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A Guide to the Dublin City Development Plan 2011–2017



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Welcome from the Resident & Tenant Focus Group

Dublin City Council commences the process of preparing the new Dublin City Development Plan 2011–2017 in January 2009.

This process must be completed within two years and the new Development Plan will set out the overall strategy and detailed policies for the future planning and development of the City for the period 2011–2017.

The last ten years have seen a major change in the landscape and the physical environment of the City. The compilation of a new Development Plan for Dublin has to take into account the facilitation of new developments and its further growth, as well as the need to protect both the legitimate concerns of those living and working in Dublin, together with the unique heritage and the environment of the City. This new Plan will help to steer and guide future development in the Capital in a coherent, logical and sustainable manner.

The public's input in this process is very important in ensuring that the final Plan reflects the concerns of the public and their many aspirations, as well as the strategies, both regional and national, as laid down in legislation.

The purpose of this booklet, which has been compiled by the Resident & Tenant Focus Group of the Dublin Community Forum, is to encourage public participation in the development of the Dublin City Development Plan 2011–2017.

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This booklet is also available online at www.dublincommunityforum.ie in pdf format.

Dublin City Development Plan 2011–2017

Review Process

1. What is the Dublin City Development Plan?

The Dublin City Development Plan sets out a roadmap for the proper planning and sustainable development of the City over a six-year period. A Development Plan focuses on ‘big picture’ planning issues, and includes development policies, development objectives, guidelines, standards, and land use zonings.

Stated policies are Dublin City Council’s agreed position on a particular issue such as protection of our natural and built heritage, integration of mixed use development with good public transport provision and the “densification” of existing built-up areas.

Stated objectives are actions or projects under different headings that Dublin City Council intends to achieve over the six-year life span of the Plan. Examples include the building of a new community centre, more Quality Bus Corridors or upgrading the infrastructure of the drinking water supply.

2. Development Plan Timetable

The process of developing the new Plan for Dublin commences in January 2009, and must be completed in two years. The new Plan will therefore come into effect in January 2011. The timetable overleaf outlines the three stages during which the public can make submissions and contribute to the development of the Plan.

(i) *Stage One: January – March 2009*

Initial public consultation commences in January 2009 for eight-weeks as part of Stage One. This period is focused on the ‘big picture’ issues i.e. issues which affect the whole city in regard to housing, transportation, environment, economy, community development, arts, etc. This stage involves facilitated evening workshops around the city. See timetable for Public Information Sessions on inside of back cover.

The focus at this stage is *not* on local issues. It is very important that local communities articulate their views, concerns, and aspirations around ‘big picture’ issues during this stage. You can use the form at the centre of this booklet to make a submission.



(ii) Stage Two: December 2009 – March 2010

This stage involves the publication of the first draft of the Dublin City Development Plan 2011–2017. Statutory public notices outlining dates, times, and locations for public viewing of this document will be widely publicised in the media. Locations will include: Dublin City Council’s Civic Offices, Dublin City Council Area Offices, and Public Libraries. See contact details on pages 8 and 9.

This public consultation stage lasts for ten weeks and **submissions on both ‘big picture’ and local issues can be made**. All comments are taken into account by the Councillors who may amend the draft Plan.

(iii) Stage Three: September – November 2010

If the draft Plan is significantly changed (materially altered) the amendments to the draft Plan go on public display for a period of four weeks as part of Stage Three. Statutory public notices outlining dates, times and locations for public viewing of the Draft Dublin City Development Plan 2011–2017, will once again appear in the media. As with Stage Two, these locations will include: Dublin City Council’s Civic Offices, Dublin City Council Area Offices, and Public Libraries. See contact details on pages 8 and 9.

Programme for the Review of the Dublin City Development Plan 2011 – 2017

		2009											
Development Plan Progress		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
A	Weeks 1 – 16 Initial Public Consultation	A											
B	Weeks 16 – 38 Preparation of Draft Development Plan					B							
C	Weeks 38 – 46 Consideration of Draft Development Plan										C		
D	Weeks 46 – 48 Prepare Draft for Public Consultation												D
E	Weeks 48 – 58 1 st Public Display of Draft Plan												
F	Weeks 58 – 70 Manager's Report on 1 st Public Display												
G	Weeks 70 – 82 Consideration by Members of Manager's Report												
H	Weeks 82 – 85 Prepare Amended Draft Development Plan												
I	Weeks 85 – 89 Second Public Display on Draft Plan												
J	Weeks 89 – 93 Manager's Report on 2 nd Public Display												
K	Weeks 93 – 99 Consideration by Members of Manager's Report												
L	Weeks 99 – 103 Plan takes effect 4 weeks from date it is made												

The Big Picture Questions

Relating to Stage One: January – March 2009

The Big Picture Questions focus on the following headings under each of which we have listed one sample question:

■ International, National and Regional Dimensions

Example: How can we build a consensus to brand and promote Dublin City Region internationally?

