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DLR PPN Vision for Community

Wellbeing For This and Future

Generations

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Section 1

Overview

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Public Participation Network (DLR PPN) was tasked by the Department of Rural and Community to develop a vision statement known as the Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement.

This Vision for Community Wellbeing statement identifies the key issues that member groups in the DLR PPN and the wider DLR community consider important for their community to be “The best that it can be for this and future generations”.

The term “Community Wellbeing”, which is wider than mental and physical health, is explored under 6 topics:

- Social & Community Development
- Environment & Sustainability
- Work, Economy & Resources
- Health (Physical and Mental)
- Values, Culture & Meaning
- Participation, Democracy & Good Governance

We engaged with our members and the wider DLR community through a series of workshops and a detailed survey. The information, comments and views were painstakingly collected and collated to produce the draft Vision. You can find out more about the methodology and the steps undertaken to achieve this in this document.

The DLR PPN Secretariat and Staff would like to acknowledge the participation of DLR PPN Members and Representatives, the wider DLR Community, young and old, and also DLR County Council and our facilitators who assisted us with the process.

All of your contributions are valued and we thank you sincerely for your participation. Without you this would not have been possible.



DLR PPN Vision for Community Wellbeing for this and Future Generations

Our society is a safe and tolerant one where inclusion is the norm, each individual is nurtured and is given the opportunities and supports needed to realise their full potential.

In this inclusive, open community, people respect, enjoy and celebrate the diverse cultures of its members, valuing its traditions and heritage and the Irish language. It is a community where a shared value of respect means that places, properties and public spaces can be all enjoyed together. A community where creativity and culture are supported and nourished.

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown is a community with a holistic approach to health and wellbeing, a positive environment where all are cherished and nurtured, where equal opportunities and inclusion are the norm. In this community its members' needs are prioritised and fully resourced, to ensure that everyone has equal and timely access to appropriate medical, patient-centred care. All the supports required for families and carers, young and old, will be readily available within the community and easy to access.

Young people will be supported in education and resources will be distributed fairly to ensure all in the community have equality of opportunity to thrive economically. There will be supports available to business both financial and training to assist local business to support persons into employment who may need additional assistance.

DLR will be an innovative model of the 15 minute city. An affordable and pleasant place to work and live and where everyone is supported to live in the area. The availability of resources and the facilities such as broadband and services to facilitate home/blended working.

The transport system is a reliable one and connects people living in the area to local facilities such as hospitals and schools and a shuttle service linking local towns and villages. Transport will be accessible, safe and provide easy access to the whole county, not just the city centre.

This will be a community where there is affordable, suitable housing, available for locals, young people can avail of affordable places to rent or buy, one where there is no housing crisis. There are community spaces such as gardens, community and sporting centres, where the community can meet to engage in sporting activities, socialise, learn and where information on the supports available is easily accessed. An area too where sensible planning prevails in order to preserve our communities.

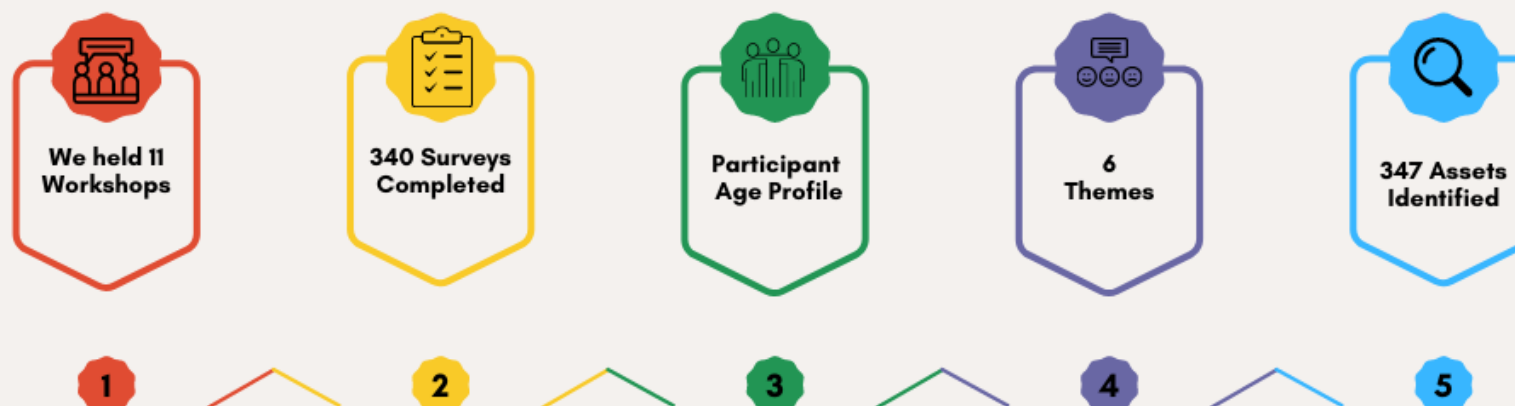
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown rises the challenge to address Climate Change by preserving and protecting our natural environments for future generations to enjoy, by taking pride in our natural resources and ensuring that they are well looked after. There will be an emphasis on biodiversity, the environment will be clean and litter free. We will educate the community about sustainable living, and make efforts to lower our carbon emissions by using sustainable and active transport.

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown will operate an inclusive model of democracy with an emphasis on community leadership, one where more women and young people are encouraged to participate in local decision making. A place where its citizens of all ages, young and old, feel empowered to participate. DLR PPN continues to function as the conduit between the Local Authority and community.

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown is a county where listening is important; its county council actively consults, listens to and fully informs the community on its plans and continues to seek the opinions and views of the community as a whole.

Some interesting statistics

DLR PPN Vision for Community Wellbeing



4 Local Area Workshops &
5 Special Interest
Workshops

Dundrum
Dun Laoghaire
Killiney
All Areas Open Workshop
DLR New Irish Communities
Comhairle na N'Og
Disability Interest Groups
Community Stakeholders Forum
DLR Councillors

2 Feedback on Draft Vision
Statement Workshops

88% participants
completed the survey as
an individual, while 12%
made submissions on
behalf of a group.
The submissions on
behalf of groups amount
to more than 3,510 local
members.

43.5% of the respondents
belong to the 46 - 65 age
category, 29.9% belong to
the 26-45 age group, and
22% of the respondents
were over 66 years old

Feedback categorised by
the 6 themes then into
sub-themes s e.g.
Environment/Nature/Parks
Community meeting place
Sport activities
Art activities
Intergenerational resources
Housing
Transport and roads
Climate change
Community supports, and more

These assets range from
tangible facilities, to
activities, locations,
organisations, pieces of
legislation, systems and
governing or
non-government bodies.



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Section 2

Introduction

The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Public Participation Network (sometimes shortened to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown PPN or DLR PPN) is an independent network of community, voluntary, social inclusion and environmental organisations, active in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County area.

Our main aim is to facilitate communication between community groups and the local authority. This includes supporting community groups to take part in decisions made by the local authority. The PPN is the main link through which the local authority connects with these groups, in addition to usual consultation processes carried out by the local authority.

About the DLR Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Public Participation Network has been asked to develop a Vision for Community Wellbeing. Community Wellbeing is more than physical and mental health - it also includes the conditions we need as individuals and communities to have a better quality of life, healthier environment and increased prosperity.

A community with a high level of wellbeing is likely to be one where all people have a strong sense of belonging and identity, opportunities to work individually and together for the common good, are able to support each other through different life stages, access the services they need, live consciously sustainable lives in a positive environment, are able to participate in the making the decisions that affect them, and so forth.

Why does a PPN need to have a Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement?

A county-specific Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement is a welcome resource which:

- Helps establish a shared (common) goal and direction, helps develop a sense of shared purpose/unity, and fosters collaborative working among member groups
- Is developed by members – it is “owned” by them
- It is the foundation document that informs PPN representatives in their roles and assists them in representing their community
- Is the basis for development of Strategic and Work Plans
- Constitutes a useful measure of change/ progress
- Provides support for democratic process

The Vision for Community Wellbeing For This and Future Generations identifies the key issues that member groups in the DLR PPN area consider are important for their community to be “The best that it can be for this and future generations”.



Fig. 1 - Themes for the Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement

Main themes included in the DLR Vision for Community Wellbeing

The six main themes explored are:

- **Social & Community Development** - How can we be an inclusive community where we support each other and ensure no one is left out? What are the important social services and facilities we need to live well from childhood to old age?
- **Environment & Sustainability** - How do we value our natural environment and man-made heritage? What can be done to conserve, protect and restore these? How can we interact with the environment in a sustainable way, and hand it on to the next generation in a better state?
- **Work, Economy & Resources** - How can our communities thrive economically, with good jobs, and supports for enterprise, business and for people not in work? What resources do we have and are they used effectively and sustainably without causing harm to social and environmental sustainability?
- **Health (Physical and Mental)** - How can all members of our community enjoy the best possible physical and mental health? What about people with special needs, older people, and carers?
- **Values, Culture & Meaning** - What is needed to ensure that everyone both feels, and actually is, included and valued, and that our different values and cultures are

respected and nurtured? What are the important parts of our culture that we want to hand on to future generations?

- **Participation, Democracy & Good Governance-** What is necessary to ensure that our local government structures support the wellbeing of our community for this and future generations? What is necessary to ensure that we have a voice in the decisions that affect us and that all voices are being heard?

Who did we consult with to develop the DLR Vision for Community Wellbeing?



Fig. 2 - Steps in the process of developing the Draft Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement

During 2021, and given the context of the pandemic, DLR PPN brought community groups together in an online format through several workshops and a survey to develop a shared Vision for Community Wellbeing for the County of Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown. We organised nine workshops, where we mapped the assets in the county, and explored the wellbeing vision of the participants.

We complemented the workshop feedback with a widely circulated consultation survey. The feedback obtained was collated in the present draft survey.

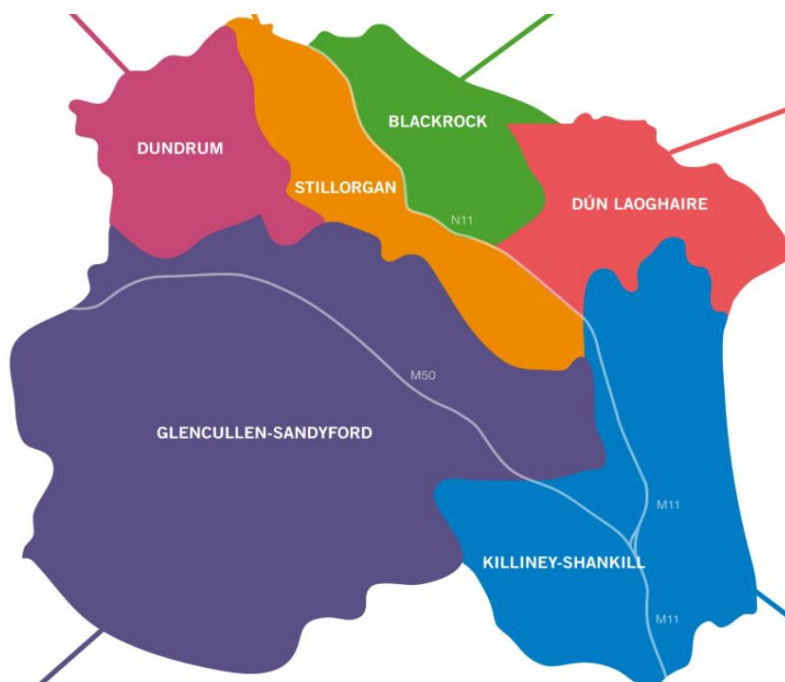


Fig. 3 - The Electoral areas in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown

1. Online workshops

Our aim was to go as local and specific as possible so the workshops were divided into two main categories:

- **Electoral areas – with workshops for the following electoral areas**
 - Dundrum – 12th October 2021
 - Dun Laoghaire – 13th October 2021
 - Killiney and Shankill – 20th of October 2021
 - All Areas Open Workshop - 27th October 2021
- **Special interest – one workshop for each of the following interest areas:**
 - DLR New Irish Communities – 14th October
 - Comhairle na N'Og Workshop - 19th October
 - Disability Interest Groups – 21st October
 - Community Stakeholders Forum Workshop - 26th October
 - DLR Councillors Workshop - 28th October

2.

Survey

An extensive survey was prepared and launched, which followed the same format as the online workshop brief. The survey was sent to our membership, and published online. People working and living in DLR were invited to participate in order to complement the feedback obtained through the workshops.

The Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council was supportive about sharing and promoting the survey online. The survey ran for a period of 6 weeks, from the 27th of September 2021 to the 8th of November 2021. Submissions via post and email were also facilitated and welcomed.

Section 3

The Draft Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement

The feedback obtained through the workshops and survey was collated according to the six themes mentioned above. In turn, the themes were subdivided into sub-themes, which include:

- Environment/ Nature/ Parks
- Community meeting places
- Community
- Sport activities
- Art activities
- Intergenerational resources
- Housing
- Transport and roads
- Climate change
- Community supports, and more

The feedback from each theme has been summarised into a paragraph, easily found at the beginning of each section. We have included the summaries in the chart below.

In order to see a detailed presentation of methodology and results, please go to page [58](#).

Draft Vision by Theme

Environment & Sustainability

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Work, Economy & Resources

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Social & Community Development

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Health - Physical & Mental

Vision for Health both Physical and Mental in Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown

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Inclusion

- Swimming for People with Disabilities - a very valuable initiative that needs to be sustained and perhaps expanded. People need to be encouraged to participate and get facilities for more groups trying to do things like this.
- Accessible sports facilities for all.
- Non-members of sports clubs to be welcomed to events.
- Increased visibility and accessibility for the migrant community.
- Continue to create a positive environment where all are cherished and nurtured, with equal opportunities the norm.
- Gyms reaching out to older people to become involved in classes given by properly trained fitness people.
- Let's talk to schools, HSE & families about normalising disabilities.
- Health supports should be universal and further investment is required for vulnerable groups and those who care for them. Our healthcare system is two tiered and this needs to be addressed, as it often seems that access to health supports depends on your address and not your needs.
- Support the leaders in the field of health, wellbeing and age friendliness.
- Support age-friendly initiatives to achieve more within our community.

Environment/ Nature/ Parks

- Surely cycling can be facilitated in our Parks with "cycling only" paths as has been done in other countries. At the moment our Parks are dangerous for walkers between cyclists and e-scooters - it must be possible to regulate this somehow so that there aren't more people injured. It used to be said that cars were a danger to cyclists on

our roads so cycle lanes have been provided (but indeed not always used e.g. Leopardstown Road is a great example).

- Green spaces
- As part of the project we focus on everything that affects SPC areas – 5 ways to wellbeing needs to be very broad to bring in all the existing efforts and refugees. Mental health is also being addressed – huge exploding piece that will need to be revisited – how much does somebody feel that they belong in their community – that is crucial to people's wellbeing
- Initiatives to reduce dog dirt on the piers especially for people in wheelchairs and/ or crutches.
- Benches are too low in the parks – if someone has had a hip replacement the benches are far too low – if the benches were put on a plinth would help.
- Parking is difficult for disabled drivers - can't park too far away from where to walk to get there.
- E-Scooters in the park are dangerous for people with disabilities because they can't get out of the way quick enough.
- Initiative to raise awareness that bike riders should use bells to signal their presence in the parks, for the benefit of the visually impaired community.
- Mount Merrion Park is an important local resource that needs to be preserved.
- There are many benefits that come from local cleanup groups cleaning parks and residential areas in Mount Merrion. The chat and coffee afterwards was just as important as the cleanup itself for mental health.
- Preserve and enhance the places to walk, swim, cycle lanes in order to make it easy to look after our physical wellbeing.
- Involved more with the Green Prescription and Ecotherapy and implementing nature based solutions to overcome physical and mental health problems.
- More community participation in cleaning and keeping areas clean.
- Building on our new culture of being outdoors by expanding shelter from the elements in public spaces.

Natural resources

- Use of beaches to be made more user friendly.
- Parks, mountains made accessible for various health activity initiatives.
- Improve and encourage access to the environment for all age groups.
- High level of good physical and mental health as we have the facilities/ natural environment to support this.

Parks and Green Spaces

- Safe spaces where youth can practice sports and walking.
- Parks to be developed as family friendly places.
- Options for picnics for people in parks.
- Outdoor places to capture the Irish mentality - stressless, lots of places to go

outdoors.

- Use our beautiful parks more.
- Better maintenance and use of every available green space (even green patches), future wild flower meadow, bundled hedgerows, etc.
- More investment in parks.
- Dog parks would be nice.
- Green space not just in a formal way such as sports pitches but also more wildlife friendly areas.
- Active play spaces, not just cut grass.
- Skateboard parks, BMX tracks, swings and seating nearby, to cater for all ages.
- Proper access to nature, proper parks, dealing with Bord Pleanála to insist on this, and on developers to replace trees, hedgerows etc. to give a real feeling of physical and mental well-being in this area.
- Great outdoors is where people spend their lives. Parks, greenways and cycle paths.
- Protect the parks and public spaces.
- More walking paths, marked out for all and tourism and rentable stations.
- Parks with plenty of rest spots for older people.
- The outdoor spaces are well managed and this is very important. It would be good if personal connectivity were improving, instead of dis-improving.

Seafront and Sea Swimming

- Keep all sea areas public, free and accessible.
- Access to the sea front for all users for leisurely walks.
- More regular testing of water quality.
- Improving facilities for public swimming (e.g. Coliemore Harbour).
- Benches and seating to allow young people to sit with friends outside.
- Presence of food stalls in parks and streets to make places feel lively.
- Prioritising Wellbeing – the sea on the front door step and country on back door step.
- Ensure that Cherrywood development area will not feel over run with that sort of numbers living in the area.
- Environment in DLR needs to be looked at/ preserved for the sake of health wellbeing.
- Ensure the coastline is well used for swimming/ walking.
- More investment in the sea - less focus on the harbour as a revenue generating resource (car park, ferry terminal) and more as an amenity for the general public to enjoy.
- More public slipways - the rescue boat during the summer was a very positive step.
- Mountains to the Sea Nature bathing for the mental health benefits of the natural environment.
- Keep up good work on water quality on public beaches.
- More benches along the seafronts.

