

South Dublin County Council
Annual Report 2018



Our Mission

**To make our county
the best possible
place in which
to live, work
and do business**

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Mayor's Foreword



I am extremely honoured to be involved in this year's Annual Report for South Dublin County Council. 2018 was a challenging year for us all but progress was made in a lot of key areas. The housing crisis is deepening and it is with this in mind that I write this foreword.

When I was elected Mayor in June 2018, I declared that the three themes that I would be focusing on were housing, housing and housing. Housing is the biggest single issue that crosses my door on a daily basis. Whether its people on our social housing list, people who are over the threshold for social housing but because of spiralling rents may never be in a position to purchase their own home, people who are in mortgage distress, people who are currently private renting but have received notices to quit, parents who have had to take their adult children in with their grandchildren, the list goes on and on.

I challenged the council to bring forward all plans for part 8 social housing in the County this year. This has seen an increase in the number of plans passed in the chamber and will eventually lead to an increase in the number of social houses built.

In addition to the part 8 process, this Council also passed a masterplan for the Clonburris SDZ. Clonburris has plans for 8,400 homes for over 21,000 residents with transport, educational, employment, retail and recreational space for all. I am happy that the motion I tabled that will see the council maximising its land holding in Clonburris for social housing was successful. The plan that was adopted by members will see up to 2,700 social and affordable homes throughout the development. This will go a long way to significantly reduce the numbers on our social housing list as well as catering for those that cannot afford the spiralling rents. This plan was appealed to An Bord Pleanála and a decision is expected later this year.

A recent phenomenon is the stigma portrayed on those living in social housing. I addressed the European Parliament recently and also listening to my colleagues from across Europe talking on this matter. This issue seemed to be unique to Ireland. I'm a product of social housing but I never knew I was in a social house, I just knew I had a home. It's time to restore pride in public housing. Today, social housing tenants are portrayed as bad, as less than, as problems by certain sectors of society, including some politicians, and we need to get away from the not in my back yard mentality and populist politics. At a national level, local authorities need to be supported in building large amounts of social housing and, importantly, with the correct planning that provides for appropriate infrastructure so we are not just building houses but sustainable communities. We need to learn from the mistakes of the past.

We passed a successful budget this year that will see additional resources in housing maintenance, public realm and other front line services. This will have a positive impact on all the citizens of the County.

Tackling climate change is one of my key priorities as Mayor of South Dublin, and realising a greener, cleaner, resilient County is vital. I am very pleased that South Dublin County Council is progressive in addressing the negative effects that climate change is having on our environment. To this end, the Council approved an increase of a quarter of a million euro in the Climate Action budget for 2019. In striving to achieve these targets, there are 114 actions listed in the Draft Plan and work has already begun on many of these actions.

For example, last year we saw the launch of our Electric Vehicle fleet, our first steps in the decarbonisation of Council vehicles. The tree planting programme has seen over 1,400 trees planted in the past 12 months and the programme of upgrading the public lighting to energy efficient LED's continues.

Looking ahead, a major event I am really looking forward to is the much-anticipated opening of the North Clondalkin Library. The new library has the capacity to lift the whole area and is going to be the jewel in the crown of North Clondalkin.

Councillor Mark Ward
Mayor of South Dublin County

Chief Executive's Foreword



I am delighted to join with the Mayor in reflecting on the considerable progress made throughout 2018 on our corporate objectives. Clearly, the ongoing housing challenge and the related challenges of economic and demographic growth require a continued, sustained and demonstrable focus, but the achievements of the past year offer encouraging signs.

In terms of social housing, South Dublin delivered 1,598 units across new build, purchase and leasing programmes which was 25% ahead of its build target and 15% ahead of our overall target. Housing remains our principle focus during 2019.

In this regard, we are currently master planning lands for 3,000 units. During 2018, we also concluded a substantial tender process for the joint venture development of a mixed tenure housing scheme of 978 units at Kilcarbery, Clondalkin. This project will go to planning in quarter two of 2019. Private housing planning and construction activity also increased, with 3,029 units permitted or an increase of 59% and 1,267 units constructed, an increase of 15%. In the context of future planning for housing, the Council completed the consultation phase of the Clonburriss SDZ, which has the potential for 8,400 homes. The scheme is now with An Bord Pleanála for final determination.

The housing needs of future generations must be accompanied by appropriate social infrastructure. At the year end, new libraries in Clondalkin and Tymon are under construction, while the planned €13 million leisure centre for Lucan is at tender stage and due to commence in May 2019. Thirteen playspaces are at various stages of tender/construction, which will complete this well received programme. It will be immediately followed by a Teenspace Programme, for which €500,000 has been provided in 2019 for five pilot initiatives.

In conjunction with the FAI, we opened our first Frame Football astro pitch in Lucan. The recent completion of the third Stand at Tallaght Stadium brings the capacity to 8,000, with the final phase scheduled to go to planning next year. The Council currently provides 174 playing pitches but, conscious of future needs, a Pitches

Capacity Study has recently commenced, with deliverable outcomes to be identified by May 2019.

A sustainable local economy is dependent on employment, which is a core objective of the Council. Grange Castle Business Park now sustains 5,400 jobs and its expansion by 480 acres received planning permission. The laying of infrastructure including the access spine road will commence in summer 2019. Conscious of the need to nurture indigenous talent, we completed a review of enterprise support and development in 2018. The net result will be the development of a cutting-edge Innovation Centre in central Tallaght, the design and planning of which will be completed in 2019.

We also continue to seek improvements in citizen engagement. Our successful 2018 Participatory Budgeting initiative was again rolled out in Clondalkin in 2018, with 230 ideas submitted, from which 24 projects were shortlisted. We launched the award-winning property portal www.mydoorstep.ie, in October 2018 and made significant gains in our social media reach. Our new website experienced 13% growth, our Facebook reach grew by 29% and our Twitter reach grew by 59%.

We look forward to making continued service improvements in 2019 and will be seeking citizens' views of our new Corporate Strategy, which will be launched in the latter part of 2019.

Daniel McLoughlin
Chief Executive

Council Meetings 2018

There were 78 meetings of the full Council, Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee, Corporate Policy Group (CPG) and Area Committees comprising:

- 11 County Council Meetings
- 1 Annual Meeting
- 8 Special Meetings of the County Council (including 5 in relation to the Clonburris SDZ)
- 1 Annual Budget Meeting
- 5 Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee Meetings (including 1 Special Budget Meeting)
- 12 Corporate Policy Group meetings (including 1 Budget Meeting)
- The four Area Committees for Clondalkin, Lucan, Rathfarnham/Tempelogue-Terenure and Tallaght each met ten times in 2018.

In addition, there were:

- 24 meetings across the six Strategic Policy Committees
- 4 meetings of the Joint Policing Committee
- 4 Audit Committee Meetings
- 2 Oireachtas Members Meetings

Strategic Policy Committees (SPCs)

Arts, Culture, Gaelige, Heritage and Libraries Strategic Policy Committee

Chaired by Councillor Dermot Richardson

This SPC met four times in 2018 to consider policies in relation to the following areas:

- South Dublin County Council's Library Development Plan 2018-2022;
- Creative Ireland Strategy;
- The development of Tallaght Cultural Quarter in the area of the Civic Theatre, Rua Red and the County Library;
- Arts / cultural / heritage elements of the Tourism Strategy, including the Red Line Book Festival;
- Music Generation updates and implementation.