■ Sustainable Dublin

Example: What should be included in a sustainability checklist for all new developments and plans?

■ Urban Form / Spatial Structure of City

Example: How can the Development Plan help integrate regeneration areas into a more coherent urban structure?

■ Population and Housing Strategy

Example: Where and how should social and affordable housing be provided within the City?

■ Economic Development

Example: How can the Dublin City Development Plan better foster entrepreneurial activity?

■ Movement and Transport

Example: How can we satisfactorily accommodate the movement of goods and services in the City?

■ Community Development

Example: What policies are needed in the Dublin City Development Plan to cater for the differing housing, retail, economic, religious and recreational needs in the City's diverse population?

■ Arts and Culture

Example: How can planning exploit the potential of culture in urban regeneration, community planning, social inclusion and place naming?

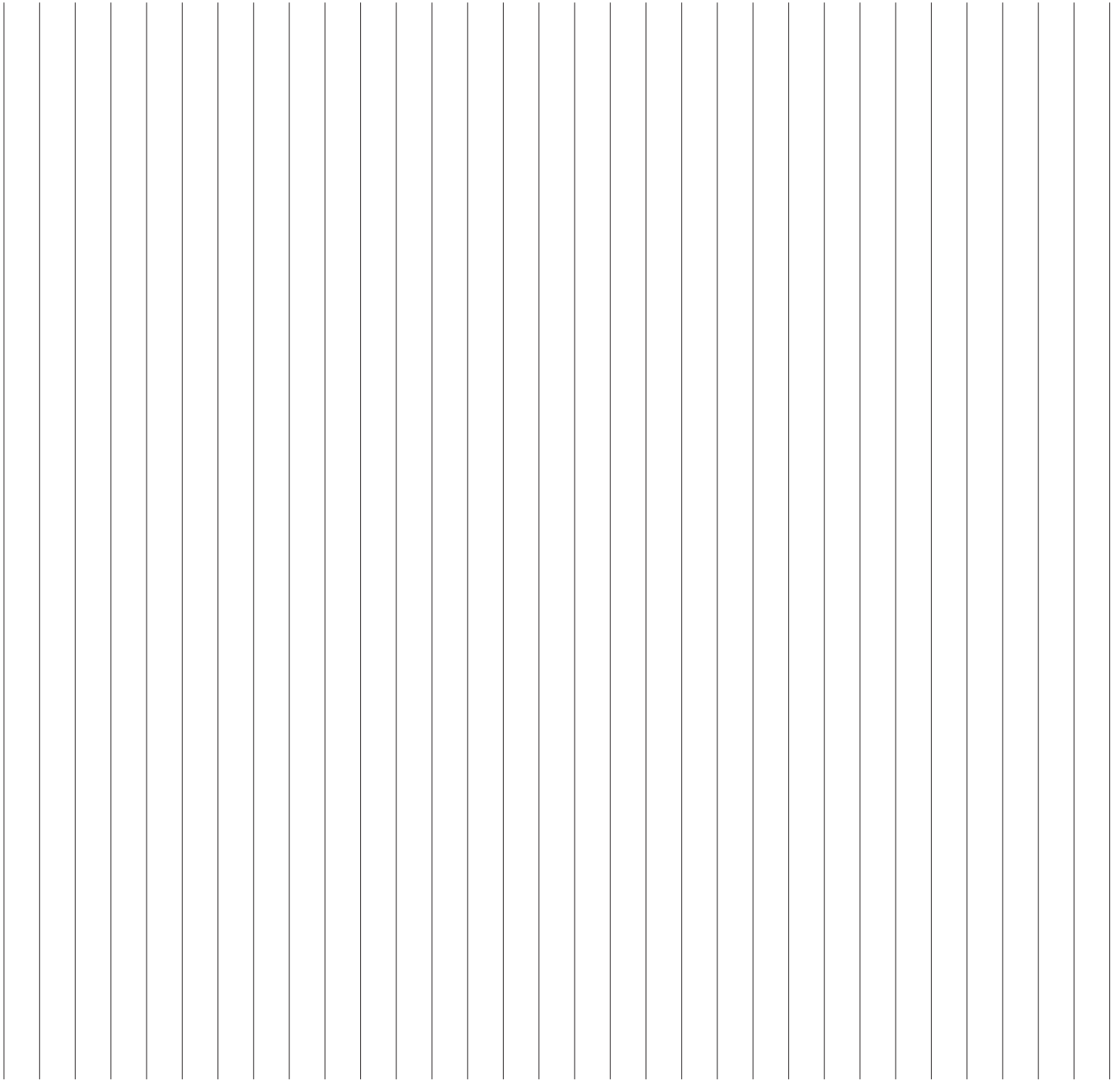
■ Landscape and Open Space, Biodiversity and Recreation