Community Meeting places. Sport Activities & Arts

- Organisations – cycling without age – ticks all boxes – bike hub – have been asking about social services for the aged and this will also apply to refugees – many people who are even severely disabled can take advantage of the bike hub and get out on bikes.
- Continue to maintain and improve sports facilities so that they are accessible at a reasonable cost.
- Affordable sports facilities for all - where people can join in to sports without having to have a subscription, need more low cost facilities such as more benches.
- Swimming Lessons- a wider availability of free lessons is needed.
- Arabic cultural centre to be promoted and supported.
- Preserve the variety of places to go outdoors and indoors.

Community Gardening Plots

- Very useful and community led with community participation and social contact - important for mental and physical health.
- WhatsApp groups for plants or seeds to swap and would leave on people's doorsteps through Covid and a lot of friendships can be made this way.
- More availability in winter for access to all-weather pitches and facilities.
- Access to allotments and community gardens for many more people.
- Community gardens, orchards, wildlife spaces to provide sanctuary for residents from daily life.

Heritage - both natural and man-made

- More easily accessible ways to explore heritage that is there already.
- Information and sharing of knowledge about the history of places creates a place for belonging.
- Exploring the variety of trees.
- Revealing the old ruins in the area leads to an increased awareness how to keep the people engaged.

Community Activities

- Where do people go if they have issues of a local nature? The councillors are one avenue but there are not many. Local gathering places are required for people to air and percolate their local issues
- Neighbours are friendly as are people in general. People look out for each other.
- Group activities - Columbanus and Fernhill Cleanups great community get togethers.
- Everyone lives on a street where they can socialise and play in comfort and safety without noise and air pollution.

Intergenerational resources

- Intergenerational resources where old and young can mix and meet.

- Initiatives to support the young and old generations to form relationships in the community.

Communication and awareness

- Communications to publicise the initiatives taken to make facilities and services available.
- Communication of events needs to be improved.

Communication

- Prioritise giving information and access to information.
- Information on services available is not always updated online and needs to be advertised more.

Map of Available Assets

- Map of assets is needed to help explore your interests and discover community - people are not sure where to find services and assets.

Information sharing

- Social prescribing software needed to create a directory of services during Covid and beyond.
- The need for a collaborative system where all the organisations put their services in and update regularly.
- As a Residents Association, we are struggling trying to keep up with new developments, infrastructure struggling and affecting wellbeing in the community. Trying to figure out how we can integrate with other groups to bring more awareness.
- Newsletters are important to keep the community informed of what's happening in the area and all the resources offered by DLR, e.g. sports partnership courses etc.
- Younger Residents Access to Assets: Many did not know what assets are available in the area - for example Fernhill, Samuel Beckett centre, local residential playgrounds, and the discovery of local heritage assets were important during COVID to improve both physical and mental wellbeing in all areas of the county.
- Working with schools and local groups to increase awareness of the assets available and how to avail of them.

Health Supports & Services

- Support for carers
- Social Prescribing
- Primary Healthcare Centre: New infrastructure being put in at the same time as urban renewal.
- Will we have a Living Lab? It's important to have them when delivering new facilities like this

- DLR should promote the Green Prescription – whole area of Green policy as green antidote to COVID-19
- I would like to mention that it's a difficult situation now with refugees finding housing etc. and imagine there will be mental health issues – needs changes to our programs to handle that – many of us are not trained counsellors but it will take greater effort & it is a heavy burden but we are looking forward to welcoming the refugees and doing everything we can to help.
- How do refugees get a doctor's appointment – is this already addressed by the HSE as it is already difficult for everyone to get doctors appointments.
- Movie mental health nurses, maybe to run local groups so as to maintain issues before they escalate. A and E is an awful prospect for anyone in a mental health trauma.
- People need to be supported to stay within their communities when elderly or sick. Ideally there should be some scheme also where older people could easily surrender their homes if they no longer require all the space, to move into serviced accommodation within their locality
- A community with a holistic approach to health and wellbeing, A positive environment where all are cherished and nurtured, where equal opportunities and inclusion are the norm. A community where its members' needs are prioritised and fully resourced, to ensure that everyone has equal and timely access to appropriate medical, patient-centred care.
- Continue to create a positive environment where all are cherished and nurtured, with equal opportunities the norm.
- Our healthcare system is two tiered and this needs to be addressed. Very often access to health supports depends on your address and not your needs. Health supports should be universal and further investment is required for vulnerable groups and those who care for them.
- The mental and physical health needs of all community members are prioritised and fully resourced, to ensure that everyone has access to appropriate, patient-centred care (regardless of their income, background, health status, etc)
- A community in which all people regardless of means have access to medical care of all types.
- More activities for older people to decrease loneliness. Better local health services. (One Stop Shop for all health matters)
- Accessibility to GP and hospital appointments – people on long waiting lists – equal access for everyone not just because of insurance.
- The need for an improvement in the grant system for adaptation of houses.
- Community services have to be inclusive for all ages and abilities – health is something that affects us all – supports should be all inclusive – share our resources.
- Social prescribing is a valuable resource that needs to be promoted.
- More participation in primary and secondary schools in short courses in bullying and its effects.
- Stress and mindfulness classes.
- More mental health supports to be offered to youth at clinics.
- Creating awareness of these resources.
- Waiting lists for mental health services need to be improved.

- Physical health service to be given more staff and resources as waiting 6 months for a consultation is too long - issue wider than DLR only.
- It is important to support services that reach people at the right time from affluent and marginalised communities.
- Library exchange initiatives and WhatsApp group to exchange books in the community group to be continued - they were very useful during COVID.
- Such initiatives would be great have in a community centre.
- Tackling period poverty - encouraging and improving resources and messages about period poverty.
- Map of Available Assets.
- Easier access to mental health support programmes.
- Women groups supported.
- General sports and non sports grant funds.
- Better health services available for people suffering with mental health, a drop in centre for this would be beneficial.
- People need to be seen by a doctor or hospital when needed.
- Improvements are needed in this area: I would like to see excellent Community, integrated health services. I'd like to see Slainte Care realised where healthcare is free to all at the point of access, an end to enormous waiting lists and people, often elderly, lying on trollies in A & E Departments.
- Improvement in the provision of quality Mental Health Services. especially Child and Adolescent and Young Adult Services.
- It would be fantastic if in the future, health services could focus on prevention rather than cure, where possible. I'd also like to see great improvements in the provision of Services to older people, carers, those with special needs and the homeless.
- Better access to physical and mental health services in the community and at an affordable cost.
- More money into hospitals but targeted at tangible projects - more HSE occupational therapists for community and schools and mental health experts (trained professionals not just advocates).
- Free mental health service.
- An area where positive health is promoted and there is timely access to all health services including mental health supports.
- The mental and physical health needs of all community members are prioritised and fully resourced, to ensure that everyone has access to appropriate, patient-centred care (regardless of their income, background, health status, etc).
- Social Prescribing programmes in every community involving the GPs.
- Digital Healthcare, Primary Healthcare Services and Healthcare Living Labs.
- More beneficial services to be provided.
- Preventative measures to be explored. Support groups, group activities accessible throughout week/ end mornings/ evenings.
- Counselling and psychotherapy (low cost) provided by the Borough.
- Supportive, safe access to healthcare.
- Up to everyone to look after their own health family and children that would be a start.
- Support the leaders in the field of health, wellbeing, age friendliness and supporting the aged initiatives to achieve more within our community.

- Where consultation takes place with the various Health Groups as to how the development of a community can support people with different health issues - whether its mental or physical.
- A community in which all people regardless of means have access to medical care of all types.
- Health care is a necessity not a luxury. There are not enough Doctors, nurses or mental beds available in the community to deal with any medical issues that arise.
- Local service providers (GPs, psychotherapists, etc.) hold free talks for all parents, elders. Organise local walks for charity.
- More counselling facilities for young people.
- More voluntary groups to help people with mental health issues.
- Mental health services, counselling, and support groups for elderly, minorities, retired, LGBTQI+, families under stress, children under stress, trauma survivors and new arrivals to the area will create a new reality of sharing, care and inclusion.
- It would be very helpful if we had a functioning ambulance service in DLR.
- Community based medical approach with more local support for older people with initiatives such as Meals on Wheels, and access support; with a wide variety of annual events of artistic, cultural and environmental nature.
- Better access to DLR, community, HSE, mental health support programs.
- Wellness programmes available and promoted.
- Gardening program focusing on wellness with Airfield.
- Working with St. Michaels to see how programmes, services and resources can be better communicated to all and how to use them.
- Social Prescribing programme is important to make sure people are aware of the many services available to them - helps to link in with GPs and Volunteering opportunities give people a chance to give something back to the communities they belong to.
- Connection for the person in their own community is vital for one's sense of belonging.
- People feel good if they are not under pressure, are paid enough to live on, can feed their families.

Social & Community Development

Vision for Social & Community Development in Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown

A safe tolerant society where inclusion is the norm, one where each individual is nurtured and given the opportunities and supports needed to realise their full potential. This will be a community where there is affordable suitable housing, with community spaces such as gardens and centres where the community can meet to engage in sporting activities, socialise, learn and where information on the supports available is easily accessed. There will be an emphasis on biodiversity, the environment will be clean and litter free. Transport will be accessible and provide easy access to the whole county, not just the city centre. All the supports required for families and carers young and old will be readily available within the community and easy to access.

Environment: natural and built

- Facilities around the county for leisure and walking areas with seating and relaxation very important from points of view of: Health especially hip and knee replacements, Equal esthetics and Respite
- There's no sense in building apartment blocks in coastal areas with narrow roads, thereby destroying local amenities.
- Outdoor seating was a great initiative and made a difference.
- Beaches, seashore, parks, mountains have been vital and continue to be. Would be beneficial to improve on the facilities available, e.g. more benches, wider footpaths, more cycle paths, wheelchair accessible.
- In terms of developments - the community needs more of a say on what happens in relation to developments such as SHD projects. Forward planning needs to be from ground up and grass root input for people to give feedback rather than commercial and developers interest.
- Community gardens and allotments where people can grow their own food.
- A clean environment.
- Easy access to nature.
- Designated areas for pets in parks.
- Strict rules on littering and dog fouling with more bins provided in all areas.
- More biodiversity.
- A greater involvement of schools in their immediate area.

Community Meeting places. Sport Activities & Arts

- Disability and Special Needs, there are lots of voluntary groups and others involved in community sports. We need to have more supports to enable people to use the facilities as there are many who don't have a way of getting themselves there and therefore can not access them.
- Dlr doesn't have and needs a drop in centre – process of selling the Boylan centre to the council – people are lonely and want to talk a drop in centre could alleviate this even if it is used just to read the newspaper.
- Use of Community Services/ Facilities.
- Very important for people to know what's available and be welcomed to use the services & facilities available.
- Safe space and environment for the community. Need a new building for children for a safe space that is secure and welcoming, a place where they can open up to people and be heard.
- Biggest need and want in Ballinteer is a civic centre/ community centre.
- Civic centre for the area-drop in café, creche, which would be inclusive of library and resource centre, umbrella for local resources.
- New building/room for residents of Ballinteer.
- Youth club for all children.
- Safe place for families to come to when in need.
- Community Centres in every estate providing activities for young and old that are affordable with a lot of variety.
- Make full use of community centres, church centres and clubhouses.
- All streets where people live will be welcoming for people of all ages to socialise safely, comfortably and conveniently.
- More work to be done to bring the communities together, as restrictions lift, and really getting close to what communities need.
- Building new communities - the growth in apartment living will also dictate this and therefore people will need to be encouraged to socialise and build new communities.
- More facilities, public beaches, pools, outdoor gyms and mental health centres.
- Sporting and recreational improvements.
- Greatly improve the social, economic and community facilities for youth through greater support for arts.

Blackrock and Other Communities

- Blackrock was not a community before COVID - now there is a sudden sense of community and we need to keep this alive going forward and not just in Blackrock but throughout DLR.
- Important to push this through to all communities, communicate, and foster effective utilisation of all the resources available.
- Community Gardens - A great initiative (and low cost) that brings communities together and fosters cooperation between all residents old and young.

Sports Facilities and Services

- DLR Sports Partnership is a resource that people need to be more aware of in local communities.

- Increase the number of public facilities for tennis courts so friendly games can be played.
- Skateboard facilities to enable minority sport participation.
- Renovation of existing sport facilities - Kilboggan basketball court is very run down, if fixed it would be of benefit for locals.

DLR Libraries

- DLR does fantastic work with libraries, in culture but also for inclusion and community development.

Entertainment and Learning Spaces

- Continued support for the libraries and the Lexicon.
- Cinemas and theatres are important as places of socialising and building connections.
- Return of events & gatherings in DLR around Christmas and Halloween.
- Wider range of activities available in the county.

Public Markets

- Weekend markets provide an opportunity for a walk in the summer down the pier in the summer, which is uplifting and enjoyable.
- Pop-up Kiosks and Food vans with affordable prices for food, as youth would not be in a position to spend a lot on restaurants.
- Food vans are a healthier option than store bought food, and there needs to be more options out there, especially in the summer.

Housing

- Affordable housing for locals and services eg schools
- Housing crisis needs to be resolved so that young people can get affordable places to rent or buy but sensible planning needs to prevail in order to preserve our communities.
- Social housing – the turnabout of housing when vacated, is too long.
- People should be able to live in their community – people with disabilities may never have their own opportunities to have their own place, dlr should use what they have to accommodate all people in the community.
- Housing for the ageing community.
- Supports for carers – we need to have a carer support register. There is no planning for alternative care should a carer be sick.
- Good, Affordable Housing.
- Downsizing opportunities within the local area.
- Housing that caters for diversity, as diverse configurations of households exist together throughout the county.
- Exploring opportunities for cohousing.

Climate Change

- Deliver Climate Action Training.

Transport & Roads, Active Travel

- Cyclists are a danger to people walking in our parks but nothing has been done to protect people walking. Cyclists seem to be prioritised over every sector of society - leaving many feeling abandoned. It cannot be impossible to have a solution which accommodates everyone. Encouraging cycling has been spoken of for many years - where are our Planners in all of this, in finding a solution and incorporating it into future planning of roads, housing estates,
- We need safe, segregated cycling infrastructure to encourage children and students to cycle to school & college, for parents to cycle to shop and sports, for people of all ages and abilities to cycle safely and easily about their business. Many people cycle who cannot walk. Barriers, kissing gates, railings and obstacles on cycle paths, lack of ditching, and cars blocking paths and cycle lanes all discriminate against people with disabilities being able to cycle in our public spaces
- Cycling and cycle access in areas needs to be addressed e.g. Sandyford.
- Create cycling streets. Implement 'last mile' delivery options by cargo bikes.

Bus Routes Cross County

- If we had a more regular bus service from Dalkey to Dun Laoghaire, I'm sure more people would use it.
- Improvement of bus connections: there are great bus routes on each side of the county but it's difficult to go cross county using public transport - the only routes that do this cover very few communities
- Better bus links between Dalkey and Dun Laoghaire. The Dart is too far to walk from for many elderly people.

Transportation and Parking

- Good transport options and good infrastructure are needed so that we can have a mixed community where old and young are happy to live in
- Older people can have difficulty negotiating hills or longer walks so many have no option but to drive. Parking is becoming very difficult for them.
- **Cycling**
- Sustainable Transport (SDG 11.2) provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons.
- Every school has a 'school street' designation, with motor traffic restricted, enabling children and families to socialise safely.
- Free parking needed.
- A community with good access and reasonably priced public transport with improved services to areas which do not have this at present.

- Better roads and footpaths.
- Reduce street car parking and give space over to active travel use, cargo bikes, trikes, and all forms of cycle and non-motorised transport.

Traffic Safety

- All children can regularly play safely and independently on their own streets. Children have space in their streets where they are not exposed to danger from private motor traffic.
- Children can safely, conveniently and comfortably navigate around their neighbourhood independently.
- No communities are dissected by busy, traffic-filled roads. Instead, traffic is tamed and motor traffic is minimised, with pedestrian-priority crossings at every convenient location
- More safe active travel options for all ages and abilities. Reduce speed in towns and suburbs.

15 Minute Neighbourhood

- 15-minute neighbourhood needs to be adopted & implemented in a timely manner.
- That it wouldn't be necessary to travel into Dublin to work.
- That high speed broadband would be rolled out in 2022 as a priority.
- Creation of a sustainable community is needed, with most services within walking distance.
- 15 minute city - Doughnut Economics.
- People need to be able to walk to an activity.
- An area where children can walk to school, have services locally that will provide pre school, after school activities and youth clubs.
- Inclusive, tolerant. Look at models of walkable cities with templates of max-height 6-storey buildings which optimise convenience and comfort for future planning.

Integration

- New communities need to find it easy to access information – integration can be very tough, especially the idea of knowing to approach a County Council as this may never come up as an option when looking for information.
- Equal access to courses, services for all there is a divide between affluent and less affluent areas.
- Need more integration groups for new Irish communities to join.
- Integrate people more and break down barriers.
- Need an Intercultural women's centre in the county.
- A refuge for the county and outreach services specific for migrant women to support Domestic Violence victims.
- A happy, peaceful, prosperous, tolerant and multi-racial community in which there is freedom of religion where each individual is treated equally.