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development Strategic Policy Committee

Chaired by Councillor Charlie O'Connor

This SPC met five times in 2018 to consider policies in relation to the following areas:

- The Business Support Strategy in conjunction with South Dublin Chamber;
- An Enterprise Space Study Report;
- The County Tourism Strategy, including the Dublin Mountains Gateway Project;
- The Local Economic Community Plan (LECP) updates and implementation;
- Opportunities for attracting foreign direct investment and developments in the Grange Castle Business Park;
- Brexit preparations.

Environment, Public Realm and Climate Change Strategic Policy Committee

Chaired by Councillor Pamela Kearns

This SPC met four times in 2018 to consider policies in the following areas:

- Climate Change: A Strategy towards Climate Change Action Plans for the Dublin Local Authorities and development of the South Dublin County Council Adaptation and Mitigation Plan
- Flood Alleviation and Minor Surface Water Improvement Schemes
- Living With Trees Interim Review
- Teen Space Consultation
- River Basin Management Plan 2018-2021
- Dublin Urban Rivers LIFE project
- Ringsend Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project
- Dublin Canvas Project

Housing Strategic Policy Committee

Chaired by Councillor Cathal King

The Housing SPC met four times to consider policies in relation to the following areas:

- Housing Supply and Delivery – Projects
- Homelessness
- Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan
- Allocations Policy
- Anti-Social Behaviour Policy
- Rents Scheme
- Enhanced Leasing Initiative
- Traveller Accommodation Programme
- Disability Strategy

Social and Community Strategic Policy Committee

Chaired by Councillor Deirdre O'Donovan

The Social and Community SPC met four times to consider policies in relation to the following areas:

- Community Endeavour Awards
- Medex Programme
- Community Infrastructure Fund
- Special Olympics
- Events such as Social Inclusion Week, Flavours of South Dublin, Bealtaine, Cross Country programme and Health and Wellbeing Week.
- Migrant Integration Strategy
- Community Grants
- South Dublin Home Security Scheme and Carbon Monoxide Scheme

Land Use, Planning and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

Chaired by Councillor Emer Higgins

This SPC met four times in 2018 to consider policies in relation to the following areas:

- County Development Plan Progress Report
- Clonburris Strategic Development Zone (SDZ)
- Urban Development and Building Heights Guidelines
- Urban Regeneration and Development Fund
- Public Lighting LED Upgrade Project
- Bike Week
- Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan
- Weston Aerodrome
- National Transport Authority (NTA) Annual Projects allocation and updates

Details on the full membership of each Strategic Policy Committee is available in Appendix 2.



Reports on Services Delivered in 2018

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

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

The implementation plan, approved for the *Dublin Regional Enterprise Strategy 2017-2019*, was rolled out during 2018, including progress on a proposed innovation centre for Tallaght.

Over 750 clients attended LEO training courses and mentoring services and a further 400 local business people attended Business Support Fund training programmes.

30 Trading Online vouchers were approved and 10 Technical Support Grant applications for Export assistance, including food branding, were approved in 2018.

The new Food Academy commenced in February 2018, with five South Dublin participants.

Three South Dublin clients commenced on new Accelerate Programmes in December 2018.

The business support fund financing was agreed for Budget 2019 and the projects and supports funded will be reviewed by the Strategic Policy Committee (SPC).

Business Support Fund Area Improvement works were completed in Cookstown Enterprise Park, Old Belgard Road, JFK with further projects progressing in Ballymount, Greenhills and Merrywell.

South Dublin County Council sponsored the third South Dublin Chamber Business Awards which were held on 19 October in Citywest Hotel.

Local Enterprise Office South Dublin



Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

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

Grange Castle Business Park clients Interxion, Grifols, Microsoft and Takeda either commenced, completed or continued to build out, significant projects in the Park.

Site disposals at Grange Castle Business Park to Amazon Data Services and Interxion Ireland and Grange Back-Up Power were approved.

Eirgrid continued to construct the new substation in Grange Castle South and archaeological resolution works are to be completed in 2019.

The delivery of the Grange Castle West Infrastructure Masterplan commenced with the publication of the Part 8 for the spine road and related infrastructure.

Grange Castle Business Park supported in excess of 5,400 jobs by the end of 2018.



Grange Castle Business Park

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

The third stand of Tallaght Stadium was completed in 2018 and a report on the feasibility of a fourth stand was brought to the December Council meeting. The Stadium played host to a number of independent events such as the Christmas Ice Rink and the Opening Ceremony of the Special Olympics, as well as rugby, Gaelic Athletics Association (GAA) and women's international soccer matches.

Compulsorily Purchase Order (CPO) acquisitions progressed for the Adamstown Road with a view to completion in 2019.

The Council's property management function continued to proactively manage and administer the Council's land bank.



The third stand of Tallaght Stadium was completed in 2018

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

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

Construction commenced on new libraries in North Clondalkin and Tymon.

The very successful Red Line Book Festival ran again in 2018 delivering 57 events across 14 venues throughout the county in October 2018.

South Dublin Libraries won first prize for South Dublin Reads Blog in the Best Books and Literature Award 2018 (corporate category) in the Irish Blog Awards 2018.

Agreements were signed with Creative Ireland and the Arts Council to significantly advance the implementation of the *Arts Strategy 2016-2020*.

South Dublin Libraries' successfully delivered its programme of events throughout the branch network including the Summer Stars Reading Programme, Science Week events and Craft Fairs at Tallaght, Ballyroan and Lucan libraries.

A Science Partnership initiative was developed between South Dublin County Libraries, the European Reading and Writing Foundation and Google, which sought to engage young people and their families through coding and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects.

As part of the Decade of Centenaries, the Local Studies section of South Dublin Libraries mounted an exhibition on World War One.

Implementation of the *Library Development Plan 2018-2022* commenced.

The pilot programme titled 'Toys, Technology and Training' was delivered to provide support and additional learning aids to junior patrons, their parents, carers or guardians and other interested parties who may have learning difficulties or other additional needs.

A range of programmes were implemented under Healthy Ireland, Right to Read and Work Matters to support delivery of these National Strategies.

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

Gaelforce Dublin, which was held in conjunction with South Dublin County Council's Dublin Outdoors, picked up the winner's prize at the Event Industry Awards ceremony in Citywest Hotel for the Best Sporting Event 2018.

The rollout of the Tourism Marketing Strategy and Implementation Plan continued in 2018.

Ongoing management and successful promotion of the Round Tower Visitor Centre, Clondalkin, incorporating the interactive visitor centre, public gardens, café, terraced dining area, exhibition and gallery spaces and shop.

Red Line Festival in October 2018 included a broader range of venues, events and a wider marketing focus to attract a wider audience and increased visitor numbers.

A Part 8 planning process for the extension of the Grand Canal Greenway to Hazelhatch was published in December 2018, as part of the development of a Greenway along the extent of the Grand Canal from Dublin Docklands to where it leads into the River Shannon at Shannon Harbour in County Offaly.

A feasibility study commenced to examine the potential for a 'Canal Loop' between the 12th Locks on the Royal and Grand Canals, crossing the River Liffey at Lucan.

Initial works were carried out on the heritage out-buildings at Rathfarnham Castle and a project exploring the development of the features for tourism promotion was initiated.

28 Shop Front grants were awarded in 2018 to complement the ongoing village improvement works across South Dublin County.

