

North East Inner City Initiative Programme Implementation Board

Location: Summerhill Primary Care Centre, Summerhill, D1.
Time and date: 8.15am, 24 th April 2019
Attendance: Chair – Michael Stone, Chief Superintendent Séan Ward (An Garda Síochána), Feargal O'Rourke (PWC), Conor Rowley (DCYA), Fergus McCabe (NICCC), Brendan Kenny (DCC), Mary Cregg (DES), Noel Wardick (Dublin City Co-op/ NICCC), Donal Cassidy (HSE), Jim Walsh (DoH), Ursula Donnellan (DCC/Programme Office), Karl Mitchell (DCC), Clare Butler (DoT/Programme Office), Michael O'Riordan (Programme Office).
Apologies: Noel Hand (DEASP), Mary Keenan (DoT)

Donal Cassidy welcomed the Board to the new Summerhill Primary Care Centre.

The Chair thanked Donal and the staff for accommodating the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting:

Proposed: Fergus McCabe

Seconded: Chief Superintendent Sean Ward.

1. Subgroup reports

Group 1 – Crime and Drugs.

- Submissions related to the tender for Drug Related Intimidation actions closed on 18th April. The submissions will be evaluated by the steering group who will present a report to the next subgroup meeting in May.
- All CCTV poles have been erected, ESB connections have been completed, with work on the camera installations ongoing.
- Agreement has been reached to progress a Community Case Management initiative in cooperation with Subgroup 3.
- An overview of Divisional Community Policing plan was presented. Areas of note include:
 - 195 – Number of occasions the Community Service Vehicle has been deployed in Q1 2019.
 - 376 – Number of recorded incidents/issues where CCTV was monitored or used in Store Street (Q1 2019)
 - 102 – Number of Quality of Life issues reported through Divisional Community Policing Office (Q1 2019)
 - 244 – Number of call backs to domestic violence victims in Q1 2019.
 - 93 – Number of anti-social behaviour warnings issued in Q1 2019.
 - 674 – Number of Public order incidents in Q1 2019.
 - 3,448 – Number of patrols carried out by Community Gardaí in Q1 2019.
 - 600 – Number of patrols carried out in public parks in Q1 2019.
 - 1,987 searches under Section 23 (Misuse of Drugs Act) carried out in Q1 2019.

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- It was reported that Fitzgibbon St refurbishment is on target for completion in Q2 2020. The Chair requested an update on progress from OPW.
- A Community Policing Training programme, developed in cooperation with community input, will be delivered to all new probationer Gardaí.
- Gardaí supported and assisted with the successful Triathlon event in the area on Sunday 7th April.

Group 2 – Education, Training and Employment

- There was a good turnout and participation at the evaluation workshop from members of the subgroup.
- It was suggested that there needs to be more emphasis on Training and employment at the workgroup.
- The issue of school attendance will be progressed via the Principals' Network in conjunction with DES, DCYA and Tusla. Discussions are also in progress with Subgroup 3 in relation to this matter.
- Quotations for research into the development of a Social Enterprise/Social Economy plan for the area have been received. These will be evaluated w/c 29th April by a working group who will report back to Subgroup 2 following their evaluation.
- Following a meeting with the Office for the Promotion of Migrant Integration (OPMI), Department of Justice and Equality, OPMI expressed their willingness to participate on the Minority Ethnic Communities group and to collaborate on relevant initiatives.
- The PIB Chair noted the recent launch of the YPAR "*Reach Out*" report. It was also noted that YPAR are currently working on developing proposals from the recommendations in the research for presentation to the relevant subgroups.
- The PIB Chair requested statistics from DES in relation to numbers attending the primary and second level schools in the area.

Group 3 – Integrated System of Social Services.

