Bostik junction to the edge of the Pinnock Hill roundabout. The Project start on the North of the project moving South with Phase 1 to in Bostik junction and Estuary Roundabout which is expected to take around 6 months to complete before moving to phase 2. The works are programmed to commence in Early April 2026.

Meetings and Workshops

Fingal County Council has appointed Murphy International as the contractor for the R132 Connectivity Project in Swords with the contract signing taking place on the 20th of March 2026.



Sod turn event

A sod turning event took place on the 27th of March and was attended by Mayor of Fingal Cllr Tom O'Leary, Minister for Transport, Darragh O'Brien TD, Chief Executive of Fingal County Council AnnMarie Farrelly and senior representatives from the National Transport Authority.

This event marks another step towards sustainable transport and improved connectivity and permeability for Swords and surrounding areas, with a strong emphasis on safer, more accessible facilities for pedestrians & cyclists along the 3km stretch of the R132.

Meetings and Workshops

Ongoing meetings of various projects in the Swords area and discussions, as well as knowledge sharing on it projects timelines and phasing plus also gathering feedback on these projects to assist in managing the mitigation measures is ongoing.

In addition, communication meetings with First responders, private bus and public bus transport operators were held in 2025 and more meetings will continue in 2026.

Monthly meetings with Uisce Éireann are being held monthly to discuss and align the details of a State Body Agreement for the foul water sewer across the Estuary Roundabout to be incorporated into the project.

Coordination/Progress discussions with NTA and TII/Metrolink which are being held monthly and is continuing through 2026.

PSI-005 Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route

The Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route for this key infrastructure project for Balbriggan consisting of 3km fully segregated Pedestrian and Cyclist Route connecting 6 schools in Balbriggan. This Project is now at substantial completion. Snagging is almost complete. Works have commenced on the public art piece, designed by John Kindness and commissioned as part of the project works.





Comparison Photos of before and after Harry Reynolds Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Route Project

PSI 063 – Pedestrian & Cycling Scheme at Granard Bridge Castleknock Road

The first contract as part of a Single Party Framework for Engineering Consultancy Services for Pedestrian and Cycling Route Projects in the Dublin 15 Area, is to undertake phases 2 to 4 for a new Pedestrian and Cycling Bridge at Granard Bridge Castleknock Road which will cross the Dublin Maynooth railway and Royal Canal, parallel to the existing road bridges over the canal and railway, with access for pedestrians and cyclists only. This will form an integral part of the walking and cycling route for Blanchardstown to Phoenix Park which is a proposed route in the NTA's Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan. This will also improve pedestrian and cycle safety at Granard Bridge and further promote the use of more sustainable travel patterns, in line with Government Policy and the cycle network plan for the greater Dublin area.

Meetings and Reports

Monthly meetings are being held to progress the project and discuss key points, such as route options and possible constraints to be overcome.

Regular meetings continue to be held with Irish Rail / Dart+ West team and Waterways Ireland to discuss the projects and ensure that the design and planning proposals are well-integrated. RPS is preparing the structural option report and aim to release it early in April for review.

Project Programme

The Project Design Team initiated the project programme with Phase 2 Concept Development and Option Selection, which has now been completed. We are currently moving onto phase 3 - Preliminary Design - prior to phase 4, the Statutory Processes to obtain planning permission for the project. Throughout these phases there will be the requirement for regular consultation with all stakeholders including public representatives.

This project design will allow for a much-needed Pedestrian and Cycling link from the new Bridge north to the Roselawn Road/Castleknock Road junction and will tie in south of the railway on Castleknock Road.

Surveys

Roselawn Junction was also included in the scheme aiming to improve even more accessibility for pedestrians and cyclist. A traffic survey was carried out this month to provide data for analysing the junction's capacity and for multimodal safety improvements as part of the project.

RPS is also preparing the tender documents for the ground investigation (GI) works, to appoint a contractor to carry out the survey.

For more information and keep updated on the project, please see a recent set-up web page for the new Pedestrian and Cycling Bridge at Grange Bridge Castleknock Road.

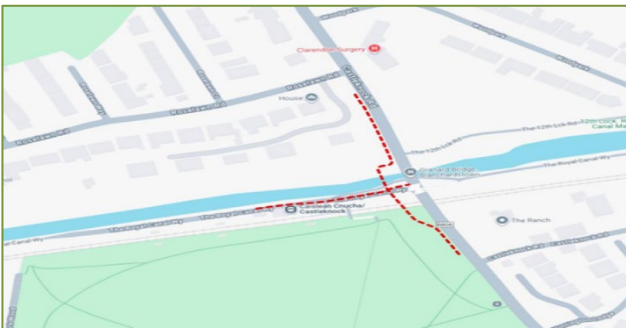
[Pedestrian & Cycling Bridge at Granard Bridge, Castleknock Road, Dublin 15 | Fingal County Council](#)



Granard Bridge Street View



Artist Impression of the Granard Bridge View, Towards Castleknock



Emerging Preferred Option (Centre Line in Red)

PSI - 004 Royal Canal Urban Greenway

The project team from the Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department is continuing to finalise the preliminary design in consultation with all the key stakeholders, the National Transport Authority, Irish Rail and Waterways Ireland along the route of the greenway to ensure a coordinated, high quality final design is achieved at interfaces between existing facilities and the proposed scheme.

In November 2024 Fingal County Council requested consent from Waterways Ireland and Irish Rail to make a planning application for the Royal Canal Urban Greenway on their Lands to An Coimisiún Pleanála. Fingal County Council received consent from Irish Rail in July 2025 to proceed with making an application on their Lands to An Coimisiún Pleanála. Waterways Ireland informed Fingal County Council in September 2025 that they will issue a letter of support for Fingal County Council to make an application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for the project on their lands.

Alterations to the preliminary design from Hansfields to KCC Boundary on widths was agreed following further discussion with Waterways Ireland in September. The project is currently at preliminary design stage and following further discussion with Waterways Ireland throughout 2025 which took place with the project team reaching agreement with Waterways Ireland on the design for the Greenway widths and level in the area between the Kildare border and Collins Bridge in September 2025.

PSI - 065 Seamount Road Footpath Connectivity Project

Seamount Road Footpath Connectivity Project will provide for improved accessibility for all road users, in particular pedestrian users as there were no pedestrian footpaths along the eastern end of Seamount Road on the approach to the new development's entrance.

The route also forms one of the local health walks (Sli Na Slainte), the coastal walk between Malahide and Portmarnock. The route also connects to the park lands at Robswall and Paddy's Hill and forms a direct link to and from the only local secondary school, Malahide Community School (MCS) - reducing a 4km route by bike or car to a c. 1.5km walk/cycle and helping to reduce traffic volumes through the centre of the town.

The project team is continuing to progress the project through phase 3 preliminary design. Various surveys have been tendered and undertaken and the information gathered is currently being used to inform the preliminary design. Documents have been received for review from the Consultants.



S2M Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme

The Sutton to Malahide Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme is a high-quality pedestrian and cycle route that is being developed by Fingal County Council with support from the National Transport Authority. It will connect Malahide, Portmarnock, Baldoyle and Sutton. The Proposed Scheme will improve accessibility and connectivity between these four towns and villages and provide an attractive route for walking and cycling.

It will be designed so that people of all ages and mobility levels can travel safely on foot, by scooter, by wheelchair and bike, and will offer a route separated from on-road vehicles for most of the route for increased safety and comfort.

Sutton to Malahide Walking and Cycling scheme has recently completed the Phase 3 Preliminary Design gateway for the NTA project management guidelines. The Scheme is now entering Phase 4: Planning & CPO Stage. The planning submission is being prepared which includes an Environmental Impact Assessment, Natura Impact Statement and Compulsory Purchase Order Documents for a planning submission to be made to An Coimisiún Pleanála. Engagement with potentially impacted property owners, businesses and stakeholders is ongoing. The project team is in the process of liaising with affected landowners to discuss the compulsory purchase order process and the scheme and land acquisition requirements. Several meetings with individual landowners have taken place and further meetings will be scheduled as requested. Remaining affected landowners will be contacted in the coming weeks.



Above- Artist visual of possible layout for the Sutton to Malahide Pedestrian and Cycle Route at Portmarnock

Swords Cultural Quarter Public Realm

The new proposed Public Realm is a key feature of the overall Swords Cultural Project. The pedestrian priority public spaces framed between the Castle, the SCC Building and Fingal offices (County Hall) will serve as a civic amenity space providing a place for festivals, events, markets as well as an everyday meeting place for the local community.



Visualisation of the Part 8 proposals for the SCQ public realm layout at North Street

The Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department has procured a Multi-Disciplinary Consultancy team for the detailed design and construction supervision of the public realm at Swords Cultural Quarter. Consultants are now progressing with the detailed design phase for the Swords Cultural Quarter Public Realm. Discussions are ongoing with the National Monument Services and an application for Ministerial Consent has been made for the public realm works as the design progresses.

Enabling Works to facilitate site clearance and archaeological investigations will be progressed in advance of the Main Works Contract. An application for ministerial consent for the works has been approved to National Monuments Service.

The enabling works contract which includes archaeological investigations has begun on site.

Procurement for the main works contract is ongoing. In advance of works, consultation will continue with councillors, Fingal Chamber of commerce, the NTA and bus providers to agree and communicate traffic restrictions, access and bus diversions for North Street during the Main Works Contract.

Swords Main Street Transformation

Swords Main Street is a key recommendation from the Sustainable Swords Strategy. The project aims to enhance and transform Main Street, the heart of Swords into a destination, which encourages people to stay longer and enables a more attractive, people-friendly, diverse, and enjoyable town centre experience for residents, businesses and visitors alike. At its core, this ambitious transformation seeks to reimagine Main Street as a hub of urban activity, with distinctive character and vitality while fostering a sense of community and connectivity through the provision of high-quality public realm to enhance the human experience of the place.



Above- Artist impression of possible intervention at Swords Main Street presented in Sustainable Swords Report 2022 which shows Main Street central public realm, pedestrian amenity zones, raingardens and new street trees

Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department has appointed a multi-Disciplinary Engineering Consultancy for the Option Selection, Preliminary Design and preparation of the application for Planning Consent for Swords Main Street Transformation Project. The commencement meeting occurred in January 2025.

The consultant has completed various baseline studies. The project is at the option identification and selection phase. The consultant has provided a Land use survey, geotechnical report, disability audit, collision analysis, Ecology and Environment report and problem identification report.

The tree survey, traffic surveys, parking surveys and topographical and GPR surveys have all been completed.

The transport model to analyse any traffic management interventions proposed as part of Swords Main Street Transformation has been developed. Traffic data captured in recent surveys will be fed into the model to allow for various scenarios for traffic flow to be modelled. A parking report has been drafted by the design team which analyses the findings from recently completed parking surveys. Preliminary options for the proposed layout for Main Street are being progressed, and the options selection report is being drafted.

PSI-041 Kinsealy Walking and Cycling Routes

The Kinsealy Walking and Cycling scheme aims to provide high-quality walking and cycling routes between Kinsealy and Portmarnock train station, and between Kinsealy and Malahide Castle and gardens. These two walking and cycling routes will form a link from Kinsealy to sustainable transport at Portmarnock and Malahide train stations.

Following a non-statutory public consultation in January 2025, the options report and the preferred route drawings were published on the Fingal website in September 2025. The Kinsealy to Portmarnock part of the project is now in Phase 3 (Preliminary Design & Environmental Screening) with a view to preparing a planning application. The Malahide to Kinsealy part of the project will be brought forward at a later date.



Artist visual of the greenway from Kinsealy to Portmarnock



Artist visual of the proposed upgrades to Station Road

PSI-023 Swords Western Distributor Road Extension

The Swords Western Distributor Road (SWDR) is within the Oldtown and Mooretown development site, providing access to the Rathbeale Road from the lands to its north and south respectively. The SWDR has cycle tracks in both directions. The SWDR Extension is proposed to extend east to the R132 and the proposed Estuary Park and Ride facility (Metro North) as an extension of the existing carriageway and active travel facilities at Millers Avenue.

Egis (formerly Barry's Transportation) has been appointed to further develop this project to Phase 2 (Options Selection). The Options Report (closing out Phase 2) is expected by Q2 of 2027.



Proposed SWDR Extension to Metrolink Route

PSI-009 Fingal Coastal Way

The Fingal Coastal Way is a proposed coastal greenway linking Donabate with Balbriggan via the coastal towns of Rush, Loughshinny and Skerries. The scheme is being developed in conjunction with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) and forms part of TII's proposed National Cycle Network (NCN).

The scheme is a long-standing objective of Fingal County Council and is reflected in the current development plan, which outlines numerous policies and objectives to plan and develop a route that integrates a coastal pedestrian and cycle route with sensitive natural and built heritage sites whilst achieving a balance between conservation of such sites and public uses such as leisure, recreation and tourism. This scheme is also identified within the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan and furthermore aligns with the objectives of the "Strategy for the Future Development of National and Regional Greenways" published by the Department of Transport.

Upon completion of the Emerging Preferred Route, non-statutory public consultations and further consultations with landowners and other stakeholders, the proposed overall strategy for the scheme has been updated along with a revised Emerging Preferred Route. These revisions reflect the need to balance landowner and stakeholder concerns with the overall progression of the scheme and to take account of interactions with various other proposed projects being developed by Fingal County Council. In summary the proposed changes include the Fingal Coastal Way to be progressed in multiple stages with multiple planning applications:

The routes through the towns of Donabate, Rush and Skerries will be delivered as part of overall town wide active travel network plans separately. The Fingal Coastal Way routes between these towns will be delivered by the Planning and Infrastructure department in three separate planning applications:

- Section 1: Skerries to Balbriggan
- Section 2: Donabate to Rush
- Section 3: Rush to Skerries

PSI-007 Rush to Lusk Walking & Cycling Route

The aim of this scheme is to deliver a high quality, safe and attractive pedestrian and cycle network of approximately 3km between the towns of Rush and Lusk and to improve connectivity to the local Rush/Lusk train station and to several schools and tourist attractions in the area.

The anticipated primary user groups for the network will be local commuters and school children walking and cycling between Lusk and Rush and the train station. RPS Consulting Engineers has been appointed to further develop this project to Phase 2 (Options Selection). The Options Report (closing out Phase 2) is expected by the end of 2026.

Broadmeadow Way Greenway

Progress on the detailed design phases of the other elements of this project is continuing. Engagement with Irish Rail and with the National Transport Authority is ongoing for the causeway works.

A stage 1 Tender assessment has been completed in advance of a 2-stage tender process to establish a framework for works contractors for the various landward works contracts. The landward elements of the Broadmeadow Way in Donabate i.e. from Newbridge Demesne, through Kilcrea lands to the east side of Corballis railway underpass will be delivered through this framework.

Construction of this environmentally and technically challenging project has been divided into different works packages which will be delivered in stages:

Construction of the Broadmeadow Estuary Bridge took place in 2024. Works are complete.

The tender for the construction of the greenway along Causeway has been issued. It is expected that construction of the Northern Causeway will not be completed until 2027

Construction of the greenway along the Southern Causeways will commence during the summer months of 2026.

Construction of the Donabate landward works and the Malahide landward works will take place during 2026 and 2027.

Due to the seasonal constraints of working within the estuary, along with the technical challenges of building on the Northern Causeway, it is expected that the opening of the Broadmeadow Way will be in late 2027 or early 2028.



New estuary bridge and ramps looking northwards towards Donabate

PSI-026 Portrane Road, Donabate

The Portrane Road Enhancement Project involves works to widen the existing narrow footpath on the northern side of the road to provide a suitably wide and safe footpath for pedestrians to use in the vicinity of two national schools (St. Patrick's Boys National School and Scoil Phádraic Cailíni). The project also involves works to provide safe pedestrian crossings and appropriate traffic calming facilities.



The Council held a tender competition in January to appoint a works contractor for the project. Tenders have been assessed, and appointment of the contractor is expected to be completed shortly with construction works commencing in April/May 2026.