The oral hearing in relation to the Dublin Mountains project proposal was held by An Bord Pleanála in November 2018.



Red Line Book Festival

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development

Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development Local Performance Indicators 2018

LEO - jobs supported	31
LEO - projects approved	18
LEO - training participants	751
LEO - mentoring sessions	452
Business support grants spend	€490,489.15
Business support grants spend (projects)	€210,485.00
Business initiative with Chamber meetings held	183
Shopfront grants paid	€30,538
Grange Castle jobs sustained	5,410
Library - visitors actual	967,013
Library - visitors online	485,794
Library - items borrowed	1,251,240
Library - computer sessions	155,513
Libraries - events hosted	3,405
Library Wi-Fi users	147,529
Arts grants paid	52
Arts events hosted	73
Visitors civic theatre	289,560
Visitors Rua Red	154,603
GC Jobs (Construction)	870
SDCC Investment in Tourism Projects	€1,599,997.64





Reports on Services Delivered in 2018

Land Use, Planning and Transportation

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

The Public Lighting Improvement Programme continued in 2018 delivering high quality, energy efficient LED public street lighting across the County.

The programme of installation of traffic calming ramps was delivered.

The Footpath Repair Works Programme and Social Housing Estates Footpath Repair Works programme were delivered.

The Annual Roads Works Programme was delivered.

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

2018 saw an increase in planning activity with 2,000 units of new housing granted planning permission.

Adamstown SDZ saw progress in both construction and planning activity with 2,000 units completed by the end of 2018, and there are approximately 1,500 active planning permissions in place.

MyDoorStep was launched in October 2018, a new walk-in centre and website aimed at opening up the housing process for buyers ahead of the construction of 40,000 new homes in the county. MyDoorStep combines information on current and planned housing developments in any location in South Dublin County with detail on childcare, education, health, recreation, retail and sporting facilities across the County.

Two variations to the County Development Plan were adopted by the Council in order to make a zoning amendment to lands at Grangecastle West (Variation No.1) and new text and objectives in relation to the Vacant Site Levy (Variation No. 2). A third proposed variation entered into a consultation process at the end of 2018 to rezone

c178 hectares of "Enterprise and Employment" (EE) zoned lands in the Naas Road / Ballymount area to "Regeneration" (REGEN).

The Vacant Site Register was put in place and is now active.

Three projects were nominated by the Irish Planning Institute for the 2018 National Planning Awards: the Clonburris Strategic Development Zone (SDZ), the Dodder Greenway and the MyDoorStep Property Portal.

Local Housing Infrastructure Activation Fund (LIHAF) initiatives were progressed as part of the government's Rebuilding Ireland programme aiming to increase housing supply through enabling infrastructure, such as roads, bridges and parks.

South Dublin County Council was awarded €3m from the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) for key infrastructure, services, civic, residential and amenity projects in Tallaght and for feasibility studies to inform the future of lands north of the Naas Road.



MyDoorStep

Land Use, Planning and Transportation

Objective 3 **Promote all modes of transport including walking and cycling to improve the movement of people within and beyond the county**

The Draft Clonburris SDZ Planning Scheme, ultimately providing for 8,400 homes in the County, was adopted by Council in June following a number of Special Meetings on proposed alterations to the plan following a consultation stage.

A Draft Local Area Plan (LAP) for Tallaght was developed for Tallaght Village, the Square Shopping Centre, Sean Walsh Memorial Park, Cookstown Industrial area, South City Business Park, Institute of Technology Tallaght, Belgard Road and Airton Road.

A consultant was appointed to progress the detailed design and tender document of the Dodder Greenway Route. The proposed Dodder Greenway is being developed into a world-class greenway that will greatly enhance the experience of residents, commuters and tourists in the County.

Belgard Square Link Road Part 8 Planning, including works to existing cycle tracks and pedestrian routes, was adopted and the scheme was progressed to detailed design stage.

Road Safety Awareness campaigns were promoted throughout the year through various Council events and on social media.

Free bike maintenance outside the Civic Offices, Clondalkin, a lunchtime cycle for adults from Library Square to Tymon Park and a primary school arts competition were just some of the events held for Bike Week 2018. Cycling training was also provided to schools across the County.

Speed detection feedback Variable Message Signs (VMS) were installed in 16 locations across the County. These aim to influence drivers to maintain speed limits in each area.

The R120 Adamstown Road Improvement Scheme, including the link to the R134 Nangor Road, commenced. The works include the widening of the Twelfth Lock Bridge, the construction of new footpaths and cycle tracks, surface improvements to existing roads and more. The improvement scheme is due to be completed in 2019.



Road Safety Awareness campaigns

Objective 4
Invest in Sustainable
Communities and Quality of
Life Initiatives



Belgard Walkway scheme

The Built Heritage Investment Scheme, which is for the repair and conservation of structures that are protected under the Planning and Development Acts, was completed. Five structures were selected by the Council for funding under the scheme, including the Old School House in Rathcoole, St John’s Church in Clondalkin and Cypress Grove House in Templeogue.

Survey works were undertaken at Ballymount Gate House with both the Archaeological Impact Assessment and Ecological Report completed. Ballymount Gate House was identified by the Architectural Conservation Forum in 2017 as a capital project for assessment and potential conservation works.

Tallaght Village Phase 1 and Belgard Walkway upgrades were completed. These included the development of a new plaza and pavement and footpath works.

The Saggart Village Enhancement Works Programme was completed, including the creation of plaza areas at Mill Lane to improve the pedestrian experience, the planting of trees in the new southern plaza, the resurfacing and relining of the existing carriageway at Mill Lane and more.

The monitoring of the new 30kmh speed limit bye-laws for all residential estates was on-going throughout the year.

Land Use, Planning and Transportation

Land Use, Planning & Transportation Local Performance Indicators 2018

Planning applications received – new housing	199
Planning applications received – new housing (units)	2,642
Planning granted new houses – applications	105
Planning granted new houses – applications (units)	2,000
Planning applications housing – applications	279
Planning applications housing – applications (units)	4,099
Planning Refused – number of houses	258
Planning applications – other	816
Planning other – number granted	618
Planning other – number refused	75
Additional information requests – all classes	171
% decisions upheld by ABP	68
Pre planning meetings held	176
Planning enforcements initiated	231
Enforcement files closed	120
Building control inspections	339
Commencement notices received	1,680
Taking in Charge (TIC) requests received	3
TIC completions	0
Area of footpath repaired in metres squared (m ²)	86,456
Area of road repaired in m ²	142,423
Number of public lights in charge	29,269
Number of public lights repaired	5,944
Traffic lights repaired	1,051





Reports on Services Delivered in 2018

Housing, Social and Community Development

Objective 1
Put in place a three-year programme to supply social housing in the context of the Social Housing Strategy 2020

The Social Housing Construction programme progressed with the completed construction of 238 new homes, with a further 112 homes under construction at Killinarden, Owendoher and St. Cuthbert's, and Part 8 planning permission was approved for a further 205 new social housing.

An additional 320 homes were delivered either through the Part V social housing allocation in residential developments, as well as through leasing, acquisitions and other means.

By the end of 2018 there were a total of 2,605 active Housing Assistance Payment tenancies in the County including 599 new tenancies established during 2018, and a further 1,347 homes through the Rented Accommodation Scheme and 966 leased homes in the County.

