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# Message from our Mayor

A chairde,



it is incredibly humbling to be writing to you as Mayor and First Citizen of our County as I come to the end of my term. As a native of Ballyboden and now a resident in Ballycullen I have immense pride in this County and in the community we have here in South Dublin.

Over the past year our County has grown from strength

to strength. I have been very proud to witness our County lead in innovative and dynamic ways.

During my term as Mayor we have seen much transformation in South Dublin including game changing developments for the County such as the opening of the Dodder Greenway project and all of it's added amenities along the route, the Heatworks District Heating Scheme, the turning of the sod on cost rental apartments built by South Dublin County Council in Tallaght, the exciting City Edge project in conjunction with our Dublin City Neighbours, much progress on the Clonburris Strategic Development Zone, the addition of the Tallaght Stadium fourth Stand and the progression of age-friendly accommodation across the County.

I am indebted to our outgoing Chief Executive of South Dublin County Council Danny McLoughlin and our new Chief Executive Colm Ward and their team of directors and their staff for the work they have done this year, and for the work they will do in the future.

I am also grateful to my fellow Councillors on South Dublin County Council, who put their trust in me to elect me as Mayor. We have worked together in a spirit of cooperation to deliver ambitious projects and an annual budget that was fair, responsible, and progressive.

Above all else, I am indebted to you, the citizens of South Dublin. Every county Councillor serves you directly, and I hope you are satisfied with our efforts to improve your lives.

**Emma Murphy**

Mayor, South Dublin County Council

I wish the next person to hold this position the very best of luck, and I trust that we can continue to work well together in the spirit of co-operation and collaboration for the benefit of everyone in South Dublin.

A chairde,

Táim go mór faoi chomaoín ag scríobh chugat mar Mhéara agus mar Chéad Saoránach ár gcontae agus mé ag druidim le deireadh mo théarma. Is as Baile Baodáin ó dhúchas mé agus tá mé i mo chónaí i mBaile Uí Choileáin anois agus tá an-bhród orm as an gContae seo agus as an bpobal atá againn anseo i mBaile Átha Cliath Theas.

Le bliain anuas tá ár gContae ag dul ó neart go neart. Bhí mé an-bhródúil as ár gContae a fheiceáil chun tosaigh ar bhealaí nuálacha agus dinimiciúla.

Le linn mo théarma mar Mhéara chonaiceamar go leor athruithe i nDeisceart Bhaile Átha Cliath lena n-áirítear forbairtí athraitheacha cluichí don Chontae ar nós oscailt thionscadal Ghlasbhealach na Dothra agus na taitneamhachtaí breise go léir atá aige feadh an bhealaigh, Scéim Téimh Cheantair Heatworks iompú an fhóid ar árasáin ar cíos costais a thóg Comhairle Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath Theas i dTamhlacht, tionscadal spreagúil City Edge i gcomhar lenár gComharsana i gCathair Bhaile Átha Cliath, dul chun cinn i ar Chrios Forbartha Straitéiseach Chluain Buiríosa, an ceathrú Seastán de chuid Staidiam Thamhlachta a chur leis agus cóiríocht aoisbhách a chur chun cinn ar fud an Chontae.

Tá mé faoi chomaoín ag Danny McLoughlin, Príomhfheidhmeannach Chomhairle Contae Bhaile Átha Cliath Theas, atá ag dul as oifig agus ag Colm Ward, ár bPríomhfheidhmeannach nua, agus a stiúrthóirí agus a bhfoireann, as an obair atá déanta acu i mbliana, agus as an obair a dhéanfaidh siad amach anseo.

Táim buíoch freisin do mo chomhchomhairleoirí ar Chomhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas, a chuir a muinín ionam agus mé a thoghadh mar Mhéara.

Thar aon rud eile, táim faoi chomaoín agaibhse, saoránaigh Bhaile Átha Cliath Theas. Freastalaíonn gach comhairleoir contae ort go díreach, agus tá súil agam go bhfuil tú sásta lenár n-iarrachtaí chun do shaol a fheabhsú.