Inclusion

- Inclusive community centres – networking services – if we don't do this, older people are going to be a massive burden on the younger population to support older people. Keep a balance in society – anything that fosters a community – more of a mix.
- It's important to keep older people connected with younger people and involved in the community as many who retire, tire of their retirement and endless time to pursue hobbies.
- Great potential in DLR for cross-pollination of old and young and sharing of skills and knowledge
- We need to revitalise community associations and groups to avail of older people's knowledge and young people's enthusiasm, energy and desire to learn.
- Intergenerational resources are very important for society/living, evidenced from COVID. Example of churches vital for social interactions and social outlets.
- Difficult for those who are older and retired who are looking to stay in an active lifestyle.
- Potential in dlr to have those with great experience (aged 65+) to interact with younger people who may be more receptive to learning from them.
- We need to care for the elderly in our community.
- Easy access to information on what is happening and what is available reduces anxiety for residents.
- DLR should encourage more accessibility for those with extra needs e.g. wheelchair accessible picnic tables.
- Culture of inclusion – carers whose time is not their own and fall between the cracks – even with employment find it hard to get due to the hours they can – reduced household income – can carers be cared for too?– living under different circumstances.
- Meetings in the council offices in Dundrum for Comhairle na nOg to get young people in Dundrum more involved.
- Better facilities for both young, old and for people with additional needs, a bigger community building hosting an all inclusive approach.
- Inclusive employment opportunities for all.
- Inclusion for all to be the principle at work in dlr.
- A community which includes everyone, where nobody is left out or marginalised.
- A community which values cultural and social differences.
- Peaceful, safe and diverse community that is inclusive of all members of society. A community where LGBTI people can openly display their love for each other.
- Inclusive opportunities for sport and recreational activities.
- Community-led decision-making.
- A community that offers opportunity to everyone but particularly to those who are considered most in need, whether that's financially, educationally or culturally.
- More activities for neighbouring areas, promoting inclusion between different cultures and younger adults without kids.
- Care for the disadvantaged, opportunities for participation in social inclusion.

- All our people included.

Community Spirit

- More interaction among the community with those who have their experience willing to get involved.
- Community Awards to honour those who are achieving in the community.
- Being nice to people.
- People want to be more involved in their community – enable younger people to be involved, through schools, encouraging pride.
- Reimagine dlr is positive – the way we behave can change – we see people on the streets who are in difficult circumstances: how do we treat them, do we stop and ask or do we just walk away and pretend they are not there – community spirit.
- A Community who will have its own Identity.
- Clean, honest, helpful and proud community.
- One where all members can thrive economically and culturally and where existing community values such as supporting and helping each other can be made stronger so that we can live without fear of threat or intimidation.
- A community that celebrates together in an organised and safe manner.
- A community where all residents are listened to and valued.
- Small, socially cohesive neighbourhoods with community-led decision-making.
- Encouraging the talents that are intrinsic to everyone, listening and sharing.
- Here more activity is done locally e.g. neighbourhood schools.
- A happy, peaceful, prosperous, tolerant and multi-racial community in which there is freedom of religion, where each individual is treated equally with the same respect and is given equality of health care and educational opportunity and is given the chance to realise their full potential and hopes.
- Open and kind society
- Connected and caring. Where neighbours take care of each other.

Community Supports & Services, Health

- Supports for dealing with drug addiction.
- Supporting community groups.
- A place where community development can flourish and community organisations are properly resourced with proper buildings, secure employment and sufficient funding to deliver programmes (without constantly seeking small grants).
- Childcare and supports for all those that need them in a timely manner.
- Volunteer service that progresses with the person.
- Work to bring the communities together people will need to be encouraged to socialise and build new communities.
- Preventative measures, evolving as society changes. Genuine community involvement. Access for all that need it/ want to engage.

- Social and Community Development should ensure that the existing community is a part of the future. People born in the area should have a place in its future. This will strengthen the community ties between the generations.
- There is a unique culture in the area, which is worth preserving.
- Increased day centres for the older population, increased child care facilities, instigating car free zones in towns, housing developments for older people to step down to.
- Good health services.
- Local community centre hubs, like Enterprise hubs, fully serviced and resourced, but for community activities and engagement. This vision means there is always a place for the choir to practise, the older residents to drop in, for the charities and local NGOs to run education and for community cafes, meet-ups for parents and a place for youth to go in the evenings, a one stop shop for physical and mental health, language classes, information finding and participation. This would include outdoor space and be built as sustainably as possible. Business, organisations, charities, residents assoc, clubs could all have a desk/ office and be able to network and learn, collaborate with each other and create more community.
- Make the teen gym available everyday for teens in all areas.
- Provide subsidised swimming and membership to leisure clubs for those with low/ no income.
- Ensure that families with disabilities are catered for with inclusive play events, festivals and locations. Ensure social activities and inclusion for gender-different and other groups.
- Expand the availability of low cost yoga, fitness, alternative health, physio etc. for residents who are unable to afford services, but are outside income thresholds.
- Employ a researcher to discover hidden pockets of deprivation in DLR and how to reach those at most risk.
- Expand access to health care, such as dental for children in a system that is 1-2 years behind in HSE.

Wellbeing

- Very important that wellbeing is not confined to just the physical/ mental health definition/ heading - but as this workshop does - it needs to include the community, economy, participation, values & meaning and environment/ sustainability.
- More communal areas such as cafes where people can get together.
- Creation of a retirement village where people could live in their own space.

Communication

- We need to ensure that everyone knows what's going on in dlr. Seems to be the same people attending same events.
- Need to broadcast initiatives more efficiently.
- Often the broadcast/comms of events should be better.
- Comms need to be better to show what the council is doing, schools, notice boards in libraries and parks.
- Better communication is needed in advance to know what is happening.

- Council and local communities could do better in communication channels – no feedback/updates on consultations - so that people feel their voices are heard.

Communication for targeted audience

- Advertise events to the correct audience. For the youth specifically, they hear about it through parents rather than directly.
- Activities not often well communicated.

Safety

- We want to live in a safe community. Safety in relation to public transport is an issue e.g when walking home when it's dark.
- Having a safe clean community – leaves on the streets cover pot holes and are very dangerous.
- I would like to see a safe and inclusive community – people are more likely to go if they feel safer.
- Community policing – residential for people to go to huge numbers of people who need the facilities fine tuned.
- Cobbles are disastrous on the streets – the pedestrian lights are not long enough and the need for hand rails places.
- One thing I like to see happening is the streets to be cleaned of the leaves – very hard to walk on the paths with leaves – if in a wheelchair the nettles left coming out on the paths the nettles hurt – cleans paths are so important for anyone with health issues.
- Security and garda presence increased in areas of anti-social behaviour and especially on public transport.
- Peaceful, safe and diverse community.
- A safe community is a must. There is a huge percentage of people who no longer feel safe in the streets.
- A safe society.

Public Charging points

- There is a necessity for charging phones. An increase in their number would be very welcome.

Education

- More support for schools, not just non private schools.
- Encouraging the talents that are intrinsic to everyone, listening and sharing.
- Communication about what exists and the benefits to the individual.
- Access to education is equitable, with school places allocated transparently and fairly.
- There is a diversity of schools available, with sufficient non-denominational school places.
- Equal educational opportunities and where all are given the chance to realise their

full potential and hopes.

- Adult education classes that are free to access/ perhaps on Zoom local history project for children and adults.

Irish

- More services/ events for Irish language speakers.

Employment

- Long term employment opportunities.
- Where people can work knowing there are supports available for both the younger and older members of a family.

Participation, Democracy & Governance

Vision for Participation, Democracy & Governance in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown operates an inclusive model of democracy with an emphasis on community leadership, one where more women and young people are encouraged to participate in local decision making. A place where its citizens of all ages, young and old, feel empowered to participate. DLR PPN continues to function as the conduit between the Local Authority and the community. Dun Laoghaire Rathdown is a county where listening is important; its county council actively consults, listens to and fully informs the community on its plans and continues to seek the opinions and views of the community as a whole.

Councillors/ LA Representatives & PPN

- Switzerland has a great local democracy and perhaps we should look at models like this to see how we could implement it here – local democratic referendums.
- People really need a forum where people can meet and discuss local issues
- Communication of initiatives: when they come up, acting on them properly as opposed to disappearing off people's radar.
- PPN continues to function as the conduit between dlrcoco, elected representatives and the community.
- Ordinary people are encouraged to have a more prominent voice and speak out.
- Regular voting, and ensure we are all compliant.
- Clear communication from councillors about what is going on in our area.
- The more responsibilities Councillors have, the more they will be valued.
- All councillors should work for the benefit of their constituents, not under the thumb of a political party .
- Opportunity to have our say - not all decisions made by councillors or council.
- Local councillors will have to be, and be seen to be, of real use and benefit to residents.
- Local authority executives will have to be open to real democracy.

Positive encouragement of leaders

- Local Councillors should be better paid if they want to attract candidates.

- Publicise female sports and directly support them and communicate sporting achievements.
- Make sure that wellbeing, disabilities and carers do not fall off the community table – drive change for this get the councillors engaged in changing the communities – positively influence change.

Transparency/Communication

- Get various groups working with, from and to each other combined with the communications piece.
- Non-political public open fora on topics such litter, nature and biodiversity, sustainability with participation from councillors and council officials should be held periodically.
- When people are in crisis they need to be able to galvanise quickly and get their issues heard (and resolved) quickly.

Communication

- There is a lot of communication targeted at older people but not so much for the young.
- A lot of communication for older generations but less so for the young, it is not directed to them and does not reach them.
- Workshops and Consultations are really good for participation.
- Hard to find information on minority sports such as Basketball.
- The DLR County Council website is not very accessible for young people.
- Information is not accessible and needs to be more user friendly, clear and visual so people can access information quickly.
- Use property tax ID/ codes to validate that the people accessing consultation documents are actually living within the DLR area.
- Make it easier for people to find out who in the council is responsible for what. Eg phone numbers available for those responsible for sewage, tree felling etc.
- Communications within the council should be improved, whereby if someone makes an inquiry it is followed up and dealt with efficiently by the right people.
- Ensure that DLRCOCO communicates with businesses and local residents before implementing large projects at great expense.
- All residents need to feel heard and have a voice.
- Communication and participation from all.
- Improve governance in council.
- We believe that our councillors must be clearer - this really applies for the Development Plan. There must be proper engagement on new development plan. Doing it online because of pandemic reasons can never happen again.
- Transparency, clear, service user friendly language and processes.
- Ensure that there is less red tape in getting anything done could it be made more practical and workable.
- There needs to be Democracy in the area. The current situation where a Government

appointed Civil Servant has almost divine powers to impose Government policy or more importantly personal agendas needs to stop.

- More accountability of DLRCC officials and elected councillors. People in power to be above reproach.
- Increase the presence via social media and be responsive.
- Public-realm space to be allocated transparently.
- Encourage responsibility by members of clubs and societies.
- Encourage accountability for grants awarded.
- That funding that is provided for works to be done is actually used to get work done.
- The Council continues to fully brief the community on its activities and its plans and continues to seek the opinions and views of all the community.
- People are aware how to engage with local authorities and they get responses - even if it doesn't necessarily mean they're favourable.
- DL seems sluggish at times, so new PR is required.
- Communication with each and every member of your community, especially the marginalised.
- Consult the elderly especially and school children.
- Transparent open local and central government.
- Council drives responses to issues that are of real concern to people e.g. housing.

Participation/ Opinion

Non-political public open fora on topics such litter, nature and biodiversity, sustainability with participation from councillors and council officials should be held periodically.

Young People

- Young people will be more willing to participate in local politics if their housing needs are better addressed as they feel they're being forgotten about.
- Lower the voting age to 16.
- Promote student unions at secondary level to become more actively involved in politics at an early age and give more opportunities to do so.
- Talk to the schools, get the young people involved at an early age.

Actively seek opinions

- Listening is so important. For the council to really listen to the community's needs and to provide supports for events that benefit more people in the community.
- People's opinions are heard via social forums. Have an easy Facebook page for us to comment on things we see. Let's not wait until a child or elderly person is run over on the path by careless cyclists who are easy to spot from outside the church or EBS Dun Laoghaire.
- Local 'Town Hall' type of meetings, to discuss plans, exhibitions, possibility of being able to make submissions.
- Access to information and multiple ways of informing need to be applied. Perhaps reminders of the number of participants and how that impacts outcomes might be

worth a try.

- People of DLR invited to public debates on issues.
- Meetings with local politicians and Councillors.

Encourage people to take part in democracy and participation.

- Regular voting encouraged.
- All people should be encouraged to take an active part in their communities and local democracy.
- Vote education classes and helping people engage and register to vote.
- Continue opportunities for participation by residents and publicise these more widely as many do not currently know what is available to them.
- A place where people want to get involved in their local community and see positive role models.
- Emphasis on local and regional needs and with active participation by informed electorate.

Inclusion

Inclusion of youth in decision making

- Inclusion is a major concern and desire.
- It is important to include the youth in the discussion about issues such as pedestrianisation of main street, as young people were not included in the discussion.
- It would be important to have a student body representative as part of DLR County council made out of a representative of each school willing to work with DLR.
- Very diverse communities and not everyone is online so it is more difficult to include everyone in groups & initiatives.
- Take lead from community and ask the community what they need.
- Listening to the community that speaks directly to the community e.g. older people needed social outlets, food drops, kids summer projects.
- A safe space and supports for the young LGBTQ+ community.
- An inclusive model of democracy with an emphasis on community leadership.
- Local councils/ committees representing smaller areas and women are more encouraged to be involved in local decision making.

Youth

- Giving young people a greater voice in decision making.
- Support more youth groups/ Comhairle na nOg etc. in the area.
- More direct democracy and a place where citizens feel empowered (look at local governance in other EU countries e.g. Denmark).
- A local forum for youth to answer these questions in our community.
- Local fora should be made up of a selection of independent locals and designated participants, who can bring up the interests of the community to the forefront.

Values, Culture & Meaning

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Values Vision for Culture & Meaning

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown is an inclusive, open community where people respect, enjoy and celebrate the diverse cultures of its members, valuing its traditions and heritage and the Irish language. It is a community where a shared value of respect means that places, properties and public spaces can be all enjoyed together. A community where creativity and culture are supported and nourished.

Irish

- See Irish language comment above about a summary in Irish of the report.
- Let us not forget that our Irish Language is part of what we are.
- More services/ events for Irish language speakers.

Inclusion & Integration

- Continue to support local groups by way of grants.
- Public offices and the Arts should reflect all different ranges of citizens. People feel valued when their needs are being met.
- Carers in the community need to be valued, given respite, and well paid for their work.
- There should be a quota of jobs for people with disabilities within the public sector.
- Intergenerational inclusion. Create a scheme where schools, preschools partner with nursing homes in the area to create inclusion, historical continuity and increase wellbeing.
- Integration & Melting Pot. More interactions with the Irish and the new Irish Community.
- Women's breakfast - improves women's wellbeing, sharing of culture.
- An inclusive, welcoming and less divided county where schools are more equal, areas less divided and all minority groups feel included.
- Respect for all and tolerance of disadvantage.
- Respectful, inclusive, collaborative decision-making at all stages.
- Ensure that marginalised and disadvantaged children have access to music classes and dance, art skills.
- Increasing the state pension and more nursing supports for the elderly.

- Formalise a transition year scheme whereby Transition Year students participate in community programmes.
- Create a scheme where schools, preschools partner with nursing homes in the area to create inclusion, historical continuity and increase wellbeing.
- Good work in DLR to amalgamate cultures (e.g. murals/ artwork), but more could be done. Example, communities from China, Poland, Bangladesh, etc.
- Stronger links between DLR Integration Forum and other voluntary groups.
- Stronger links between Traveller Community and other voluntary groups.
- Feeling that everyone has the chance to play their part and have their voice heard.
- No racism.
- Involvement of the isolated.
- A community where people respect, enjoy and celebrate the culture of each of its members. Where a shared value of respect means that places, properties and public spaces can be all enjoyed together.
- DL is multicultural, embrace it.
- An inclusive community THROUGH Religion, sport, leisure pursuits, book clubs, chess, scouts, etc.

Information & Education

- Video tutorials such as on the transport system, use of leap cards.
- Introductory course for new Irish Communities with information about the area they are moving to, services, aspects of life.
- Points of contact for the New Irish Community.
- Inclusion is extremely important - there are many people who do not know how to find the services & facilities they need to integrate.
- All the different festivals and cultures need recognition.
- A lot of new communities find it difficult to get information, not aware of things. Facilities Council can offer isn't known to them e.g. right to vote in election.
- We need to involve the experience for newcomers to our country, through classes and community groups.
- Educating people on other cultures and their values, more needs to be done here.
- A population that is educated for example on other religions.
- Multicultural free gatherings. School education.

Festivals and Places to Meet and Mix

- Global Village event was run in DL yearly and was a wonderful event.
- There should be community halls available for meetings etc and places for the elderly too drop in and chat.
- Important to emphasise that we have diversity and different origins and cultures in modern Ireland. We need to provide venues, festivals, facilities, etc. to help people mix, integrate and share cultures
- There are many facilities and resources available to aid integration and sharing of cultures; these should be built upon and be easily accessible.
- More done in the area of diversity and different cultures to help people mix and integrate better.
- Get kids to show off different cultures from their varied backgrounds.
- A Community where ALL members are valued and diversity is celebrated.

- Support for and funding of organisations which work for Social Justice and Inclusion prioritised, maintained and developed into the future.
- More access and publicity of cultural and training opportunities that are available locally. More small scale public social events where people of all ages feel safe to attend, especially those outdoors.
- Diaspora Centre, Digital Education, Digital Work.
- Help the people with different origins to feel at home through cultural exchanges and more inclusive initiatives.

Climate Action

- Environmental issues should foster greater bus use
- Sandyford business district Trying to foster the use of electric vehicles and other green transport initiatives, last mile initiative
- Set climate action within a cultural frame promoting low carbon lifestyles.
- Implementing the UN SDGs.
- Mainstreaming awareness of SDGs through public engagement programmes.
- We have to make decisions now that will protect our planet for our children's children. A culture of talk and no action is denial.

Arts and Events

- Space for archives is really important to DLR – a wealth of information and data on the county, communities, history, many of the Irish diaspora left from Dun Laoaghaire.
- More music
- Religion Education Sports Respect for one's neighbour and their goods.
- A society that constantly promotes sports and the arts.
- The DLR theatre should have a show every day.
- More support for local creative people. Writers and artists but also actors and musicians. No plays or films without actors to interpret them.
- Provide funding for arts for gifted children, including programmes in IADT.
- Ensure that marginalised and disadvantaged children have access to music classes and dance, art skills.
- Formalise a transition year scheme whereby Transition year students participate in community programmes
- More sports and arts facilities for both the youth and adults are needed in our community.
- Respect the values of people by listening and putting any worthwhile recommendations into action.