Five new Traveller Specific Group Houses were completed in St. Aidan's Close, Brookfield.

268 applications received for Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan scheme with €25 million funding allocated by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

Management and maintenance of the Council's social housing stock of 9,395 homes is an ongoing provision across the county.

A total of 312 social homes were allocated in the year, and 133 housing adaptation grants were awarded to make those homes suitable for a person with a physical, sensory or intellectual disability or mental health difficulty to live in.

A project team was appointed and commenced work on the delivery of the Housing Integrated System which is a significant business transformation initiative underway in the Council to significantly improve the efficiencies and effectiveness of our internal processes and systems related to housing delivery and maintenance.

A new Rent Statements website was launched at <https://rents.southdublin.ie> to give Council tenants online access to their rent statements through a personalised account to track and monitor their payments.



Construction of 238 new homes

Housing, Social and Community Development

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

The targets under the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme for 2018 were met to help tackle poverty and social exclusion through the Local Community Development Committee.

The South Dublin Local Economic and Community Plan 2016–2021 continued to be delivered with a review of the community pillar elements carried out by the Local Community Development Committee.

A range of festivals to promote inclusion and diversity were held across the county including Bealtaine Festival, the Flavours of South Dublin Intercultural Festival and Social Inclusion Week.

South Dublin Age Friendly initiatives were delivered including support for the development of two additional Men's Sheds, approximately 900 installations of locks under the Home Security Scheme and the launch of a new Carbon Monoxide Alarm Scheme.

34 Joint Policing and Local Policing Fora meetings were held including public meetings in Tallaght, Clondalkin, the Dublin 12 area and North Clondalkin. The Joint Policing Committee conducted its annual review under the 2017–2022 Strategic Plan.

South Dublin County Education Bursary Awards held in the IT, Tallaght in October.

Social Inclusion Week





Housing, Social and Community Development

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

Adamstown Community Centre was officially opened in June 2018 containing a fully fitted sports hall, with indoor cricket nets, multi-purpose community meeting rooms, a fitness suite and associated kitchenette, toilets, storage area, changing areas and a reception. The brand new facility is available to 1,800 students of adjacent schools; Adamstown Community College, St John the Evangelist and Adamstown Castle Educate Together during school hours. The centre will open to the community in the evenings, weekends and school holidays from September 2018.

Connecting for Life Dublin South - the Suicide Prevention Action Plan 2018-2020 programme supported community groups in addressing suicide prevention and mental health issues.

MedEx Tallaght was launched in May 2018 by Tallaght University Hospital, South Dublin County Council and DCU as a community based chronic illness rehabilitation programme which offers structured and supervised exercise classes to enable people with a diverse range of illnesses to exercise in a safe environment in order to maintain or gain fitness during or after treatment.

The Healthy County Steering Group delivered a number of initiatives in 2018 including Health and Wellbeing Week, 'We Quit Campaign' programmes, and workshops on Alcohol Misuse, Cancer and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, in partnership with the Tallaght Drug and Alcohol Task Force.

Over 550,000 people accessed South Dublin County Council's Leisure Facilities including Tallaght, Clondalkin and Lucan Leisure Centres in the year.

The Council and the Institute of Technology Tallaght presented Bursary Sports Awards to 16 first and second year students in IT Tallaght in October. The awards are a means to fund access to third-level education for students from disadvantaged areas.

The Council worked with South Dublin Sports Partnership and the Health Service Executive (HSE) on the launch of a Pilot Social Prescribing Project in Tallaght. Social prescribing provides health professionals such as hospital consultants, general Practitioners and other primary care professionals with non-medical referral options to improve the health and wellbeing of their patients.

South Dublin County Council and South Dublin Sports Partnership sponsored the South Dublin Amateur Sports Awards, which recognise the effort and success of local sports individuals and teams, be that at local, national or international level.

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

Community Endeavour Awards



The Community Endeavour Awards were held in December across 14 categories to recognise and reward community effort and achievement in South Dublin County.

A new Community Infrastructure Fund was launched which offers Community Groups (including Sports Clubs) the opportunity to apply for funding to assist with the costs of either constructing new Community Facilities or for the modernisation and/or expansion of existing premises, with €250,000 funding approved for community groups in 2018.

The Community Grants Programme is aimed at providing financial assistance to Community and Voluntary Groups who are responding to locally identified needs within their communities with funds totalling €193,000 provided to community groups in 2018.

The Local Community Development Committee approved funding of €749,000 in 2018 for 129 Community Enhancement projects. This funding is provided by the Department of Rural and Community Development.

Over 350 Community events were supported that attracted over 100,000 participants.

The delivery of 33 Summer Projects/Camps was supported by council funding facilitating access by over 5,000 children.

Housing, Social and Community Development

Housing, Social & Community Development Local Performance Indicators 2018

Total housing stock	9,395
Construction starts	87
Construction completions	238
Total housing needs assessed	7,151
Allocations - Homeless/Other	312
No. of voids	87
Time taken to re-let dwellings (weeks)	15.71
Total RAS units	1,347
Total HAP units	2,605
Total units leased	966
Number of housing grants approved	290
Housing Maintenance requests received	18,905
Housing Maintenance requests completed	8,808
Planned Maintenance - units completed	134
Total PPN registrations	72
Number of community grants issued	293
Number of sports programmes	2,955
Number of sports programme participants	209,960
Number of community events	252
Number of community event participants	78,331
Visitors to leisure facilities	547,996
Private Residential Tenancies Board (PRTB) inspections	1,891
PRTB called no access	0
Building Energy Rating (BER) inspections	113
BER Certs published	101
Mechanical Inspections	1,683
Energy upgrades completed	215
Electrical inspections completed	2,100

Housing, Social & Community Development Local Performance Indicators 2018

Number of anti-social incidents reported	674
Number of actions taken in response to reports	7,581
JPC and Policing Fora meetings held	34
Number of Local Festivals supported	1
Disabled Person's Grant (DPG) Works	133
Tidy Towns Groups Supported	10
Number of Community Employment (CE) participants	89
% of CE participants allocated	75





Reports on Services Delivered in 2018

Environment, Water and Climate Change

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

The Public Realm Minor Improvement Works Programme consisting of approximately 54 small works schemes (such as the construction of new footpaths, resurfacing, provision of boundary railings, gate automation) was delivered.

The N81 Landscape Improvement Scheme progressed during the year with the formation of a framework for contractors for the construction of all phases of the N81 scheme. The detailed design and tender stages for Phase 1a of both landscape and lighting works were completed and tendered with Clonmel Enterprises Ltd appointed construction contractor.

Roundabout Sponsorship Scheme: Landscaping upgrade schemes were completed on two roundabouts in Ballymount Industrial Estate and on Orwell Roundabout.

The Green Flag was obtained for Sean Walsh Park and Corkagh Park in 2018.

South Dublin Canvas pilot launched in 2018 - 48 traffic signal utility boxes identified for use as part of a community arts anti-graffiti project bringing flashes of colour and creativity to the county. This project will continue in 2019.

The Derelict Sites Register was maintained with 309 Dangerous Buildings / Derelict Sites inspected during the year.

There was continued use of emerging technologies and environmental monitoring initiatives including Litter/Waste CCTV and drones, Programmable Audio Devices to help combat graffiti, litter, illegal dumping and dog fouling installed in various locations across the county.