Guím gach rath ar an gcéad duine eile sa phost seo, agus tá súil agam gur féidir linn leanúint ar aghaidh ag obair go maith le chéile i spiorad an chomhoibrithe chun leasa gach duine i mBaile Átha Cliath Theas.

# South Dublin County Council Elected Members



## Clondalkin Cluain Dolcáin

Councillor Trevor Gilligan	FF
Councillor Shirley O' Hara	FG
Councillor Kenneth Egan	FG
Councillor Francis Timmons	IND
Councillor William Joseph Carey	SF
Councillor Laura Donaghy	Green
Councillor Eoin Ó Broin	SD

## Rathfarnham - Templeogue Ráth Fearnáin - Teach Mealóg

Councillor Carly Bailey	SD
Councillor Yvonne Collins	FF
Councillor Lynn McCrave	FG
Councillor Pamela Kearns	LAB
Councillor Ronan McMahon	IND
Councillor David McManus	FG
Councillor Mark Lynch	Green

## Tallaght Central Tamhlact An Lár

Councillor Kieran Mahon	SOL
Councillor Charlie O'Connor	FF
Councillor Mick Duff	IND
Councillor Teresa Costello	FF
Councillor Cathal King	SF
Councillor Liam Sinclair	IND

## Lucan Leamhcán

Councillor Ed O'Brien	FF
Councillor Vicki Casserly	FG
Councillor Liona O'Toole	IND
Councillor Paul Gogarty	IND
Councillor Joanna Tuffy	LAB

## Tallaght South Tamhlact Theas

Councillor Patrick Pearse Holohan	IND
Councillor Leah Whelan	SOL
Councillor Dermot Richardson	SF
Councillor Louise Dunne	SF
Councillor Baby Pereppadan	FG

## Firhouse - Bohernabreena Teach na Giúise - Bóthar na Bruíne

Councillor Lyn Hagin Meade	Green
Councillor Brian Lawlor	FG
Councillor Emma Murphy	FF
Councillor Alan Edge	IND

## Palmerstown - Fonthill Baile Phámar - Cnoc an Fhuaráin

Councillor Guss O' Connell	IND
Councillor Derren Ó Brádaigh	SF
Councillor Madeleine Johansson	PBP
Councillor Alan Hayes	IND
Councillor Shane Moynihan	FF



### Party abbreviations

Cllr	Councillor
PBP	People Before Profit Alliance
SOL	Solidarity
FF	Fianna Fáil
SF	Sinn Féin
SD	Social Democrats
FG	Fine Gael
LAB	The Labour Party
IND	Independent
Green	The Green Party



# Final projects to be announced in €300k – Have Your Say Tallaght South and Saggart



**Twenty - two community-led projects have gone forward to the public vote in the Tallaght South and Saggart electoral area through South Dublin County Council's €300k Have Your Say participatory budgeting initiative. This is the final year of the Initiative with 52 projects funded to date across the previous five Local Electoral Areas.**

Voting closed on 28 May with details of all the winning projects to be announced on Wednesday 6 June at Fettercairn Community Centre. Updates will be given on each project on [www.sdcc.ie/haveyoursay](http://www.sdcc.ie/haveyoursay).

Work will begin on the projects in the second half of the year. Fifty-two projects to date have been selected for funding in the Lucan, Clondalkin, Firhouse-Bohernabreena and Tallaght Central Electoral Areas. The Council ran the initiative in every

local electoral area in the County with Tallaght South and Saggart being the final area.

South Dublin County Council were the first local authority in the country to introduce participatory budgeting when the Council launched €300k Have Your Say in 2017. To date, over 13,000 people have cast their vote in €300k Have Your Say to fund a project, or projects, of their choice. Since 2017, 1,135 project ideas have been submitted to the Council for consideration with 126 being put forward to the public vote and 52 being funded, not including this years winning projects.

'€300k Have Your Say' is a participatory budgeting initiative that has been run by South Dublin County Council since 2017. €300k Have Your Say allows residents to develop project ideas for their local area and then vote on shortlisted proposals to fund winning projects up to the value of €300,000.