Public Performances

- It's always good to have public performances by dance groups and others along the seafront and elsewhere.

- Theatres (e.g. Pavillion) to be promoted.
- Supports for dance groups in both advertisement and funding.

Affordability

- Activities should be subsidised for youth, as they cannot yet earn an income. Sometimes, participating in cultural events can be quite expensive.
- More opportunities for all to participate are needed.
- More financial support for people studying art subjects (music, art, acting etc.), which are expensive.
- Supports needed especially if people can't afford attending cultural events.
- Earlier contact with the arts for children and youth.
- Have more culture and arts workshops in secondary school, encourage people with talents in secondary school.

Cultural Centre for the Arts

- Make the Lexicon a true cultural centre for the area.
- Library services are great, and could be made more into an art centre occasionally.
- By facilitating local arts groups through the provision of space where classes, exhibitions and concerts can be run.
- Cultural spaces for Music, Art, Drama, Dance and other cultural activities to be protected and retained and supported by Government and local Councils.
- A civic centre in each area.

Cultural and Arts Activities

- More activities during the day for a variety of ability levels.
- Events about education opportunities.
- Multicultural free gatherings.
- Keep things like Heritage Week going - they're a great investment.
- DLR has done interesting cultural activities so more of that and again local and accessible, going out to communities as often as holding events that bring people in. Both are valid.

Community Spirit

- Could this be encouraged through parents/groups - Good values/respect/sense of belonging - culture should start in the home.
- Children's theatre could be a good way to start teaching about values etc.
- Community support.
- Respectful, inclusive, collaborative, decision-making at all stages.
- Respect for people of all ages and attributes, regard for the environment and local culture.
- Dun Laoghaire to be a safe and happy place for people to work & live.
- A community where people respect, enjoy and celebrate the culture of each of its members. Where a shared value of respect means that places, properties and public spaces can be all enjoyed together.

- A community in which the culture and values are fully respected so long as those values do not clash with, or impinge on the reasonable and moral and correct laws of the community, and are therefore not detrimental to the well-being of the community, or any individual.
- Respect, Respect, Respect for each and every human being.
- Preservation of our work-life balance which works well.
- A society in which diverse values, including traditional, values are respected.
- Open minded, active and diverse, with fairness for all.

Development

- Kiltiernan Glencullen overall area should be protected from a value perspective and community development should also do this.
- There should be more on developers to allow areas which encourage culture and meaning.

Heritage

- Genetic Genealogy – wonderful and very interesting asset
- What about showcasing other cultures in our communities that are not originally Irish? Insurance for events is a critical issue for people trying to mount events.
- Preserving Human Heritage & Natural Heritage is important for the identity of a place and its inhabitants.
- A great and important part of the county is the awareness of heritage and the availability of heritage activities which combined with knowledge of the locality and its history increases sense of place and belonging.
- Dun Laoghaire has a long and chequered history. There are people living here whose roots go back generations. Many diaspora left Ireland through its port and this should be recognised.
- The Town has a connection with the sea, yet there is little evidence of it. It would appear that those in charge of the Town have little understanding of its Values, Culture & Meaning. There would be no harm, for instance in reminding them that it is the home of the "National Maritime Museum".
- Pass the local history on to the next generation.
- Keep things like heritage week going - they're a great investment.
- We should never forget our past. It is the bedrock of what made us and sustained the hope of previous generations.
- Get local schools on board regarding their locality and heritage. Someone from the Heritage Department should come and speak to the school children about the history and heritage of their area.
- Add heritage plaques, signs, information, heritage downloadable tours, street signs and a heritage centre for the area.

Transport

- Transport is very important:
- Community buses, run by Garda in Dundrum for excursions for all age groups
- Seniors nervous of buses/public transport and need local transport solutions
- Transport is one area that keeps coming up. What is the value of having/not having transport? What is the underlying meaning of transport issues – could they relate to difficulties of community cohesion?
- Those who choose not to drive (or who cannot afford to drive) have safe, convenient and comfortable transport networks. We reclaim our streets regularly to host cultural and social festivals and events. These street events are not restricted to low-traffic areas.

Safety

- Seniors nervous of buses/public transport and need local transport solutions
- Have safe, convenient and comfortable transport networks.
- International policing of the web will have to become a priority

Economy & Resources

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Vision for Economy and Resources

An affordable and pleasant place to work and live and where everyone is supported to live in the area. The availability of resources and the facilities such as broadband and services to facilitate home/blended working and housing that is affordable. The transport system is reliable and connects people living in the area to local facilities such as hospitals and schools and a shuttle service linking local towns and villages. An innovative model of the 15 minute city. Young people will be supported in education and resources distributed fairly to ensure all in the community have equality of opportunity to thrive economically. There are supports available to business both financial and training to assist local business to support persons into employment who may need additional assistance.

Broadband/ Remote Working

- Remote working and village hubs important
- Calls on DLR to be the remote working hub for Dublin – this could be a very good thing and working from home/local hubs should be encouraged by the council
- Effective Broadband throughout - to enable working from home - if so desired.
- Broadband available everywhere and availability of resources for working from home - broadband and community services
- Work more from home with access to excellent quality broadband Support for Childcare cooperatives where parents could establish shared childcare service provision.
- I would like to see more flexibility in the workplace, especially for parents; more options for working from home or hybrid models of working.
- Facilitating remote working hubs and learning facilities.
- Local work, working from home, local work hubs, community-based shared work spaces, reduce commuting.
- We would like to see a work hub or two in the area.
- In particular create high speed Internet working hubs that also serve as community spaces, trading facilities and offer an apprenticeship base.
- Showers and covered bike parking at workplaces.
- Access to work sites.
- No tax on the family home.
- Work across county encouraged and hubs Sandyford Cherrywood supported

Work from home

- Working from home should remain an option
- Working from Home has brought changes to the way in which employment is conducted and is something that needs to be preserved to a certain extent for the future.
- The local facilities and technology to enhance working from home.

Transport

- Public transport. Older people can have difficulty negotiating hills or longer walks so many have no option but to drive. Parking is becoming very difficult for them. If we had a more regular bus service from Dalkey to Dun Laoghaire, I'm sure more people would use it.
- Transport is quite good but it can take more time to get to school by public transport than walking/ cycling.
- When going out at night - it can be a bit scary as a young person as the services are not always available or reliable.
- Not always safe being a young girl going out at night on public transportation.
- Lots of improvements in cycling lanes but many cycling lanes are uneven/ bumpy and make it difficult to cycle to school.
- Public transport is better for long distances than for medium or short distances.
- The Dart is a good resource; ideally more lines should be added.
- The LUAS is also a very resource, to be continued.
- There is no bus for me to get to my work. I have to use the car where I would use public transport but none for me and the traffic on the roads when going to work is large. Need joined up buses.
- A reliable Transport System for all age groups - whether for work/ school or hospital appointments - thus ensuring less reliance on the car. Provision of a Shuttle Service linking Nutgrove-Dundrum & Ballinteer. A loop system - targeted primarily for the elderly who are no longer driving, and operational between 10am - 4pm If an increase in the number of electric cars is the aim - creation of extra charging points is desirable.
- Hydrogen powered transport.
- Limited space means limited industry and office challenges but better public transport links means people could access work elsewhere.
- Getting people easily in and out of the Town is essential to making the place attractive. A managed parking would improve the numbers of visitors and as a consequence improve business prospects.
- Providing cycle infrastructure that transits Dun Laoghaire and not provide a start or destination is a waste of scarce resources and encourages people to bypass the Town - this needs to be looked at.
- Those without the means or desire to own a car or drive have full access to work and the economy through active travel and public transport networks.
- Public transport is fast, convenient and comfortable to enable those who do not drive

to participate in the local economy.

- Transport modes are prioritised based on the resources that they consume (including road space and energy) and the negative effects they have on the community (including the environment).
- Valuable space in our economic centres have been reclaimed from private car storage to more economically productive functions.
- More free parking. More roundabouts instead of traffic light junctions.
- That the resources already in place are actually used - if roads are to be swept, then sweep them.
- Less roads to close.
- People need to be able to buy homes for a fraction of the prices they are now and to get to work easily.
- Businesses need to be able to get around efficiently.

Traffic

- Traffic seems to have become very busy and congested since COVID-19
- Traffic has gotten bad, contribution from cycle lanes as additional effects.

Cycle Lanes

- Educating the public on the safe use of a public cycle path.
- Clear rules of the lanes: indicating, exiting the lane unto a pedestrian area or the road.
- Parks, greenways and cycle paths.

Childcare

- DLR advocacy to government on the importance of policy to ensure childcare availability for all
- Childcare needs to be better supported with care workers better paid.
- Support for Childcare cooperatives where parents could establish shared childcare service provision.

15 Minute Neighbourhood

- Unless we have safe cycling and walking routes there will not be a village to village mentality – climate change has to be in all of our plans
- Killiney - where do people meet – Killiney Hill – beach – kilbogget park – Killiney village used to have a centre village now has café that is nice – have Killiney a bit more accessible – doesn't help that is been used a drive through to get to bray or dlr – shop local – work local – are there resources to meet and get together – café on killiney hill and have Dalkey near – love living there
- Fits into the 15 minute neighbourhood model, Being able to reach a workplace without a long commute is essential for wellbeing and sustainable development.
- An affordable and pleasant place to work and live and where everyone can be

supported to live in the area and does not need to commute long distances. An innovative model of the 15 minute city.

- Very little employment available in Glencullen. Our people have to travel for work.
- Make the area a great place to work. Not just a dormitory for Dublin city.
- A society where the longest commute is 20 minutes.
- Create new work opportunities by networking business through the SDGs, and freeing up funding for job creation and working from home/ local. In particular create high speed Internet working hubs that also serve as community spaces, trading facilities and offer an apprenticeship base. This would make each of our DLR areas a 15 minute neighbourhood and bring employment and keep money and community inside the area.

Housing

- We need to have more people living and working in DLR and that requires more social housing and communication of services/ facilities to residents.
- Shankill in 10 - 20 years time will change - dramatic housing scheme one at Shanganagh Castle (biggest social housing ever) and the one at Woodbrook big worry how the roads are going to cater – need infrastructure first before building the houses – the schools here are full already – there is nothing on the plan about schools – good planning is essential at this stage and facilities made available for young and old GP services in Shankill are at max the health centre would not be able to cater for this.
- In Denmark, where the population is the same as ours, people - when you reach a certain age - have special plans in place where you can downsize.
- Affordable accommodation for people who work in lower paid jobs within the DLR area - lack of affordable housing is an issue for people in retail, some areas of health care, education, and other vital services.
- I'd like to see the chronic Housing Crisis effectively tackled.
- Housing, rents, rates made affordable.
- If vacated social houses are to be repaired for people to live in - then repair them.
- A society where a house can be purchased at age 25 on a single income.
- By designing our public spaces to be good for wheelchairs and buggies, it is good for everyone; not difficult at the design stage. I grew up in Rathmines in a house built in the 1830s over a basement and now live in one built in the 1860s over a basement; bring back the basement in planning, so convenient and better than going up.
- Make more use of vacant premises. Business owners of derelict buildings should have greater penalties for leaving them as they have been doing.
- Encourage the idea of living over the shop with shop owners.
- People need to be able to buy homes for a fraction of the prices they are now and to get to work easily.

Economy

- Reduce parking charges in Dún Laoghaire car parks. Most car park users will spend money in the town.
- Exploit the maritime heritage of Dún Laoghaire to revive marine skills (sailmaking, chandling...
- Innovation campus(es) need to be introduced across the county – they are effective at reviving the local economy, including in Dun Laoghaire Harbor.
- Increase basic wage for CE scheme and apprenticeship to encourage people back post covid.
- Provision of services and encouragement for people to use and to start their own businesses Shop Local initiatives.
- Designated economic hotspots having a strong interaction with residential areas. Not just people working in DLR, having them work and live.
- Bring the Ferry terminal back into use as maybe a multicultural centre.
- Rates to be lowered (so shops stay afloat) and wealthy people to pay more property tax to councils.
- Buy local, shop and spend again.
- Introduction of a Living Wage to help counteract poverty and inequality.
- Sufficient funding for LEOs to give the start-ups a chance to get going.
- More space for markets and outdoor commercial events would bring extra revenue to the area.
- Innovation Campus Digital Hubs Telework.
- Housing, rents, rates to be reconsidered.
- Dun Laoghaire port should be revenue generating.
- The Harbour is under utilised. There should be greater use made of it, whether this is by attracting Restaurants and other attractions is for others to say.
- Full employment will enhance the economy and allow us to afford better resources.
- More support for local business, less parking charges to encourage people to shop.
- Mandatory community service for those on social welfare.
- Businesses that make society better are thriving across DLR.
- A community in which everyone, as far as possible, can find employment in the community if they so prefer, and the community encourages business to locate in the community and provide well-paid work. The community should hope to provide sufficient resources by lawful and appropriate taxation.
- Job satisfaction makes one happy. The economy needs to be strong to make progress on all fronts for the benefit of all people. all resources be it wind, wave, gas, oil must be used.
- More shops in the shopping centre.
- Create new work opportunities by networking business through The SDGs, and freeing up funding for job creation and working from home/ local. In particular create high speed internet working hubs that also serve as community spaces, trading facilities and offer an apprenticeship base. This would make each of our DLR areas a 15 minute neighbourhood and bring employment and keep money and community inside the area.
- At least in the western part of the county, a modern and sustainable business and

residential area.

- Local hubs for enterprise and innovation and for digital earning
- We would like to see a work hub or two in the area. A key thing would be getting the new village centre of Kilternan right. And DLRCC planners must work with the developers on this one. Otherwise we will end up with a strip-mall. This is a perfect - literally - green-field opportunity for the future.

Services

- Horrified to see people queuing outside the dole office on Cumberland Street. That is not a good way to treat people. People need to be treated well with respect
- I'd like to see more done to prevent Social Exclusion, such as supports to keep young people in education and beyond. I'd like to see a fairer distribution of resources so that all members of the Community have equality of opportunity to thrive economically.
- Put more money into ambulance and fire services. More gardai on the streets, especially after dark.
- Census and questionnaires needed to engage with the community.
- Everyone is able to do the job they want to - feeling that they have a purpose and are making a contribution.
- Governmental support for local councils and community activities.
- Fostering people's enterprise ideas with support.
- Champion the SEC programme for business by expanding the resources, aid and grants available and marketing it with education programmes. Take the heavy lifting out of the process by providing admin support for signing up.

Services for the community

- We need to have community facilities available at no/ low cost to people.
- Southside Partnership provides back-to-work supports.
- Education Training Board services to be supported and advertised.
- Additional supports are needed for getting back to work, going back to education, community employment, building people and community capacity back again after the pandemic crisis.
- Would like to see more people living and working in DLR. Need more community facilities free for people. Greater awareness of the facilities in DLR needed.
- Use of facilities and services – important that people know what's available.

Education & Training

- Over the last 30 years funding streams have been increased and introduced but not everyone is aware of them
- My Previous role was in education & training – report talks about young people's access to education & access to employment – but it should also include education

& training for people of all ages

- School and college curriculum to cover real work issues. More apprenticeship courses for technical skills.
- 100% employment using clean and renewable resources.
- Reform Leaving Cert to Include life skills and more stress on further education and training to incentivise youth.
- Apprenticeships. Possible local people volunteers/ unemployed (if interested) engaged in assisting the council in the maintenance of areas, e.g. housing estates, roadside, other, whatever is appropriate.
- Better training opportunities and transport.
- More technology resources and education for older people.
- Local hubs for enterprise and innovation and for digital earning.

Employment

- The need to have more opportunities for places where young people can get work experience and part time jobs
- For people with disabilities getting employment in the area, opportunities are very limited.
- Employment strategies for people with disabilities and special needs– almost channelled into an adult day service – drive the employment they want to work.

Integration

Community integration

- Integration of Communities is important and needs to become a priority, including foreign workers.
- Need to work on integration and bring communities together.

Inclusion

- DLR needs to get the message across regarding equal access for all to funding
- Intergenerational- Retirement - link some of the people who are older with younger people to learn valuable things such as sailing, how to fix a bike, as a way of keeping young and old connected.
- For employers to think outside the box and be more open minded to the idea of supporting persons into employment who may fall outside of the normal spectrum, and that there could be some kind of financial supports/training offered by council to help these small businesses.
- Meet the needs of the most needy first and plan for those.
- By designing our public spaces to be good for wheelchairs and buggies, it is good then for everyone; not difficult at the design stage. More technology resources and education for older people.

Community/Volunteers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Economy – volunteers are critical● Others use skills to run / organise more local community activities.

Environment & Sustainability

Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Vision for Environment & Sustainability

DLR will rise to the challenge to address Climate Change by preserving and protecting our natural environments for future generations to enjoy, by taking pride in our natural resources and ensuring that they are well looked after. Educate the community about sustainable living, make efforts to lower our carbon emissions by using sustainable and active transport.

Recycling/ Litter/ Bins/ Pollution

- Enforce the litter bye-laws on businesses and people
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- I'd like to commend the council. Last year I took photos at three locations showing the terrible state of bins – within 3 weeks the council had installed big bins and also tripled the collection times.
- Water bottle fill up stations are a great resource to be continued and expanded.
- Important to have more public bins.
- A place where you could get Poo Bags when you are out and about if you forgot to bring one so that you can clean up after your dog.
- Encourage people to clean up after themselves.
- Bins especially for segregating rubbish.
- Green spaces retained.
- Greater investment in ensuring excellent water quality in rivers and sea, for the benefit of people and biodiversity. Water quality needs to be addressed. There are concerns surrounding sewage, general water quality, no bathing notices on various beaches. Future planning will affect this, we need adequate facilities to deal with water treatment, as well as facilities put in place to mitigate water pollution, such as rain water harvesting in homes and community buildings that will help to reduce the strain on our water systems. We need to plan for a future influx of people living in the area.
- More input by local community on offshore windmills, more communication with community as to the plans for developments of wind farms, Marine habitats need to be protected before windmills are planned. Currently only 2% of Ireland's marine habitat is designated as a Marine Protected Area. The Government has committed to expanding this to at least 30% by 2030. We need to identify ecologically sensitive areas first, before we plan where to put windmills.
- No more sewage pollution.
- Have recycling bins and options at all parks, outside shops, and recreational places. Support upcycling social enterprises.
- Free council collection for recycling weekly.