PSI-042 Donabate Transport Projects

The Donabate Transport Projects comprise several projects with the objective of improving transport infrastructure and road safety on the Donabate-Portrane peninsula.

The projects include:

Phase 2 of the Donabate Distributor Road project, to improve access to Donabate and Portrane from the M1-Lissenhall Interchange for all road users, particularly vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists.

Blakes Cross Junction Upgrade, to provide a safer junction layout that caters for both motorised traffic and active travel modes of transport such as walking and cycling.

The second phase of the Donabate Distributor Road is currently at Phase 3 of the project lifecycle – Preliminary Design. The emerging preferred route option was displayed as part of a round of non-statutory public consultation held last October and November. The feedback received from the public during the consultation period is now being used to inform the design process.

Work on Blakes Cross Junction Upgrade Project Phases 1 and 2 (up to Option Selection) is largely complete. The emerging preferred option for Blakes Cross is expected to be determined in April/May and will go out on non-statutory public consultation in Q2/Q3 2026. Roughan and O'Donovan Consulting Engineers have been appointed to progress the next phases of the project (Project phases 3-5). Work relating to environmental assessment, planning consent and detailed design is expected to be carried out throughout 2026, and in subsequent years, as appropriate.

PSI-071 Golf Links Road Upgrade

Fingal County Council has appointed Egis Engineering Ireland Ltd., to assist the Council in developing proposals for upgrading Golf Links Road in Portmarnock. Proposals will include facilities for people walking and cycling along Golf Links Road and will also include measures to improve the junction with Strand Road at one end of the road as well as the beach car park at the other end of the road. Topographical surveys and Wintering Birds surveys have recently been completed, and feasibility and option development is underway.

PSI-019 N3 M50 to Clonee

Aecom/ Roughan O'Donovan are appointed to assess bus priority measures on the N3 between the M50 and Clonee. This scheme is funded by Transport Infrastructure Ireland. They are also examining active travel links across the N3. The focus is between the Mulhuddart interchange and Clonee as the NTA bus connects project has already a scheme in development from Junction 3 into the city. Route options are being considered and when an emerging route option has been developed, a public engagement will be carried out. This is likely to be in late April 2026. An update meeting was arranged for local Councillors on the 27th of March.

Parks and GI Division Ballymastone Recreational Hub



Phase 1 of this project, the construction of 2 new grass GAA pitches and upgrading of existing soccer facilities has been completed March 2026. These new facilities are hosting their first games for St. Pats GAA club. Following the successful appointment of Kilwex as the main contractor for the construction of Phase 2 this project is now live on the ground. This is a projected 18month build. In consultation with the clubs, Initial works involve the construction of a temporary overflow car park which will ease parking pressures for the resident clubs.

Phase 2 works will include the construction of a new full-size all-weather GAA pitch, and an 8 lane Athletics track with grass pitch infill. These works are due to be completed Q1 2027.

Phase 3 works are planned to commence Q1 2027 and will involve the delivery of a 220-space parking facility, Cycling and walking routes and a Skatepark / Callisthenics / Play facility.

Bremore Regional Park

A multi-disciplinary team has commenced the design stage of the Bremore Recreational Sports Hub in Balbriggan. The hub consists of an 8-lane athletics track, all-weather football pitches, basketball & tennis courts, spectator areas and a Changing Room Building. A full-size GAA grass pitch constructed on the site is ready for use and was handed over to Operations Dept earlier this year. To date several features of the Bremore Regional Park Masterplan (PartXI/006/20) have been constructed including 3no public car parks, a playground at Cardy Rock and an upgrade to Bell's Lane.



Skerries Town Park

Fingal County Council has appointed a works contractor to renovate 3no grass sports pitches in Skerries Town Park. This work package includes upgrades to the path network within the park and pedestrian connections to adjoining residential areas. The works are due to commence in late April 2026 and are expected to be substantially completed by March 2027. The works will incorporate nature-based solutions such as SUDs features, meadow grasslands and additional tree planting.



Rathmore Recreational Hub Lusk

A works tender is due to be published in early April 2026 for the Rathmore Recreational Sports Hub, Lusk (ABP-319808-24). The tender works package includes an 8-lane athletics track, all-weather GAA training area, full size all-weather soccer pitch, car park extension, ancillary structures and teen space. Construction is expected to commence by Q4 2026 subject to the successful completion of the procurement process.



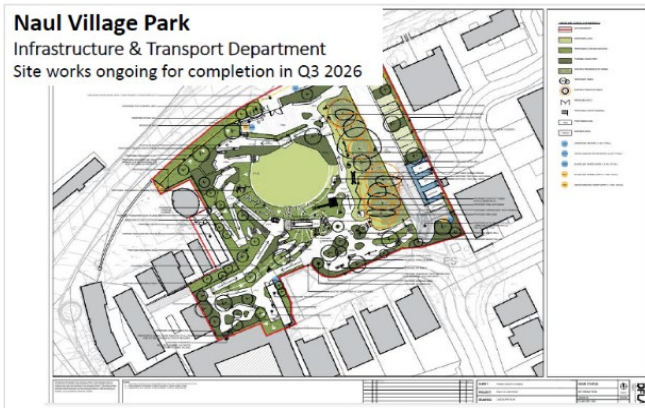
Ward River Regional Park

The design team continue to progress several features of the Ward River Regional Park including the Northern Recreational Sports Hub, Usher's Lake loop path, the historic canal restoration, the cross-valley foot bridge and Brackenstown Walled Garden. Repair works by a specialist conservation contractor are underway to stabilise built features ancillary to the Walled Garden.



Naul Village Park

Construction works are on-going at the Naul Village Park. To date the installation of underground services, internal path layout, retaining walls & boundary treatments, a car park and tree planting have been progressed. The park design includes the reuse of salvaged materials from the site including stone, soil & plants. The works are expected to be substantially completed by mid-May 2026.

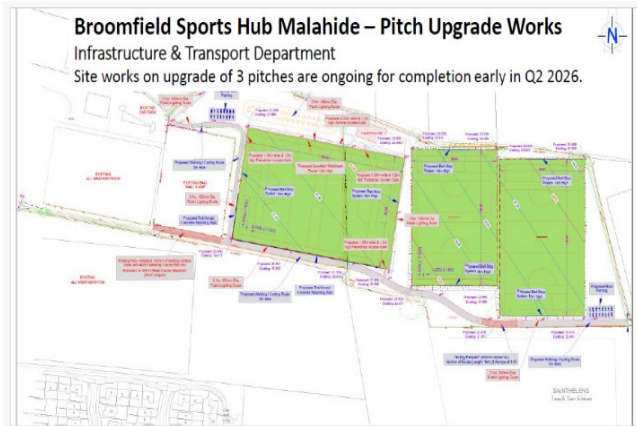


Naul Village Park
Infrastructure & Transport Department
Site works ongoing for completion in Q3 2026

Following the weather-related disruption experienced towards the end of 2025 and early 2026, the earthworks element of the project is now back underway. Drainage works will be completed shortly, progressing towards the key milestone of sowing within the next number of weeks.

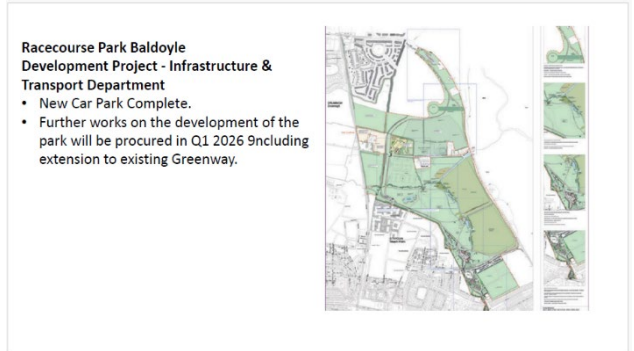
The specialist contractor delivering the works has advised the Council that, once sown, the grass surfaces are expected to be fully established and ready for use in Q2 2027.

In addition to one full size sports pitch and two junior/training pitches, the project includes a range of ancillary improvements such as a new shared path network, spectator fencing, ball stop netting, and bicycle parking facilities, all aimed at supporting active travel and enhancing the overall functionality of the facility for the Malahide community and beyond.



Broomfield Sports Hub Malahide – Pitch Upgrade Works
Infrastructure & Transport Department
Site works on upgrade of 3 pitches are ongoing for completion early in Q2 2026.

Racecourse Park Baldoyle



Racecourse Park Baldoyle Development Project - Infrastructure & Transport Department
• New Car Park Complete.
• Further works on the development of the park will be procured in Q1 2026 including extension to existing Greenway.

Meakstown Community Garden - Lanesborough Park



Meakstown Community Garden – Lanesborough Park
Infrastructure & Transport Department
Community Garden now complete and in use by the local community. Adjoining toddler playground is nearing completion.

Corduff Park

Project works commenced on-site in January 2026 and continue as scheduled on Programme. To date the works at Corduff Park includes the demolition of existing all-weather pitch fencing & floodlights, ground levelling, installation of drainage & stone subbase for full sized all-weather pitch, groundworks for new car park and re-location of Corduff FC's club container. There is a high level of positive engagement with Corduff Sports Centre, neighbouring residents & schools, Corduff FC and Community Garden volunteers.



Corduff Park Improvements including New Playground and Sports Facilities
Infrastructure & Transport Department
• Works ongoing for completion Q3 2026

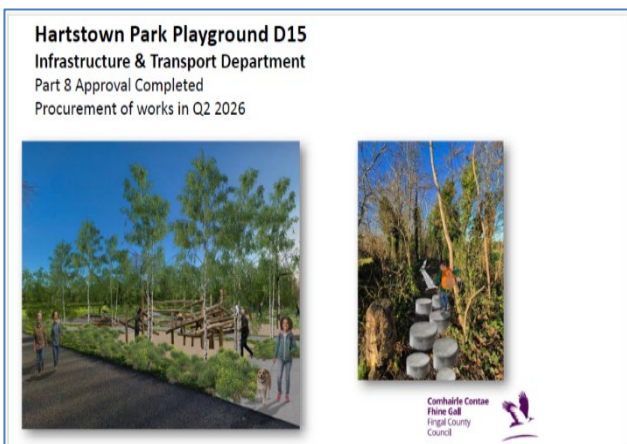
Laurel Lodge Playground – Castleknock



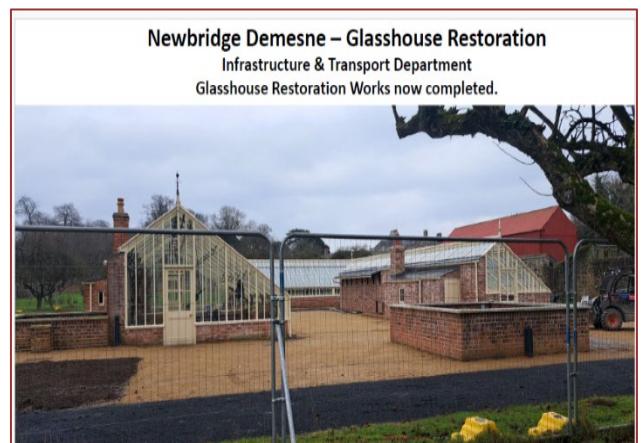
Portrane Play Space



Hartstown Park Playground D15



Newbridge Demesne – Glasshouse Restoration



Hazelbury Park Playground D15



Portrane Coastal Defence Works



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Affordable Development	Status	Sale Agreed
Baile na Móna, Swords	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	110/151 Homes Sale Agreed
Church Fields (Phase 2)	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	92/110 Homes Sale Agreed
Church Fields Cost Rental apartments	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	74/80 apartments occupied
Balmoston (Phase 2)	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	21/73 Homes Sale Agreed
Folkstown Park, Balbriggan	Assessment of Applications is on going	19 Homes
Priory Fields, Hacketstown, Skerries	Application Portal open until 15 th April 2025	36 Homes

137CCMA/NOAC Recognition for Fingal County Councils Affordable Housing Equity Register.



On 10th March in Kilkenny Castle, Minister of State with responsibility for Planning and Local Government, John Cummins TD opened the National Oversight and Audit Commission's (NOAC) eighth 'Good Practice in Local Government' seminar.

Fingal County Council was invited to showcase The Affordable Housing Equity Register to demonstrate the council's leadership and excellence in local government service delivery.

Fingal County Council's Housing teams, in conjunction with the Finance team, is the first local authority to develop and implement an Equity Register Module to securely and efficiently manage the Affordable Housing Scheme, where the Council holds a long-term equity stake in purchasers' homes.

The system centralises key financial and legal data, automates complex equity calculations, and supports accurate reporting, ensuring transparency and protection of public funds.

In House Housing Briefing

A new Housing-specific induction programme has been developed for new starters in the Housing team. These sessions will support new staff by giving a broad understanding of each section's role and offering an opportunity for colleagues to meet across the department. The first session was recently held in Blanchardstown Civic Offices.



CALF Programme

There are currently 845 homes under construction across the County in partnership with Approved Housing Bodies.

Kilmartin Town Centre, Dublin 15 - 120 Homes under construction in partnership with Tuath Housing through CALF delivery



Social Housing Delivery

Part V, Social Turnkey & CALF Programme

The delivery of new homes has started steadily, supported by a range of delivery mechanisms. Many of these homes are expected to be delivered throughout the year, helping to meet local housing needs.

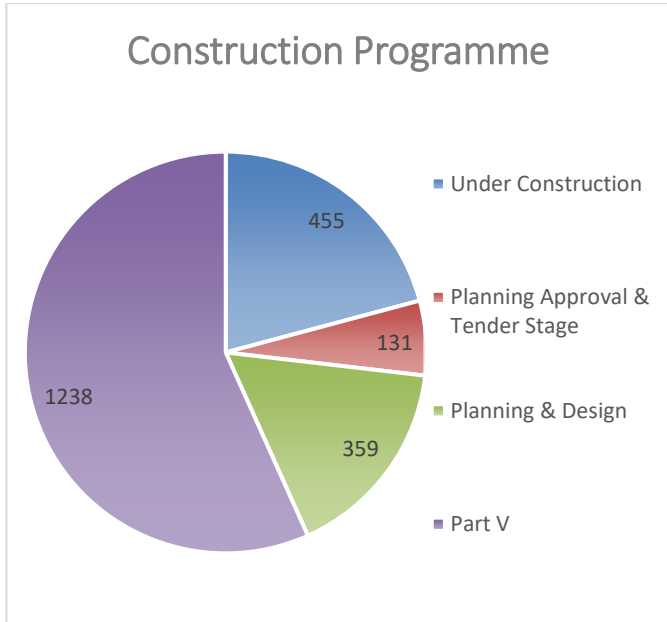
The second Part V affordable agreement has progressed with the homes now launched by the Affordable Team. There is potential for future Part V affordable housing to be provided countywide.

47 homes delivered in Whitehaven, Santry in partnership with Tuath Housing.

Niven Oaks, Santry - 170 Homes under construction in partnership with Tuath Housing through CALF delivery



Construction Programme



Scheme Update since last month (Further detailed information available in Appendix 4)

Recently Completed Schemes

Balmoston Phase 1, Ballymastone, Donabate

Construction work has completed on the mixed tenure development at Balmoston Phase 1, which was constructed by Glenveagh on behalf of Fingal County Council. This phase saw the delivery of 87 new social homes as part of a mixed tenure scheme.



Construction Schemes on Site

Ballisk Park, Donabate

On behalf of Fingal County Council, Glenveagh are constructing 175 new homes comprising of 123 houses and 52 apartments at "Ballisk Park", New Road, Donabate. The first 11 new social homes have been delivered, comprising of 11 x 4-bed houses.



Church Fields 3B, Dublin 15

Works are progressing on Phase 3B of Church Fields, a mixed tenure scheme which will see the delivery of a further 217 homes in Church Fields, comprising of 121 houses and 96 apartments. Construction is being carried out by Gem Construction on behalf of Fingal County Council.