## Local Enterprise Office Supports:

  
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We offer a range of training, financial grants and supports, along with a business advice service to help you with starting and growing your business.

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# Minister O' Brien turns sod on Clonburris South Link Street



**On 27 February the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH), Darragh O' Brien TD and the Mayor of South Dublin County, Councillor Emma Murphy officially marked the commencement of works at the Clonburris Strategic Development Zone (SDZ).**

These works include construction of the first major new street 'South Link Street' and commencement of the first new housing development of 563 homes. This marks a major milestone in kick starting the delivery of the Clonburris SDZ that will become a sustainable urban neighbourhood and home to 23,000 people over the next 10 years.

The Minister and the Mayor were joined by Daniel McLoughlin, SDCC Chief Executive, along with representatives from the three other major private landowners of Cairn Homes, Kelland Homes and Quantain.

DHLGH is providing €186 million of Urban Regeneration and Development Funding (URDF) and the National Transport Authority (NTA) is providing €18.8 million for Active Travel works. This funding will enable the timely delivery of new streets, parks and community buildings that will help to accelerate the delivery of over 8,700 new homes. This

funding reflects the implementation on the ground of Project Ireland 2040 and the Government's Housing for All policy.

In tandem with the funding and delivery of this critical infrastructure, the delivery of new homes is also well underway. To date 944 new homes have been granted planning permission, Cairn Homes have commenced delivery on-site of 563 homes, and a further 1,045 homes are being assessed as part of live planning permissions, which include a mix of retail and community facilities.

SDCC is also a significant landowner in the area with the potential for over 2,500 social and affordable homes. The Council has secured planning permission for 381 homes and are planning to commence construction of these social and affordable homes in summer 2023.

Clonburris is a huge opportunity of national, regional, and local significance, with the potential to enhance housing provision, regenerate neighbouring communities, improve transport, and create a high-quality neighbourhood in a strategic location less than 15 minutes to Dublin City Centre by train. More information can be found here: [www.clonburris.ie](http://www.clonburris.ie)

# Minister Eamon Ryan officially opens Tallaght District Heating Network and Energy Centre - Ireland's first publicly owned, not-for-profit energy company.

Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications and Transport, Eamon Ryan TD and the Mayor of South Dublin County, Councillor Emma Murphy, officially opened South Dublin County Council's (SDCC) Tallaght District Heating Network at the Heatworks Energy Centre in Tallaght on 6 April.

Trading as Heatworks, Ireland's first publicly owned, not-for-profit energy company, is now providing low-carbon heat to public buildings in the area. The development of this innovative, low-carbon initiative has been led by SDCC with the assistance of its energy agency, Codema.

The network initially will provide heat to 32,800m<sup>2</sup> of public buildings. Customers of Heatworks include SDCC and Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin). Buildings heated by this project include County Hall, Tallaght County Library, the SDCC Innovation Centre-Work IQ, and 133 affordable apartments, which will connect in early 2025. The university buildings include the Main Building, the Sports-Science, Health and Recreation Building, followed by the new Catering College (CAET), to be completed in 2024.

The network uses excess heat from Amazon Web Services' (AWS) data centre to provide low carbon heat to the network customers. AWS has included heat-collection systems in their new facility which provides this recycled heat at no cost as part of its broader sustainability commitments. HeatWorks will assist Ireland in meeting its EU 2030 national heating and carbon-reduction targets. It is estimated that in this first phase of delivery, the carbon emissions reduction in the Tallaght area will be over 1,500 tonnes per year.



South Dublin County Council initiated this pilot project, to exemplify the environmental value and potential of District Heating in Ireland. The collaboration between SDCC, AWS engineering teams, Fortum, and the Dublin energy agency Codema has resulted in a low-carbon solution, optimising the potential of recyclable heat combined with innovative heat-pump technology – the first example of its kind in Ireland.

The Tallaght District Heating Network was partly funded by the European Union's Interreg NWE programme (Heatnet), Project Ireland 2040 Climate Action Fund, SEAI and through direct funding from SDCC. In the Governments Climate Action Plan 2023, the increased ambition is that Ireland will reach up to 0.8 TWh of district heating by 2025 and up to 2.7 TWh by 2030.