Funding was successfully secured under the 2018 (National) Anti-Dumping Grant Scheme for projects aimed at addressing illegal dumping and the development of effective deterrents to discourage people from engaging in this anti-social behaviour.



South Dublin Canvas pilot launched in 2018

Environment, Water and Climate Change



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



Poddle Flood Alleviation Scheme

Draft Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024

The Draft Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024 was presented to the November SPC and December Area Committee meetings. Dublin Climate Action Regional Office (CARO) established and operational in Q4 2018.

A programme of river clearing was carried out during 2018. The rivers and streams cleared were Poddle, Camac, Owendoher and Whitechurch stream.

Poddle Flood Alleviation Scheme progressed with the www.poddlefas.ie website launched.

Whitechurch Flood Alleviation Scheme progressed with consultants appointed in October.

EU LIFE Funding was secured for significant water quality improvement work in the Griffeen River catchment over the next four years.

Surface Water Schemes completed in 2018 include Rathfarnham Castle lakes restoration/regrading of the watercourse to and from lakes, surface water alleviation on Glenmaroon Road and partial installation of surface water pipeline on Ballyowen Lane.

The Annual Service Plan for 2018 was agreed with Irish Water and the service continued to be provided under a Service Level Agreement.

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

River Basin Management (RMB) progressed during 2018 including with liaison with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWCO) and with the newly established Local Authority Support and Advice Team (SAT) throughout the year. SDCC represented at the Regional Management and Operational Committee meetings as scheduled for the implementation of the RBM Plan.

Over 190 environmental awareness workshops/information sessions for schools and communities were delivered.

136 Schools registered in the Green Schools Programme. There were 2,800 Social Credits Scheme actions.

Continued promotion of the Council's waste prevention, reuse and recycling message through Environmental Awareness Programmes such as National Reuse Month.

The 2018 Service Plan was agreed for delivery with the Food Safety Authority of Ireland.

A new National Dog Register System was introduced in July and managed by An Post.

190 environmental awareness workshops/
information sessions



Environment, Water and Climate Change

The Dublin Region Horse Welfare Working Group met five times throughout the year. Significant progress was made in delivering Education and Indiscriminate Breeding Programmes.

There was continued liaison with the Eastern Midlands Regional Waste Office in implementing actions and goals under the eight strategic objectives of the Waste Management Plan 2015–2021.

Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authorities (WERLA) 2018 work plan agreed by the 12 Eastern Local Authorities.

Continuous review of Council’s burial ground services undertaken in 2018. Existing capacity was reviewed and provision made for short-term development at Esker Cemetery, with midterm development at Newcastle Cemetery, which will be undertaken in 2019.

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

Ongoing maintenance and allocation of 163 pitches provided by the Council.

Two year planned maintenance programme developed for replacement of goal posts, goal mouths and drainage works as required on pitches throughout the county.

Detailed design for additional Tymon Park allotments completed.

Playspace programme 2014–2018 delivered 20 new playspaces throughout 2018.

Teenspace Programme interim report was presented to the Council during the year following a teenage survey across a number of social media platforms and in-depth consultation with youth organisations.



Opening of the frame
football pitch at Esker Celtic



Playspace programme 2014–2018

Under the Sports Capital Grants 2015 projects, two sand-based pitches in Tymon Park were completed. Lucan Athletics track was re-tendered following original construction contractor entering administration, with the new contractor commencing on site in Nov 2018.

Hermitage Frame Football all weather pitch completed and formally opened.

Pavilions programme was retendered for design and construction. Two further pavilions were submitted for Sports Capital Grants in 2018.

Dodder Valley Mount Carmel: Phase 1 saw Ogham tree nature signs installed and trees planted in the winter. Phase 2 topographical and site investigations were completed and brought to detailed design stage for the delivery of an athletics track, soccer pitch and BMX track.

Corkagh Park tender for consultants for next stage of development was re-tendered in November 2018.

Ballymount Fishing Lake completed with fish stocked and allocated to Killinarden Angling Initiative under an annual operating agreement.

Consultants 4 Global appointed to assist in the delivery of A Sports Pitch Strategy for the county.

Environment, Water and Climate Change

Environment, Water & Climate Change Local Performance Indicators 2018

Grass cut - Hectares	5,445
Trees inspected	3,147
Trees pruned	2,012
Trees removed	1,163
Trees planted	1,469
Number of stumps removed	30
Number of locations of hedge cuts	145
Hectares of park land maintained	1,750
Number of allotments provided	421
Playing pitches provided/maintained	163
Playgrounds provided/maintained	34
Tonnage of waste collected - street bins	497.82
Tonnage of waste collected - litter/illegal dumping	5,323.46
Tonnage of waste collected - road sweeping/gullies	7,305.18
Number of bring banks provided	74
Number of recycling centres	2
Number of green flag schools	136
Kilometres of roads swept monthly	937
Derelict site/Dangerous building inspections	304
Number of sites on derelict sites register	17
Number of environment inspections	952
Environment enforcement procedures commenced	0
Environment enforcement - cases closed	170
Litter - fines issued	598
Litter - court appearances	55
Litter - cases closed	4,638

Environment, Water & Climate Change Local Performance Indicators 2018

Total number of waste permits in force	42
Number of waste enforcement notices issued	9
Water Quality (%)	100
% of unaccounted for water	36
Water maintenance repairs completed	695
Water pollution incidents dealt with	74
Number of dogs impounded	473
Number of dog licences in force	8,627
Dublin Fire Brigade (DFB) fire incidents mobilised	2,454
DFB Ambulance incidents mobilised	13,284
Number of horses impounded	146



Reports on Services Delivered in 2018

Organisational Capacity and Accountability

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

The Annual Council Meeting was held in June and the Budget Council Meeting for the 2019 Budget was held in November 2018. Over the year more than 100 meetings were supported across the full Council, Corporate Policy Group, Area Committees, Organisation Procedures and Finance Committee, Strategic Policy Committees, the Joint Policing Committee, and with Oireachtas Members.

The Draft Register of Electors, to come into force on the 15th February 2019 and remain in force until the 14th February 2020, was published. The Electoral Portal from iReg was successfully migrated to the Voter.ie live system.

Two referenda and a presidential election were supported in 2018.



Annual Council Meeting

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

The Audit Committee met four times during the year. The Chair of the Audit Committee presented twice to the Council, firstly in March to present the Committee's Annual Report for 2017 and then in October to present the Committee's report on their consideration of the Audit of the Annual Financial Statement for 2017.

The new Corporate Procurement Plan 2018-2020 was published in early 2018 which sets out the management and control environment to ensure the Council is compliant with the European and national regulatory framework.

The Quality Assurance Report for 2017 under the Public Spending Code was published and submitted to the National Oversight and Audit Commission on 31st May 2018.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) came into force in May 2018, and the Council worked hard to put in place the necessary policy and procedural framework to ensure compliance.

The Council processed and issued over 237 decisions in 2018 in respect of requests under Freedom of Information, Access to Information on the Environment, Data Protection and Ombudsman legislation.

Organisational Capacity and Accountability

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

The Annual Budget for 2018 was actively monitored and controlled with quarterly reports in Revenue and Capital issued to the Council and to the Department of Housing, Planning, and Local Government. Income was tracked through the production and review of monthly billing and collection statements to ensure income maximisation. The 3-year capital programme incorporating projects of €413.9m was produced for 2019-2021 while council adopted a 2019 Revenue budget of €242m on 15th November. The 2017 Annual Financial Statement (AFS) was prepared by 31st March 2018 with subsequent audited accounts and audit report submitted to council and audit committee.