The first 37 new social homes have been delivered, comprising of 5 x 4-bed houses and 32 apartments.



Seatown Way, Swords

Works for the delivery of 36 new, 2 bedroomed social homes at Seatown Road, Swords continue on site and are progressing well. This work is being delivered in tandem with the delivery of the civic and cultural building for the Swords Cultural Quarter.

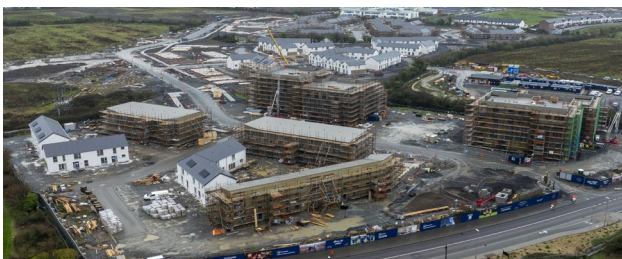


Mourne View, Skerries

Construction work is progressing on the delivery of 14 new social homes at Mourne View, Skerries. This development will deliver 1, 2 and 3 bedroom homes and is being constructed on behalf of Fingal County Council by Broomfield Construction.

Baile na Móna Phase 1, Mooretown, Swords

Construction work is progressing well on the delivery of 274 new homes on Phase 1 of Baile na Móna, Mooretown, Swords. Glenveagh are constructing the new homes on behalf of Fingal County Council. This is a mixed tenure scheme of 123 social and 151 affordable homes.



Remount Court, Lusk

Construction work is progressing on the delivery of 18 new social homes at Remount Court, Rathmore Road, Lusk. This development will deliver 1, 2 and 3 bedroom homes and is being constructed on behalf of Fingal County Council by Broomfield Construction.

Crowcastle Green, Holywell, Swords

Construction is progressing well on the delivery of 57 new social homes at Holywell, Swords. This development will deliver 1-, 2- and 3-bedroom homes and is being constructed on behalf of Fingal County Council by Vision Contracting.



North Court, Swords

Construction work has commenced on the delivery of 13 new social homes comprising of 1 and 2 bedroomed apartments at North Court, North Street, Swords which is being constructed by Broomfield Construction on behalf of Fingal County Council.



Balmoston Phase 2, Ballymastone, Donabate

Construction work has commenced on Phase 2 Balmoston, Donabate. This is a mixed tenure development. Phase 2, Balmoston will deliver 72 new social and 75 affordable homes over several hand-over phases through 2026 and 2027.



Asset Management

Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Programme

Pre works BER assessments for 2026 Energy Retrofit Programme are underway. Properties are currently being inspected and notified for BER assessment. Procurement is underway for units confirmed.

Planned Maintenance Programme 2026

External painting, joinery repairs, boiler replacements, and smoke and heat detector upgrades have commenced. Windows and doors replacement programme is currently at the procurement stage.

Planned Maintenance March 2026	
Painting Completion	89
Boiler Replacements	23
Heat /Smoke Detector replacement	32

Voids

Casual Voids March 25th 2026	
In lettings	25
Re-let works	43
Unavailable	7
Total	75

New to Stock 25th March 2026	
New to stock	185

Vacant Homes

The vacant homes officer and team continue engagement with property owners to return vacant homes to use. This team also works in conjunction with the derelict sites section.

Compulsory Purchase Orders (CPOs):

The Vacant Homes Section is actively identifying and investigating vacant properties within the Fingal area and is committed to pursuing CPOs where applicable. Potential Vacant Homes can be reported at Vacanthomes.ie

Private Dwelling Grants

Croí Cónaithe Vacant Homes Refurbishment Grant

Grants are available up to €50k for vacant properties and €70k if derelict. FCC has received **277** applications since the scheme commenced in 2022.

Croí Cónaithe Applications 2026	
Received	20
Approved	17
Paid	21

- Properties can now be rented privately under the expanded scheme.
- A further expansion of this scheme in 2026 will support include a Vacant Above the Shop Grant and an Expert Advice Grant.
- More information sessions will be provided to the public in 2026 advertising the scheme.

Housing Adaption Grants

Grants for private homes include mobility aid and older persons grants. These grants support people with disabilities and older people to remain living independently and comfortably in their homes.

Housing Adaptation Grants update March 2026	
Received to date	135
Paid to date	102
Open applications	406

Recently completed bathroom adaptation works



Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)

HAP continues to be the primary source of rent support for those in private rented accommodation. Fingal County Council has set up **61 new HAP tenancies** in 2026 to date with approximately 4563 HAP tenancies established since HAP commenced in 2017.

The HAP team is on hand to deal with any queries from applicants and landlords in person at the Housing Department in the Fingal County Council Blanchardstown Office, by phone at 01 8905000 via the CCU or through email at hap@fingal.ie. The HAP Amendments Portal is also available as a secure platform for tenants and landlords to submit requests to update the circumstances of their HAP tenancies

Rents

Following the introduction in 2024 of new debt management processes and procedures, **rent arrears have continued to reduce during 2026.**

The rents collection rate has shown **an increase of €500k** on the same period in 2025.

The Rents team continue to engage with tenants who experience challenges paying their rent.

Local Authority Home Loan (LAHL)

It was announced in February 2026 that the LAHL scheme will be further expanded;

- House price limit to increase from €360,000 to €415,000 for the administrative area of Fingal.
- Income limits for all single applicants to increase from €70,000 to €80,000.

FCC welcomes these changes and they are in effect from 1st April 2026.

Private Rented Inspections

The Government housing plan, **Delivering Homes, Building Communities 2025–2030**, requires each local authority to inspect 25% of all private residential tenancies within its area annually. The Private Rented Inspection return has now been confirmed for 2025 with 5,658 dwellings inspected (109% of the target).

The inspections programme for 2026 has commenced. The target of 5,321 for 2026 has been received from the Department of Housing. Currently, 1,549 inspections have been conducted in 2026.

The team will continue to work this year with the contractor improving and streamlining the process and utilising all avenues to ensure that compliance improves, and the target is reached.

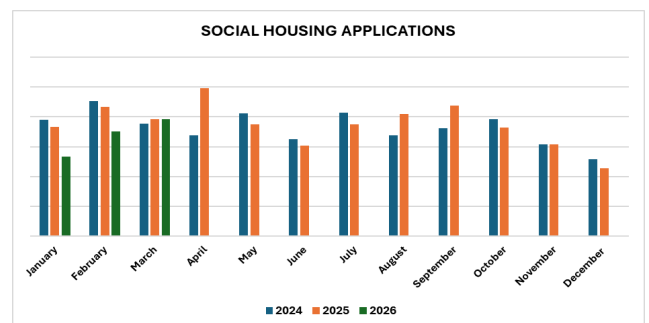
Housing Tenancy Services Report Housing Support

In accordance with Circular 24/2025 as released on 31st July 2025, the Summary of Social Housing Assessment (SSHA) was returned to the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage on 1st December 2025.

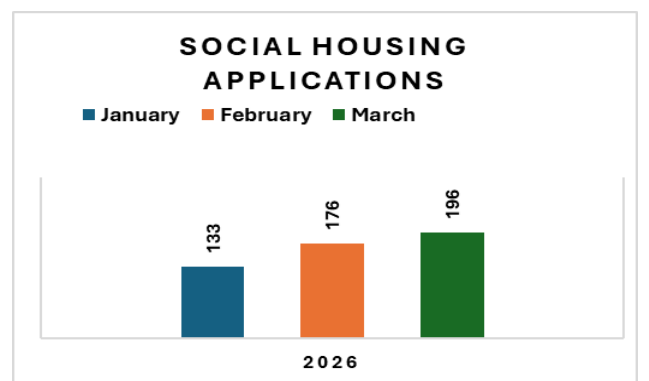
2025 Housing List Position are available on the Choice Based Lettings Portal. This is a static list position and will be issued and updated on CBL yearly. Further information can be sought via, choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie

Housing Support receive a large volume of Housing Applications, Medical Applications, Amendment requests and appeals.

Year on year comparison by month



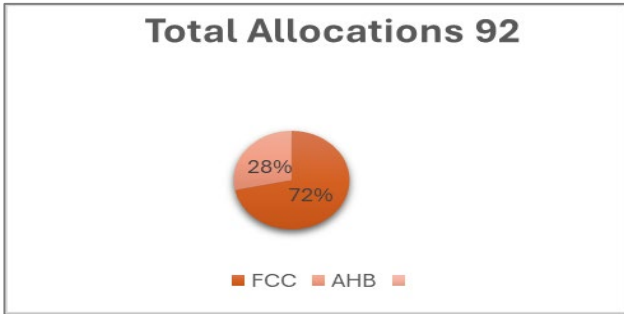
Applications received



Housing Support Appeals

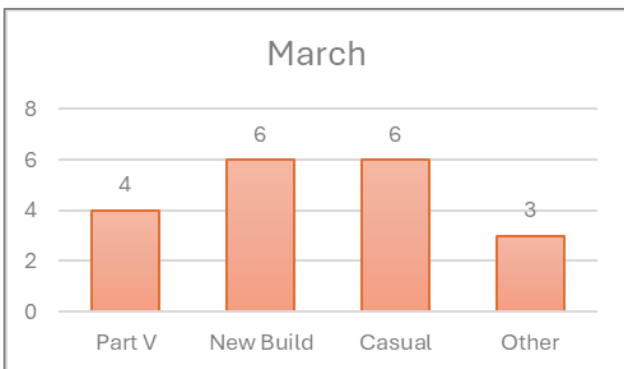
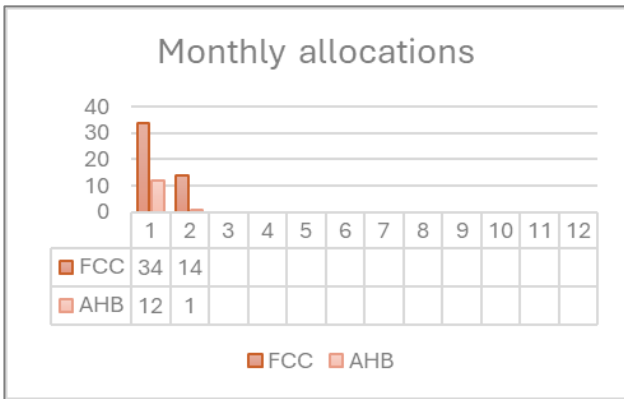
Applicants are reminded, that an appeal must be received within 28 days of a decision being communicated in writing to be eligible for review.

Lettings

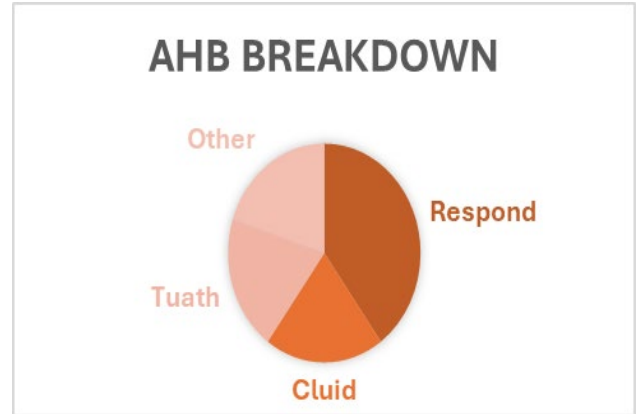


The above chart depicts the total number of properties allocated since the beginning of 2026.

The chart below shows the breakdown of allocations per month.



26 of the 92 allocations have been in collaboration with several Approved Housing Bodies. The other 66 properties were allocated using Fingal County Councils own stock.



Respond have received the most nominations from Fingal County Council during the month of March.

The collaboration between Local Authorities and Approved Housing Bodies is continuing to have a positive impact on the delivery of social housing.

The Approved Housing Bodies inform Fingal County Council when an applicant has accepted and signed a tenancy following a nomination from Housing Lettings.

Choice Based Letting's Advertised Properties March



Internal image of advertised property at Birch Wood, Northwood Avenue, Santry, Dublin 9

Advertisement Period	Property	Bed	Type	Number of Views	Expressions of interest
25 th February – 3 rd March	St Marnock's Bay, Portmarnock, Dublin 13	3	Duplex	1771	308
25 th February – 3 rd March	St Marnock's Bay, Portmarnock, Dublin 13	2	Duplex	1843	397
4 th – 10 th March	Churchfields, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15	1	Apt	1437	334
4 th – 10 th March	Churchfields, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15	2	Apt	1619	375
4 th – 10 th March	Piper's Court, Hansfield, Dublin 15	3	Apt	1401	213
11 th – 17 th March	Birch Wood, Northwood Avenue, Santry, Dublin 9	3	Apt	1171	203
18 th – 24 th March	Balmoston, Donabate, Co Dublin	2	Apt	1568	360
18 th – 24 th March	Balmoston, Donabate, Co Dublin	1	Apt	1610	361
25 th – 31 st March	Northwood Avenue, Santry, Dublin 9	2	Apt	1372	358
25 th – 31 st March	Holywell Green, Swords, Co Dublin	2	Apt	1389	251
25 th – 31 st March	Charlestown Place, Finglas, Dublin 11	3	Apt	1067	170
25 th – 31 st March	Canal View Terrace, Hansfield, Dublin 15	3	Apt	1346	214
25 th – 31 st March	The Hermitage, Balgriffin, Dublin 13	2	Apt	1356	308
			Total	18900	3852

Applicants who do not have access to this portal should contact Choicebasedlettings@fingal.ie to request their unique username and password.

Homeless Services.

Homeless Exits 2026

During March 2026, 35 households exited homeless circumstances into various forms of social housing support - including privately rented tenancies under the Homeless HAP Scheme.

Please see the table below for a breakdown of the figures:

Type of Exit	HHAP Tenancy	Allocation of Tenancy	To HUBS	Total
EA	7	7	1	15
Homeless Prevention	13	7	0	20
Total	20	14	0	35

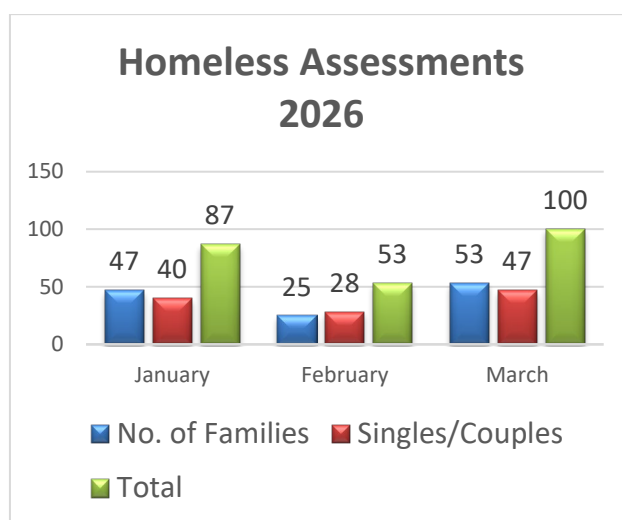
There was a total of 20 homeless prevention cases and 15 who exited emergency accommodation comprising:

7 allocations of social housing support to homeless prevention cases and 7 exited emergency accommodation.