- Keep the place clean and use the bins.
- No littering.
- Less abuse of environment by careless dumping of materials that could be recycled. Repair of fixable items instead of dumping them.
- The recycling Centre at Eden Park is a fantastic facility - please retain.
- Get rid of plastics and bring back returnable bottles and jars.
- Enforce the law on dumping (including in the sea) on litter, on Smokey fuels. Campaigns and engaging with people to change behaviour is definitely required but so is enforcement. After a short campaign, issue warnings and then every year make the polluter pay the maximum fee. We have to protect this environment we are so lucky to have.
- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.
- A cleaner place to live and work.
- Provide more litter bins.

Energy/ Retrofitting

Hydrogen power is the major fuel of the future and DLR could help lead the way by making a proportion of the fleet hydrogen-power.

Green Energy

- It is really good to see more public (and private) transport and public facilities like bins using renewable energy sources.
- Lots of rivers and sea and wind, it would be great if these were used for renewable energy.
- Having wind energy.
- Councils using solar panels on all its offices and community centres.
- Fund retrofitting of homes and businesses. Heat pumps are not suitable for older homes, alternative heating solutions will need to be used for example much can be learned from the rollout of hydrogen throughout the gas network in Leeds where all new gas boilers sold from next year must be hydrogen ready. We have not made plans for using the existing gas network and no thought has been given to expanding the gas network into new builds in order to give people a choice of fuel source, hydrogen is a clean energy.
- Reduce dependence on fuels and resources that are harmful to the environment.
- Bigger grants for home projects such as solar panels.
- Free council collection for recycling weekly.
- More electric charging points.
- Energy, Mobility, Technology, Food, Materials.
- More green areas and parks and more support for this area .
- More charge points for electric vehicles.
- We have reduced our carbon dioxide and methane emissions. We can move around easily, using active travel. We do not pollute our waterways. We do not waste food. We do not use unnecessary plastic.
- Homes that are insulated and have solar panels.
- More renewable energy such as offshore wind farms and biogas. More hybrid

vehicles. More plants and trees. No littering. An increase in the carbon tax.

- Eliminate our use of carbon aggressively to zero.
- More use of low energy items.
- Make electric cars cheaper and more power points around the area.

Pedestrianised Areas

- Surely cycling can be facilitated in our Parks with "cycling only" paths as has been done in other countries. At the moment our Parks are dangerous for walkers between cyclists and e-scooters - it must be possible to regulate this somehow so that there aren't more people injured. It used to be said that cars were a danger to cyclists on our roads so cycle lanes have been provided (but indeed not always used e.g. Leopardstown Road is a great example). Now the situation is that cyclists are a danger to people walking in our parks but nothing has been done to protect people walking. Cyclists seem to be prioritised over every sector of society - leaving many feeling abandoned. It cannot be impossible to have a solution which accommodates everyone. Encouraging cycling has been spoken of for many years - where are our Planners in all of this, in finding a solution and incorporating it into future planning of roads, housing estates,
- All plans for the Council must be based on sound climate action policies. Remove car parking, put in parklets (like on the CMR) for people to sit, meet and chat. Replace at least 3 car parking places and replace it with Sheffield stand bicycle parking. Blackrock Main Street is a good example of environmental & sustainable change, which has benefitted all the traders as well as the residents and visitors.
- Outdoors sheltered areas.
- Very few places to sit outside that are sheltered from the rain and elements, nowhere just to talk that is protected.
- Amount of new benches after Covid is good for meeting people it would be good if they were covered for rain
- Benches at People's Park are great. More such benches are needed in other parks.
- Amount of new benches after covid is good for meeting people. It would be good if they were covered for rain.
- Get cars out of the town centre.
- Give space for people to meet, eat and socialise (and spend money and time).

Climate Change

- In Sandyford have adopted the green vision and are working to bring in green issues and solutions. Reporting is being done in the SDG framework.
- Climate Action Week to continue.
- Help the young to communicate with parents the importance of sustainability and reducing waste - and all the actions (e.g. grow your own produce) that will help

combat climate change.

- Growing your own campaign needed to address less food waste.
- Get cars out of the town centre.
- Give space for people to meet, eat and socialise (and spend money and time).
- The challenges we face in terms of Climate Change are enormous but I hope that we will rise to the challenge and prevail in our efforts to preserve and protect our natural environments for future generations to enjoy, just as we have.

Education & Awareness

- Educating the children on climate, the environment and sustainability should start as early as possible in schools
- With different age groups education & awareness is really important especially around Climate awareness
- After Covid-19 there are difficulties with engagement across the age groups by all ages but especially younger people – important to focus on this and perhaps an alternative education stream for disengaged youth.
- Awareness of our natural and man-made environments and heritage built upon increased.
- Teach about sustainable living in all schools, especially at primary level.
- A cleaner Dublin Bay Educational talks on the sea and the mountains.
- Opportunities for young people to learn more about the environment
- Education. Education. Education. Changing syllabus.
- Campaigns and engaging with people to change behaviour is definitely required but so is enforcement. After a short campaign, issue warnings and then every year make the polluter pay the max. We have to protect this environment we are so lucky to have.
- Provide education for schools, families and professional bodies, a research hub, create employment, while also providing a tourism opportunity and educating the DLR community to take civic pride in their sustainable heritage.

15 Minute City

- By taking away the need to travel into Dublin or big centres and by providing services close to home.

Biodiversity/ Environment

- Great work done about biodiversity and now the tree strategy plan is excellent but we need implementation
- 3 key areas for the next 8 years - food, water, environment
- It is great to see how DLR is developing programmes for biodiversity and that it will increase going forward.
- Dublin Bay Biosphere, Dalkey Island and coastline are a wonderful environment for

all - sustainability is key to retaining this advantage.

Trees

- Coillte has many interesting programmes and land solutions.
- Excellent programs for planting native trees and creating woodland parks.
- All have noticed the great initiative from DLR CoCo in replacing and planting trees all over the county, which needs to continue.
- Tree Planting & Replacement as a sustained initiative of having more trees.
- The horse chestnut trees are native and need to be looked after.

Green spaces

- Green spaces to be preserved in DLR.
- Lots of green in DLR not only in the parks but also in between in community green spaces and playgrounds - the addition of a swing in Cabinteely Park is also great.
- Values need to be thought about in developments. Should be planned to allow more green spaces and accessibility should be included.

Animal habitat

- Integrating animal habitat into our own- e.g. Put hoods on street lights to direct energy down, as this would help biodiversity.
- Implement the UN SDGs and clean up our water. These are important assets to be enjoyed and protected.
- Green and Pollinator areas.
- Need lots of them and it is great to see more coming.
- Replacement of trees within the Estate suffering from Ash Die-Back. Let us not lose any more of our existing Green Areas.
- Bring the findings of Cop26 to the fore, and create an awareness of our personal responsibilities.
- Plant more appropriate trees in appropriate places. Need to appoint a full time tree officer.
- Recognise the natural resources that we have from the seaside to the forests and wild areas.
- Plant trees everywhere, suitable for urban areas.
- A cleaner Dublin Bay.
- Without keeping our environment safe and sustainable we will have nothing to hand over to the next generation.
- Trees, trees, trees.
- Improve the condition of our landscapes, rivers and lakes.
- Keep the place clean, use the bins and continue with the meadow and bug hotels, this is a great development.
- More plants and trees.
- No littering.
- An increase in the carbon tax.
- Ensure nature is thriving everywhere. In every estate, village, park etc.
- The environment is doing well.
- Clean water.
- Plant more trees where possible.

- Less cement, more planting.
- Pride in our environmental resources that are well looked after.
- Rewilding of local green spaces, getting children involved in helping to manage local common green spaces.
- Huge amounts of trees are being cut down in the high growth areas along the M50 around Sandyford, Leopardstown, Kilgobbin and Carrickmines. The council needs a major tree planting initiative in these areas.
- More biodiversity in public areas. Beaches well maintained.
- Have respect for the environment.
- Utilise DLRs incredible natural resources by creating a biodiversity and sustainability hub, in partnership with ICD and the environmental organisations in the area. This would provide education for schools, families and professional bodies, a research hub, create employment, while also providing a tourism opportunity and educating the DLR community to take civic pride in their sustainable heritage. Continue to provide opportunities for cycling, with ample covered bike parking, safe school cycling routes, and cycle bus corridors.
- More environmental events.
- The creation of more for walks and sports.

Housing/ Development/ Planning Regulation

- Consideration should be given to the issue of overcrowding. Biggest challenge is new developments and the density.
- Keep existing green spaces within the environment.
- Green spaces retained. Water quality needs to be addressed.
- Rain water harvesting in homes and community buildings that will help to reduce the strain on our water systems. Greater investment in ensuring excellent water quality in rivers and sea, for the benefit of people and biodiversity.
- We need to plan for a future influx of people living in the area.
- More input by local community on offshore windmills, more communication with community as to the plans for developments of wind farms Marine habitats need to be protected before windmills are planned.
- Stricter conservation laws on building in conservation areas. More protection for people around sound pollution. Builders keep making noise from early morning till late at night.
- We must put back in what we take away before it is too late. Real checking on developers. This is not done. And developers go for forgiveness instead of permission. Too late. DLRCC must enforce this with their vision. Fernhill is a wonderful asset but more must be done in Kilternan and Glencullen areas.
- Stop building on every square inch.
- Council should build more affordable houses to keep young families in the county, everything else will follow.
- Curtail building in the county. Avoid building on the mountains.
- We have a beautiful Glencullen which is being destroyed by outsiders for their pleasure. Locals can't build or buy houses which mean they must move away.
- Using more sustainable materials in our built environment e.g. wood. Spending

money on public buildings.

- Lobbying for changes to insurance so that the public purse indemnifies so much that is not indemnified in other countries.
- Specifically, in Dun Laoghaire, we could build sustainable new communities in the western part of the county. (For what it is worth, I doubt that it will happen because we are so keen to respond to the whims of the property development sector.)
- We need homes, especially for young people. Without them, we do not have a sustainable community.

Community/ Participation

- Engagement from young and old alike is paramount.
- There have been many lovely benches and seating installed but not always kept well – perhaps the community should be more involved in this.
- Support the Tidy Towns movement more.
- More individual involvement and participation.
- We have to be proactive and anything we can do in this area is positive.

Consultation

- Consult and listen to demand from the public.

Transport

- Arthritis is a big problem. Lots of people with arthritis have to use cars to get around and there needs to be balance in the approach.
- I think there should be a broader view taken in relation to getting rid of cars and cycling is the only way forward. Cycling is hugely advantageous for those who can and are able to do it. Not everyone can. As I have mentioned previously one in five people in Ireland live with arthritis and it is similar in the DLR area. Dáil Éireann Constituency Profile Dublin Rathdown from 2020 The population of the Dún Laoghaire constituency in 2016 was 123,546 – meaning there's approx. 25,000 people living with arthritis in the constituency. Similarly, there were 94,472 in Dublin Rathdown, giving approx. 19,000 people with arthritis. Both constituencies have more older people than the national average: 17.3% in Dún Laoghaire were over aged 65 in 2016 and 14.1% in Rathdown, compared with 13.4% across the country as a whole. This has obvious issues in terms of the health profile of the constituencies, and also poses transport problems for arthritis sufferers. At the moment, in Dún Laoghaire parking has been restricted in a number of areas e.g. at Scotsmans Bay where cars used to pull in and park, has been taken over for flower boxes which are lovely and it's quite pretty, but for people who are affected badly with arthritis they have to park quite a distance away to get to walk by the sea. Apart from some arthritis sufferers bicycles are not necessarily feasible e.g. for wheelchair bound people, people with Parkinson's or indeed for a woman/man with a baby and

two small children trying to bring home her/his weekly shop. Doing ordinary everyday business like going for Doctor/Hospital appointments, places of worship or simply to meet a friend is becoming more and more difficult for some people. Cycling has many benefits - apart from improving the environment there is a health benefit to being out in the open air and enjoying the freedom it can give to those who can cycle. I feel there has to be a balance whereby every sector of society is looked after.

- Better public transport connectivity-where there is connectivity between east and west of the County.
- Transport it is easier to travel longer distances rather than locally.
- Transport - public transport it can take longer to get public transport than walk, no direct transport.
- We need to have an accurate Bus app. Relying on public transport is stressful as you never know if/when they are coming.
- Increase the frequency of buses to all areas. Buses are highly concentrated on some routes, such as 46A but in Sandyford there are two buses which only come on the hour.
- Have the bus electronic timetable indicators over the bus stops on both sides of the road, not just one.
- Have electronic timetable indicators on all bus routes and stops.

Cycling

- Just a thought - as cars are gotten rid of from our roads so also will the taxes/revenue which goes to public spending be diminished, perhaps there will come a time when bicycles will be taxed and insured - as at the moment if you are hit by a bicycle there is no comeback.
- Cycle Lanes and infrastructure is important.
- Extremely important to have these safe lanes for cyclists of all ages to move around the county and create a great coastal route.
- Cyclists should be involved in planning cycle lanes as some are dangerous.
- Joining up of cycle lanes is important - at the moment, they just stop suddenly and you have to go on to the road.
- Cycle lanes have added to congestion and the time it takes to travel locally (from asset section).

Safety

- In relation to trees in the suburbs - there are some housing estates where there are very large sycamore trees which are totally unsuitable for the places where they are planted. In one particular estate that I am thinking of the trees are approx 25 years old and during the summer months the road is completely dark at night as they block out the street light completely. This makes it a very lonely road for young people, or anyone to be walking after dark. These trees are taller than the houses, which means the roots are likely to go under foundations which could possibly cause difficulty going forward.
- Lighting, especially in parks, so young people can safely go for a run after dinner such as 6pm/ after school.

- Public telephones would be handy to have if the phone dies so you can call someone, especially at night.
- Better street lighting so young people do not have to walk in the dark.
- Someone on duty at the dart station makes you feel safer.
- For young girls it can be scary at night being alone on the dart is not good, especially when buses are not reliable.

Section 4

Methodology for planning the consultation process

The PPNs were mandated by the Department of Rural and Community Development to lead the creation of the Vision for Wellbeing Statements. An overall template was created by Social Justice Ireland -which would lead to the creation of the first Draft Statement.

Pilot projects, in conjunction with Social Justice Ireland were organised in Longford, Roscommon, Wicklow and Cork City during 2018. For examples of Vision Statements, please see:

- Wicklow PPN Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement [here](#)
- Roscommon PPN Vision for Community Wellbeing Statement [here](#)

Given the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, meetings in person were not possible. This led to the DLR PPN Secretariat and staff developing a different approach, suitable for online Workshops, as well as a template for the online survey, which followed the initial brief and aim set out by the Department of Rural and Community Development, but which also factored in the new circumstances.

Each workshop followed the same format - please see Table 1 - Format of Consultation Workshops

1.	Welcome and brief introduction	10 min
2.	Brief explanation about the format of the evening	2 min
3.	About the Vision : aim and structure https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2P_08LZ5Tlc	5 min
4.	Asset Mapping What are the existing assets in our community? What do we have of value/worth preserving in the physical environment, services & community?	25 min
5.	Breakout session a. What do we need? b. What is our vision for community wellbeing in DLR? We will be covering the following three themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health (physical and mental) • Economy & Resources • Social & Community Development 	20 min
6.	Breakout session	20min

<p>a. What do we need?</p> <p>b. What is our vision for community wellbeing in DLR?</p> <p>We will be covering the following three themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation, Democracy & Good Governance • Values, Culture & Meaning • Environment & Sustainability 	
<p>7. Summary of feedback and close of meeting</p>	8 min

Table 1 - Format of consultation workshops

The questions were open-ended, and the facilitators received a detailed brief and examples of prompts beforehand. Notes were taken by note takers that were independent from the DLR PPN, in this case, dlr County Council staff.

The survey was divided into three main sections - not including the preliminary information required to proceed to Section 1. All answers to these submission questions have been anonymised, which we announced repeatedly. The three sections were as follows:

- SECTION 1 - In this section, you will be considering our existing community, the community you live or work in.
- SECTION 2 - Here you will tell us how we can retain and improve upon what we already have.
- SECTION 3 - This is where we ask you to tell us about your vision for your community for the future.

Similarly to the workshops, all questions in the survey were open-ended, allowing for a maximum of flexibility in the response. Also, very importantly, we did not make any of the questions in Sections 1 to 3 compulsory, and we repeatedly communicated that respondents could answer strictly on the area/ topic of interest.

What feedback was received?

The online workshops were attended by 71 participants and the feedback was gathered by note taking and recordings of the meetings to ensure all data was collected.

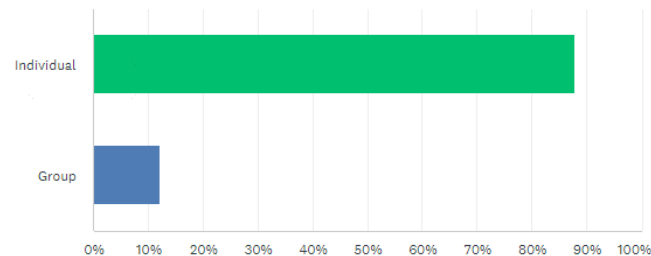
Survey: There were 331 respondents

- 30.21% (100 answers) stated that they are members of a community/ voluntary or sporting group based in DLR.
- A majority of 88% participants completed the survey as an individual, while 12% made submissions on behalf of a group.
- The submissions on behalf of groups amount to more than 3,510 local members.

Sample Survey Results

Are you completing this submission as an individual or for your group?