Speaking at the Official Opening, Minister Ryan said; "This is a leading example of how energy that would be otherwise be wasted is now being used to heat local public buildings, a university and people's homes, and I know that there are plans to go beyond this in time. It's also a working demonstration of smart private-public partnership and an indication of the transformative role that district heating can play in our new more energy efficient and decarbonised energy mix. In our Climate Action Plan 2023, we have set out our increased ambition for district heating. I anticipate that our district heating steering group will shortly publish its recommendations on how we can reach these targets, led by our local authorities and facilitated with private sector involvement as is the case here in Tallaght."



Heatworks contracted Fortum, a large Finnish energy company with extensive district-heating experience throughout Scandinavia and Eastern Europe, to carry out the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Tallaght District Heating Network.



# Increased ambition for Climate Action by South Dublin County Council

In 2019 the Dublin Local Authorities published what were the first Local Authority Climate Change Action Plans (CCAP) in the country. The South Dublin County Council (SDCC) Plan set out six action areas with 154 actions that the Council would undertake in the areas of energy and buildings, transport, flood resilience, nature based solutions, resource management and citizen engagement.

The policy and legislative context relating to climate action has developed since the publication of those Plans.

The publication of the National Climate Action Plan 2023 seeks to put Ireland on a more sustainable path, cutting emissions, creating a cleaner, greener economy and society and protecting the country from the consequences of climate change. Under the Climate

Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021, the Minister has instructed local authorities to prepare a Climate Action Plan for 2024 to 2029 by 24 February 2024, and we are initiating the statutory plan making phase now.

We want all citizens of South Dublin to have their input into this improved Plan. A public consultation process will be launched in September 2023 and this will be an opportunity to get involved in and shape the Plan.

In the meantime, our existing Climate Change Action Plans and progress reports can be accessed at <https://sdcc.ie/en/climate-action/>

Our climate team also publishes a climate action newsletter, which you can subscribe to by emailing us at [climatechange@sdblincoco.ie](mailto:climatechange@sdblincoco.ie)

## SDCC - Employer of choice

South Dublin County Council tries to attract and retain a talented and motivated people, from diverse backgrounds and experiences, who will take pride in their work and make a positive difference to the lives of citizens in South Dublin County.

By working as a staff member at South Dublin County Council you will be making your contribution to this county's development as the best possible place in which to live, work and do business. As a staff member, you will be given a range of opportunities to positively engage with citizens, businesses and communities to make a positive impact upon their daily lives.

Employees are provided with opportunities to learn, develop and grow through staff mobility and career development, a comprehensive training and development programme and the provision of financial assistance to staff undertaking further education.

The Council recognises the importance of work life balance and supports family friendly initiatives such as flexi-time,

work-sharing, paid maternity leave (and the newly introduced paternity leave) as well as generous annual leave allowances. There are Crèche facilities on site, a subsidised canteen and free staff parking.

The well-being of employees is a priority for the Council so we provide free annual health checks, flu inoculation, eyesight testing, a confidential Staff Welfare Service, and a range of ongoing health and well-being initiatives throughout the year. Employees can join the Staff Social Club, Credit Union, Golf Society, Hill-Walking Club, LGBTQ+ Staff Network and take part in the numerous social events organised. Staff may also avail of tax saver schemes such as cycle to work and a bus or Luas travel pass.

Keep an eye on job opportunities on our dedicated careers portal [www.sdccjobs.ie](http://www.sdccjobs.ie).

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# Investment of €1.2 billion planned to support the future growth and development of South Dublin County



**In addition to the provision of front-line local government services to its 300,000 citizens at an annual cost of over €300 million, the primary role of South Dublin County Council is to create the necessary conditions for, and to itself directly invest in, the Economic growth and prosperity of the area. This is achieved through its Capital Programme of expenditure on physical and social infrastructure.**

The planned 2023 – 2025 €1.142 billion programme of investment in the county is targeted to support housing, economic development, climate action, quality of life and community wellbeing. It is an investment in present and future generations and accords with our corporate ambition, “to make our county a vibrant and inclusive place for the people who live, visit, work, and do business here now and for the future.”