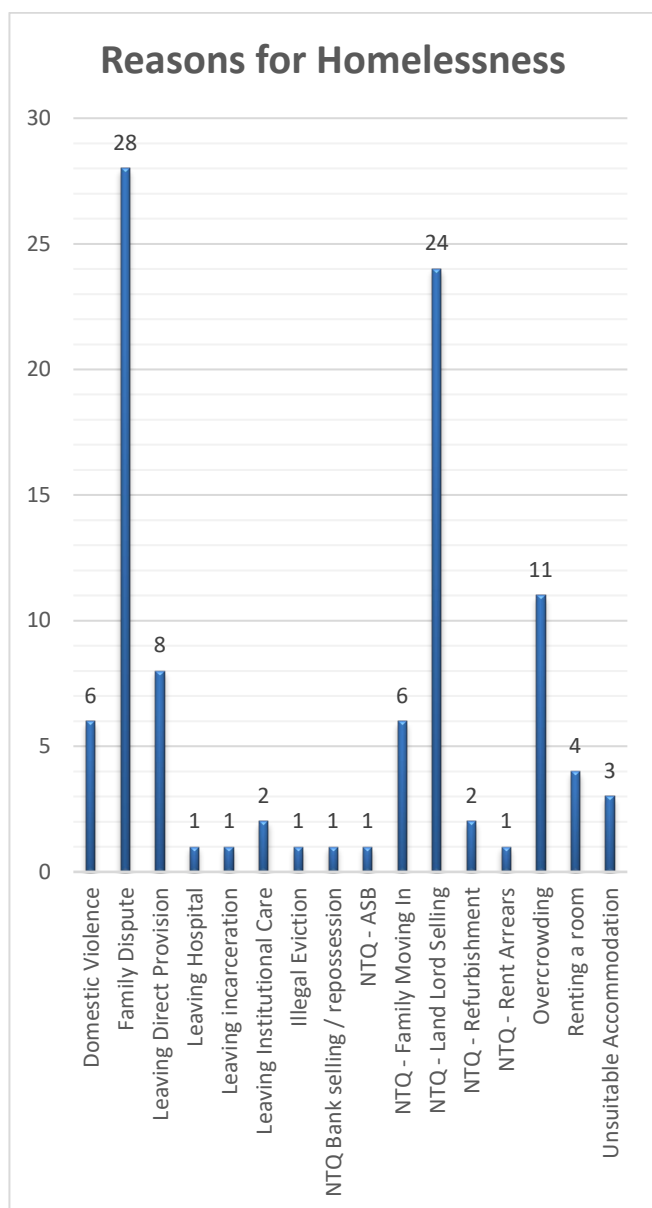
20 Homeless HAP tenancies, comprising 13 homeless preventions and 7 who exited emergency accommodation.

Homeless Assessments

Fingal's Homeless Team continues to engage with those experiencing homelessness to offer advice and support. Homeless Assessments continue to be carried out. In March 2026, there were an approx. 100 full homeless assessments completed - comprising 53 families and 47 singles/couples.



During March 2026, of the 100 Homeless Assessments carried out, 35% of cases resulted from Notice to Termination (NOT) having been served, 28% cases resulted from family/relationship breakdown and 11% were from Overcrowding. Most of the other presentations to the Homeless Section are from Renting a room (4%) and were from leaving direct provision (8%). The remaining 14% comprise various reasons outlined in the next chart.



Emergency Accommodation (including Fingal County Council Family Hubs)

There continues to be a high demand for Emergency Accommodation across the region for both families and individuals.

Rough Sleepers

The Homeless Services Team continues to liaise with the DRHE Outreach Team regarding any reports of rough sleeping, to establish their names and circumstances and to offer support. Regrettably, some rough sleepers are reluctant to engage with service providers and may refuse offers to access emergency accommodation. Any rough sleeper who is willing to engage with the Outreach Team and/ or the Council will be assisted.

The Council will carry out homeless assessments, and every effort is made to encourage them to avail of homeless services.

A weekly Rough Sleepers Coordination Group monitors the reports of rough sleepers. The reports come from various outlets, including the DRHE Outreach Team, Elected Representatives, the FCC Operations Department, and the public.

There have been 32 reported rough sleeping cases by 31/03/2026. 8 of the clients have taken up Emergency Accommodation (5 placed in Emergency Accommodation in March 2026) and we continue to work with 5 others vacating the sites to move elsewhere.

There are 9 registered long term entrenched rough sleepers (2 females, and 5 males) in the Fingal Area (3 less than February), only one of whom is a Fingal client. We will continue to work with them to provide suitable supports.

Members of the homeless team recently worked in collaboration with the operations team to resolve an issue with a rough sleeper site in North Dublin.

Dublin Street Outreach Service Tel: 01 872 0185 from 7 am to 1 am

The DRHE in partnership with Dublin Simon. Outreach and the PMVT Intake team are assertively working on the streets offering accommodation to all rough sleepers. The teams are very familiar with the locations of people sleeping rough across the Dublin Region and persistently work with individuals to support them into emergency accommodation. This process can take time and multiple contacts, as some people do not want to engage but the teams persevere with every person working to achieve a successful outcome.

The service operates 365 days a year, until 1 am. The Outreach Teams also ensure that people sleeping rough are linked with other appropriate health services such as addiction and mental health services to prevent further rough sleeping. PMVT's Housing First Intake team links rough sleepers to permanent accommodation with long-term support. All emergency accommodation is now 24-hour, with food and shower facilities provided.

National Housing Strategy for Disabled People 2022-2027 Implementation Plan

Action 1.2.2 of the National Housing Strategy for Disabled People 2022-2027 Implementation Plan states that Local authorities and the HSE must work together to plan and deliver on housing targets for disabled people in the community (including de-congregation) in line with the forthcoming Disability Services Action Plan. The HSE Mental Health Housing Coordinator from Parkgate Hall liaises with the Homeless Services Team on a monthly basis.

Currently 22 Fingal County Council clients have been identified, 2 is currently under offer and a second has been placed in a Fingal Family Hub. A second sub-group has been created between Fingal County Council and an Interim Disability Case Manager. The HSE have identified 5 new clients, all of whom have Medical Priority and are currently being reviewed for long term allocations.

A third sub-group has been created with St. Michaels House, the first meetings has been held and a list of clients is being collated by their team.

Homeless Action Plan 2025- 2027

The Homeless Action Plan 2025-2027 was adopted at the Council Meeting in July. It has also been adopted by DCC and SDCC and it will go before the next Council meeting in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown.

Preventing Homelessness, Notices to Quit and Tenant In-situ Acquisitions

Fingal County Council is aware that households in the Fingal area who may have received a notice to quit, which is also referred to as a notice of termination, from their landlord may be worried or unsure of what to do. Fingal County Council and the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive (DRHE) would like to advise anyone affected of the services that are available to them in these circumstances.

We strongly encourage tenants residing in the Fingal area, who have been issued with a notice of termination, to contact Fingal County Council as soon as they receive a notice from their landlord. The contact details for Fingal County Council are provided at the bottom of this page.

When the tenants contact Fingal County Council, staff in the Housing Department will take note of the termination date.

The Council advises the tenant to refer the notice to Threshold, a service funded by the DRHE to provide a Tenancy Protection Service for private renters in the Dublin Region, including Fingal. Threshold can also be contacted directly on Freephone 1800 454 454 or via their website www.threshold.ie which contains more information and advice on the validity of your notice.

The Council's first response will be to try to prevent homelessness. This includes assessing the person's position on the social housing list, providing advice on applying for Choice Based Lettings, and advising the person on the level of Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) they may be eligible to receive.

Placement in emergency accommodation will be a last resort if no other alternative can be identified.

Fingal County Council continues to liaise with other Dublin and neighboring local authorities to deal with tenancy issues that may require an inter-authority approach. In particular, we are working closely with our colleagues in the other Dublin Local Authorities on the implementation of the Government policy and guidance, with a focus on the needs of tenants.

Whilst the Council will, in the context of current circumstances, adopt flexibility in dealing with potential acquisitions of properties with tenants in situ, any acquisition is subject to appropriate due diligence and checks before any commitment is made to acquire, including, for example, determining that a valid notice of termination is in place, the tenant has a social housing need, and the condition and valuation of the property.

The Government has put forward options to allow tenants who are not eligible for social housing to remain in their homes, including schemes to support the purchase of homes and a Cost Rental in-situ Scheme. The Cost Rental Tenant-in-Situ Scheme is available for tenants who are not eligible for social housing and are at risk of homelessness.

The DHLGH has advised that local authorities are to be the first point of contact for this scheme, but it is managed by the Housing Agency. Under the scheme, the Housing Agency can purchase a property and rent it to the tenant. Fingal County Council will undertake an initial assessment of the tenant's circumstances and refer details to the Housing Agency for consideration, where the tenant is at risk of homelessness and the Cost Rental Tenant-in-Situ scheme applies. The Housing Agency will then contact the landlord about the purchase of the property.

Where a tenant wishes to purchase their home from the landlord, local authorities can provide advice about the Local Authority Home Loan scheme. The Government is examining implementing a 'right of first refusal' for tenants to purchase their homes, as well as expanding the First Home shared equity scheme. The Council will be able to provide more information on these when available.

Works around preventing homelessness, assessing notices of termination, and responding to tenant and landlord in-situ queries are being led on by the Council's Homelessness section, taking a tenant-centred approach, supported by staff dedicated to dealing with tenant in-situ housing acquisitions.

The contact details below, including a dedicated email address NTQEnquiries@fingal.ie, should be used by tenants who may have received a notice of termination or a landlord who has issued a notice of termination to their tenants and who may wish to sell their property to the Council.

The key contact details are:

Fingal County Council Housing Department

Monday to Thursday, 9 am to 5.00 pm,

Friday 9 am to 4.30 pm:

Tel. **01 890 5000** or homeless@fingal.ie

Email: NTQEnquiries@fingal.ie

Dublin Region Homeless Executive, Central Placement Services:

Freephone: 1800 707 707

Traveller Accommodation Programme

The Council remains committed to fulfilling its responsibilities under the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025–2029 by providing sustainable, culturally appropriate Traveller-specific accommodation and supports.

Council officials continue to actively engage with the Traveller Community, Traveller advocacy groups, and relevant support services, including welfare, child protection, and mental health services, as well as other agencies, to address and resolve issues wherever possible. The Housing Department and the Architects Department are working in close collaboration on upcoming projects as outlined in the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025–2029

LTACC

The first meeting of 2026 of the LTACC took place on Tuesday 17th February 2026 in the Blanchardstown Offices. The next scheduled meeting is planned to take place on 18th May 2026.

Estate Management remains committed to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to support the delivery and ongoing maintenance of Traveller-specific accommodation throughout the county.

Caravan Loan Scheme

The preferential Caravan Loan Scheme is intended to support the provision of Traveller-specific accommodation through local authorities to provide preferential loans to Travellers to purchase their own caravan/mobile home/trailer on halting sites for use as their primary residence.

The Council continues to implement the National Caravan Loan Scheme in accordance with Department of Local Government and Heritage Guidelines. Fingal County Council's allocation under the scheme for 2026 is €240,000.

Dumping on sites

Illegal dumping on halting sites remains an ongoing issue. Council contractors frequently clear dumped waste from these sites, incurring significant costs to the Council. Letters continue to be sent to residents reminding them that household waste collection is available on-site and urging them to refrain from illegal dumping.



Waste removal at St. Philomena's Park



Installation of Post boxes at Moyne Park

Fire Safety

Fire safety remains a top priority for the protection of all tenants on our Halting Sites and Group Housing Schemes. The annual service and maintenance of portable fire equipment on Fingal County Council Traveller Accommodation Sites has been completed, with additional fire safety equipment installed at several halting sites. Furthermore, a fire safety audit of caravans has been carried out, accompanied by a leaflet distribution to all halting sites.

The Estate Management section in conjunction with Dublin Fire Brigade organized a successful Fire Safety Training Day which took place on 2nd December in Dublin 15. A further session for the D15 area took place on 17th February 2026 and was also well attended. In addition, new notices have been placed on all powerhouse doors to advise that there is no entry permitted to the powerhouse by unauthorised persons. Unfortunately, we have had an incident in one of our Dublin 15 Halting Sites where residents broke into the powerhouse, causing significant damage to the door and lock.

Electricity Supply

It has been reported electricity supplies have altered or tampered with causing interruption to power supply and other service issues at a number of sites.

All residents are routinely advised of the dangers of interference with electricity and are advised to make contact with the Estate Management Maintenance team to report power issues in the first instance to allow for inspection and repair by registered contractors.

Wastewater Treatment System – new contract

Overseeing and managing the Waste Water Treatment Systems of Council stock remains a priority of the Estate Management, Maintenance Section.

Housing Response Maintenance

2026	
Maintenance Requests Received	3,766
Tenancy Alerts Issued	14
Interviews Scheduled	17
Unauthorised Works Recorded	1
Permission For Work Requests	50

Graffiti

Estate Management has experienced an increase in incidents of racist graffiti in various locations across the County. Additionally, several families recently allocated new tenancies have reported receiving threats advising them not to move into the area or to leave.

The matter is under review by An Garda Siochana.



Anti-Social Behaviour / Inspectorate Unit

The Council conducts impartial and thorough investigations into all reports of anti-social behaviour and implements appropriate preventative measures when necessary. All complaints are treated in strict confidence by the Anti-Social Behaviour Unit, which works in close partnership with An Garda Síochána to address and manage such issues effectively.

The ASB Unit is currently preparing an updated Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy and is working with the Council's IT Department to develop and implement new IT software.

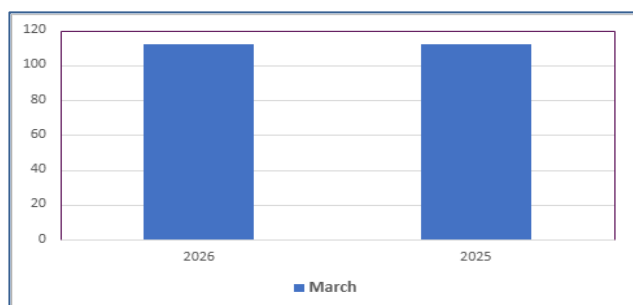
ASB Caseload Management

Complaints Mar 2026	Total	Active	Monitoring	Closed
Balbriggan	28	16	5	7
Rush / Lusk	17	3	12	2
Swords	15	3	9	3
Howth/ Malahide	17	12	3	2
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart	24	9	3	12
Ongar	4	1	1	2
Castleknock	7	3	2	2
Total	112	47	35	30

Anti-Social Behaviour Interventions

Interviews Held 2026 to date	44
Interviews Held 2025	91
Tenancy Alerts 2026 to date	22
Tenancy Alerts 2025	32
Tenancy Warnings 2026 to date	3
Tenancy Warnings 2025	10

**Comparison of Complaints received
March 2026 vs March 2025**



Tenancy Management Section

Tenancy Management is responsible for safeguarding the proper use of Council housing stock by investigating suspected tenancy fraud, misuse of properties, and breaches of tenancy agreements.

This includes addressing issues such as illegal subletting, unauthorised occupation, and the abandonment of dwellings. Properties may be surrendered or tenancies terminated for a range of reasons, including the death of a tenant, placement in long-term nursing care, abandonment, and other exceptional circumstances.

Surrenders/Abandonment Notices	
January	8
February	1
March	5
Total	14

Inspectorate 2026

The Council’s Housing Inspectorate, including two dedicated Traveller-specific Inspectors. The Housing Inspector role is a key frontline operational function that delivers a wide range of inspectorate services to Council tenants, the wider community, and multiple sections within the Housing Department,

Including:

- Estate Management
- Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)
- HAP
- Rents
- Homeless Services
- Allocations
- Lettings
- Long-Term Leasing/RAS
- Vacant Dwellings
- Traveller Specific Accommodation
- Voids Management

Housing Inspectors Report	
Traveller Specific Site Inspections 2025	1682
Housing Inspections 2025	10447
2026	
Traveller Specific Site Inspections to date	494
Housing Inspections	
January	682
February	1091
March	1074
April	
May	
June	
July /Aug	
September	
October	
November	
December	
Total Inspections	

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Active Travel

Seatown Road Swords:

John Cradock Ltd. have commenced works on site. Works are continuing Phase 1, from the R132 heading eastwards. An alternative pedestrian route has been established on the south side of Seatown Road to facilitate the current ducting and drainage works. Works will switch to the southern side of the road in phase 1, in early April. Two-way traffic is being maintained during peak traffic.



