



# **CONSULTATION NOW OPEN** 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER – 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER

# Join us in charting the future for Dún Laoghaire Harbour!

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council are embarking on an exciting journey to shape the future of our iconic Harbour, and we need you on board! The Dún Laoghaire Harbour Masterplan will be our directional chart for decades to come **guiding how we want to use, develop and enjoy the Harbour, and its environs.** The Masterplan area comprises 50 acres of land and 200 acres of sea within the historic Harbour walls.





The Masterplan will serve as a long-term (non-statutory) planning document that sets out a future vision to guide decision-making around the Harbour's growth and development. The Masterplan will contain ideas for enhancing the environment, heritage, economy, recreation, tourism and public spaces within and around Dún Laoghaire Harbour and its waters. The Masterplan will also aim to build climate resilience, increase biodiversity and greening. It will contain short, medium, and long-term actions to achieve its vision.

# WHAT HAPPENS ONCE THE MASTERPLAN IS PUBLISHED?

After the Masterplan is produced, the council will work with various stakeholders to secure funding, investment and partners to make these short, medium and long-term actions happen. Detailed designs would be created for key parts of the Masterplan, and separate formal planning and marine consent processes would be undertaken where required.

#### **HOW YOU CAN HELP TO STEER THE COURSE!**

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to shape the future of the Harbour. We are running two key phases of public consultation, the first happening in September 2024. Your input is vital to help ensure the Masterplan reflects local and county needs and contains ideas to benefit a wide range of stakeholders including current and future users, residents, businesses, and visitors alike.

#### **MASTERPLAN TIMELINE** 2025 **Final Define** Vision **Consultation:** Consultation Masterplan & Develop Ideas for on Draft Report Options Masterplan Masterplan Stakeholder Review



#### **HOW TO TAKE PART IN THE CONSULTATION**

- Online Survey this is the main way to provide feedback.
  Visit dlrcoco.citizenspace.com (Open 11th September 23rd October)
- Meetings for Harbour stakeholders and community groups.
- Webinar Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7pm; please register using the link on DLR Citizen Space webpage.
- dlr Lexicon Library exhibit view project posters and contribute to our feedback station.
- Pop-up and Open House Junior at dlr LexIcon Saturday 12th October, 11 3pm
- E-mail submissions to harbour@dlrcoco.ie
- You are encouraged to use the DLRCC online consultation hub Citizen Space, however submissions or observations may also be made in writing to: Harbour Section, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, County Hall, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin
- All postal and email submissions should be marked 'Dún Laoghaire Harbour Masterplan' and must be received by DLRCC by 23rd October 2024.

### Pop-up Consultation and Harbour Boat Tour

Join us for a pop-up consultation and a **guided boat tour** of the harbour on **Saturday 21**st **September**.

There will be four trips taking place: 11am, 12pm, 2pm and 3pm.

The boat ride will last about 45 minutes and is a great way to enjoy the Harbour from the water, share your thoughts and ideas about the Harbour's future development and talk with those involved in the Masterplan project. This is a free event, open to everyone including children. Booking is essential and can be done via Dublin Bay Cruises website or through the link on DLR Citizen Space webpage.



## SUPPORTING EXISTING USES, CREATING NEW **OPPORTUNITIES**

Our Harbour is a dynamic, multi-functional environment offering a blend of recreation, tourism, maritime, fishing and commercial activities. We want to continue to support and enhance existing uses, whilst exploring new opportunities in the Masterplan area.

There are opportunities to increase public access to the Harbour and its waters, celebrate Dún Laoghaire's unique heritage, increase vitality and recreation, boost tourism and the local economy, create better linkages with the town, and to address climate action and improve biodiversity. While some of the land around Harbour has long-term tenants or is privately owned, the Harbour does have significant opportunity sites. These could be repurposed for different uses – recreation, heritage, tourism, accommodation or commercial. We want to hear your ideas on what you think could work!