- The Integrated Services Delivery Framework (ISDF) proposal was discussed. The Subgroup chair requested any observations/comments on the proposal to be forwarded to him. The proposal advocates the development of a structure to embed an approach among agencies and Departments operating in the area – One Plan, One Process. The subgroup will have a half-day workshop to look at the proposal in greater depth, with the Board agreeing to continue with the development of the ISDF process.
- A Community Case Management (CCM) proposal was discussed. It involves managing problematic cases with cross agency cooperation, through a 4 person team from appropriate agencies to work in collaboration and cooperation – backfills may be required in order to release staff. Discussions have already taken place with Chairs of subgroups 1 + 3, and a further meeting of appropriate agencies will be organised to progress this proposal with the business community to be approached for project management support if required.
- A further workshop with Executive leadership participants has been organised for May 2nd.
- A tailored version of the Boston Connects project is being discussed with DCYA and DES. The Boston Connects project have expressed an interest in supporting the rollout of this approach in the NEIC. Further discussions are required with all parties.
- The Principal of Rutland national School has accepted the offer to join subgroup 3.

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Group 4 – Physical Infrastructure

- Rutland St School – The contract for the enabling works has been awarded with works expected to commence in Q2.
- Public Realm Plan – The second scoping workshop facilitated by Áit Urbanism + Landscape Ltd. was held on 25/03/2019. The project will shortly appoint a multi-disciplinary design team to explore ideas for innovative ways of engaging the local community in the public consultation phase.
- Public lighting upgrades on for Rutland St., James Joyce St., Railway St. and Sean McDermott St. and St Laurence place are underway.
- The following Phase 1 of the Greening Strategy – a number of major greening projects are currently underway:
 - **Mountjoy Square Park** – currently at Part 8 process stage.
 - **Diamond Park** – Consultants have been engaged with community workshops completed in Q1. The design stage is expected to be completed in Q2.
 - **Liberty Park** – Will form part of a separate multi-agency project being undertaken by the NEIC Programme Office, to tackle drug dealing and anti-social behaviour in the vicinity of the Park.
 - **Dorset St. Median Ph. 1** – at Tender Stage (to be published in early March)
 - **Royal Canal Cycleway – Phase 2** construction underway, estimated completion Q1 2020.
- Update on selected minor projects for which NEIC funding has been approved:
 - **Belvedere Plaza** (NCR Junction with Belvedere Place); - Quotes sought for GPR (Ground Penetrating Radar) Services.
 - **Guild St. Plaza** (Sheriff St. / Spencer Dock junction); - on hold, pending completion of cycleway ancillary works at that location.
 - **James Joyce Street tree planting**; - Quotes sought for GPR Services to inform plans for tree build outs.
 - **Greenwall at Seville Place**; - at design stage.
 - **Tree planting**: - Parks Department working directly with NICCC (North Inner City Community Coalition) reps to advise on selection of a suitable street.
- **Urban Land Institute Advisory Services Programme** - Dublin City Council has signed an Advisory Services Agreement with the Urban Land Initiative www.uli.org to conduct a 5-day exercise in the NEIC towards the end of June 2019. The Urban Land Institute's (ULI) advisory services panels assemble an international teams of senior real estate and land use professionals to help communities solve their most challenging issues.
- The Environmental/Litter Task Force held a second meeting on 28th March 2019 and a plan has been devised which will be implemented in selected areas in Q2.
- It was agreed that the Green Ribbon project should be advised against installing any further planters (700 in place) as it may become unmanageable to service/water all those currently in place.
- **NEIC Community Grants Scheme 2019** – Open for applications until 30th April with two overarching themes:
 - Environmental Awareness and Improvements
 - Active Living, Recreation and Wellbeing
 Applications are being encouraged from all groups.

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Group 5 - Addiction Group

- The integrated Drugs and Alcohol Service is in the process of being established
- The sub group had a presentation on the Needs Analysis research undertaken in relation to substance use in the NEIC. The report focuses on three main issues:
 - Systematic barriers around service provision and engagement.
 - Social issues around treatment provision and engagement.
 - Education, Prevention and Recovery.
- The subgroup will host a workshop to discuss the report with stakeholders on the 10th May in the Department of Health.
- The report of the Needs Analysis research needs to be considered in conjunction with recent HSE review of Section 39 providers.
- Subgroup 5 have agreed to invite 2 service users to join the group.
- Following a proposal to change the name of the subgroup, it was agreed to change the name to the **“Substance Use”** subgroup.
- CityWide have published a report on drug misuse among migrant groups – **“TAKING STEPS”** – a copy to be circulated to the Board members.