Junction of the R132 and Flemington Lane Balbriggan:

The contractor has completed the resurfacing work on the junction. Traffic signals are being commissioned in early April. Works on the footpaths and existing cycle track from Flemington junction back to Balbriggan will be ongoing during April to complete the upgrade works in this area.



Auburn Avenue Walking & Cycling Scheme

A tender competition to procure a contractor to carry out the works commenced in late 2025. A pre contract meeting has taken place with the preferred tenderer.

It is anticipated the works will commence on site in Q2 2026.



Hartstown/Huntstown/Mountview Road

Improvements to 2 signalised junctions at Hartstown Road/Hartstown Link Road and at Hartstown Road/Mountview Road with Blakestown Road/Shelerin Road are planned along with 2 roundabouts at the junction of Huntstown Way with Ashfield Way/Huntstown Park and at the junction of Huntstown Way with Castlewood. Detailed design has now commenced.

Clonee to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre

The preliminary design phase is ongoing. A non-statutory public consultation is being prepared and will take place in Q2 2026.

New Street, Malahide

The design team has completed its assessment of the Construction Tender Suitability Assessment Questionnaire submissions. Several candidates have now been shortlisted for progression to Stage 2 of the tender process, which is currently underway.

Balrothery Active Travel Project

A presentation of the Balrothery Active Travel Plan was delivered at the Balbriggan, Rush-Lusk, and Swords ACM on 12 March to provide councillors with an overview of the plan's overall scope, along with a progress update on the first project.

Feltrim Road Active Travel Project

The preliminary design cost estimate, design report, together with the environmental and appropriate assessment screening reports, are currently being updated as the preliminary design phase continues to progress.

Skerries Active Travel Plan.

The non-statutory public consultation period closed on the 19th January. Final compilation and moderation of all submissions is underway. The final number of submissions is expected to be around 600.

All feedback received from the consultation will be analysed and considered in the final plan, which will be completed in the coming weeks.

Briefings will be provided to local councillors in the first week of April.

Skerries Harbour Road & Red Island Loop:

Detail Design ongoing. Trail pits were excavated recently as part of site investigation works. Consultation with the local stakeholders will be facilitated in advance of the construction phases in 2026. It is anticipated to be on site with phase 1 works to the Red Island Loop and carpark areas by the end of Q2 2026.

Newtown Bridge, Balheary Road:

The Official Opening of the new walking and cycling facilities at Newtown Bridge Balheary took place on the 20th March 2026. These facilities provide safe infrastructure for vulnerable road users using the Linear Park and Swords Celtic Football Club pitches in Balheary.



Donabate Permeability - Phase 1

Works have been substantially completed in 2025, with some minor snagging works outstanding. These will be completed early in Q2 2026, subject to dry weather conditions.

Road Safety:

Safe Routes to School Round 2

The detailed design now complete and the works are ready to move to the tender stage.

The Construction Tender will now be issued in the via SupplyGov.ie. This process is expected to take 6-8 weeks and works are expected in late June or early July.

Safe Routes to School Round 3

The outline delivery plan for the SRTS Round 3 schools has been received from An Taisce. The design tender documentation is now ready and approved, the Design Tender will be issued in the first week of April 2026.

Fingal Road Safety Working Together group

The Fingal Road Safety Working Together group is now well established and meets on a quarterly basis. The meetings aim to give an opportunity for all stakeholders to coordinate on road safety within Fingal.

Fingal Road Safety Action Plan 2025 to 2027

Fingal Road Safety Action Plan 2025 to 2027 has now been fully drafted and reviewed and was brought to SPC, the Area Committee meetings in January and the full council in early in February for noting, it will be published in the coming weeks.

Mobility & Behavioural Change

Fingal Second Spin Project

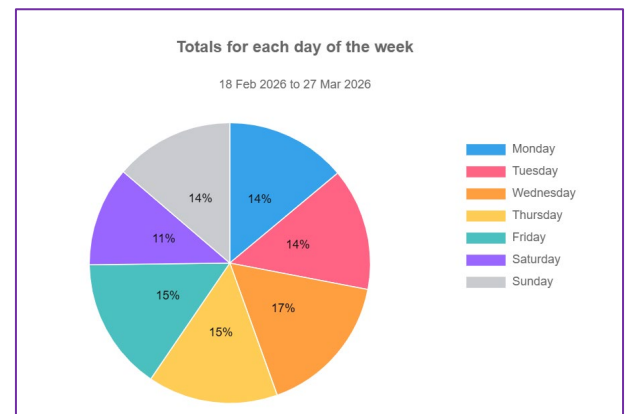
Our Second Spin Project was promoted across the Irish Times through their Early Edition Podcast and in print on Saturday 21st March.

The piece can be heard from around 6 mins 45sec

<https://www.irishtimes.com/podcasts/early-edition/rising-seas-around-ireland-cost-of-living-measures-and-a-bicycle-thief-solution/>

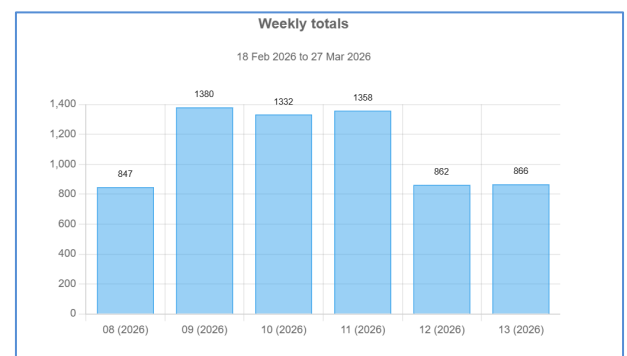
Portmarnock Railway Bridge

A Nomad Combi Tracker was installed on the Portmarnock Railway Bridge on 18th Feb 2026. Since installation, nearly 15,000 Active Travel Movements have taken place across it. The average is 393 movements per day with a relatively even split across each day of the week



Donabate Pedestrian Bridge

Similarly, a tracker was installed at the new Donabate Pedestrian Bridge in Feb 26. Since installation over 6,000 people have used the bridge with the busiest day of the week being a Thursday at 8am. On average, 1200 people use the bridge each week, showing how valuable a project it is to people commuting.



Cycling Courses

Details related to upcoming Cycling Courses can be found on our [website](#)



Spark Park

The Spark Park – precision bike parking technology was fully integrated into the Moby Bike Share app and the final 6 locations installed.

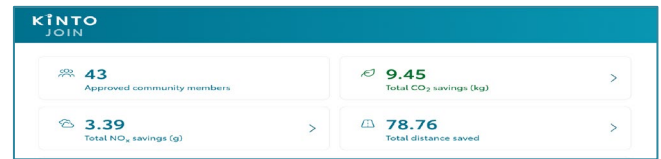
Spark Park will help us to keep the kerbside space free from Bike Share related obstructions and improve the service for everyone in the community. The Bleeper Bike integration will be completed after Easter



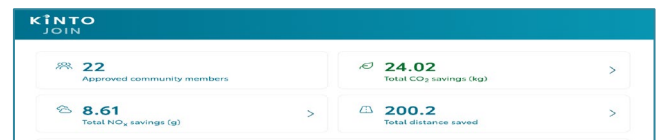
Kinto – Sustainable Transport App

The Kinto Sustainable Travel App is available to all staff in County Hall and Civic Offices to download. The App rewards people who Walk, Cycle or Carpool for work related travel and will help us reach our Climate Action Targets.

March 1st – 27th – County Hall



March 1st – 27th – Civic Offices



For information on how to sign up to the Kinto App, please contact active.travel@fingal.ie

The Castleknock Ramblers Walking Group

The Castleknock Ramblers Group meet every Tuesday morning at the Castleknock Gate in the Phoenix Park. They walk for approx. 45min – 60mins per week.

April Walk Dates

- **Tues 7th, 14th 21st and 28th April**

Bike Week 2026

Bike Week takes place from Saturday 9th May to Sunday 17th May 2026.

The Week will kick-off with a Family Fun Day in Millennium Park at the Learn 2 Cycle Track. We will have the Street Velodrome, free bike repair, our Balance Bike Pedal Parade as well as our colleagues from Climate Action & Sport so there will be fun for the entire family.

The full Bike Week 2026 schedule will be available to view after Easter on www.fingal.ie/bikeweek



Skerries Community Car

In March the Community Car completed **XX** trips (including some round trips).

To book the service or to sign up as a volunteer simply call Flexibus on 046 9074830 or email: flexibus@locallinklmf.ie

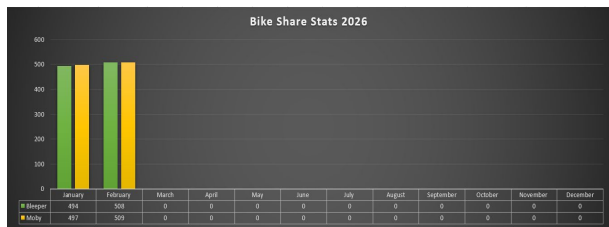
Month	Trip Numbers
January	169
February	126
March	190

EVPZ

The EVPZ vehicles completed 37 journeys in Feb 2026, For more information on the EVPZ eHubs project, you can check out:

<https://esb.ie/what-we-do/esb-eHubs>

Bike Share Schemes



Bike Share Monthly Stats 2026

Month	Moby	Bleeper	Total
Jan 26	497	494	991
Feb 26	509	508	1017

Quiet Streets 2026

The Quiet Streets Applications are open to the Public until Monday 20th April. Full details are available on the Fingal Website <https://www.fingal.ie/fingal-quiet-streets-2026-applications>

CLIMATE ACTION

Dublin Climate Action Week 2026

Dublin Climate Action Week is set to take place from May 9th to 17th this year. With a range of events planned across the Dublin region, there will be something for everyone! To keep up to date with the week and be the first to see events planned when they go live on the 20th of April, click [here](#).



Balbriggan Decarbonisation Zone

Planning work is progressing the development of the methodology and scope of works for the preparation of the Balbriggan DZ Implementation Plan. Work will commence in early 2026.

E2CUTIES



Work is progressing on the project deliverables for this project: Local Pilot Plan was prepared in March.

Home Energy Saving Kits

Feedback is now requested from HESK users (survey included on the inside of the kits available in Swords and Blanchardstown).



Library Resources

The Climate Action Team review Climate Action resources avail in all libraries in Fingal and make monthly book recommendations through the Environment and Climate Action Newsletter.



Our Balbriggan- Sustainability, Climate Action and Biodiversity Pillar

The Climate Team continue to support the implementation of the Sustainability, Climate Action and Biodiversity Pillar Action Plan.

Community Climate Action Fingal Grant

Phase 2 (2025-2027) Community Climate Action Fingal is underway. The portfolio and necessary documentation were submitted to the Department for approval in February. It is expected that the Department will respond early April with approvals. The approved community climate action projects with a value of €1,127,000 will be delivered over an 18-month timeframe and are aimed at reducing emissions in the community setting.



ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Awareness:

Rubbish Film Festival – Fingal Students Lead on Climate Action

Secondary students from five Fingal schools took part in this year's Rubbish Film Festival, producing short films focused on waste reduction, sustainability, and climate action.

Their work, inspired by SDG12 Responsible Consumption and SDG13 Climate Action, highlights the role of young people in driving positive environmental change locally. A showcase event was held in the Lighthouse Cinema, where Fingal students joined peers from across the four Dublin local authorities to celebrate their achievements.

Fingal Award Winners:

- Best Poster: Blakestown Community School (below)
- Best Film: St. Mary's Secondary School, Baldoyle
- Runner-Up Film: Edmund Rice College



Green-Schools Visits

The Environmental Awareness Officer carried out 11 additional renewal visits to Fingal schools applying for their Green Flag in 2026. The enthusiasm and commitment shown by each school from students to teachers, and staff, was evident throughout. A particular acknowledgment is due to school caretakers, whose support for outdoor environmental work is invaluable. An Taisce's Green-Schools Team will notify all applicant schools of their results after the Easter break. Best of luck to all schools involved.

Replay Instruments Project

The Replay Instruments Project successfully rehomed several instruments from guitars to violins this month. This project continues to promote the circular economy by giving pre-loved instruments a second life within the community.

Social Media Campaign

March’s social media campaigns focused on promoting National Spring Clean and WEEE recycling with a focus on the invisible electrical waste, batteries and correct vape disposal.

Anti-Litter and Anti-Graffiti Grant 2026

The Anti-Litter & Anti-Graffiti Grant is awarded annually by Fingal County Council to support community groups in improving local public spaces. Funded in part by the Department of Climate, Energy & Environment, the scheme supports projects such as litter clean-ups, mural and wall painting, biodiversity enhancements in dumping hotspots, and awareness campaigns on litter and cigarette butt disposal.

The 2026 ALAG is now open for applications with a closing date of Friday, 17th April 2026.

Applications can be downloaded from our website <https://www.fingal.ie/anti-litter-anti-graffiti-grant-2026>



- The litter wardens link in with Operations to see if any issues have arisen for their crews regarding illegal dumping/littering in their areas, carry out inspections and follow up with fines/warning notices where evidence is found.



- Reports of any illegal dumping and littering are passed on to the Operations division for removal and the litter wardens follow up on witness statements submitted by Fingal citizens.
- Site inspections are carried out following reports of muck on the roads from building developments and farming activities. Site/Farm owners are advised of their responsibilities to ensure the roads are kept clean of muck and that the building sites have a road sweeper/wheel wash facility in operation.
- They Investigate reports of abandoned cars.

Litter Fines & Warning Notices 2026

Month	No of Fines issued	No of Warning Notices issued
January	35	15
February	43	7
March	24	1

There were 9 cases before the district court in March 2026.

ANTI-LITTER & ANTI-GRAFFITI GRANT 2026

This grant funds community projects to address litter and graffiti in Fingal.

Closing Date
Friday 17th April 2026

Comhairle Contae
Fhine Gall
Fingal County
Council

An Roinn Aeráide,
Fuinnimh agus Comhshaoil
Department of Climate,
Energy and the Environment

Litter Management

In March the Litter Wardens continued investigating large amounts of littering and dumping throughout the county. The bring banks in the Fingal area are inspected daily. Any evidence that is found is dealt with under the Litter Pollution Act.

Litter Management Requests for March 2026

Type of Requests:	Number
Abandoned Car Sticker	7
Abandoned cars	6
Dog Fouling signage request	3
Black spot inspection	726
Bring Bank inspections	451
Muck on road	5
Report of dumping 1-20 bags	47
Witness statement form received	2
Unauthorised Signage	3
Report of litter issue	16
Total cases	1266

The Litter Management Section have commenced an ongoing Litter Awareness Campaign to continue over the 3-year period of the Litter Management Plan and will look at addressing ongoing issues such as illegal dumping/fly-tipping, dog fouling, unauthorised signage, cigarette butts/disposable vapes, muck on the road etc.



This poster will be advertised through the Councils Social Media Platforms, at Bus Shelters, in Libraries, Community Centres, schools and any other viable sources. A new leaflet outlining the responsibilities of businesses in relation to litter management is currently being designed and will be ready for distribution in the coming weeks.

Water Quality:

Developer Lead Infrastructure Initiative (DLI) for wastewater services supporting Housing Delivery

The Government's Housing Action Plan, 'Delivering Homes, Building Communities' seeks to deliver 300,000 new homes by 2030. It identifies the need for the provision of enabling infrastructure, including wastewater infrastructure, to support the delivery of new residential development, particularly in locations where wastewater infrastructure capacity is constrained or absent. This objective is set out in Action 1.11 of the Housing Action Plan and is further referenced in Action 15(ii) of the 'Accelerating Infrastructure Taskforce Report & Plan'.

Wastewater infrastructural constraints have been identified as a limiting factor for housing delivery in settlements where existing Uisce Éireann wastewater treatment capacity is not immediately available.