Integrated website and physical technologies delivered in a new dedicated publicly accessible space (www.mydoorstep.ie) in County Hall assisting citizens with housing options and local knowledge of our County.

A new Integrated Housing Computer System was procured and the project has kicked off for deployment and implementation during 2019.

The Council made significant efforts in terms of its obligations with respect to ICT security and over 800 staff were trained in ICT Security Awareness. Additional technical facilities were provided to assist with patching, monitoring, incident detection and recovery options. The Council also progressed an ISO 27002 Security Audit.

The internal "OASIS" geographic information system was completely replaced with cloud-based Geographic Information System (GIS) technology.

Facilities have been put in place to provide for Open Data automatic harvesting of South Dublin County Council Open Data to various platforms.

Many significant technical upgrades were undertaken to make the organisation more secure, efficient and effective at our respective tasks. These included the replacement of the firewall, Active Directory Upgrade, Exchange email system upgrade, Commvault Backup upgrade and the initiation of a procurement exercise to provide for a complete replacement of the Council's corporate network in 2019.

The process of upgrading all the Council's computer desktop and laptop hardware to Windows 10 continued in 2018 and will be completed in 2019 in advance of the removal of support on Windows 7 on 14th January 2020.

Additional connectivity has been provided to the Council with new connections established to our Jobstown depot together with significant government network interconnectivity.

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

Establishment of a Private Automatic Branch Exchange (PABX) replacement specification – strategy defined in terms of utilising Office 365 licencing to advance this project in 2019. Procurement of the necessary Office 365 licences was made in 2018.

Significant progress was made in support of the organisation's e-Recruitment and Vacant Sites System requirements with a pilot and launch likely in 2019 while upgrades were concluded on planning systems, dog licences, new property GIS, Hummingbird replacement and more.

The '€300k Have Your Say' Participatory Budgeting initiative ran in the Clondalkin Electoral Area with the public submitting 230 ideas leading to a final shortlist of 24 projects. Over 1,500 ballots were cast to vote for the 15 winning projects which will be delivered in the Clondalkin electoral area by the end of 2019. The initiative was shortlisted for a Europe wide Innovation in Politics award at a ceremony in Vienna in November 2018.

A summer and winter edition of the Citizen's Newsletter was published. The Unwrapped 2018 programme of Christmas Festivities took place in December. The Council's website (www.sdcc.ie) was relaunched in May with a new design and communications strategy.

Reach across South Dublin County Council's Facebook channel grew by 24%, with 2,887,663 people seeing the Council's posts. Engagement with the Council's posts grew by 51% in 2018, with 200,231 people interacting with our posts on Facebook. Reach on Twitter grew by a further 59%, with 2,120,625 people viewing South Dublin County Council's tweets. Engagement also grew by 67% with over 50,000 people interacting with our tweets. The Council's Instagram page was also relaunched in an effort to reach a younger audience within the region and had approximately 1,000 followers by year's end with a reach of over 14,000 people through posts. The Council's LinkedIn page was also relaunched to further diversify our audience and grew its followers by 27% to 1,918 in that time.



€300k Have Your Say'
 Participatory Budgeting initiative

Organisational Capacity and Accountability

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

Recruitment was on-going with over 70 recruitment competitions advertised, over 3,700 applications received and processed with 70 Interview boards arranged and supported. A total of 140 new staff joined South Dublin County Council in 2018.

The Performance Management Development Scheme (PMDS) process continued to be embedded in competency frameworks for recruitment of staff, training for current and future roles and PMDS evaluation of performance throughout the year.

SDCC retained its status as a “CPD Accredited Employer” by Engineers Ireland and a new CPD Policy and Strategy is now in place.

South Dublin County Council continued to develop as a lean agile organisation with the Lean Six Sigma programme accreditation for staff resulting in 77 Yellow Belts, 2 Green belt and 1 Black Belt achieved to date. These teams are working to deliver a number of lean projects to support improved efficiencies and effectiveness across our operations.

69 Health and Safety inspections were undertaken throughout the year by senior management and the Health & Safety Officer. Quarterly Safety Monitoring Consultative Committee meetings were held across each section / department in the Council.

The responsibilities under the Public Services Duty are being integrated into existing HR policies and procedures.

The Chief Executive gave annual staff briefings to all staff over a number of sessions in Tallaght Stadium in April. The South Circular Staff Newsletter was published in July and December. A Staff Communications Survey was sent to all staff in November with 451 responses received, an increase of 39% on 2017's number.

Corporate Performance and Change Management Local Performance Indicators 2018

Customer Contacts processed through Customer Management System (CMS)	94,737
Average CMS response time (days)	4.31
Members representations processed	7,899
Members representations Average Response time (days)	8.02
Telephone calls answered	185,630
Telephone calls answered within 20 seconds (%)	90.92
Media queries responded to	547
Fix Your Street queries responded to	5,250
Web pages opened	3,468,956
Social media followers	28,127
Staff employed - Whole Time Equivalents	1,265
Apprenticeships/graduates	12
Training programme - Number of participants	3,649
Number of Customer Care Queries/Complaints received in Irish	20

Appendix 1.

Financial Statements

Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) at 31st December (Unaudited)

	Notes	2018 €	2017 €
Fixed Assets	1		
Operational		2,003,599,187	1,960,899,049
Infrastructural		1,148,140,158	1,155,838,937
Community		9,162,255	9,266,186
Non-Operational		84,527,783	85,405,552
		3,245,429,383	3,211,409,724
Work in Progress and Preliminary Expenses	2	111,425,722	81,119,008
Long Term Debtors	3	166,956,501	155,826,944
Current Assets			
Stocks	4	-	-
Trade Debtors & Prepayments	5	54,391,115	64,532,090
Bank Investments		233,635,396	181,502,843
Cash at Bank		1,963,273	1,814,491
Cash in Transit		34,667	34,147
		290,024,451	247,883,571
Current Liabilities (Amounts falling due within one year)			
Bank Overdraft		-	-
Creditors & Accruals	6	49,623,027	46,694,844
Finance Leases		-	-
		49,623,027	46,694,844
Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)		240,401,424	201,188,727
Creditors (Amounts falling due after more than one year)			
Loans Payable	7	181,779,507	186,943,779
Finance Leases		-	-
Refundable deposits	8	23,260,775	21,317,544
Other		27,710,363	14,119,995
		232,750,645	222,381,317
Net Assets		3,531,462,386	3,427,163,085
Represented by			
Capitalisation Account	9	3,245,429,383	3,211,409,724
Income WIP	2	127,252,655	100,086,133
Specific Revenue Reserve		304,110	304,110
General Revenue Reserve		12,185,837	12,146,530
Other Balances	10	146,290,402	103,216,587
Total Reserves		3,531,462,386	3,427,163,085

Statement of Comprehensive Income (Income & Expenditure Account Statement)

For year ending 31st December 2018 (Unaudited)

	Notes	Gross Expenditure 2018 €	Income 2018 €	Net Expenditure 2018 €
Housing & Building		63,103,506	65,137,180	(2,033,674)
Roads Transportation & Safety		26,223,918	5,805,828	20,418,090
Water Services		11,626,746	8,450,124	3,176,622
Development Management		16,055,737	7,321,330	8,734,406
Environmental Services		34,282,347	4,764,558	29,517,789
Recreation & Amenity		35,815,899	4,613,009	31,202,890
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare		1,450,969	713,186	737,783
Miscellaneous Services		11,651,191	11,868,361	(217,170)
Total Expenditure/Income	15	200,210,314	108,673,577	
Net cost of Divisions to be funded from Rates & Local Property Tax				
				91,536,737
Rates				121,485,055
Local Property Tax				5,431,730
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year before Transfers	16			35,380,049
Transfers from/(to) Reserves	14			(35,340,742)
Overall Surplus/(Deficit) for Year				39,306
General Reserve @ 1st January 2018				12,146,530
General Reserve @ 31st December 2018				12,185,837

Appendix 1.1 Entertainment and Associated Expenses

Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2001 requires that the annual report of a local authority record the expenditure and other particulars in connection with the provision of receptions and entertainment in relation to:

- Distinguished persons, and
- In connection with the holding of special events relevant to its function.