Answered: 331 Skipped: 0



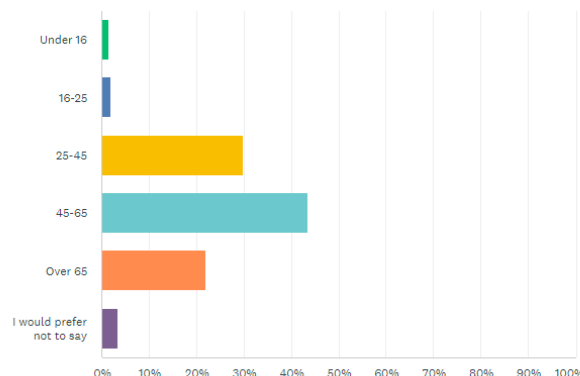
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Individual	87.92%	291
Group	12.08%	40
Total Respondents: 331		

Fig. 4 - Survey Question: “Are you completing this submission as an individual or for your group?”

- In terms of the age profile, 43.5% of the respondents belong to the 46 - 65 age category, 29.9% belong to the 26-45 age group, and 22% of the respondents were

over 66 years old - please see *Figure 5*.
Age group, please choose one.

Answered: 331 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 16	1.51%	5
16-25	1.81%	6
25-45	29.91%	99
45-65	43.50%	144
Over 65	22.05%	73
I would prefer not to say	3.32%	11
Total Respondents: 331		

Fig. 5 - Age profile of survey respondents

Interpreting the results of the consultation

1. Methodology

In analysing the feedback from participants, we utilised both qualitative and quantitative approaches, as follows:

- a. Quantitative approach - Feedback obtained in relation to Section 1 of the Survey was carefully read and noted into a separate spreadsheet for Assets identified - please see Appendix 1.

Although each question was an open question, we made a note of each and all assets mentioned in all the answers, through a manual process of inputting this data into a separate spreadsheet.

The rationale behind this important exercise was to identify the local assets mentioned by the respondents from the community, both in terms of 'All Area Assets', as well as Area Specific Assets.

- b. Qualitative approach - the workshops functioned as focus groups, where participants were prompted to answer open ended questions. As expected, there was interaction between the participants and the facilitators, as well as interaction among themselves. Personal opinions about the potential avenues for improving existing assets were delivered in a small group setting, with frequent references to remarks made by the other participants and by the facilitators. In analysing the feedback obtained from the

workshop, we captured themes, without attributing responses to a single anonymised speaker. The feedback obtained was as a result of the group conversation, as opposed to the single contributors.

2. Results

Section 1: Assets in the Community

There were 637 answers in total for the 6 questions included in Section 1: Assets in the Community. There were 1,225 individual mentions of Assets in the DLR community, captured in 347 total assets identified. These assets range from tangible facilities, to activities, locations, organisations, pieces of legislation, systems and governing or non-government bodies.

The all area assets most mentioned are as follows:

- a. Parks - 95 mentions
- b. Cycle lanes - 35 mentions
- c. Libraries - 36 mentions
- d. DLR County Council - 26 mentions
- e. Beaches - 24 mentions
- f. Walk Trails/ Paths - 21 mentions
- g. Sports clubs - 19 mentions
- h. Mountains - 19 mentions
- i. DLR PPN - 19 mentions
- j. Location - 18 mentions
- k. Sports Facilities - 18 mentions
- l. Public Transportation - 17 mentions
- m. Hospitals - 16 mentions
- n. Councillors - 16 mentions
- o. Community Centres - 16 mentions

As for individual local assets, 190 mentions were made in total for the following areas: Ballinteer, Belfield, Blackrock, Ballybrack, Booterstown, Cabinteely, Cherrywood, Dalkey, Dun Laoghaire, Dundrum, Glenamuck, Glencullen, Killiney, Kilternan, Leopardstown, Loughlinstown, Monkstown, Rosemount, Seapoint, Sandycove, Shankill, Sandyford, Stillorgan, Windy Arbour. The detailed list with all Assets in the Community is available in Appendix 1 - please see attached.

Section 2: How to Improve Assets

Through the survey, we received a total of 504 individual responses to the 6 questions in this section. For a list of all responses, divided in each theme, please see Appendix 2 attached.

Section 3: Vision for Community Wellbeing

To create the draft Vision for Community Wellbeing, we compiled the data collected from SECTION 3. This is where we asked participants to tell us about their vision for their community for the future. The input obtained from both the workshops and the survey, categorised under the 6 themes, was combined and subheadings were added - this was the source of the draft statement by category.

These individual statements were then drawn together to arrive at the overall draft statement for DLR PPN. This document is circulated to the membership for further input and comment.

3. Draft Consultation

Draft Vision Statement Consultation, a further consultation period was held this ran from 13th April to 4th May 2022 where we sought feedback on the Draft Vision Statement and invited members and the people of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown to join one of the two online workshops. There was also the opportunity for those who could not attend to provide feedback by making a submission to an additional online survey or they could the print and complete the survey form and return it to us via email at enquiries@dlrppn.ie or post it to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Public Participation Network, The Old Post Office, 7 Rock Hill, Main Street, Blackrock, Co. Dublin. Information on the workshops and survey were circulated to all members, published on the DLR PPN website and advertised on social media.

Draft Vision Statement Feedback Workshops

Two - 26th April 2022, 28th April 2022

15 - Participants

The workshops were 60 minutes in duration and followed this format:

- Welcome and Introductions - 5 minutes
- A brief overview of the Draft Statement - 15 minutes
- Opportunity for additional feedback on the draft for each of the 6 themes - 40 minutes

The workshops functioned as focus groups, where participants were prompted to answer open ended questions. As expected, there was interaction between the participants and the facilitators, as well as interaction among themselves. Personal opinions about the potential avenues for improving existing assets were delivered in a small group setting, with frequent references to remarks made by the other participants and by the facilitators. In analysing the feedback obtained from the workshop, we captured themes, without attributing responses to a single anonymised speaker. The feedback obtained was as a result of the group conversation, as opposed to the single contributors. This feedback was added to the feedback already obtained.

Draft Vision Statement Survey

There were 9 responses

This data was collected, collated and added to the data already gathered.

Q4 Are you completing this submission as an individual or for your group?



Appendix 1

Assets in the Community

Health (Physical and Mental)

Question asked in the survey:

“Health (Physical and Mental): What is already in place so that our community enjoys the best possible physical and mental health?”

Topic/ Issue	Number of mentions	Area in DLR
Access to other Dub hospitals	1	All areas
Active Retirement groups	3	All areas
Active travel infrastructure	1	All areas
Activities for disabled young mothers	1	All areas
Agencies	1	All areas
Amenities	1	All areas
Artistic events	1	All areas
Beaches	3	All areas
Bookshops	1	All areas
Cafes	1	All areas
Can't say	1	
Classes	1	All areas
Clean streets	1	All areas
Cleaner air	1	All areas
Clinics	1	All areas
Coastlines	3	All areas
Community centres	2	All areas
Community Groups	1	All areas
Community Gyms	2	All areas

Community Initiatives	1	All areas
Community Pools	3	All areas
Cooking groups	1	All areas
Counselling	2	All areas
Cycle lanes	15	All areas
Dentist	2	All areas
DLR Age Friendly	1	All areas
DLR Sports Partnership	4	All areas
DLRcc Schemes	1	All areas
Dog park	1	All areas
Education Walks	1	All areas
enterprise supports	1	All areas
events	1	All areas
Everything for mental H	1	All areas
Facilities for active travel	1	All areas
Festivals	1	All areas
Food/ nutrition	1	All areas
Forests	1	All areas
French Boules	1	All areas
Funding streams	1	All areas
GAA	1	All areas
Good COVID information	1	All areas
GPs	3	All areas
Green Spaces	1	All areas
Gym	3	All areas
Harbour	4	All areas
Hospitals	7	All areas
Housing	1	All areas
HSE	5	All areas
Leisure Centres	4	All areas
Less air on the roads	1	All areas
Libraries	2	All areas
Local health authorities	1	All areas
Local health centres	6	All areas

Medical Practitioners	1	All areas
Meeting spaces	1	All areas
Men's Shed	2	All areas
Mental health awareness	1	All areas
Mental health projects	2	All areas
Mindfulness programmes	1	All areas
Monitoring water pollution level	1	All areas
Mountains	6	All areas
Music	1	All areas
Natural environment	1	All areas
Natural resources	1	All areas
Neighbourliness	1	All areas
No idea/ don't know	7	All areas
Non-profits	1	All areas
Not enough	1	All areas
nothing	2	All areas
Online access to courses	1	All areas
Online access to organisations	1	All areas
Open spaces	10	All areas
Outdoor activities	2	All areas
Outdoor facilities	9	All areas
Outdoor gyms in parks	5	All areas
Park	33	All areas
Parks Department	1	All areas
Pavements	1	All areas
Pharmacies	1	All areas
Physical activity spaces	1	All areas
Piers	8	All areas
Places to exercise	3	All areas
Plants	1	All areas
Playground	5	All areas
Primary Care centre	2	All areas
Private health insurance	1	All areas
Private health service	1	All areas

Public amenities	2	All areas
Public Spaces	1	All areas
Ramps in community	1	All areas
Recreational areas	1	All areas
Referrals to hospitals	1	All areas
Rehabilitation Centres	1	All areas
Safety	2	All areas
Schools	1	All areas
Sea	4	All areas
Seaside facilities	9	All areas
Seafront	2	All areas
Sitting benches	2	All areas
skate Parks	1	All areas
Southside Partnership	1	All areas
Sports Clubs	8	All areas
Sports Facilities	6	All areas
sports Groups	1	All areas
Supports	1	All areas
Surgeries	1	All areas
Swimming	5	All areas
Swimming pools	5	All areas
Transport	1	All areas
Trees	1	All areas
TUSLA	2	All areas
UCD	1	All areas
Walk Paths/ trails	15	All areas
Watersports	2	All areas
Well Being	1	All areas
Wildlife	1	All areas
Yoga meditation	1	all areas

Meadowbrook gym facility	1	Ballinteer
Meadowbrook pool	1	Ballinteer
Martello Tower	1	Blackrock

Chair in Blackrock	1	Blackrock
Kilbogget Park	3	Cabinteely
St Attracta Park	1	Cabra
Cuala Sports Club	1	Dalkey
Dalkey Community health centre	1	Dalkey
Dalkey Hill Park	1	Dalkey
Dalkey hill Playground	1	Dalkey
Dalkey Island	1	Dalkey
Dillard's Park	1	Dalkey
Sorento	1	Dalkey
Coal Harbour	1	Dun Laoghaire
Crosscare	1	Dun Laoghaire
DBSC	1	Dun Laoghaire
DL Men's shed	1	Dun Laoghaire
DROP	1	Dun Laoghaire
National Yacht Club	1	Dun Laoghaire
Royal St. George	1	Dun Laoghaire
Royal Yacht Club	1	Dun Laoghaire
Seapoint	2	Dun Laoghaire
St. John of God	1	Dun Laoghaire
St. Michael's Hospital	1	Dun Laoghaire
St. Michael's Rowing Club	1	Dun Laoghaire
Hanly Centre	1	Dun Laoghaire
DL Harbour	1	Dun Laoghaire
People's Park	3	Dun Laoghaire
Meadowbrook	1	Dundrum
Wayside Celtic	1	Glenamuck
Stars of Erin	1	Glencullen
Sports club Kilbogget	1	Kilbogget
Killiney Hill	1	Killiney
Palmerstown Rugby	1	Kilternan
Rosemount Green	1	Kilternan

Ski Club of Ireland	1	Kilternan
Loughlinstown Gym Facilities	1	Loughlinstown
Monkstown Gym	1	Monkstown
Forty Foot	3	Sandycove
An tIonad Sláinte i Seanchill	1	Shankill
Primary care centre	1	Shankill
Shanganagh Park	1	Shankill
Balally F Centre	1	Strength & Balance
Ben Dunne	1	
Coastal Mobility Route		
Cuala GAA		

Social and Community Development

Question asked:

“Social and Community Development: How do we support each other? What services and facilities are already in place to live well from childhood to old age.”

Topic/ Issue	Number of mentions	Area in DLR
Access to the city	1	All Areas
Active Retirement Group	2	All Areas
What assets are already in place	1	All Areas
Bars/ Cafes	3	All Areas
Beaches	5	All Areas
Bin collections	1	All Areas
Bus services	5	All Areas
Businesses	1	All Areas
Charities	2	All Areas
Child care	6	All Areas

Children's organisations	1	All Areas
Church Choir	1	All Areas
Churches	6	All Areas
Cinema	4	All Areas
Citizens Information	1	All Areas
Cleanliness	1	All Areas
Clubs	5	All Areas
Coastline	4	All Areas
Community based activities	3	All Areas
Community Centres	12	All Areas
Community Groups	8	All Areas
Community organisations	1	All Areas
Community Spirit	3	All Areas
Community Supports	2	All Areas
Cultural Facilities	2	All Areas
Cycling Paths	14	All Areas
DART	4	All Areas
dlr coco	3	All Areas
DLR PPN	2	All Areas
Employment	1	All Areas
Events	2	All Areas
Family Resource Centres	2	All Areas
Football Pitches	2	All Areas
GAA	2	All Areas
Golf Club	1	All Areas
Green spaces	9	All Areas
Greenification of streets	1	All Areas
Groups	2	All Areas
Harbour	2	All Areas
Health and Wellbeing initiatives	3	All Areas
Health Clinics	1	All Areas
heritage signposts	1	All Areas
High quality schools	5	All Areas

Higher learning institutions	4	All Areas
Hills	2	All Areas
Hospitals	8	All Areas
HSE Support	2	All Areas
Killiney beach	1	All Areas
Killiney hill	2	All Areas
Libraries	25	All Areas
Loughlinstown Rooms Community	1	All Areas
LUAS	5	All Areas
Making Connections	1	All Areas
Markets in parks	1	All Areas
Men's Sheds	5	All Areas
Mountain bike	1	All Areas
Mountains	8	All Areas
Older age initiatives	4	All Areas
outdoor amenities	7	All Areas
Outdoor art	1	All Areas
Parks	39	All Areas
Pavement	2	All Areas
Pedestrianisation	4	All Areas
Piers	4	All Areas
Places of worship	1	All Areas
Planting for Wildlife	1	All Areas
Playground	2	All Areas
Promenade	1	All Areas
Protected Walking Paths	1	All Areas
Public Access to the sea	1	All Areas
Public Amenities	5	All Areas
Public Seating	1	All Areas
Public Toilets	1	All Areas
Public transportation	7	All Areas
Recreational / leisure facilities	5	All Areas
Residents Associations	2	All Areas

Restaurants	1	All Areas
Sandycove	1	All Areas
Schools	11	All Areas
Scouts	1	All Areas
Sea Front	1	All Areas
Sea Swimming	3	All Areas
Security	1	All Areas
Shops	11	All Areas
Social inclusion	1	All Areas
Social Services	1	All Areas
Southside Partnership	3	All Areas
Sports Clubs	8	All Areas
Sports Facilities	12	All Areas
Street furniture	1	All Areas
Streets	2	All Areas
Strong self-help networks	1	All Areas
Support centres dementia	1	All Areas
SWAN	1	All Areas
Swimming pools	3	All Areas
The promenade	1	All Areas
The sea	6	All Areas
Theatre	4	All Areas
Tidy Towns	2	All Areas
Volunteer Centre	2	All Areas
Volunteering	2	All Areas
Walking paths	6	All Areas
Women's Groups	1	All Areas
Youth organisations	1	All Areas
Youth Work initiatives	3	All Areas
Zoom Communication	1	All Areas
BYPC	1	?
Carmona Services	1	?

Deerpark	1	?
Lambs Cross	1	?
Marley Park	3	?
St. John's of Gods	1	?
St. Vincent De Paul	1	?
Ticknock Library	1	?
Tree Rock Woodland	1	?
Community sharing & support	1	All Areas
Family Resource Centres	1	All Areas
Freecycle group	1	All Areas
Scout Halls	1	All Areas
Ballinteer Male Voice Choir	1	Ballinteer
Ballinteer RA	1	Ballinteer
Ballinteer St. John's GAA	1	Ballinteer
Ballinteer Active Retirement Assoc.	1	Ballinteer
Book Clubs	1	Ballinteer
Brehon Active Retirement	1	Ballinteer
Bridge Clubs	1	Ballinteer
Broadford Rovers Soccer Club	1	Ballinteer
Chemist	1	Ballinteer
Gaelscoil	1	Ballinteer
Health Centre	1	Ballinteer
Meadowbrook Recreation Centre	2	Ballinteer
Playing pitches	1	Ballinteer
Pre-schools	1	Ballinteer
Pubs	1	Ballinteer
Secondary schools	1	Ballinteer
Supermarket	1	Ballinteer
Family Resource Centre	1	Balally
Belfield all levels schools	1	Belfield
Community Spirit	1	Boooterstown
Sport Facilities	1	Boooterstown

Cabinteely Park	1	Cabinteely
Dalkey active retirement Association	1	Dalkey
Dalkey Community Health Centre	2	Dalkey
Dalkey Community Playgroup	1	Dalkey
Dalkey Cuala Sports club	1	Dalkey
Dalkey Library	2	dalkey
Dalkey Meals on Wheels	1	Dalkey
Public toilets	1	DL park
Good information on training and events	1	dlr coco
Support during pandemic	1	dlr coco
Churches	1	Dun Laoghaire
CIC ???	1	Dun Laoghaire
Forty Foot	2	Dun Laoghaire
Good Connectivity	1	Dun Laoghaire
Lexicon	3	Dun Laoghaire
National Rehab Centre	1	Dun Laoghaire
Pavilion Theatre	1	Dun Laoghaire
Shopping centres	1	Dun Laoghaire
St. Michael's Hospital	2	Dun Laoghaire
Strong Community Connection	1	Dun Laoghaire
The Lifeboat	1	Dun Laoghaire
Community supports	1	East Side
Barnardos	1	external
TUSLA Child & Family Agency	1	external
Fernhill Park	2	Fernhill
Active Retired Glencullen	1	Glencullen Ward
Community Centre	1	Glencullen Ward
VEC classes	1	Glencullen Ward
Family Resource Centre	1	Holly House
Active churches	1	Kilternan COI Parish
Community Gardai	1	Kilternan COI Parish
Men's Shed Loreto	1	Loreto

Family Resource Centre	1	Monkstown
Monkstown Boxing Club	1	Monkstown
Family Resource Centre	1	Rosemount
Sandyford Community Centre	1	Sandyford
Bus Service	1	Shankill
DART Service	1	Shankill
GAA Football Club	1	Shankill
Kilbogget Park	1	Shankill
Loughlinstown Hospital	1	Shankill
Public Pool Loughlinstown	1	Shankill
Shankill local shops	1	Shankill
Shankill Health centre	1	Shankill
Shankill Old Folks Association	1	Shankill
Shankill Post Office	1	Shankill
Shankill Tidy Town	1	Shankill
Playgrounds	1	Windy Arbour

Participation, Democracy and Good Governance

Question asked

Participation, Democracy and Good Governance : What is already in place to ensure that we have a voice in the decisions that affect us and that all voices are being heard?