To address this, the Government is now enabling housing developers to deliver new wastewater infrastructure as part of their housing schemes. The Developer-Led Infrastructure (DLI) Initiative for wastewater services includes the following key coordinated elements:

- a structured partnership approach between Uisce Éireann and developers, enabling developers to construct wastewater infrastructure to Uisce Éireann standards, with transfer of ownership to Uisce Éireann for longterm operation and maintenance;
- regulatory reform to simplify environmental authorisations for discharges from small-scale treatment facilities; an
- specific guidance for developers from Uisce Éireann and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in relation to standards and requirements.

This Circular is accompanied by a Procedural Advice Note to set out the procedural arrangements associated with the DLI Initiative in the context of planning applications lodged by developers for such infrastructure as part of proposals for new housing development.

Abandoned Vehicles

A total of 116 reports of abandoned cars were received from 1st January to 30th March 2026. Burnt-out vehicles are also reported to the Environment Department.

To report a suspected abandoned vehicle the following information is required and should be emailed to environment@fingal.ie

- Vehicle Registration
- Colour / Make / Model
- Exact Location
- Period of time that vehicle has not been moved
- Name and Contact Number of person reporting the vehicle

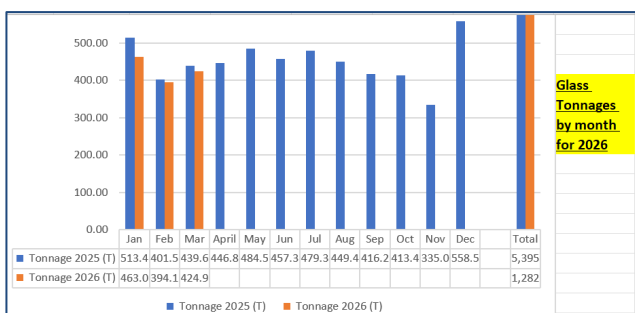
Further information on Abandoned Vehicles can be found on the Fingal County Council website:

[Abandoned Vehicles | Fingal County Council](#)

	Abandoned Vehicles Lifted		Burnt out Vehicles Lifted	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
January	0	0	0	0
February	2	0	0	1
March	7	2	1	2
April		3		0
May		2		0
June		0		1
July		0		0
August		0		0
September		3		0
October		5		0
November		2		0
December		6		0
	9	23	1	4

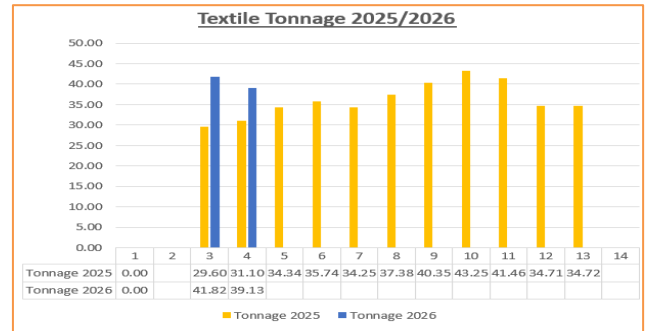
Bring Banks & Bottle Banks

Glass volumes collected to date in March 2026 were 425 (T). This compares with a collection figure of 440 (T) for all of March 2025.



Textiles Banks

Textiles collected in **February 2026** were **39 (T)**. This compares with a collection figure of 31 (T) in February 2025.



Animal Welfare

Dog Warden Service

The dog wardens continue to carry out enforcement in relation to breaches of the Control of Dogs Act 1986, Control of Dog Regulations 1998, Parks and Open Spaces byelaws and Beach and Foreshore byelaws. They also educate dog owners on the responsibilities of keeping a dog and remind owners to pick up after their pets when in public places. Dog owners should ensure that they hold a valid licence for their dog and if issued with a 10-day notice by the dog wardens, should present their licence to controlofdogs@fingal.ie within the 10 days provided on the notice. Failure to do so may result in a fine being issued for failing to produce a dog licence when requested to do so by a dog warden and keeping a dog without a valid licence.

Month	10 Day Notices		Fines Issued		Fines Paid	
	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025
January	50	10	8	3	€2,500	€550
February	76	82	19	5	€6,750	€2,244
March	214	87	14	15	€5,294	€1,121
April		85		11		€1,770
May		99		15		€4,443
June		81		12		€1700
July		82		12		€1221.50
August		224		29		€2200
September		104		25		€3750
October		192		38		€3700
November		141		20		€4610
December		81		72		€2,640
TOTAL	340	1268	41	257	€14,544	€29,949.50

The Control of Dogs Section received 35 complaints relating to dogs from 1st of March 2026 to the 30th of March 2026.

Service	No of complaints per service from 1 st of March 2026 to the 30th of March 2026
Env - Dog Fine Appeal	8
Env - Dog on Dog Attack	5
Env - Dog on Person Attack	1
Env - Dog warden assistance, garda request	1
Env - Restricted Breed Dog	8
Env - Surrendered Dog	0
Dog Warden Incident	2
Env- Stray Dog	7
Issue with Dog	3
Grand Total	35

There were 12 cases before the District Court in March 2026.

Dog Licences

Month	Annual Licences Purchased		Lifetime Licences Purchased		Income from Licences	
	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025
January	853	952	49	66	€23,920	€28,280
February	742	846	42	56	€20,720	€24,720
March	821	855	59	61	€25,580	€24,680
April		839		46		€23,220
May		937		64		€27,700
June		795		47		€22,480
July		807		52		€23,420
August		898		71		€27,900
September		762		46		€21,680
October		722		51		€21,580
November		831		57		€24,600
December		358		29		€11,220
Total for year	2,416	9602	150	646	€69,300	€282,480



Dog Shelter Service

Dublin County Dog Shelter holds stray dogs which are picked up by the dog warden and dogs who have been surrendered by their owners either to the dog wardens or directly to the shelter. The shelter has a Facebook page **Dublin County Dog Shelter** and **Instagram Account @dublincountydogshelter** which they actively update with strays and dogs wishing to be rehomed.

Dogs in Shelter at the start of March 2025	16	Dogs in Shelter at start of March 2026	11
Stray/Seized dogs brought to Shelter	14	Stray/Seized dogs brought to Shelter	14
Surrendered by owners	0	Surrendered by owners	2
Reclaimed	1	Reclaimed	3
Rehomed to Rescue	6	Rehomed to Rescue	7
Rehomed to Public	3	Rehomed to Public	3
PTS	1	PTS	0
Dogs in Shelter at the end of January 2025	19	Dogs in shelter at 30th March 2026	14

Contact the Shelter on **0873914008, WhatsApp or Facebook** for further information or to book a viewing.

Fingal County Council has shared this information on our own Facebook & Instagram pages.

Facebook: [Dublin County Dog Shelter](#)
Instagram: [dublincountydogshelter](#)

Horses

Weekly welfare inspections and monthly vet inspections continue at Dunsink Landfill to monitor the numbers and welfare of the horses onsite. Hay feeders are filled weekly to ensure adequate forage for the horses on the landfill. There are 12 hay feeders being filled by the Operations Department on a weekly basis to ensure adequate forage for the horses on the landfill.

Waste

Dublin Waste to Energy Facility

Planning permission and an EPA licence have been granted to increase the annual waste-treatment capacity of the Dublin Waste to Energy (DWtE) facility from 600,000 to 690,000 tonnes. Dublin City Council, as lead authority for the PPP, has completed a review of the proposed upgrade works and associated refinancing, including the appointment of a new operator, Kanadevia Inova (KVI). Following renegotiation of key elements, all four Dublin Local Authorities have agreed that the project should proceed given the critical need to expand national waste-treatment capacity. Upgrade works will commence in April 2026 and will result in a temporary reduction in capacity during that year.

Enforcement & Regulations

Complaints

28 waste complaints were recorded in March, and 10 investigated with 35 resolved including cases from previous months. The table below shows the types of complaints investigated in March.

Types of Complaints	Mar-26
Unauthorised C&D sites	1
HH Waste - Backyard Storage/Burning	4
Waste Presentation Bye-Laws	5
Total	10

The below table shows the number of year-to-date complaints recorded from the period January to March 2026 compared to previous years.

Year	March
2023	61
2024	55
2025	89
2026	77

To report a waste related complaint; please contact the Environment Section on Tel: 01 8905000 or Email: environment@fingal.ie.

Waste Presentation Bye-Laws Project

Following a survey of 4000 households in Fingal suspected of being non-compliant with Fingal County Council's Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste Bye-Laws 2020, a review of responses found a large number of households did not engage with the project or provide sufficient information to demonstrate compliance.

Under the Waste Bye-Laws, households must have a kerbside waste collection service in place from an authorised waste collector or bring their waste to an authorised facility and keep receipts (the waste must be segregated – Mixed Dry Recyclables, Organic Waste and Residual Waste). It is also possible to share a bin with another person – in that case a bin sharing agreement must be signed between the 2 parties and a copy provided to Fingal County Council.



A final warning letter was issued in March 2026 to **330 households** under the following categories requesting proof of compliance with the Waste Bye-Laws prior to a Fixed Payment Notice (FPN) of €75 being issued:

- Bin sharing agreement responses where no account number with an authorised waste collector was provided.
- Households that declared they had a contract with an authorised waste collector however a crosscheck with the collector found no active account.
- Households that claimed to use an authorised facility for brown and black bin waste however no proof was provided (receipts).
- Households that stated they used communal bins provided by a management company however their neighbourhood did not appear to be serviced by a management company.

In addition, **590 households** failed to engage with the Waste Enforcement Section despite receiving 2 letters and an inspection at their property during the period August to November 2025.

Land registration checks have been initiated to establish ownership of these properties and Fixed

Payment Notices are currently being sent out for non-compliance with the Waste Bye-Laws.

The Fixed Payment Notices may be cancelled where households provide clear evidence of how their waste is managed e.g. bin collection in place. Where FPN's aren't paid and no proof is provided of how household waste is being disposed of, then a legal file will be prepared for prosecution in the District Court.

To tackle the remaining **7,000 addresses** on the Reverse Register i.e. those suspected of not having a bin collection service in place, an updated Waste Register and Reverse Register is being developed. In March, the 8 waste collectors operating in Fingal were requested to provide an updated list of their customers. Using Eircodes an updated Reverse Register is now being developed and associated mapping to identify hotspot areas for follow on enforcement action.

It is proposed to assess 50% of the remaining households on the Reverse Register during 2026, (**3,500 households**). As before, 2 letters will be sent out requesting confirmation of how waste is being managed followed by door to door inspections for those that don't respond. FPN's will be issued thereafter where there's no engagement engage or the necessary proofs provided.

Funding under the Anti-Dumping Initiative will again be applied for in 2026 to help progress the project, with **€106,000** successfully secured in 2025.

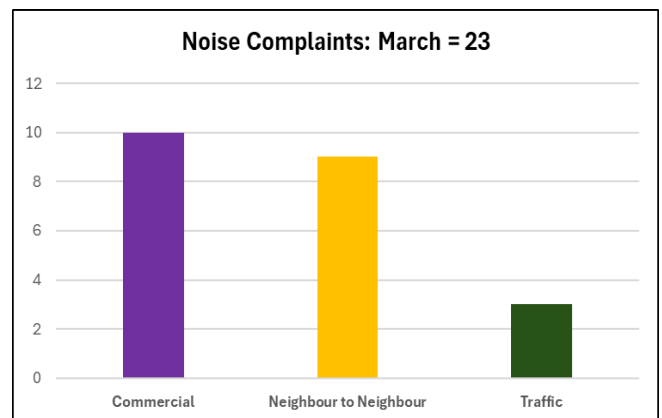
The remaining **3,500 households** on the Reverse Register will be completed in 2027. Fingal County Council are one of the first Local Authorities to enforce the Waste Bye-Laws on such a large scale and are providing advice and assistance to other local authorities to help address issues around Household Waste which is a National Waste Enforcement Priority for 2026 and 2027.

Additional information on the Waste Bye-Laws Project is available on the Fingal website at:

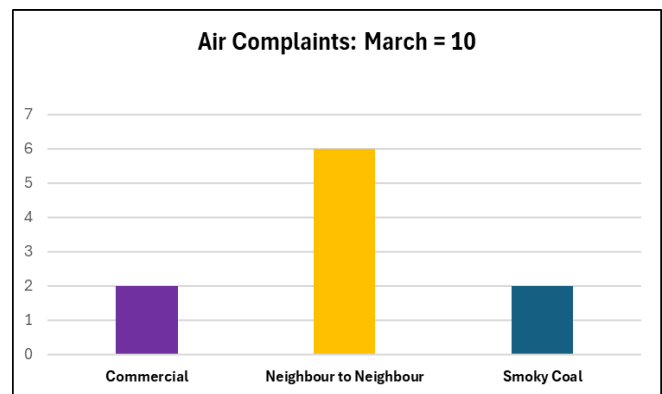
- <https://www.fingal.ie/waste-bye-laws-project-2023-2026> , and
- <https://mywaste.ie/dispose-waste/at-home/household-waste-byelaws/>

Air Quality & Noise Pollution Complaints

A total of **23 noise complaints** were received and investigated during March. Complaints were received regarding neighbour-to-neighbour noise, traffic noise, and noise associated with commercial activities.



A total of **10 air complaints** were received and investigated during March and these included complaints regarding neighbour-to-neighbour, air pollution issues and complaints about emissions from commercial and industrial units.



Air & Noise Planning Files

The Air and Noise Section have reviewed **9 Planning Applications** referred by the Planning Department during March. Applications are assessed against the latest Strategic Noise Maps for Fingal to ensure that any proposed developments, and particularly residential developments, will not be adversely affected by road, rail, industrial or aircraft noise.

A total of **17 Planning Compliance Submissions** has been reviewed for compliance with air and noise related planning conditions for March. These submissions typically outline the mitigation measures that will be used to minimise the dust and noise impacts during the construction phase of a development.

The team has begun gathering information on active construction sites with the intention to carry out on-site inspections throughout the year. These inspections will help ensure that all relevant air and noise conditions are being adhered to during the construction phase.

Solid Fuel Regulations - Retailer Inspections

The team is continuing solid fuel inspections in Q1 2026. Eleven inspections have been carried out on solid fuel retailers to date, with follow-up letters issued to retailers outlining the non-compliances identified. Information sheets were included to remind retailers of their responsibilities under the Solid Fuel Regulations. The team is currently consolidating inspection data relating to identified non-compliances and will raise these issues directly with the responsible solid fuel producers. In addition, these non-compliances will be highlighted to the Local Authorities within the functional areas where the producers operate. A desk-based review was carried out to identify any instances of unapproved solid fuel being sold online. While several advertisements were identified it is difficult to determine the precise location of these operations without direct contact.

Many sellers may be based outside the county but offer delivery services to the Fingal area, making enforcement more challenging. The Air and Noise Team has engaged with partner agencies to initiate plans for coordinated multi-agency checkpoints. Our focus will be directed on monitoring the transport and sale of unapproved fuel in accordance with the Solid Fuel Regulations.

Solvent Regulations (Dry Cleaner) Inspections

There are currently 6 dry cleaners registered in Fingal under the solvent regulations. Ongoing work around updating the register and monitoring for new businesses potentially carrying out dry cleaning is underway. With the limited number of relevant businesses in the county, the team is reviewing the scope of inspections. As well as confirming the need for registration compliance amongst those certified may be undertaken in 2026.

Deco Paints Regulations (Vehicle Refinisher) Inspections

As of March 2026, there are 20 premises registered under the Deco Paint Regulations. Following our Q4 2025 inspections, we are continuing to work closely with vehicle refinishers as they progress through the registration process and move toward full compliance. We will also continue to monitor and inspect any new refinishing businesses that may emerge. The team is currently reviewing our outstanding list to determine whether the Regulations apply to additional premises. Two inspections have been conducted as part of our 2026 inspection programme.