Pursuant to this requirement, South Dublin County Council hereby confirms that this figure was €1,057.40 in total for 2018.

Appendix 2.

Membership of South Dublin County Council

Clondalkin - Cluain Dolcáin

Councillor Breeda Bonner	LAB	bbonner@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
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Councillor Madeleine Johansson	PBP	mjohansson@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
Councillor Francis Timmons	NP	ftimmons@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
Councillor Mark Ward (Mayor)	SF	mward@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie

Lucan - Leamhcán

Councillor Vicki Casserly	FG	vcasserly@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
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Councillor Deirdre O'Donovan	FF	dodonovan@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie

Tallaght Central – Tamhlact An Lár

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Councillor Cora McCann	SF	cmccann@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
Councillor Mick Murphy	SOL	mmuprhy@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
Councillor Charlie O'Connor	FF	coconnor@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie

Tallaght South – Tamhlact Theas

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Councillor Cathal King (Deputy Mayor)	SF	cathalking@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
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Councillor Dermot Richardson	SF	drichardson@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie

Templeogue – Terenure – Teach Mealóg – Tír an Iúir

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Councillor Dermot Looney	SD	dlooney@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
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Party Abbreviations

FF Fianna Fáil	LAB The Labour Party	SF Sinn Féin
FG Fine Gael	NP Non-Party	SD Social Democrats
Green The Green Party	PBP People Before Profit Alliance	SOL Solidarity – The Left Alternative
I4C Independents 4 Change		

Appendix 2. Membership of South Dublin County Council

Appendix 2.1. Payments to Councillors in 2018

Payments made to Councillors under Section 142 of the Local Government Act 2001	Amount
Representational Payments Total	€664,555.60
Monthly Payments	€243,620.76
Strategic Policy Committee Chairperson's Allowance Total	€36,000.00
Mayor's Allowance (January to December 2018)	€29,849.70
Deputy Mayor's Allowance (January to December 2018)	€5,979.48
Area Committee Allowance	€39,863.20
Vouched Expenses	€19,196.97
Training	€57,193.62
Other Payments	€867.00
Total of Expenses paid to members in respect of attendance at meetings of the County Council and its Committees	€1,097,126.33

Appendix 2.2: Council Membership of Committees and Other Bodies

Area Committees Chairs

Clondalkin Area Committee	Councillor Breeda Bonner followed by Councillor Francis Timmons
Lucan Area Committee	Councillor Danny O'Brien
Tallaght Area Committee	Councillor Charlie O'Connor
Rathfarnham/Templogue-Terenure Area Committee	Councillor Emma Murphy

Strategic Policy Committees (SPC)

Arts, Culture, Gaelige, Education and Libraries SPC

- Councillor Dermot Richardson – Chairperson
- Councillor Breeda Bonner
- Councillor Brian Leech
- Councillor Madeleine Johansson
- Councillor Cora McCann
- Councillor Dermot Looney

- Ms Deirdre Mooney – South Dublin Chamber
- Mr Peadar O’Caomhanaigh – PPN

Economic Development, Enterprise and Tourism SPC

- Councillor Charlie O’ Connor – Chairperson
- Councillor Guss O’ Connell
- Councillor Ronan Mc Mahon
- Councillor Francis Duffy
- Councillor Paul Foley
- Councillor Conor McMahon
- Councillor Brendan Ferron
- Councillor William Lavelle

- Dr. Damien Roche – ITT or Institute of Technology Tallaght
- Sean Reid – South Dublin Chamber
- Tara De Buitlear – PPN
- Sherri Brennan – South Dublin Chamber
- IBEC – Vacant at present

Environment, Public Realm and Climate Change SPC

- Councillor Pamela Kearns – Chairperson
- Councillor Danny O’Brien
- Councillor Ed O’ Brien
- Councillor Brian Lawlor
- Councillor Rob Russell
- Councillor Francis Timmons
- Connie Kiernan – PPN

- John Farrell – South Dublin Chamber
- Donnie Andersen – Agricultural and Farming

Housing SPC

- Councillor Cathal King – Chairperson
- Councillor Louise Dunne
- Councillor Kieron Mahon
- Councillor Mick Duff
- Councillor Martina Genockey
- Councillor Trevor Gilligan
- Councillor Mark Ward
- Councillor Emma Hendrick

- Betty Tyrrell-Collard – ICTU
- Gillian Mc Williams – PPN
- Catriona Mc Clean – PPN

Social and Community SPC

- Councillor Deirdre O’Donovan – Chairperson
- Councillor Jonathan Graham
- Councillor Vicki Casserly
- Councillor Sarah Holland
- Councillor Kenneth Egan
- Councillor Emma Murphy

- Gráinne Ní Mhuirí – PPN
- Latifat Olagoke – PPN

Land Use, Transportation and Planning SPC

- Councillor Emer Higgins – Chairperson
- Councillor Mick Murphy
- Councillor Ruth Nolan
- Councillor Paul Gogarty
- Councillor Liona O’ Toole
- Councillor Paula Donovan

- Neil Durkan – Development Construction
- Denis Sherwin – South Dublin Chamber
- Siobhan Butler – PPN

South Dublin County Council Audit Committee Members

- Ann Horan (Chair), Chairperson of the Health Products Regulatory Authority
- George Kennington, Partner Audit, Crowe Horwath
- Eilis Quinlan, Quinlan & Co Chartered Accountants
- Christine Nangle, TU Dublin – Tallaght Campus
- Councillor Dermot Richardson
- Councillor Guss O’Connell
- Councillor Martina Genockey

Appendix 2. Membership of South Dublin County Council

South Dublin County Council Joint Policing Committee Membership 2018

Councillor Mark Ward, Mayor
 Councillor Deirdre O'Donovan (Chair)
 Councillor Paula Donovan
 Councillor Mick Duff
 Councillor Louise Dunne
 Councillor Kenneth Egan
 Councillor Brendan Ferron
 Councillor Paul Foley
 Councillor Cathal King
 Councillor Kieran Mahon
 Councillor Ed O'Brien
 Councillor Liona O'Toole
 Councillor Emma Hendrick
 Councillor Paul Gogarty

Sean Crowe T.D.
 John Curran T.D.
 John Lahart T.D.
 Vacant
 Vacant

Billy Coman/Colm Ward, Director of Housing, Social and
 Community Development, SDCC

