

# Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

## Community And Cultural Facilities Audit

### Consultation Questionnaire

**Closing Date for Submission: 16 May 2023**

The questionnaire can be completed online at [www.dlrcoco.citizenspace.com](http://www.dlrcoco.citizenspace.com)

#### **Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Community and Cultural facilities Audit**

The Council is carrying out an audit of community and cultural facilities across the county. We in dlr are seeking the views of people who live, or work in Dún Laoghaire -Rathdown County or are visitors to the County, in relation to these facilities.

***Community facilities include indoor spaces, meeting spaces, indoor recreation, performance arts, classes, yoga, exercise, community spaces and halls. Cultural facilities include libraries, theatre, music facilities, gallery, performance area, and heritage attractions.***

As part of this audit, Dlr have engaged MacCabe Durney Barnes, Town Planning/Urban Economics & Design Consultants (MDB) to assist with the development and carrying out of this audit.

We in dlr would very much appreciate it if you could take the time to fill out this questionnaire and share your views on the community, and cultural facilities in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. Please take this opportunity to share information on you and your households needs in relation to community and cultural facilities in the County.

You do not need to answer all of the questions, only the questions that you feel comfortable with and are relevant to you and your household.

#### **The aim of the Audit?**

The current Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2022-28 supports planning for sustainable communities and supporting sustainable neighbourhood infrastructure.

##### **4.2.1.4 Policy Objective PHP5: Community Facilities**

It is policy objective to:

- Support the development, improvement and provision of a wide range of community facilities throughout the County where required
- Facilitate and support the preparation of a countywide Community Strategy.

A component part of sustainable neighbourhood infrastructure is the provision of an appropriate range of community and cultural facilities. Dlr has committed to complete a community audit during the lifetime of this plan. This audit will review facilities and indicate where gaps, if any, exist. The audit will inform and guide the planning of future facilities. This will aid in the appropriate delivery of new facilities as required. These facilities offer a range of functions and the space within these facilities are often multi-functional.

The focus of this audit is approximately 50 facilities located throughout the county. It is not a fully exhaustive list of the wide range of Council owned or supported facilities that currently exist within Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. Consultation with facility managers, user groups, stakeholders and the public is being carried out as part of this process. This is to ensure the 'Community Needs' in the County

are understood and can be incorporated for consideration into planning for community and cultural facilities.

All information supplied in the questionnaires will be anonymised and will only be used for the purposes of the audit.

If you have any questions, please email [mmccarthy@mdb.ie](mailto:mmccarthy@mdb.ie). The questionnaire can be completed online at [www.dlrcoco.citizenspace.com](http://www.dlrcoco.citizenspace.com). **Hard copies** of the questionnaire are available on request, please phone 01 676 2594 for a copy to be posted. Please post completed questionnaires to: Moira Mc Carthy, MacCabe Durney Barnes, 20 Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin 2 or email to [mmccarthy@mdb.ie](mailto:mmccarthy@mdb.ie)

**Prize Draw: All submitted questionnaires can be entered into a draw for a €50 One4All Gift Card. You will need to provide your email address in the profile section if you would like to enter the prize draw.**

If you choose to provide your email address, this will only be used for entry in the prize draw, and/or to acknowledge your submission.