Topic/ Issue	Number of mentions	Area in DLR
Access to councillors	4	All Areas
Age Friendly Alliance	1	All Areas
An Board Pleanala	1	All areas
An Taisce	1	All areas
Being part of a group	1	All Areas
Board of management meetings	1	All areas

Chamber of commerce	1	All areas
Citizen information centre	1	All Areas
Clear procedures	1	All areas
Clinics held by local politicians	1	All Areas
Comhairle nanÓG	1	All areas
Community Centres	1	All Areas
Community Events with Council	1	All Areas
Community Guards	2	All Areas
Community Interaction	1	All areas
Council Community groups	3	All Areas
Councillors	16	All Areas
CRA Governance	1	All Areas
Cross party mix councillors	1	All Areas
CYPSC	1	All areas
dlr coco Committees	2	All areas
Dlr County Council	15	All Areas
DLR Elected Council	2	All Areas
dlrcc website	1	All areas
Garda Station	1	All Areas
General elections	3	All Areas
Information relevant	4	All Areas
LCDC	1	All Areas
Local actions	3	All Areas
Local clubs	1	All Areas
Local development plans	4	All areas
Local elections	7	All areas
Local politicians	2	All Areas
Lodging objections	1	All Areas
Making submissions	5	All Areas
Meetings	2	All Areas
Meetings with Gardai	1	All areas
Newsletters mail dropped	1	All areas
Nominated Person for all info	1	All areas

Nothing	1	All Areas
Notification local paper	1	All areas
Older Person's Council	1	All Areas
Opportunities for feedback	1	All Areas
Parent Teacher Associations	1	All areas
People without profit	1	All Areas
Policing Forums	1	All Areas
Polling stations	1	All areas
Political parties	1	All areas
PPN	14	All Areas
Public Amenities	1	All Areas
Public Consultations	12	All Areas
Public Forums	1	All areas
Public Register	1	All areas
Public representatives	1	All Areas
Public services	1	All Areas
Residents association	10	All areas
Small Claims Court	1	All areas
Social Media	3	All areas
Southside Partnership	1	All areas
SPC	3	All Areas
Surveys	9	All areas
TDs	5	All Areas
Visits from dlrc executives	1	All Areas
Volunteering	2	All Areas
Voting rights	5	All Areas
Working groups	1	All areas
Active retirement	1	All areas
Dalkey Community Council	1	Dalkey
Good leadership	1	Dun Laoaghaire
Men's shed	1	All areas
No direction	1	Boosterstown
No large scale concerts	1	All areas

Park	1	All areas
Sports clubs	1	All areas
Tidy Districts	1	All areas

Values, Culture and Meaning

Question asked

Values, Culture & Meaning : What is already in place to ensure everyone is included and valued? How are our different values and cultures respected and nurtured?

Topic/ Issue	Number of mentions	Area in DLR
Active Retirement	1	All areas
Amenities open to all1	1	All areas
Bloomsday	1	All areas
Books from different cultures	1	All areas
Care homes	1	All areas
charities	1	All areas
Churches	8	All areas
Clubs/ Societies	1	All areas
Communication	1	All areas
Community activities	1	All areas
Community Centres	1	All areas
Community groups	5	All areas
Constitution	1	All areas
Council	4	All areas
Council Grants	2	All areas
CRA governance	1	All areas
Day care services	1	All areas
Different races	1	All areas
Diversified community	1	All areas
DLRCC Schemes	1	All areas
Educate Together schools	2	All areas
Eigse Laoghaire	1	All areas

ELC policies & procedures	1	All areas
Equal access to services	1	All areas
events with informal chatting	2	All areas
Family Resource Centres	1	All areas
Festivals	1	All areas
Food shops	1	All areas
Friendly culture	2	All areas
funding streams	1	All areas
Genealogy associations	1	All areas
Good Ethics	1	All areas
Heritage Talks	1	All areas
Heritage Walks	2	All areas
Heritage Week	1	All areas
Historical societies	1	All areas
Hospital	1	All areas
Human rights	2	All areas
I don't know	9	All areas
Independent Businesses	1	All areas
integration programmes	1	All areas
Laws	1	All areas
Leisure communities	1	All areas
Libraries	8	All areas
Local representatives	1	All areas
Men's Shed	1	All areas
Neighbours	3	All areas
Not sure/unaware	6	All areas
Nothing/ not much	5	All areas
Places of worship	4	All areas
PPN	2	All areas
PPN newsletter	1	All areas
Primary schools	1	All areas
Public parks	2	All areas
Religions	2	All areas

Residents Associations	1	All areas
Schools	5	All areas
Social inclusion week	5	All areas
Southside Partnership	1	All areas
Sports clubs	3	All areas
Sports facilities accessible	1	All areas
St. John of God	1	All areas
Strong sense of community	1	All areas
Supports for community groups	1	All areas
Surveys	1	All areas
Theatres	2	All areas
Tidy Districts	1	All areas
Vitality of village centres	1	All areas
Volunteering opportunities	3	All areas
Welcoming culture	1	All areas
Welfare system	1	All areas
Youth service	1	All areas
anti-discrimination policies	1	general
Blackrock market	1	Blackrock
Culture Festival DL		Dun Laoghaire
Dalkey Library	1	Dalkey
Dundrum Library	1	Dundrum
employment tribunals	1	general
Gallery in Lexicon	1	Dun Laoghaire
IADT	1	Dun Laoghaire
James Joyce Tower	1	Sandycove
Kilternan COI	1	Kilternan
Kilternan/Glencullen RC	1	Kilternan/ Glencullen
labour court	1	general
Lambs Cross	1	?
Lexicon	3	Dun Laoghaire
Martello Tower	1	Blackrock
Mill Theatre	1	Dundrum

Monkstown Boxing Club	1	Monkstown
Pavilion Theatre	2	Dun Laoghaire
Regeneration in Dundrum	1	Dundrum
Samuel Beckett Theatre	1	?
Sandyford Community Centre	1	Sandyford
Shackleton Museum	1	Dun Laoghaire
Sporting clubs	1	Kilbogget Park
Workplace relations	1	General

Work, Economy and Resources

Question asked

Values, Culture & Meaning : What is already in place to ensure everyone is included and valued? How are our different values and cultures respected and nurtured?

Asset/ Topic	Number of mentions	Area in DLR
Bike Hub	1	All areas
Business Supports	3	All areas
Citizens Advice	1	All areas
Community networks and schemes funded by DLRCC	1	All areas
Credit Unions	1	All areas
DDLETB	1	All areas
DLR Chamber	2	All areas
DLR CoCo	2	All areas
DLR PPN	1	All areas
DLR Sports Team	1	All areas
Easy access to local jobs	2	All areas
Education Facilities & Schools	3	All areas
EMPLOYABILITY programme	1	All areas
Employment Opportunities	4	All areas

Enterprise Ireland	1	All areas
government Official /Departments		All areas
Grants	2	All areas
Greening of Public Spaces	1	All areas
History Groups	1	All areas
Industrial Estates	3	All areas
Infrastructure	1	All areas
Intro/local employment services	8	All areas
LEO	12	All areas
Local Businesses and Services Create Local Jobs	6	All areas
NGOs and non-profit organisations	1	All areas
No comment	11	All areas
Parking	1	All areas
Public Transport (Dart Luas)	10	All areas
Shopping Centres	4	All areas
Skillnet Ireland	1	All areas
Social Enterprises	1	All areas
Southside Partnership	3	All areas
Start ups	2	All areas
Tourism, Hotels and Restaurants	2	All areas
Training	8	All areas
Valuable Historical Built Environment	1	All areas
Volunteering - DLR Volunteer Centre	1	All areas
Weekly Walks	1	All areas
BSJ GAA Clubhouse	1	Ballinteer
Ballinteer Active Retirement Association	1	Ballinteer
Night Classes	1	Ballinteer
Business parks	1	Cherrywood Startup Incubators
Digital Dún Laoghaire	1	Dun Laoghaire
Luas	1	Dundrum
Dundrum Festival	1	Dundrum
Library	1	Dundrum

Dublin Bus Routes - 14, 16 and 75	1	Dundrum
Dundrum town centre	1	Dundrum
Business Parks	1	Dundrum Business Park
Training/Courses	1	Kilternan
Business Parks	1	Leopardstown Ind Park
Employment Opportunities	5	Sandford Ind Park
Beacon Hospital	1	Sandyford Ind Park
Business Parks	1	Seapoint
Business Parks	1	Stillorgan

Environment & Sustainability

Question asked

Values, Culture & Meaning : What is already in place to ensure everyone is included and valued? How are our different values and cultures respected and nurtured?

Asset/ Topic	Number of mentions	Area in DLR
An taisce		All Areas
Beaches/Seafront	16	
Biodiversity	8	All Areas
Built Heritage	8	
Community groups	1	All Areas
Cycle Path/ Coastal Mobility route	6	All Areas
DLR CoCo	2	
Gardening Projects	1	All Areas
Human Space Making	2	All Areas
Involvement	1	All Areas
Irish Forests	3	All Areas
litter	1	
Location	18	All Areas
Mens Sheds	1	
Mobility	1	
mountains	5	

no answer	5	
off-shore wind farm	1	
Parks	23	All Areas
Rail	1	
Recycling Facilities	4	All Areas
Reserve Special Protection Areas	1	All Areas
Street Art	1	
Ballybrack Natural Areas	1	Ballybrack
Skateboard Park	1	Ballyogan Civic Centre
Parks/natural areas	2	Blackrock
Nature Reserve	1	Boooterstown
Tidy Towns	1	Broadford
Bmx Track	1	Clonkeen Park
Coastal Towns	1	Dalkey
Tidy Towns	1	Dalkey
Heritage	1	Deansgrange cemetery
Parks/natural areas	1	Deer Park Mount Merrion
Baths	1	Dun Laoghaire
Parks/natural areas	1	Fernhill
Parks/natural areas		Kilbogget
Parks/natural areas	2	Killiney beach
Parks/natural areas	3	Killiney Hill
Parks/natural areas	3	Marlay
Coastal Towns	1	Monkstown
Flossie and the Beach Cleaners	1	
Ballybrack Natural Areas	1	Ballybrack
Skateboard Park	1	Ballyogan Civic Centre
Parks/natural areas	2	Blackrock
Nature Reserve	1	Boooterstown
Tidy Towns	1	Broadford
Bmx Track	1	Clonkeen Park
Coastal Towns	1	Dalkey
Flossie and the Beach Cleaners	1	

Appendix 2

How to Improve the Assets already in Place?

Health (Physical and Mental)

Question asked

*How can all members of our community enjoy the best possible physical and mental health?
What about people with special needs, older people, and carers?*

Issue	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
Access to GP	3	All areas	
All options for healthcare not free	1	All areas	
Amenities in Ballybrack	1	Ballybrack	for young and old
Bad planning from council and SHD	1	All areas	
Carers	7		Respite for carers badly required
Chat Areas /benches	3		Create outdoor covered areas with seating so that older people will feel more encouraged to go for outdoor walks. Improve further bicycle lanes and walkways
Child and Adolescent services	1	All areas	
Community Meeting Places	5		Very little in our community for children with additional needs what is here there no places, Community groups are challenged over sharing of one building for young groups and old, fighting over slots, this leaves nothing for those with special need mild or severe, this group has been overlooked, In relation to older population again there no building for them to attend, drop in centre, cuppa, free lunch, company etc

Community services	1	All areas	
Competition on limited resources	1	All areas	
Council Ethics	1		Remember the common good and not me myself and I brigade. Councils in Ireland should have a code of ethics that is applicable on our island if Ireland We need a governing body to monitor them please
DROP	1	Dun Laoghaire	Further assistance needed
Education	2		
Environment, nature	3		
Family Supports	3		
Financial supports	4		Everybody should be entitled to free health care . Be it attending a doctor, dentist or optician. Elderly and people with disabilities should be given any device that would help them stay in their home and community. Families should be given as much help and backing to do this.
Forums	1		
Health officer	1		
Hospital Services	2	All areas	
Housing	4		

Inclusion	14	By having ramps to the beach, wheelchair swings, educate from a young age to care for special needs people. There is a growing communication in relation to special needs but more can be done in every aspect here. A lot of the services/ businesses in Dunlaoghaire are not logistically designed for persons with disabilities. For example many of the coffee shops in the town are tiny and do not allow for wheelchair users to access service independently. over time this isolates a person from participating in "normal" day to day activities. An integrated approach needs to be taken. Caring for people in the community is a wonderful aspiration but the reality is very different. When someone with, for example, mental health or cognitive issues, is settled in the community who is actually going to look after that person? People with special needs need to be integrated into all community groups.more should be done to help all volunteers. Physical access for wheelchair users, include local shops and time slots for people with autism to visit to ensure it is quieter, awareness campaigns for local 'ambassadors' in the local area.
Information	3	Again information is key - I think the facilities are available but nothing is cohesive - there is nothing g glueing it all together
Lighting/Safety	3	Better lighting in Kilbogget Drainage at gaa pitches in Kilbogget More all weather pitches Kilbogget Lights at running track Encourage more people exercising in the evenings Safe walking in parks at night, Better Garda presence to make sure that the wonderful outdoor spaces don't get overrun by the louts we've seen in previous summers.
Loneliness	2	Loneliness is a terrible affliction, if in some way it could be overcome and everybody feels both part of the community and useful to the community

Mental health services	1	All areas	Services lacking
More activities for the coast	1	All areas	Other water activities needed than swimming
More facilities	1	All areas	
More Parking	1	All areas	
More showers in facilities	1	All areas	
Negative effect of cycle lanes	1	All areas	For work, schools, work, shops in the area
No answer	2		
No parks available in area	1	Glencullen	
Older	15		The gym should offer dedicated classes to retired people in the community so that they don't feel overwhelmed by younger participants in classes. In other parts of the world the more mature are the Elders of the community respected and looked to for leadership, drawing from their life's experience. Interactive short walks for older and elderly people...volunteer service I am deaf and can't ring my doctor or any other emergency services. I am lucky that my husband is alive and well and can do those things but what if he predeceases me? Also, he is not computer savvy and I do our online banking. If I go first he has a major problem.
Outdoor facilities	1	Dun Laoghaire	For people with physical problems

Outdoor/Free activities & Facilities	12		<p>Forest therapy - Nadúr group benefitting mental health Nature walks, nature tables, nature study in schools Continue the focus on easy access to public parks, greenways and open spaces. Defined play areas for children and pets, places to sit, trees that are climbable, activities for teenagers such as skateboard parks, and planning for the inclusion of older and disabled people are now essential to outdoor living. Climate change also needs to be considered: each space should have wilderness areas, wildflowers, uncut grass, pollinator plants, indigenous trees and shrubs. Improving active travel resources as set out by Dublin Cycling Campaign in their submission to the draft County Development Plan. Think of older people and people with mobility difficulties when carrying out village enhancements, cycle lanes etc. Build more community sports areas - e.g. pitches/astro/parks with goals/basketball nets etc. Build communal athletics/running tracks- none currently available anywhere in DLR (plans for DSD and UCD, but not available publicly)</p>
Pools booked up	2		

			<p>Ensure that centres such as Festina Lente, St Joseph's and SAGE all have the necessary funding and space. Have more minor injuries/ illnesses units to walk into - not just for people with private health insurance. Enhance role of public health nurses and doctors and try to avoid too many people attending A&E Make DLR more affordable - this will also allow more nurses, gardai, teachers, public transport drivers etc. to live and work in the area Increase mental health supports and address waiting lists - especially for children and young people Place greater emphasis on prevention and health promotion - walk in centres/clinics for people to discuss mental health and onward referrals if necessary Address the need for connection post COVID and begin to hold more events and supports in person where feasible. Public spaces that are more welcoming and accessible for people of all ages and abilities; financial resources to support people to access suitable mental health supports in a timely fashion; respite schemes for carers; inclusion of people with special needs in all consultations. Everybody should be entitled to free health care . Be it attending a doctor , dentist or optician. Elderly and people with disabilities should be given any device that would help them stay in their home and community. Families should be given as much help and backing to do this.</p>
Prioritising Services	6		
Safety	1		
Sensory equipment needed	1	All areas	
Slainte Care	1	All areas	
Sports facilities	12		Swimming pool, community gyms - more needed
Staffing of public pools	1	All areas	E Coli in public pool
Strength & Balance	1	Dun Laoghaire	to be organised in DL

Transport/active travel, 15 min town, pedestrian	15	We need to look at making our towns more people friendly. Get the cars out. Make it easy to move around - Park and Ride, Cycle without Age, 15-minute city. Traffic lights and crossing need to be looked at - make it easier to cross. Introduce more public toilets. Create a central plaza in Dun Laoghaire town instead of the shopping centre. Love the idea of a funicular coming up from the coast to the centre of Dun Laoghaire.
'We need you' posters for volunteers		Do regular walks, runs and get to know your neighbour days. I see in Wexford they have certain benches that say "sit on this bench if you would like to chat with people passing by" which could ease loneliness for those who need it . Have a WE NEED YOU poster up with all the volunteer activities like for example tidy towns and have an Open Day when people can meet with the current volunteers and sign up ...like a freshers week in University.