This is a three-year rolling programme that is updated each year to account for cost revisions, changes to the delivery schedule and to add new projects. The programme is factual in that all projects have identified sources of funding, are in accordance with national and local policy and are understood as part of the broader strategy set out in the County Development Plan and the councils’

Corporate Plan. The project timelines are subject to change as evidenced recently due to economic disruption.

During 2022 project delivery across the country, public and private, has had to deal with uncertainty related to supply chain and inflationary impacts, resulting in tender hesitancy, onsite delays, and related cost increases. Notwithstanding these setbacks, this Council has brought a few important projects to site including Tallaght Stadium, The Innovation Centre, Rathcoole Courthouse and Saggart Community Centre. Four hundred new social homes were delivered, a further €14 million was invested in our cycling network, a new €5 million park opened in Adamstown together with the Celbridge Link Road and further investment has been made in the network of child and teen spaces.

A significant number of projects are already onsite this year. These include the Lucan village streetscape renewal works, Tallaght civic plaza and pedestrian links, Tallaght Mobility Hub, Killinarden Park, Corkagh Park, Clonburris infrastructural works, Sean Walsh Park Astro pitch, Tymon District Centre, and Templeogue Intergenerational Centre.







**The Capital Programme 2023 - 2025 is clearly linked to our strategic objectives. The key themes are:**

- Over €700 million will be invested in housing as part of our five year housing strategy. This goes beyond traditional social housing, with the development of affordable purchase and cost rental housing. Following on the success of the Klicarbery scheme, there is an emphasis on large scale sites at Killinarden, Belgard North and particularly Clonburris SDZ, where our land will accommodate 2,500 homes.
- Our Climate Action Strategy will be updated in 2023, but existing commitments across a range of projects are scheduled, including flood relief schemes, Tallaght District Heating scheme, the €150 million planned expansion of our cycling infrastructure, electric vehicle (EV) charging, solar projects and compact growth initiatives. In relation to compact growth, there is particular emphasis on the build out of Adamstown SDZ, the commencement of development in Clonburris SDZ, with the aid of €186 million in URDF funding and the progression of plans for the “City Edge” district along the Naas Road.
- Job creation, enterprise and tourism are all encompassed in the economic development role of the council. In this regard, the recent 500-acre expansion of Grange Castle international business park, the construction of Tallaght Innovation Centre, the planned enterprise / innovation centres at the 12th Lock at Adamstown, are all part of our approach to job creation. Investment in the Dodder and Liffey valley Greenways, the development of the €20 million Dublin Mountains Visitor Centre, the refurbishment of Rathfarnham Castle Stables and the works planned at making Lucan a tourism destination village, will all be completed within this three year cycle as part of with our Tourism Strategy.

- Community development and quality of life are supported through a comprehensive plan for the roll out of community infrastructure and amenities in support of active and passive recreation, sport, the arts, and recreation generally. These include the final phase of Tallaght Stadium, additional turf and Astro pitches, children’s play and teen spaces, Lucan Sports Centre, new community centres at Newcastle, Killinarden, Kilcarbery, Citywest, Saggart and Ballycullen, new libraries in Citywest and Adamstown, the regeneration of existing parks in Killinarden, Jobstown, Corkagh and Quarryvale and new parks in Adamstown and Clonburris.

The social and economic value of this programme is very significant. It underpins our ambition for the county and delivers for citizens, communities and business. Its delivery will create thousands of jobs locally and provide for a sustainable future for present and future generations.