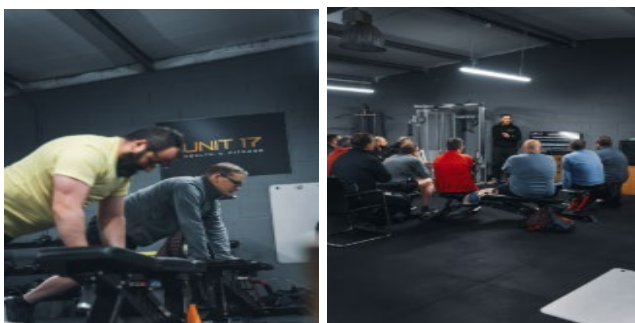


SPORTS

FITMAN – New Programme for Older males

A 6-Week Fitness Program for Men Aged 40+

FITMAN is a welcoming, judgement-free fitness program designed specifically for men aged 40 and over who are new to exercise or returning after a long break due to injury, family, work, or life simply getting in the way. We had 30 applications for the Swords Pilot programme and 22 Men signed up and started on 10th February. We are tracking their journey and feedback for the Programme which ends on 26th March.



Women in Sport Week (2nd to 8th March) HerMoves Exercise: Energise Multi-Sports Day

Fingal Sports Office Marked Women in Sport Week with 'HerMoves Exercise: Energise' Multi Sports and Activity Day in National Indoor Arena on the 4th of March. More than 300 teenage girls from secondary and community schools across Fingal took part in the day.

The event brought together participants from the Fingal Sports Office's Women in Sport Exercise: Energise programme for a full day of sport, fun, and physical activity. Now in its 14th year, the programme continues to provide an essential pathway for inactive girls to build confidence, increase physical activity levels, and access new sporting opportunities.

This year's event was supported by twelve National Governing Bodies, whose development officers delivered expert coaching and "come and try" sessions across a diverse range of sports including Rugby, Cricket, Hockey, Football, Basketball, Athletics, Table Tennis, Rowing, Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, Tennis and Fencing and finished off with a dance party.



Online Women's Health Masterclass

Fingal Sports Office hosted an online menopause information lunchtime masterclass during Women in Sport Week. The masterclass entitled Promoting Health, Strength & Wellness Before, During & After Menopause was delivered by Dr. Diane Cooper of Edufit, a company specialising in women's health and fitness programmes. The one-hour masterclass explored the impact of menopause on muscles, bones, heart, and metabolic health. It focused on the role of lifestyle and multimodal movement and offered practical self-care tips for women aged 35+. All registered participants were sent an online exercise programme that would help build resilience and strength through this life transition.



Come & Try Canoeing at Strawberry Beds

Fingal Sport Office partnered with Canoeing Ireland is hosting a Women in Sport event on March 7th. The come and try canoeing event took place at Canoeing Ireland's Training Centre in the Strawberry Beds and the plan was to provide two two-hour paddling sessions for adults and children over 12. On the day, water levels were too high to get participants out in kayaks, so it was decided to run two white-water rafting trips instead. At the Centre, we had team games, photo and drawing competitions, a chill-out forest bathing session, and a bushcraft session. Both land and water activities were successful and were facilitated by female instructors.



Her Space

HerSpace is a women's only self-defence and mental-toughness programme empowering 25 women in Baldoye to build confidence, sharpen awareness, and develop practical skills to stay safe. Through expert-led sessions, participants learn effective self-protection techniques, mindset strategies, and resilience tools designed to help them feel stronger—both physically and mentally.



Special Olympics Motor Activities Training Session

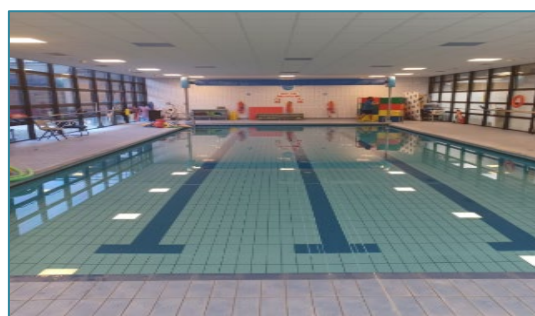
The Fingal Sports Office recently supported the Eastern Region Special Olympics team as they prepared athletes for the upcoming Special Olympics Ireland Games in June. To ensure Motor Activities Training could go ahead, the Sports Office delivered a wide range of engaging activities in collaboration with local disability services and Special Olympics Ireland. The session was a great success, with all athletes fully involved and enjoying the experience. The session took place in the National Indoor Arena on Monday March 9th with 16 athletes participating.

Safeguarding

Fingal Sport Office facilitated 2 safeguarding courses in March with 60 club volunteers completing Sport Ireland Safeguarding 1 – Child Welfare & Protection Basic Awareness Workshop. This essential training provides participants with the knowledge and skills needed to implement best practice in safeguarding and to protect the wellbeing of children involved in sport. The workshop builds understanding of roles, responsibilities, and procedures, ensuring that every child participates in a safe, supportive, and empowered sporting environment.

School Swimming

Fingal Sport Office are providing subsidised swimming lessons to school children in 3rd and 4th class across Fingal in schools who are currently not engaged in swimming. To date, 3 schools have taken part totaling 160 students. 4 more schools are due to start swimming in April 2026.



Disability Day Services – Monthly Bocce and Try Sports Session

We hosted the first Bocce sessions in ALSAA for adult day services in February and March. The February Session saw over 80 participants from 8 local day services attend ALSAA Sports Hall from 11am – 1pm.

Alongside the Bocce session we had the Fingal Rugby officer Stephen running a Try Rugby Session which was very successful. The March Session had 60 plus participants attend and we had Basketball as the Try Sport Session which again proved to be popular with participants. Feedback from participants and service staff has been very positive and they are loving the Try Sports Sessions.



Area Based Programmes

Fingal Sport Office Area Based Programmes, which commenced following the February Bank Holiday weekend, have now concluded and were delivered successfully across the county during Q1. The programme suite—Fingal on the Move, Active for Life, and Parent & Toddler—operated as an 8-week block of structured, community-based physical activity initiatives.

Across 30 classes countywide, the programmes recorded high levels of engagement, with hundreds of participants taking part throughout the quarter. Demand remained consistently strong, with many classes oversubscribed. This reflects both the high standard of coaching provided and the clear need within the community for inclusive, accessible physical activity supports. Overall, the programmes achieved their objectives of promoting increased physical activity, fostering social connection, and supporting community wellbeing.

Their success underscores the value and ongoing importance of delivering high-quality, community focused sport and activity opportunities within Fingal.



Give The Gym A Go

An 8-Week Fitness Program for Older Adults

Give The Gym A Go is a pilot project being delivered in the Donabate Portrane Community Centre gym that focuses on safely introducing older adults to the gym environment and training them in the proper use of gym equipment. 12 members of the Active Age For All community group are participating in this programme that commenced on February 27th. The programme will run for 8 weeks until mid-April.



Fingal Athletics League

This year's Fingal Athletics League launched in March with local race meets at Porterstown Park and Newbridge House. This year's programme will include 58 primary schools and 2,500 students participating in 5 race meets. The second round of race meets will take place in April, and the programme's culmination will bring all schools to the ALSAA Sports Complex in May.

For our third year running, we will partner with the Morton Games, and the winning school will have the privilege of a lap of honour at the opening of the Morton Games on 10th July. We will also award the "Greenest School" award to the school who are the most environmentally responsible

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Rates

Commercial Rates collection to the end of March 2026 is 46.3%.

Rates Collection	
Rates collected €m	€82.1 m
Rates collected %	46.3%

Development Levy Income

Development levy income collected to the end of March is €16.4 million.

Development Levy Income YTD Mar 2026	
Levies Received	€16.4 m
Levies Collected as a % of 2025	19.2%

Payroll

Overall payroll spend to the end of March was €22.80m which is c. 100.7% of budget.

Payroll	
Salaries & Wages €m	€22.8m
Percentage of budget.	100.7%

Procurement

Outlined below is a summary of the overall procurement activity at end of March

No. of contracts awarded (details below) for year to date	47	
Value €m	€21.9m	
Procurements ongoing at end of March		
No. of procurements awaiting tender responses	17	(i)
Value €m	€10.5m	
No. of procurements under evaluation	32	(ii)
Value €m	€163m	
No. of procurements at approved	21	(iii)
Value €m	€33.7m	

Notes:

- (i) Procurements awaiting tender responses – tender responses awaited at end of March.
- (ii) Procurements under evaluation – tender responses submitted and being evaluated at end of the March.
- (iii) Procurements at approved – Tender responses have been evaluated and approved. Pre- contract award processes ongoing at end of March.

Appendix 1

Revenue Account Income and Expenditure at 28/02/2026

REVENUE ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION AT 31 MARCH 2026							
	EXPENDITURE			INCOME			NET
	Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	% Budget Spent to date	Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	% Budget Raised	€
Housing & Building	33,285,395	146,350,700	23%	33,325,134	153,470,900	22%	-39,739
Road Transport & Safety	9,202,502	38,862,000	24%	2,540,968	10,906,700	23%	6,661,534
Water Services	2,114,220	9,382,300	23%	2,504,650	10,034,000	25%	-390,431
Development Management	6,139,911	27,038,500	23%	1,932,729	10,387,900	19%	4,207,183
Environmental Services	12,983,417	52,919,900	25%	2,441,660	9,825,900	25%	10,541,757
Recreation & Amenity	16,207,732	68,414,200	24%	1,261,421	6,291,100	20%	14,946,311
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	385,536	1,844,900	21%	101,512	490,200	21%	284,024
Miscellaneous Services	4,946,649	22,106,400	22%	6,875,660	29,603,200	23%	-1,929,012
Central Management Charge	14,964,535	66,434,500	23%	888,986	4,222,000	21%	14,075,549
Local Property Tax / GPG				5,589,040	22,356,100	25%	-5,589,040
Rates				43,941,350	175,765,400	25%	-43,941,350
	100,229,897	433,353,400	23%	101,403,110	433,353,400	23%	-1,173,214

Appendix 1 continued
Capital Account Income and Expenditure at 28/02/2026

CAPITAL ACCOUNT						
INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/03/2026						
		Balance at 0/01/2026 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €		Balance at 31/03/2026 €
A	Housing & Building	-17,629,903	64,889,414	-46,142,976		1,116,535
B	Road Transport & Safety	7,427,965	3,880,857	-462,066		10,846,756
C	Water Services	-11,303,514	806,056	28,427		-10,469,031
D	Development Management	-142,632,148	4,271,863	-20,230,095		-158,590,380
E	Environmental Services	-12,190,128	1,572,811	-212,500		-10,829,817
F	Recreation & Amenity	-1,135,457	5,266,387	-3,002,469		1,128,461
H	Miscellaneous Services	-44,325,231	643,291	-3,139,599		-46,821,539
	Total	-221,788,416	81,330,678	-73,161,278		-213,619,016

SUMMARY OF CORPORATE DEBTORS TO 31/03/26				
	Balance at 01/01/2026 €	Balance at 31/03/26 €	Current debt €	> 1 Year €
RATES	856,205	95,266,934	94,316,739	950,194
LOANS	1,889,194	1,884,359	149,839	1,734,519
RENTS	8,306,087	8,202,806	2,800,995	5,401,811

* value of debit at 31/12/2025 was €1,446,453.91 with a credit of €590,249.09

Figures for rents and loans are unadjusted by credits/prepayments

Appendix 2
Number of Contracts Awarded to the end of February 2026

Description of Procurement	Supplier Name	Legal Address	Contract Value	Contract Start Date	Contract End Date	Actual Duration (months)	Contract Award Date
Broadband Connections to Ardgillan Castle, Malahide Castle (Heritage Sites) & Ballycoolin Training Centre	Viatel Ireland Ltd	Unit 1 College Business & Technology Park, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15	€26,400	01/03/2026	28/02/2028	24	27/03/2026
Skerries Harbour Emergency Stabilisation Works	Cunningham Civil & Marine Ltd	Unit 4 Cedar Crescent, Westport, Co. Mayo	€149,342	07/04/2026	29/05/2026	1	30/03/2026
Engineering Services for Decarbonisation and Emergency Re-roofing at Draíocht Arts Centre, Blanchardstown & County Hall, Swords	BDP (Building Design Partnership)	Blackhall Green, Stoneybatter, Dublin D07 VORF	€87,260	01/04/2026	29/09/2026	6	26/03/2026
Cherry Laurel Eradication in the Abbotstown woodlands, Dublin 15	Ecolab Limited	Forrest Park, Mullingar Industrial Estate, Co. Westmeath	€70,400	06/04/2026	06/10/2026	6	13/03/2026
Architectural Design Services for Public Park Building Structures at Bremore Regional Park Recreational Sports Hub, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	Design ID Consulting Ltd	23 Lisburn Road, Hillborough, Co. Down, BT26 6AA	€248,498	25/03/2026	24/03/2028	24	20/02/2026
Precast Concrete Retaining Wall Units for the Broadmeadow Way Project	Stresslite Precast Ltd	Hempstown, Blessington, Co Wicklow	€329,749	20/03/2026	20/08/2026	5	20/03/2026
Quantity Surveying Services at Bremore Regional Park, Balbriggan.	Levin & Associates	32 Dale Road, Kilmacud Ave, Stillorgan , Co.Dublin	€29,790	30/03/2026	30/03/2028	24	27/03/2026
M&E Engineering consultancy services for Junior Area Refurbishment and Shelving Fit-out to Blanchardstown, Malahide & Balbriggan Libraries	FLN Consulting Engineers	2nd Floor, 13 Leinster Street South, Dublin 2	€19,700	06/03/2026	05/01/2028	22	06/03/2026
Dye Durham Lawlink Charges	Dye & Durham Ltd	31-36 Ormond Quay Upper, Dublin 7	€52,944	13/03/2026	31/12/2026	10	01/01/2026
Providing new access from the road providing laneway connecting road to Dunsink pumpstation	G&J Kearns Development Ltd	Naul, Co. Dublin	€99,880	10/03/2026	31/03/2026	1	10/03/2026

Environmental monitoring and reporting services at Dunsink and Balleally Landfill Sites	McQuillan Environmental (John McQuillan Contracts Ltd)	11 Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, Co. Antrim BT28 25A	€231,987	10/03/2026	09/03/2027	12	10/03/2026
R132 Connectivity Project (Sustainable Transport Corridor) Works Contract - Construction Stage (ITT)	Murphy International Ltd	Great Connell, Newbridge , Co Kildare	€12,909,216	27/03/2026	26/04/2028	25	20/03/2026
Supply, install, configure, and commission SCADA Remote Terminal Units (RTUs) across multiple sites	EMR Integrated Solutions Ltd	Unit 53-58 Dunboyne Business Park, Dunboyne, Co Meath	€56,190	01/04/2026	01/10/2026	6	13/03/2026
Provision of Services for Broadmeadow River Ecological Enhancement Scheme	Rivus Ltd	Ballnagaragh , Kilbrittain, Co.Cork	€26,000	23/03/2026	23/08/2026	5	12/03/2026
Event Management Services for Swords and Malahide St. Patrick's Day Parades 2026	Invictus Events Management & Consultancy Ltd	3 Parc na Glas, Rathcormac, Co. Cork	€153,700	06/03/2026	19/03/2026	1	06/03/2026
Event Management Services for Balbriggan and Blanchardstown St. Patrick's Day Parades 2026	Davis Events Limited	17 Rathfarnham Road, Terenure, Co. Dublin	€156,905	06/03/2026	19/03/2026	1	06/03/2026
Road Lining Contract for the Fingal County Council, Operations Department - Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area's, to include PSCS and Traffic Management.	Nuzum Road Services Limited	The Mill House, Ballyshannon, Kilcullen, Co. Kildare	€40,151	02/03/2026	31/12/2026	10	10/03/2026
Supply of Butterfly pupae for the tropical butterfly house in Malahide Demesne.	Stratford Upon Avon Butterfly Farm	Swans Nest Lane, Stratford Upon Avon, CV377LS, UK	€40,000	20/02/2026	20/02/2027	12	12/03/2026
Land Slide remedial works R108 Lower Lucan Road Strawberry Beds	John Browne Construction	Carragh, Granard, Co. Longford	€26,500	16/02/2026	23/02/2029	0.5	26/02/2026
Hire of 32 T Hook Loading Truck (36 Months)	G & J Kearns Development Ltd, T/A Gerry Kearns Plant Hire	Ballyboughal Road, Naul , Co Dublin	€124,800	09/03/2026	08/03/2029	36	05/03/2026
Road Lining Contract for the Fingal County Council, Operations Department - Swords/Balbriggan Area's, February 2026 - December 2026. To include PSCS and Traffic	MacLochlainn Roadmarkings Ltd	Bishopswood Lane, The Ward, Dublin	€74,833	23/02/2026	31/12/2026	10	16/02/2026