Example: How can we exploit the development process to maximise biodiversity opportunities?

■ Conservation and the Built Heritage

Example: How can we promote the status of our Georgian squares to increase their historic, cultural and economic potential?

What do **YOU** think? We want you to submit your views.



Signed: _____ Date: _____

Additional sheets may be attached where needed.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this comment sheet.

Please place this comment sheet in the comment box provided or return to:

Planning Department, Dublin City Council, Block 4, Floor 3,
Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, on or
before 4.30pm on Wednesday, 18th March, 2009
or e-mail to development.plan@dublincity.ie

Please make your submission by **one** medium only, i.e. hard copy **or** e-mail

PLEASE REMOVE THIS TAB BEFORE MAILING YOUR COMMENTS

How to make a Submission

Stage One: January – March 2009

You can partake in the Development Plan's public consultation process by making a submission.

- ▶ Your submission should be clearly written or typed and should include your name, address and, where relevant, the group/body you represent. Blank sheets on which you may make observations will be available at each of the public display centres and on Dublin City Council's website (www.dublincity.ie). Alternatively, a hand-written submission can be made on the form at the centre of this booklet.
- ▶ All submissions are welcome and do not require planning expertise or specialist planning language.
- ▶ Your submission should identify your key concerns and issues.
- ▶ Keep your submission short and to the point.
- ▶ Keep a copy of your submission.
- ▶ Observe **closing dates and time limits** for receipt of submissions as these are strictly adhered to.

▶ There is no cost involved in making a submission.

▶ Please send your submission to the Planning Department clearly marked **Development Plan Review** and addressed to:

Planning Department
Dublin City Council
Civic Offices
Wood Quay
Dublin 8

Or by email to:
development.plan@dublincity.ie

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**The Closing Date for Stage
One Submissions is 4:30pm on
Wednesday, 18th March 2009.**

Local Libraries

Ballyfermot Library

Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10
T: 626 9324 / 5

Ballymun Library

Ballymun Road, Dublin 9
T: 842 1890

Cabra Library

Navan Road, Dublin 7
T: 869 1414

Central Library

ILAC Centre, Henry Street,
Dublin 1
T: 873 4333

Charleville Mall Library

North Strand, Dublin 1
T: 874 9619

Coolock Library

Barryscourt Road, Dublin 17
T: 847 7781

Dolphin's Barn Library

Parnell Road, Dublin 12
T: 454 0681

Donaghmede Library

Donaghmede Shopping
Centre, Dublin 13
T: 848 2833

Drumcondra Library

Millmount Avenue, Dublin 9
T: 837 7206

Finglas Library

Finglas Shopping Centre,
Dublin 11
T: 834 4906

Inchicore Library

34 Emmet Road, Dublin 8
T: 453 3793

Kevin Street Library

18 Lower Kevin Street, Dublin 8
T: 475 3794

Marino Library

Marino Mart, Dublin 3
T: 833 6297

Pearse Street Library

138-144 Pearse Street,
Dublin 2
T: 674 4888

Pembroke Library

Anglesea Road, Dublin 4
T: 668 9575

Phibsboro Library

Blacquire Bridge, Dublin 7
T: 830 4341

Raheny Library

Howth Road, Raheny, Dublin 5
T: 831 5521

Rathmines Library

157 Lower Rathmines Road,
Dublin 6
T: 497 3539

Ringsend Library

Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 4
T: 668 0063

Terenure Library

Templeogue Road, Dublin 6
T: 490 7035

Walkinstown Library

Percy French Road, Dublin 12
T: 455 8159

Dublin City Council's Civic Offices & 5 Administrative Area Offices



Dublin City Council – Civic Offices

The Atrium
Civic Offices
Wood Quay
Dublin 8
T: 222 2222

Dublin City Council – Central Area

Sean Mac Dermott Street Area Office
51-53 Lower Sean Mac Dermott Street
Dublin 1
T: 222 2248