Chief Superintendent Finbarr Murphy
 Chief Superintendent Kevin Galton

Ann Corrigan, PPN
 Enda Creegan, PPN
 Tara Deasy, PPN
 Michael Noonan, PPN
 Vacant - Drug and Alcohol Task Force Community
 Ray McGrath, Drug and Alcohol Task Force Community
 Gemma Carton, Garda Diversion

Local Community Development Committee Membership 2018

Prof. Mary Corcoran	NUI Maynooth
Prof. Joe Barry	Trinity College Centre for Health Sciences
Dr. Phil Mulvaney	Community
Peter Byrne	South Dublin Chamber
Larry O'Neill	SDC Partnership
Tricia Nolan	PPN Community
Gerry Stockil	PPN Community
Justin Byrne	PPN Environment
Aiden Lloyd	PPN Social Inclusion
Maurice Walsh	PPN Social Inclusion
Andy Leeson	Youth Services
Councillor Paula Donovan	Elected Member
Councillor Kieran Mahon	Elected Member
Vacant	Elected Member
Colm Ward	South Dublin County Council
Padraig Rehill	Health Service Executive
Deirdre McKeon	Dublin and Dún Laoghaire Education and Training Board
Caitriona O'Connor	Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection
Vacant	Local Enterprise Office

Appendix 3: Training Conferences attended by Councillors in 2018

Name	Venue	Date
Training Conference Local Property Tax 2018	Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	12-14 Jan
AILG Training "How best to convey your message as a Member of your Council through local & national media"	Mullingar Park Hotel Co. Westmeath	22 Feb
Colmcille Winter School	Church Hill, Gartan, Co. Donegal	23-24 Feb
Citizens Assembly	Whitford House Hotel, Co. Wexford	9-11 Mar
AILG Annual Conference	Park Hotel, Dungarvan Co. Waterford	12-13 Apr
Annual Planning Conference	Rose Hotel Tralee, Co Kerry	19-20 Apr
Accessibility & Inclusion through Infrastructure	Sea Lodge Hotel, Waterville Co. Kerry	11-13 May
AILG Training Councillor's and Community Safety	Castlecourt Hotel, Westport, Co. Mayo	19 May
MacGill Summer School	Glenties, Co. Donegal.	22-27 July
AILG Training - Irish Water & a Single Public Water Utility	Crowne Plaza Hotel, Co. Dundalk	23 July
Changing Trends and Approaches to Drug Abuse	Brandon House Hotel, Tralee, Co, Kerry	4-5 Aug
Parnell Summer School	Avondale House and Woodenbridge Hotel Co. Wicklow	12-16 Aug
Workplace Relations Commission	Whitford House Hotel Co. Wexford	31 Aug-2 Sept
Kennedy Summer School	New Ross Co. Wexford	6-8 Sept
AILG Training - The new ePlanning (on-line planning applications) & The National Building Management Project	County Arms Hotel, Birr, Co. Offaly	21 Sept
LAMA 2018 Autumn Training Seminar	The River Island Hotel, Castleisland, Co Kerry	28-29 Sept
AILG Training Module 5	Longford Arms Hotel, Co. Longford	11 Oct
Your Development Plan & Climate Change	Casey's Hotel Baltimore, Co. Cork	19-21 Oct
AILG Autumn Training Seminar	Hillgrove Hotel, Co. Monaghan	25-26 Oct
Local Authorities Budgets 2019	Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny Co. Donegal	9-11 Nov
AILG Module 6 - GDPR	Springfield Hotel, Leixlip Co. Kildare	17 Nov
Local Government - Restoration of Town Councils	Whitford Hotel Co. Wexford	4-16 Dec

Appendix 4.

Energy Efficiency Report 2018

2018 South Dublin County Council total final energy consumption

Total Primary Energy Requirement (TPER)

Energy	Energy Category	Energy Type	Unit	Baseline	2018
Electricity			kWh	52,968,666	36,809,236
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		Net Electricity Imports (MPRN data)	kWh	23,183,983	14,160,620
		Net Electricity Imports (non-MPRN data)	kWh	29,784,683	22,648,616
Thermal			kWh	8,218,587	9,455,480
	Gas		kWh	6,929,617	8,185,805
		Natural Gas (GPRN data)	kWh	6,874,655	7,786,151
		LPG (purchased by volume)	kWh	54,962	399,655
	Heating Oils		kWh	1,288,969	1,269,675
		Kerosene	kWh	84,875	25,028
		Gasoil	kWh	1,204,094	1,244,647
Transport			kWh	6,820,250	4,313,368
	Transport Fuels (Mineral Oil Fuels)		kWh	6,771,205	4,158,232
		Petrol (excl. blended bioethanol)	kWh	91,963	65,897
		Road Diesel (DERV) (excl. blended biodiesel)	kWh	6,679,242	4,092,335
	Transport Biofuels		kWh	49,045	174,831
		Biodiesel (incl. all blended biodiesel)	kWh	47,590	172,664
		Bioethanol (incl. all blended bioethanol)	kWh	1,455	2,167
Total Primary Energy Requirement (TPER)			kWh	68,007,502	50,597,778

This is a 29.4% improvement in energy performance with a 4% improvement on 2017. It is based on a baseline year of the average between 2006 and 2008 and a composite activity metric of population served per leisure centre as the leisure centres opened the doors to the public during the baseline period. South Dublin County Council is on target to reach required 33% improvement by 2020

Summary of Energy Related Projects and Activities

District Heating detailed study: - EU HEATNET project

South Dublin County Council are partners in this 3 year EU project to develop a transition strategy for delivering low carbon district heat, developed and tested in 6 local district heating networks in UK, Ireland, Belgium, France and the Netherlands. As part of this a pilot project for the first 4th generation district heating network in Ireland is being developed in Tallaght.

Municipal Buildings:

County Hall – A full lighting audit was carried out and 350 fluorescent lights were replaced with LED lighting.

ISO 50001

In 2018 SDCC was accepted into the SEAI's ISO 50001 Accelerator Programme. The goal of the programme is to assist in improving energy management and help achieve ISO 50001 certification.

Community/Residential

DECLG Energy Upgrade Programme – continued with upgrade of total 167 tenant houses in Shancastle, Old Tower Crescent and Kiltalown Estate in 2018.

Green Community Centres Project – awareness campaign continued in 2018

Public Lighting

Roll-out of LED Public Lighting – 1,654 lights upgraded in 2018

Transport

5 No. electric vehicles – were added to the fleet in 2018

4 No. charging points installed – Tymon Park Depot, Corkagh Park Depot, Jobstown Housing Depot, County Hall, in 2018

Appendix 5. Protected Disclosures 2018

Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 requires the publication of an annual report relative to Protected Disclosures received.

Pursuant to this requirement, South Dublin County Council hereby confirms that there were no protected disclosures received in 2018.

Appendix 6.

Senior Management Team

Chief Executive	Daniel McLoughlin
Director of Economic, Enterprise and Tourism Development	Frank Nevin
Director of Environment, Water and Climate Change	Teresa Walsh
Director of Housing, Social and Community Development	Billy Coman (retired June 2018); Colm Ward
Director of Land Use, Planning and Transportation	Laura Leonard, Acting
Director of Corporate Performance and Change Management	Lorna Maxwell
Head of Finance	Ronan Fitzgerald
Head of Information Systems	Tommy Kavanagh
County Architect	Eddie Conroy
Law Agent	Lorcan Gógan



