

Regeneration Connect

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Limerick City
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Dear Resident

I am pleased to introduce a new newsletter for Limerick regeneration communities - 'Regeneration Connect'. The aim of the biannual newsletter is to keep everyone informed as we move forward together to deliver physical, social and economic projects and initiatives in the four designated regeneration areas - Ballinacurra Weston, Moyross, Southill and St Mary's Park. The Newsletter highlights the ongoing work of Limerick City and County Council's Regeneration Directorate and other stakeholders, including, most importantly, the communities.

I hope you enjoy reading it.

Dr. Pat Daly
Chief Executive
Limerick City & County Council

€3.75m in Funding Announced for Regeneration Communities

Over 78 organisations working in the Regeneration Communities have received a significant boost with €3.75 million in funding allocated by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, through the Economic and Social Intervention Fund (ESIF). 135 projects are to receive financial support through this fund which is a central tenet of the Limerick Regeneration Programme.

Projects supported by the Economic and Social Intervention Fund fall under one of at least 6 themes: Education and Learning, Health and Wellbeing, Ageing Well, Employability and Work, Families and Youth at Risk, Community

The fund is administered by Limerick City and County Council under its dedicated Regeneration Directorate, made up of a multidisciplinary team led by Director of Service, Joe Delaney.



Young Southill Volunteers at Team Limerick Clean-Up Event



Jobs Fair

Outreach to Employment Initiative

In partnership with LCETB and TUS three very successful jobs fairs have been held recently in Moyross, Ballinacurra Weston and St. Mary's Park, with one planned for Southill in September. It is estimated up to 600 people attended from all the regeneration communities. Several local employers were available at these events to engage directly with the community.

Housing Developments

Construction began on three major Regeneration housing developments in the first quarter of 2022 - Churchfield (Phase 2) Southill; Cliona Park (Phase 3) and Cosgrave Park/ Dalglish Park, both in Moyross. They will contribute 112 new houses and apartments to cater for our communities.

Tenders will be invited for the construction of 27 units for the The Orchard site elderly development on King's Island in the summer.



Churchfield Phase 2 Southill

For the Sheep St/Athlunkard St Development of 8 units, a contractor's tender has been accepted on foot of Stage 4 approval received in April 2022.

To date 1,176 publicly and privately owned properties in the regeneration areas

have benefitted from the Thermal Upgrade Programme with a further 38 dwellings currently at construction stage and 232 dwellings advancing to tender stage.

Southill

Southill Residents Input into Playground Design

The Southill District Play Area, Castle Oaks View Road (in front of the church) received Stage 1 approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. The procurement and appointment of a Design Team is now being progressed. Once appointed, we will engage with the community in relation to appropriate and desirable equipment to progress within the proposal.



Existing Community Centre/Proposed Community Centre Location

St Mary's Park

Project Brief for St Mary's Park Community Centre

A project group has been established to develop a project brief and progress a 2022 funding submission for a St Mary's Park Community Centre Project. It consists of Limerick City and County Council, Limerick Island Community Partners (LICP) and community members. The project group is assessing provision requirements with a view to submitting a capital appraisal in summer 2022.



Example of Play Equipment

Moyross

Moyross as a Community Sports Hub

In February, the Mayor launched Moyross as a Community Sports Hub. As part of the hub a newly appointed Community Sports Development Officer Ryan Meaney will facilitate and support the development of initiatives in the Moyross Community which will expand the range and quality of opportunities for the people of Moyross to be more physically active. The Moyross Sports Hub has a dedicated office space at Moyross Community Enterprise Centre. Ryan.Meaney@moyross.ie 085-8622603



Moyross Community Sports Hub

Ballinacurra Weston

Voice and Choice for Children's Play in Our Lady of Lourdes

The child's voice is central to everything at the Early Years Service not least the latest refit in the crèche. Conversations with the children showed that they love their community and this is reflected in one of the new wall images such as the Forest & Fairies, echoing the one in the local Baggott Estate. Six play rooms have adopted a 'no plastic/branding playschool' approach so all equipment is now natural. A sensory break out room was also developed for the playschool group. Children, parents and staff are delighted with the result.



Our Lady of Lourdes Childworld Crèche

FACTS & FIGURES



112

Homes under construction

Thermal Upgrades completed

1176

 units

20

20 projects for Families & Youth at Risk at a cost of €1m supported in 2022

Economic & Social Intervention Fund 2022

135 projects | 78 organisations

€3.75 million



Outreach to Employment Programme

99

people engaged in 2021