Dublin City Council – North Central Area

Northside Civic Centre
Bunratty Road
Coolock
Dublin 17
T: 816 6710

Dublin City Council – North West Area

Finglas Area Office
Mellowes Road
Finglas
Dublin 11
T: 222 5400

Dublin City Council – South Central Area

Units 20 – 21 and 29 The Maltings
Marrowbone Lane
Dublin 8
T: 222 5200

Dublin City Council – South East Area

Block 2 Floor 2
Civic Buildings
Wood Quay
Dublin 8
T: 222 2243

Key Directives / Policies / Guidelines

The following are some of the key directives / policies / guidelines that influence the content of the Dublin City Development Plan:

1) The National Spatial Strategy

DOWNLOAD COPY from the NSS website www.irishspatialstrategy.ie

2) Regional Planning Guidelines Project

Greater Dublin Area
Implementing The National Spatial Strategy
Regional Planning Guidelines Review 2003

DOWNLOAD COPY from the RPG website (227 pages) www.rpg.ie

3) Planning Guidelines No 15 – Development Plans

Purchase for €3.50 from The Government Publications Sale Office, Molesworth Street, Dublin 2.

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government website (106 pages) www.environ.ie

4) Sustainable Residential Development In Urban Areas

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government website (54 pages) www.environ.ie

5) Towards Integration: A City Framework

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Dublin City Development Board website (80 pages) <http://www.dublin.ie/arts-culture/towards-integration.htm>

6) Dublin City Biodiversity Action Plan 2008–2012

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Dublin City Council website (64 pages) www.dublincity.ie

7) Climate Change Strategy For Dublin City 2008–2012

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Dublin City Council website (26 pages) www.dublincity.ie

8) Planning Guidelines No 13 – Development Management

Purchase for €4.00 from The Government Publications Sale Office, Molesworth Street, Dublin 2.

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government website (119 pages) www.environ.ie

Another plan affecting Dublin is:

9) Dublin Docklands Area Draft Master Plan 2008 – Published November 2007

DOWNLOAD COPY from the Dublin Docklands Development Authority website www.ddda.ie

About the Dublin Community Forum

The Dublin Community Forum comprises over 700 community groups including those representing residents & tenants, the arts, the environment, childcare, youth, disability, new communities, diversity, the homeless, and sports & recreation.

The main aims of the Dublin Community Forum are:

- To provide a platform through which members may explore, articulate and organise to progress issues and interests that are of particular concern to them.
- To represent the community & voluntary sector of Dublin City on city-wide participative structures such as the Dublin City Development Board, Area Committees and Strategic Policy Committees.
- To represent community & voluntary input into strategic plans for Dublin City.

Membership of the Dublin Community Forum is open to any group, club or organisation that operates on a voluntary, co-operative or not-for-profit basis for the benefit of the community.

If you or your organisation are interested in becoming more involved with either the Dublin Community Forum or the Resident & Tenant Focus Group you can get more information by contacting:

Dublin Community Forum

Office of the Director of Community & Enterprise
Block 4, Floor 1
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Wood Quay
Dublin 8

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Fax: 01 222 2162

Email: community.forum@dublincity.ie

Web: www.dublincommunityforum.ie

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Public Information Workshops

As part of *Stage One*, Dublin City Council is organising a series of Public Information Workshops, as follows:

Day	Date	Location	Time
Tues	3 rd Feb 09	Artane Beaumont Family Recreation Centre, Skelly's Lane, Dublin 5	7.30 pm
Thurs	5 th Feb 09	Le Ceile Community Hall, Collins Avenue, Donnycarney, Dublin 5	7.30 pm
Tues	10 th Feb 09	Finglas Civic Centre, Mellowes Road, Finglas, Dublin 11	7.00 pm
Thurs	12 th Feb 09	Ballymun Civic Centre, Main Street, Ballymun, Dublin 9	7.00 pm
Tues	17 th Feb 09	Ballybough Community and Sports Centre, Ballybough Road, (Railway Bridge), Dublin 1	7.00 pm
Thurs	19 th Feb 09	Pearse Street Library, 138–144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2	7.30 pm
Tues	24 th Feb 09	The Evergreen Hall, Terenure Road, Dublin 6W	7.00 pm
Thurs	26 th Feb 09	Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10	7.00 pm
Tues	3 rd Mar 09	RDS, The Members Room, 1 st Floor, Merrion Road, Dublin 4	7.30 pm
Thurs	5 th Mar 09	Clareville Daycare Centre, Clareville Court, Glasnevin, Dublin 11	7.00 pm



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