

Welcome to our first news brief in September.

Bridgefoot Street Park

Dublin City Council are proposing to develop a public park and play facilities in Bridgefoot Street.

The proposed works will include:

- Provision of a new public park, consisting of hard and soft landscaped areas, tree planting, furniture and lighting.
- Provision of soft landscape mounds and landscape terraces.
- Provision of allotments and community garden.
- Provision of multi functional performance space, play space and play equipment.

The measures taken will lead to a significant improvement in disability access to the project area and support the principle of universal access for all. The project proposal was developed in collaboration with residents and stakeholders as part of an open participative process.

Plans and Particulars of the proposed development may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy during public opening hours at the offices of Dublin City Council, Public Counter, Planning and Property Development Department, Block 4, Ground Floor, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, Monday - Friday between 9 - 4.30pm.

A submission or observation in relation to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, may be made, in writing, to the Executive Manager, Planning and Property Development Department, Dublin City Council, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, before 16.30hrs on Monday 11th September 2017.

An online survey can be completed at <https://consultation.dublincity.ie/planning/bridgefoot-street-park->

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Closing date for submissions is **Monday 11th September**.

For more information contact Peter Leonard, (Park and Landscape Services) at 01-2225278 or email Parks@dublincity.ie

Dublin City Comhairle na nÓg AGM and Showcase Event

Comhairle na nÓg are youth councils in the 31 local authorities of the country. Comhairle provides young people with an opportunity to participate in influencing local and national policy, planning and decision-making as well as being a mechanism for consultation.

Comhairle na nÓg comes from Goal 1 of the National Children's Strategy (2000) which identified that children and young people should have a voice in matters that affect them, they should be consulted where appropriate and have a right to have their say.

Dublin City Comhairle na nÓg has 63 elected members between the ages of 11 and 18. Elected members come from each of the five administrative areas in Dublin City, 8 places are held for seldom heard young people. Members are elected at the Comhairle AGM. This year's AGM will be held in **Croke Park on 27th October**.

The day consists of a series of facilitated workshops to discuss themes relevant to young people. Young people interested in further engagement with Comhairle beyond the AGM have an opportunity to put their names forward for election. When the full Comhairle na nÓg is elected following the AGM they work primarily on one issue that has been chosen by young people at the AGM. It will be an issue that they will research and work on to influence decision makers.

For the last year Comhairle members have worked on the topic of youth homelessness. Since the AGM Comhairle have met with various organisations and people who support, work with and advocate for young people who are experiencing homelessness including EPIC, Focus Ireland, Simon Community and the Regional Homeless Executive, Dr Geoffrey Shannon.

After many meetings, hard work and voting Comhairle decided to focus on Children in care. They want to highlight the challenges that they face when leaving care at the age of 18 years.

To highlight the work they have completed which includes a video sharing stories of young people in care and a needs charter for children in care,

Comhairle members are hosting a Showcase event on Youth Homelessness in Smock Alley Theatre on **Wednesday 20th September from 1.45 - 4pm**. The showcase will be launched by Deputy Lord Mayor, Cllr. Áine Clancy.

To attend the showcase event please RSVP to dublincitycomhairle@gmail.com by Wednesday 13th September.

For more information on Dublin City Comhairle na nÓg please contact Mary Mooney, Coordinator on 01-2225394 or email mary.mooney@dublincity.ie

The 4th Act

Ballymun is a suburb of Dublin and home to the largest social regeneration programme in Europe. The 4th Act examines the legacy of this 18-year regeneration project, via the dramatically and digitally reconstructed memories of the community itself. A Bread & Circus film funded by the Irish Film Board and the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland, The 4th Act has been in production in Ballymun for over three years.

Drawing on hundreds of hours of local and personal archive collated by Ballymun groups over the past four decades, the film explores themes of loss, community, hope and defiance as the residents of Ballymun watch their familiar landscape and way of living disappear. An innovative synthesis of archive and contemporary voices, the film features interviews with key policy-makers and planners in Dublin, Ireland and beyond, revealing the role ideology and politics played in the drastic transformation of 20,000 lives. Other contributors include international artists commissioned to produce works of exemplary value to the people of Ballymun, behavioural specialists hired by the local authority, and veteran community activists who saw a vibrant ecosystem of local organisations wither and vanish.

For more information on this film and to view a trailer visit <http://www.the4thact.ie/>. A screening of the film is planned soon in City Hall. For more information please contact Andrew Keogh, Producer at 0833470215 or email andrew@breadandcircus.ie

Date for your Diary

The Dublin City PPN Plenary will take place on Tuesday 10th October in the Woodquay Venue from 6-8pm. More information to follow soon! If you have any queries or suggestions for the Plenary, please contact Nina Farrell, PPN Coordinator on 01-2223851 or email nina.farrell@dublincity.ie