R132 & R106 Road patching and repairs	MCM Surfacing Ltd	Castlelumney , Dunleer, Co Louth	€77,300	02/03/2026	31/12/2026	10	27/02/2026
Supply and installation of Waterless Toilet Systems (Eco-Toilets) at Portrane, Donabate and Skerries	Healthmatic Ltd	Howth House, Howth, Dublin 13	€159,615	04/03/2026	04/09/2026	6	23/02/2026
Provision of Security Services-including uniformed on-site security presence, on-site keyholding and response to alarm activation	Manguard Plus Ltd	W7F Ladytown Business Park, Ladytown Naas, Co Kildare	€122,179	02/03/2026	04/05/2026	2	03/03/2026
Surface Restoration Castleknock Green/Dunsandle Court/Grove	Breedon Surfacing Solutions Ireland Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€80,359	16/03/2026	16/07/2026	4	02/03/2026
Surface Restoration Homeleigh Castleknock	Breedon Surfacing Solutions Ireland Ltd	Rosemount Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11	€78,355	06/03/2026	06/07/2026	4	02/03/2026
Supply of Ready mix concrete	Keegan Quarries Ltd	Trammon Rathmoylon, Meath	€64,800	19/02/2026	31/12/2026	10	19/02/2026
Integrated Design Team of Specialist Conservation Architectural and Engineering services at Brackenstown Walled Gardens, Knocksedan, Swords, Co.Dublin.	John McLaughlin Architects	5 Adelaide Street Dun Laoghaire, Dublin	€164,280	20/02/2026	20/11/2026	9	11/02/2026
The provision of Public Lighting Maintenance and New Works Services to Fingal County Council	AI Read Electrical Co.Ltd	1 Lorcan Grove, Santry Dublin 9	€650,000	01/03/2026	31/07/2026	7	25/02/2026
Road Reinstatement post Stormwater Pipeline works - Church Street, Howth, Co Dublin	DM Morris Limited	13 Parklands Office Park, Southern Cross Road, Bray, Co Wicklow	€57,675	23/02/2026	13/03/2026	1	12/02/2026
Legal Advice and Representation regarding Leasing Services	Beauchamps LLP	Riverside Two, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2	€320,000	06/02/2026	05/02/2028	24	06/02/2026
Sportsturf Consultancy Services for Bremore Recreational Sports Hub, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin	Alan Lewis Ltd	1A Crowmeole Lane, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, UK	€38,610	18/02/2026	18/08/2028	18	15/01/2026
Screening & Assessment Services for Affordable Housing applications for Fingal County Council	Interform Ltd	6 York Terrace, Dun Laoghaire, Co Dublin	€42,000	05/01/2026	30/06/2026	6	05/01/2026
Purchase of up to 12 No.3.5 ton electric tippers for Park Rangers	Harris Commercial Vehicles Ltd	Naas Road, Dublin 12	€489,540	01/02/2026	31/01/2027	12	01/02/2026

Conducting building surveying and inspection services for Fingal County Council	ABL Surveyors Ltd	26/27 Pembroke Street Lower, Dublin 2	€526,000	09/02/2026	08/02/2028	24	09/02/2026
Supply, Delivery, Commissioning & Maintenance of Emergency Generators for Fingal County Council	Shanahan Power Ltd	Camas, Newcastle West, Limerick	€85,752	18/02/2026	31/12/2029	47	18/02/2026
Renewal of a number of Digital Services products	NEC Software Solutions UK Ltd	1st Floor IMEX Centre, 579-599 Maxted Road, Hemel Hampstead, HP2 7DX	€26,775	20/05/2026	19/05/2027	12	13/02/2026
Installation of New Traffic Signals 2026 for Fingal County Council	Traffic Solutions Ltd	Unit 5, Block K , Maynooth Business park, Maynooth, Co Kildare	€742,191	02/03/2026	18/12/2026	10	13/02/2026
Renewal of FCC's Citrix Licensing and Support for 2026	Arkphire Security Ltd	41 O'Casey Avenue, Park West Industrial Park, Dublin 12, D12 X767	€39,800	31/12/2025	31/12/2026	12	02/02/2026
Sportspitch Renovation and Associated Infrastructure Works at Skerries, Co. Dublin	Tony Patterson Sportsgrounds Ltd	Unit 9a Plato Business Park, Damastown Road, Tyrrelstown, Dublin 15	€1,290,154	16/03/2026	16/03/2028	24	10/02/2026
Construction of a Sample area for the proposed paving design for the New Street Public Realm Improvement Project in Malahide	Maylim Ltd	103/104 O'Connell St Limerick	€29,306	14/01/2026	13/11/2026	10	07/01/2026
Delivery of Business Skills and Personal Development Training course for Grade 3 & 4 officers	Mark Donovan and Associates	11 Kempton Green, Navan Road, Dublin 7	€33,500	19/01/2026	31/12/2026	12	09/01/2026
Support and maintenance for Fingal County Council's Teams Telephony	Viatel Technology Ltd	Block 2 International Science Centre, National Technology Park, Limerick	€32,350	05/02/2026	31/12/2026	12	01/01/2026
2026 Programme for the Development and Implementation of the Fingal Tourism Strategy 2025-2029 and the Fingal Food & Drink Policy 2025-2029	Brouder Marketing	5A Humbert Street, Tubbercurry , Co Sligo	€619,016	01/01/2026	31/12/2026	12	01/01/2026

Professional Service of OHMS, BI and Logix	Nathean Technologies Ltd	Unit 9a Plato Business Park, Damastown Road, Tyrrelstown, Dublin 15	€143,100	03/02/2026	31/12/2026	12	01/01/2026
Support and Maintenance for Fingal County Council's wireless network for 2026	Exigent	Eastgate Business Park, Little Island, Co Cork	€33,300	20/01/2026	31/12/2026	12	01/01/2026
Trad Fest Winter Music & Culture Festival 2026	TASCQ CLG (t/a The Temple Bar Company)	Second Floor, 1-5 Crampton Court, Temple Bar, Dublin 2	€120,000	01/01/2026	31/12/2026	12	22/01/2026
Manager/Site Operator for daily operations and the facilitation of planned events at Swords Castle and The Carnegie Building	Invictus Event Management and Consultancy Ltd	3 Parc Glas, Rathcormac, Co Cork	€170,000	30/01/2026	30/07/2026	6	26/01/2026
Amenity woodland planting on public lands at Nevitt, Lusk, Co. Dublin	Forestry Services Ltd	Unit 3 Cillin Hill Agri Business Park, Dublin Rd , Kilkenny	€52,988	02/02/2026	01/02/2027	12	27/01/2026
Maintenance and Development of the Logix Business Intelligence Platform	Nathean Technologies Ltd	Unit 9a Plato Business Park, Damastown Road, Tyrrelstown, Dublin 15	€55,800	22/01/2026	31/12/2026	12	01/01/2026
Enabling works related to public realm works at Swords Cultural Quarter	Duggan Brothers (Contractors) Ltd	Templemore, Co. Tipperary	€572,150	19/02/2026	07/05/2027	15	13/01/2026
Property Manager Parnell Estate, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15 (FCC/434/24.F refers)	Occu Living Ltd	6th Floor Embassy House, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4	€880,000	12/01/2026	31/12/2030	48	12/01/2026

Appendix 3
Housing Delivery Construction Programme
Schemes on Site

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On-Site Date	Handover (estimated)
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Ballisk Park, New Road, Donabate 53°29'02.6"N 6°08'27.5"W	63 Social: 11 x 4-Bed 6 x 3-Bed 20 x 2-Bed 26 x 1-Bed 112 Affordable	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Phased delivery
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock / Ongar	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Church Fields 3B 53°24'44.7"N 6°23'39.0"W - Google Maps	107 Social: 11 x 4-Bed 4 x 3-Bed 56 x 2-Bed 36 x 1-Bed 110 Affordable	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Phased delivery
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk /Swords	FCC	Social	Seatown Way, Swords 53°27'35.4"N 6°13'04.7"W Google Maps	36 Social: 36 x 2-Bed	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Phased delivery
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Baile na Móna Phase 1, Swords https://maps.app.goo.gl/R8eAG1aoLXh1nL2j9	123 Social: 19 x 4-Bed 31 x 3-Bed 55 x 2-Bed 18 x 1-Bed 151 Affordable	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Phased delivery
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Mourne View, Skerries 53.580404, -6.122225	14 Social: 11x 2-Bed 2 x 3-Bed 1 x 4-Bed	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Q2 2026
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Remount Court, Rathmore, Lusk 53.521142, -6.161451	18 Social: 2 x 1-bed 12 x 2-bed 4 x 3-bed	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Q3 2026

Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Crowscastle Green, Holywell, Swords 53°26'48.1"N 6°12'42.8"W	57 Social: 20 x 1-bed 29 x 2-bed 8 x 3-bed	On-Site.	Q4 2024	Q3 2026
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social - Elderly	North Court, Swords 53°27'38.6"N 6°13'06.7"W - Google Maps	13 Social: 6 x 1-Bed 7 x 2-Bed	On-Site.	Q2 2025	Q2 2027
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Balmoston Phase 2, Donabate 53°29'21.2"N 6°07'58.1"W	72 Social: 2 x 4-Bed 21 x 3-Bed 26 x 2-Bed 23 x 1-Bed 73 Affordable	On-Site.	Q3 2025	Phased delivery.

Appendix 3 - continued
Schemes with Planning Approval and at Tender stage

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On-Site Date	Handover (Est.)
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	North and East Housing Association	Social - Elderly	Garristown 53°34'03.7"N 6°22'42.1"W - Google Maps	6 Social: 3 x 2-bed 3 x 1-bed	Planning granted.	TBC	TBC
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Woodside Grove, Swords. 53.453901, -6.210574 Google Maps	34 Social: 9 x 1-bed 20 x 2-bed 5 x 3-bed	Planning granted.	Q3 2026	Q1 2028
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Park Road, Kenure, Rush. 53.532278, -6.102176 Google Maps	32 Social: 7 x 1-bed 10 x 2-bed 15 x 3-bed	Planning granted.	Q3 2026	Q1 2028
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social - Elderly TBC	Blakestown Cross, Mulhuddart 53.399869, -6.401776 Google Maps	30 Social: 16 x 1-Bed 14 x 2-Bed	Consultants to be appointed.	Q4 2026	Q2 2028
Howth/Malahide	FCC	Social	Tucketts Lane 53.385248, -6.066128 Google Maps	8 Social: 4 x 1-bed 4 x 2-bed	On-hold.	TBC	TBC
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	FCC	Social	Fortlawn, Blanchardstown https://maps.app.goo.gl/xuML7oPaySiPZmf46	21 Social: 2 x 4-Bed 7 x 3-Bed 6 x 2-Bed 6 x 1-Bed	Planning granted	TBC	TBC

Appendix 3 - continued
Schemes at the Pre-Planning Stage

Area Committee	Provider	Funding Stream	Site Name	No. Units	Status Detail	On-Site Date	Handover (Est)
Howth/Malahide	FCC	Social	Fingerpost, Malahide https://maps.app.goo.gl/zfhguqQj7vYYRJB99	4 Social: 4 x 2-bed	Planning consent.	TBC	TBC
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart/ Castleknock/ Ongar	FCC	Social	Mayeston, Dublin 11 53°24'28.4"N 6°17'02.1"W - Google Maps	73 Social	Pre-Planning.	TBC	TBC
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Balmoston Phase 3, Donabate 53°29'21.2"N 6°07'58.1"W	79 Social: 2 x 4-Bed 24 x 3-Bed 27 x 2-Bed 26 x 1-Bed Affordable 79	Planning consent.	TBC	TBC
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Social	Dublin Road, Swords https://maps.app.goo.gl/j8kZJtRgpNRM Ejks6	12 Social: 5 x 1-Bed 2 x 2-Bed 2 x 3-Bed	Pre-Planning	TBC	TBC
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	O' Dwyers, Balbriggan. https://maps.app.goo.gl/inSEC4Qq3QSBHQHp8	80 Mixed-Tenure Homes Tenure TBC	Pre-Planning.	TBC	TBC
Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords	FCC	Mixed Tenure	Baile na Móna Phase 2, Swords https://maps.app.goo.gl/R8eAG1aoLXh1nL2j9	111 Social Affordable 137	Pre-Planning.	TBC	TBC

*The above-estimated timelines are indicative and subject to a successful planning and procurement process.

Appendix 3 - continued
CALF Delivery in partnership with Fingal County Council

Area Committee	AHB	Funding Stream	Scheme Name	No. of Units	Projected Substantial Completion*
Balbriggan / Rush-Lusk Swords	Tuath	CALF	Whitehaven, Santry, D9	47	Q1 Delivered
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Oaklee	CALF	Harmans Rest, Donabate	44	Q3 2026
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Tuath	CALF	Niven Oaks, Santry D9	170	2026
Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar	Respond	CALF	Pipers Square, Charlestown, St, Margarets Road, Finglas, D11	95	Q3 2026
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Tuath	CALF	Tyrrelstown Square, Hollywoodrath, Dublin 15	120	Q3 2026
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Oaklee	CALF	The Lodge, Clonsilla Lodge, Dublin 15	57	2027
Blanchardstown/ Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Cluid	CALF	St. Josephs, Clonsilla Dublin 15	113	2027
Blanchardstown / Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Cluid	CALF	Luttrellstown Gate, Clonsilla, D15	151	2027/2028
Blanchardstown / Mulhuddart, Castleknock/Ongar	Tuath	CALF	Park Lodge, Hansfield, D15	95	2028
Area Committee	AHB	Funding Stream	Scheme Name	No. of Units	Projected Substantial Completion*
Balbriggan / Rush-Lusk Swords	Tuath	CALF	Whitehaven, Santry, D9	47	Q1 Delivered
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Oaklee	CALF	Harmans Rest, Donabate	44	Q3 2026
Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk Swords	Tuath	CALF	Niven Oaks, Santry D9	170	2026

*The above-estimated timelines are indicative and subject to change

Appendix 3 - continued
Affordable & Cost Rental Delivery

Development	Status	Affordable Homes
Balleally Rise	Closed	20 Homes Sold
Kilmartin Grove	Closed	36 Homes Sold
North County Homes	Closed	16 Homes Sold
Balmoston (Phase 1)	Closed	86 Homes Sold
Wilkinsons Brook	Closed	57 Homes Sold
Aster Park, Rush	Closed	96 Homes Sold
Church Fields (Phase 1)	Closed	177 Homes Sold
Clonrath Hill	All Sale Agreed	6/6 Homes Sale Agreed
Ballisk Park, Donabate	112 Sale Agreed	112/112 Homes Sale Agreed
Baile na Móna, Swords	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	90/151 Homes Sale Agreed
Church Fields (Phase 2)	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	92/110 Homes Sale Agreed
Church Fields Cost Rental	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	80 Homes
Balmoston (Phase 2)	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	57/73 Homes Sale Agreed
Folkstown Park, Balbriggan	Assessment of Applications Ongoing	19 Homes
Priory Fields, Hacketstown	Application Portal Launch March 2026	36 Homes