2 **Budget Group:**

The following recommendations for funding as proposed by the Budget Group were approved:

Sub Group	Project	Mulvey Action	Amount
1	Acts of Compassion Ministries		€6,000
2	Early Learning Initiative (NCI)	2.10	€50,000
	Childcare CPD Bursary	2.6	€25,000
3	Youth Work Showcase (Belvedere Youth Club)		€4,140
	NEIC Brighter Futures Restorative Practice Initiative (NCI)		€43,000
	Integrated Youth Outreach (Swan Youth Services)		€75,000

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4	Seán McDermott Street Swimming Pool (Swim Ireland)		€120,000
	Total (April)		€323,140
	Total funds approved to date (if above proposals were to be approved by PIB)		€5,251,754

NB - funding of €705,000 was agreed for projects emanating from Subgroup 3. Details to be supplied to PIB by end May to secure this funding. **(Including this amount funding of €5,956,754 has been allocated to date in 2019)**

- Funding for HSE and Liberty Park Initiative – discussions on both are at an advanced stage in D/RCD and it is anticipated that letters of offer will issue in the coming days.
- A revised version of the *NEIC Funding Process and Governance* document was circulated to the Board and agreed as presented.

3 Evaluation and Impact

- 60 people attended the Evaluation and Impact workshop on 2nd April facilitated by Just Economics.
- Following the workshop there has been follow up contact by the consultants with the Chairs of each Subgroup.
- It was agreed that Just Economics will be invited to present their findings to date at the next Board meeting on 29th May.

4 Communications and Social Media

- We are 1 month into a 4 month strategy.
- There has been a featured article completed and presented on Belvedere Youth Club.
- A short video produced for Mother's day was very well received – there has been some learning in terms of the time the video was issued to the public. Further videos are under consideration.
- An Easter competition is currently running on the NEIC Facebook page

5 Community Update:

- An increase in anti-social behaviour on Rutland Street has been reported with the community rep requesting ongoing Garda support to deal with this issue.
- The Minority Ethnic community group continues to meet, with meetings well attended. Staff from Office of Promotion of Migrant Integration, Department of Justice and law reform – have indicated a willingness to participate in the group. The group are currently considering some training to increase their understanding of issues involved. DCC Social Inclusion section have agreed to present to the group at its next meeting on 9th May.
- YPAR Report - *Reach Out* – was launched by Minister Paschal Donohoe T.D., on 10th April.
- CityWide Report - *Taking Steps* – this will be brought to Subgroup 5 for discussion.
- A workshop on accessing EU funding is to be organised in collaboration with DCC.
- It was noted that funding for the Community Policing Forum has ceased. Discussions on how the matter might be progressed are to be arranged.

6 HSE Update

- The official opening of the Summerhill Primary Care Centre will take place on Friday 26th April. An invite has issued to all Board members.

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- The old health centre building will be used to house services for vulnerable service users. A specialist GP will operate from here.
- The stabilisation service remains on track to take initial clients in May.
- Case management Team – currently working with a service provider to develop this service.
- Currently working with Drugs and Alcohol Task Force in terms of funding that is being provided and what services are being provided for it.

7. Business Update

- Work experience has been completed by students from both Larkin Community College and O’Connell’s CBS.
- Correspondence will issue to thank all those involved in making the work experience happen which resulted in it being a major success.
- A meeting with CSR staff will be hosted by A+L Goodbody on May 2nd.
- Meetings have taken place with President of National College of Ireland to explore how to expand the reach of the Early Learning Initiative.

8. AOB

- Dublin City Community Co-op are in the process of recruiting a Roma Programme manager.

Next meeting: Wednesday 29th May 2019 @ 8.00am

**Venue: Ozanam House, 53 Mountjoy Square (West), Dublin 1. D01 T6W6
(Meeting Room on the 1st Floor)**

Summary of agreed actions for next meeting:

What	Who
Pupil numbers attending NEIC schools to be circulated	DES
Meeting to progress CCM involving DCYA, DCC, Gardaí and HSE to be organise.	Programme Office
Meeting with IBAL to be organised	DCC/Programme Office