# Where will your money go?

The income received through the payment of Local Property Tax from householders and Commercial Rates from businesses help us to pay for and improve our services in 2023. The Council approved Service Delivery Plan sets out the following service improvement targets for 2023:

## Economic, enterprise and tourism development



Number of business support initiatives and expenditure	25 / €300,000
Number of festivals / tourism events	8
Number of active library members	50,000
Number of jobs created or supported in Grangecastle business park	7,800

## Environment, water and climate change



Number of Trees Planted	2,500
Climate Action Initiatives Under Climate Action Plan	154
Number of New Playspaces, Teenspaces and Pitches	12
Number of environmental / climate action awareness sessions	250

## Corporate performance and change management



Citizens who actively engaged with us through our consultation portal, €300k Have Your Say and so on	13,250
People on the electoral register	195,000
Customer queries received	55,000
Members Reps (matters raised by Elected Members) received	8,500

Total Expenditure  
**€306,000**

Total Income  
**€306,000**

Council Expenditure per Citizen  
**€1,000**





## Housing, social and community development

Amount of planned maintenance expenditure	€9 million
Number of visitors to council leisure facilities	700,000
Number of new housing allocations	730
Number of participants on Council-led sports and health and wellbeing initiatives	140,000



## Land use, planning and transportation

Number of new and upgraded footpaths linear square metres	74,000
Number of new and upgraded cycle paths linear square metres	29,200
Number of public LED lighting upgrades completed	1,600
Village and district centre enhancement schemes completed	1



## Sources of income

Commercial Rates and PEL	€145,285,400
Local Property Tax	€6,276,000
Grants	€94,007,200
Fees and Charges	€7,305,200
Housing Rents and Annuities	€33,476,000
All Other	€19,720,800



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# Minister for Housing turns sod on new cost rental development

On 26 April Darragh O'Brien, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Mayor of South Dublin, Cllr. Emma Murphy, officially turned the sod to commence a new development of 133 cost rental apartments at Belgard Square North in Tallaght town centre. This South Dublin County Council project represents the first standalone cost rental development by a local authority in Ireland.

The development consists of three studio apartments, sixty-four one-bedroom apartments, sixty-three two-bedroom apartments and three three-bedroom apartments to be delivered in three blocks, ranging from three to eight storeys together with community space and high-quality communal and public open space. The central location is ideal for the rental market with proximity to major employment, retail and education centres as well as excellent transport links and amenities, including the soon to be completed Work IQ Innovation Centre and the Innovation Square public plaza, both of which are also current Council projects.

Building contractors JJ Rhatigan have been appointed by the Council for the construction works with the development expected to be completed and occupied in 2025. The project is being funded by South Dublin County Council with support through the Affordable Housing Fund from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage under Housing for All, the national housing plan.

Cost rental housing provides affordable rented accommodation to people on middle incomes who are above the threshold for social housing but have difficulty affording private rented accommodation. The rent payable by tenants in this development will be directly linked to the cost of building, managing and maintaining the homes and will be at discounted to at least 25% below local market rents through the Affordable Housing Fund subsidy.



**Speaking at the official sod turning, Minister O'Brien said:** "I am delighted to turn the sod on the State's first Local Authority led Cost Rental Scheme. Cost Rental is a new form of tenure here in Ireland, it's where rents are charged which cover the cost of delivering, managing and maintaining the homes only, so they are not driven by profits. They are safe and secure rental homes where people can set down their roots if they want to, safe in the knowledge the State is backing them. Under Housing for All we will see at least 18,000 Cost Rental homes delivered across the country by our Local Authorities, our AHBs and the LDA. I want to highly commend Danny and South Dublin County Council for making this a reality," he concluded.

**Cllr. Emma Murphy, Mayor of South Dublin County Council added:** "Today is a landmark day in South Dublin as we show leadership in the provision of housing and are showing innovative housing solutions for the people of South Dublin. As we turn the sod on the first Local Authority led Cost Rental Scheme in the State, we are aiming to provide a Cost Rental option, an affordable long-term rental option to residents in South Dublin who want to work and live in this community. It is a pivotal day for people in Tallaght and throughout the County as we embrace this new model here in South Dublin. I am delighted that the project has the full backing of Minister Darragh O'Brien and his office which will allow for people to embed and thrive here in our local community in Tallaght."

## Parks opening hours for Summer 2023

The following is the list of the regional and larger parks in South Dublin County:

- Corkagh Park
- Dodder Valley Park
- Griffeen Valley Park
- Dodder Valley Linear Park
- Rathcoole Park
- Sean Walsh Park
- Tymon Park
- Waterstown Park
- Rathfarnham Castle Park



Opening times for June to August are 10am to 9pm and September from 10am to 8pm.

For further information on our Parks opening hours and maps please visit <https://www.sdcc.ie/en/services/sport-and-recreation/parks/>

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# Our Library Our Future



Our libraries play a vital role in informing, inspiring, and empowering our communities.

**In December, South Dublin County Council adopted a ground-breaking five-year Library Development Plan called “Our Library, Our Future.” This plan, which covers the period from 2023 to 2027, was developed through extensive research and consultation with the community. It sets out a strategy and priorities for the library service that aim to make the library more relevant, innovative, and impactful.**

“Our Library, Our Future” recognises the vital role that libraries play in society, particularly in times of rapid social, cultural, and technological change. It outlines

an approach to harnessing the power of knowledge, community, inspiration, and truth that libraries have to offer to respond to the challenges facing our communities and world today. The plan includes an ambitious aspiration statement, key development areas, and details on the leadership and capabilities needed for success.

This is a **“living document,”** and South Dublin County Council invites the community to contribute thoughts and ideas as they work to evolve and co-create with the community. Library users and non-users alike are invited to share their ideas and suggestions through an online portal accessible through QR codes on display across the library network and on [www.southdublinlibraries.ie](http://www.southdublinlibraries.ie).

The council passionately believes that our future needs our library and that, through “Our Library, Our Future,” our libraries can play a vital role in informing, inspiring, and empowering our communities.

Development Area 01: Expanding  
Our Community



Development Area  
02: Energising Our Collections:



Development Area 03 Sharing Our  
Stories, Making Our Places



Development Area 04: Rejuvenati  
ng Our Physical & Virtual Space



Development Area 05: Enabling &  
Empowering Our Staff:



# The easy way to secure your say

Do you want to vote? **You must register to do so.**  
 Moved address? **You must update your registration.**  
**Now most people can register online!**

The electoral registration process has changed, the Electoral Reform Act 2022 came into effect in October 2022. The Draft and Live Registers have now been replaced by a Rolling Register of Electors. The Rolling Register will be continuously updated.

- **Voters in the South Dublin County Council administrative can register to vote online at [www.voter.ie](http://www.voter.ie) or [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie)**
- **Voters can now pre-register to vote once they become 16 years old.**
- **Voters can amend their details online to:**
  - Change their address.
  - Update or correct your personal details.
  - To be removed from the Register.

- **You must be living full time in the State to be eligible to vote**
  - We will ask you your nationality in your application as this may affect which elections you can vote in.

<b>An Irish citizen:</b>	You are eligible to vote in all elections and referendums
<b>An EU citizen:</b>	You are eligible to vote in European and local elections
<b>A British citizen:</b>	You are eligible to vote in Dáil and local elections
<b>All other:</b>	You are eligible to vote in local elections



## How to make a Housing Maintenance Repair Request On-line

Tenants of South Dublin County Council should log their maintenance request through [www.hol.sdblincoco.ie](http://www.hol.sdblincoco.ie). If you haven't already done so, you can register at [www.hol.sdblincoco.ie](http://www.hol.sdblincoco.ie) to set up your account.

If your request for works is an emergency, for example, sparking fuse board, or relates to works for a communal area please contact us by telephone on **01 414 9393**, our opening hours are **Monday to Thursday 9.00am to 5.00pm, Friday 9.00am to 4.30pm**. Please make sure that you have your rent account number ready when you call us, as you may be asked to provide it for verification purposes.

Please note only telephone calls in relation to emergency works, communal areas, requests from older tenants, JAM Card holders or persons who require assistance will be taken during office hours. All other requests for maintenance works must be now logged online through [www.hol.sdblincoco.ie](http://www.hol.sdblincoco.ie).



If there is a potential risk to human life or significant risk to the property, outside of office opening hours, you can call the emergency line Out of Hours service, after 5.00pm or at the weekend / bank holidays on **01 457 4907**.







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