Social & Community Development

Question asked

What is needed to ensure that everyone feels and actually is, included and valued and that our different values and cultures are respected and nurtured? What are the important parts of our culture that we want to hand on to future generations?

Issue	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
15 minute neighbourhood	1	All Areas	
AbWhat assets are already in place	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
Accessibility for disabled	4	All Areas	Footpaths and crossings should be accessible to people with mobility, visual or hearing needs. Those with

			hearing, visual or mobility needs should have access to safe, convenient and comfortable footpaths and crossings More wheelchair access or access for people with mobility issues.
Activities for under 10s	2	All Areas	affordable dance/ drama/ music
Advice Services	1	All Areas	
After School facilities	1	All Areas	
Age Friendly	10	All Areas	bingo, coffee mornings, sing songs, assistance for old age; yoga classes; pilates; like creative writing, memoir writing groups, well being groups
Arts Centre	1	All Areas	Arts centre where all the Arts disciplines would be practised and where everyone could participate. There was such a facility in the old Dominican Convent before it was demolished and replaced by Tesco's.
Arts sector	1	All Areas	not accessible
Assessment of needs	1	All Areas	housing needs for people with disabilities
Autonomy	1	All Areas	works well with even tiny budgets e.g. for flower boxes.
Awareness LGBTQ	1	All Areas	pride events
Awareness smartphone	1	All Areas	Awareness that not everyone has computer skills Nor that a majority of people have a smartphone - some services demand that you have a smartphone It is clear that when trying to make a phone call to a service that automation in questions does pose difficulties
Better links between services	3	All Areas	Strong connections at the hyper local neighbourhood level are essential.
Broadband	1	All Areas	hotspots;

Cannot say	1	All Areas	
Care for carers	1	All Areas	
Childcare	10	All Areas	Affordable, subsidised; support for young families; notification when they are available
Children activities	1	All Areas	too expensive. Literally every after school activity costs a fortune, which is very exclusive. football and GAA clubs are the only somewhat more affordable option, but still very expensive
Citizen Information	1	All Areas	
Civic spirit	1	All Areas	To encourage a responsible civic spirit. I would begin at infant school to primary level
Clubs	1	All Areas	Each club should be approached and asked how they can be helped to improve what they do.
Communication about news & developments	4	All Areas	not all are on social media
community Activities	2	All Areas	real activity for different ages and communities and someone to drive it. It cannot be always Church driven
Community Cafes	1	All Areas	
Community Centres	9	All Areas	low cost meditation, singing, dancing, music classes; they can become hubs
Community Courses	1	All Areas	provided by coco
Community Groups	2	All Areas	support them
Community hubs	1	All Areas	young parents, older people
Craftspeople	1	All Areas	Support needed
Cultural facilities	1	All Areas	

Cycle lane	2	All Areas	Disaster for traffic, segregated to create change of travel for all ages and abilities; cycle parks
Day Care	1	All Areas	for young and elderly
Digital Healthcare	1	All Areas	
dlr Coco	1	All Areas	they are only one way and don't debate anything
Dog Parks	1	All Areas	
ease of access for those with mobility issues	1	All Areas	
Education	4	All Areas	technical skills for seniors/ unemployed at low cost; cookery classes, Language classes; adult education; Sharing of skills sessions (e.g. bike repair/maintenance classes)
Elected Councillors	1	All Areas	lack of empathy
Equality	1	All Areas	
Family funded events	1	All Areas	
Family Resource Centre	2	All Areas	Fully resource the existing services of the family resource centres So that they can include more people, Increase resources for poorer residents, such as meals on wheels, food bank, services for pensioners, free or low price mental health services, teen group
Funding	3	All Areas	Government; bigger funding as opposed to small grants; better monitoring; Keep supporting clubs and community groups through grants for running costs, capital expenditure, etc.
Garda presence	2	All Areas	more presence needed, quicker response time; hot spots patrolled regularly

Gardens	1	All Areas	
Health centre	1	All Areas	
Healthcare	3	All Areas	better needed; dentists; psychiatric services
Home care for elderly	1	All Areas	better training for carers, checks on elderly
Homelessness	4	All Areas	social housing
Hospital	2	All areas	safe hospitals
Inclusivity	3	All Areas	age, ethnic diversity on committees; inclusive courses; A stronger voice. More to be done to give migrant communities a voice and a way of sharing culture.
Information	2	All Areas	Access to information for people that are NOT IT literate
Insecurity of tenure	1	All areas	
Intellectual disability	1	All Areas	
Interaction with all age groups	1	All Areas	
Less charitable start-ups	1	All Areas	What we don't need is a plethora of small and unmonitored 'charitable' start-ups often duplicating (poorly) what are state and local authority responsibilities. I exclude many of the long established and highly reputable bigger charities from this comment.
Less motor traffic	1	All Areas	
Library	4	All areas	
Low cost activities	1	All areas	Low cost activities for children, teenagers, adults and older adults. A small fee or nominal fee upfront to ensure commitment and appreciation. Community centres (have people sign

			<p>waivers to take responsibility for themselves/their child/ren, belongings, etc before commencing any involvement) there are plenty of lonely older people in the area we live in but we are too busy working, taking care of our children, looking after our own elderly parents, surviving! to help like we would like to be able to. Teenagers have nowhere / nothing to do (not all areas have access to a community centre or services because they are not seen or deemed as "at risk" or "under privileged" which is very unfair as not everything as it seems on the surface. Teenagers end up hanging around playgrounds that are meant for children and it means children can't use the equipment or feel intimidated. I can see from both sides. I don't feel or believe there is a sense of community, people are so busy trying to keep up in the world we live in.</p>
Market	2	All areas	monthly markets in the villages, Christmas market to support local clubs/ associations
Meals on Wheels	1	All areas	for older or residents with a disability
Men's shed	3	All areas	
Mental Health	2	All areas	
Minorities	1	All areas	more to support minorities
Music Art Performances spaces	1	All areas	
No role for the Council in the Social & community Development	1	All Areas	
not enough social prescribing by SSP	1	SSP	

Not enough supports	1	DLR CoCo	
Occupational therapists	1	All Areas	
Older people support	2	All Areas	support is weak, they need to promote their services better
Open spaces	5	All Areas	fear they are disappearing; accessible for members of the public; congregate and socialise
Overdevelopment	1	All Areas	
Parking	2	All Areas	prices exorbitant; free parking needed
Parks	3	All Areas	more facilities for children
Picnic tables in parks	1	All Areas	
Planning	1	All Areas	good planning
Playground	1	All Areas	more needed
Poverty/ Financial Supports	1	All Areas	Think outside the box. I'm single. Have chronic back pain and 2 cancer diagnoses and haven't got a penny from anyone towards my mortgage despite being on invalidity for over 10 years. And I'm expected to pay council tax and everything else from 220 a week. Impossible and does nothing for recovery mental health and stress levels
PPN	1	All Areas	support
Primary Health Centre	1	All Areas	
primary schools	1	DLR	not enough primary schools
Produce	1	All Areas	fruit & veg
Public schools	1	All Areas	too many fee paying

Regulation	1	All Areas	for urban living; noise control; parking
Regulations needed on noise control in congregated urban living	1	All Areas	planting trees on boundaries Noise in gardens
Residents association attitude	1	All Areas	need for less self-serving attitude
Roads	1	All Areas	safe roads to schools, school zones
SAGE	1	All Areas	
Schools	4	All Areas	
Seating areas	1	All Areas	
Secondary schools	1	All Areas	more needed
selling of local produce	1	All Areas	allotments
Semi independent living	1	All Areas	
Services for disables	1	All Areas	especially for ageing parents
Services for elderly	1	All Areas	
Services for travellers	1	All Areas	
Shopping experiences	1	All Areas	not just coffee houses/ pubs
Skateboard/ BMX parks	2	All Areas	
Social Welfare	1	All Areas	better services needed
Soup kitchen	1	All Areas	
Special needs	1	All Areas	training and employment
Sporting facilities	4	All Areas	not available in the evening for those working; they need to be free/ low cost

Sports groups	2	All Areas	too expensive
Summer festival	1	All Areas	Bring back the Summer Festival, a real community celebration to include the Arts, Sports and the participation of all members of the community: youth and elders, people from around the world, members of the Travelling Community, our own Special and Para Olympians and everyone in between.
Support	1	Support centres especially for the most vulnerable such as homeless, drug and alcohol addiction	
Support for 40-60s	1	All Areas	especially single
Swimming pool	3	All Areas	local pool; community pool
Teenager clubs	1	All Areas	
Tennis court	1	All Areas	
Tidy Towns	1	All Areas	support
Toilets	1	All Areas	
Transportation	6	All Areas	Public transport upgrade; too long of a distance to walk to the bus/ tram; better and more direct public transport for access to DL; too expensive much greater and easier mobility/permeability is required locally;
Travellers	2	All Areas	integration; more participation
TUSLA	1	All Areas	
Volunteers	1	All Areas	to check on older population

Wellbeing activities	1	All Areas	Yoga
Women's Sheds	1	All Areas	
Youth Groups	1	All Areas	
Youth Outreach	3	All Areas	need to be maintained, developed
Community Based services	1	West side	
Community centre for Balinteer	1	Balinteer	vital for the area
Community isolation	1	Ticknock	Highway separating communities
Dalkey health centre	1	Dalkey	Needs more staff
Diners for people with limited means		People's Park, DL	
Football clubs	1	Shankill	to be improved
GAA	1	Shankill	to be improved
I don't see anyone helping anyone	1	Dun Laoghaire	
Marley Park	1	Markley	
More activities for the older	1	Sallynoggin	
more trees planted	1	Sallynoggin	
Pedestrian bridge needed	1	Ticknock	
Pool for Stepside	1	Stepaside	
Public Pool Loughlinstown	1	Shankill	to be improved
Seating in Meadowbrook Park	1	Meadowbrook	Facing the mountains

Social Welfare System	1	DL	
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Participation, Democracy and Governance

Question asked

What is necessary to ensure that our local government structures support the wellbeing of our community for this and future generations? What is necessary to ensure that we have a voice in the decisions that affect us and that all voices are being heard?

Issue	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
Bottom-up initiatives	1	All areas	

Citizens Assembly	3	All areas	Civic Centre
Climate Change	2	All areas	Communities should be enabled to try climate-change solutions at a local level. Local government needs to act with fierce ambition to reduce our dependence on carbon while improving quality of life for all.
Communications	4	All areas	Voices not heard, especially elderly
Confidential phone	1	All areas	To report breaches
Consultation - surveys, public meetings, submissions , listen	37	All areas	<p>People's opinions and voices are obtained by different sources, not always coming out of same community groups the use of both IT , digital should not only be the way to hear people views and suggestions, anonymous responses should be cater for especially in relation to antisocial behaviours and people been afraid in their own community. before commencing endeavours. Official SLR facebook group to discuss issues and that council would act on. Listen to residents. Continue with surveys, however more transparency is needed with the results of said surveys and pay attention to what people want. We need a bigger say in how our public-realm space is allocated. In particular, we need to have public participation in the space given to different transport modes on our streets. This is particularly important on roads where people live and/or work (which is the vast majority of roads in the county). The right of pedestrians to safety, convenience and comfort should supersede the desire for free flow of motor traffic. Communities should be enabled to try climate-change solutions at a local level. We should have a process by which we can implement and test ideas that could improve our communities. The dlr Times needs to contain more news about group</p>

			activities in DLR, not just the council's activities - upcoming consultations need to be announced at least 21 days before they are launched, especially since some consultations have a very quick turn-over. The local governments should have at least two meetings a year with the community.
Council a law unto itself	1	All areas	
councillors do not reply	1	All areas	
Cronyism not acceptable	3	All areas	
DLR CoCo	4	All areas	<p>Delivery of requested repairs and services by the CoCo in a more timely manner when requested with updates on how things are progressing or reasons for delays. It is essential that the Management of DLRDCoCo is accountable for the decisions they make. It is not good enough that the elected councillors have so little power to affect decisions being made. Checks and balances need to be put in place to guard against corruption, such as in planning issues, but county managers should not be in a position to make large expensive projects without the consent of the community. This is especially true when the community is paying such large amounts of money in Local property Tax. As it currently stands, the local populace have taxation without effective representation. County managers are more akin to petty princes than civil servants. The local representative should have the power to hire, and probably more importantly fire the management team. Dlr respond to emails very quickly. Look at what other EU countries do, keep the place spotless. Regular cleaning of all areas.</p>

			Bins emptied etc. Stop your staff from going off on solo runs and be better at listening. The Council appears to listen to like-minded activists rather than getting a more representative public view. The answer is to review the research methods that are used in managing policy.
DLR Elected mayor	1	All areas	
DLRCC staff difficult to deal with	1	All areas	
Eco Technology	1	All areas	
Funding	1	All areas	More distributed tax-raising ability for the council. Ability to have local bonds raised through referendum.
Gardai	3	All areas	increase presence, visible
Inclusion/Diversity	10	All areas	Stronger emphasis on the inclusion of representatives from economically less well-off areas of the county in decision-making; a strong focus on participation of members of the Traveller community in decision-making. More investment in services & supports for older people Acknowledgement for those in a caring role - financial & emotional support. Put in place an affiliation structure for groups that support children aged 4 and upwards (ie. of school going age) to support us with training, garda vetting and other supports needed to run groups like us on a voluntary basis. There are supports there for groups aged 10 and up but nothing for groups like us that I can see. Inclusion of our traveller community How much money is in the council coffer for their needs and how much did you spend on their projects over the past 10 years Who are responsible in the DLR CoCo offices ?

Increase Communications	18	All areas	Notice boards in parks. Many people are reluctant to voice an opinion on social media due to a possible backlash. Older people who may live alone may require a door to door survey to have their voices heard.
Issues of accountability	1	All areas	
Language	1	All areas	Service user friendly language and processes
Local Decision Making Decentralise Power	4	All areas	More power to be delegated locally. We live in a society that is too centralised at central government level. Many decisions are made centrally with little or no local input. Allowing democratically elected councillors to have more control on local decisions.
Manipulation of consultation processes	1	All areas	suits council agenda
Misleading consultations	1	All areas	Cycle lane consultation criticism
More inspections needed	1	All areas	
No accountability for cycle lanes	1	All areas	
No answer	1	All areas	
No governance	1	All areas	County Manager does not report to anyone
No trust in council	1	All areas	calling cycling lanes temporary
one way communication from council	1	All areas	
Outcome of surveys	1	All areas	need feedback about outcomes
Planning	2	All areas	existing local govt structures were bypassed in development of coastal cycle route. Very undemocratic. Officials should not be enabled to bypass existing local government

			structures. Consultations are held just to tick a box not to actually elicit genuine local concerns. That planning stays within the community who live in the area. That the elected representatives listen to the people who they are supposed to represent. That any changes are made public before they happen so people can consider them.
Representation, PPN Equality, Equal voice	20	All areas	Give PPN reps the same respect and voice as the councillors on council committees such as SPCs, LCDC etc, A robust PPN and SPC movement engaging with County councillors on all community problems. Avenues to have our voices heard on issues such as Planning in the built environment could be improved upon. Local Councils could meet regularly with Community groups to facilitate this, rather than relying on politicians' clinics. groups which work to ensure Social Justice and Inclusion must continue to be funded by Government and actively developed. Encourage more women in decision making. We need to introduce a way for individuals to have a voice, outside the PPN structure. We need to introduce participatory democracy similar to South County Dublin. A chance to decide where our money should be spent. Surveys of this nature are a way of ascertaining the views of the community and perhaps could be used regularly. It sometimes seems that local Councillors opinions and views which can be a reflection of the public view, can be ignored by officials.
Residents Association	1	All areas	need more voice
SHD	1	All areas	roughshod over democracy

Some voices not heard	1	All areas	
Structure of elected councillors	1	All areas	unclear structure
Swimming pool	1	Stepaside	
Transparency, Accountability	15	All areas	<p>All records, minutes of meetings available online For any new proposals to the local government, clear decision criteria with cost-benefit analysis for any implementations, as well as clear success criteria defined before commencement. On the previous point all projects and actions undertaken by the local government should be measured against that criteria, at various points during the implementation timeline with clear attribution for any failures to meet success documented, to be used in any future projects as lessons learned. I think our councillors must engage more. They do not. And they do not keep the community informed. The biggest way we are kept informed is by local facebook pages, Panorama and Southside People. Democracy and participation must be more solid, and not reactionary. Local Government must become meaningful to the populace It must be open and honest It must be openly accountable for its income and expenditure It must make a serious move to improve its image by demonstrating visibly that it is both productive and hard working - unfortunately this is not the picture widely held.</p>
Value Participation, contribution	5	All areas	Respect and support the NGOs contribution to the community's well being and voluntary groups as well as individual voices.
Youth, participation	4	All areas	Give young people a greater say. Develop a stronger research function within DLRCC and other agencies and

			make decisions based more on evidence - international, national and local. More education for the youth of this area in the need for them to use their vote and understand issues of importance to them.
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Values, Culture and Meaning

Question asked

Issue	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
Expectation that everyone has access to online communication	1	All areas	
More inclusion for youth/ teens	1	All areas	
more cultural activities	2	All areas	
educate children on diff cultures	2	All areas	
more work on being inclusive	1	All areas	
Publicly funded social housing	1	All areas	
Rent caps	1	All areas	
not enough inclusion	1	All areas	
pedestrianisation issue	1	All areas	divisive issue, just imposed
Bullies win out	1	All areas	
More immigrant activities	1	All areas	

Poor school selection	1	All areas	if not Catholic/ Protestant
Baby/ toddler focus groups	1	All areas	more groups needed
Elderly health and safety	1	All areas	elderly residents
Council prejudice	1	All areas	council values only those with woke values
Irish Language & History & Music	13	All areas	Let us continue to recognise the uniqueness of diversity, and welcome the different cultures among us. However, let us also remember that our language is part of what we are, and that bilingualism is to be cherished - rather than regarded as a burden. This fact could be emphasised in our communities when we celebrate Seachtain na Gaeilge / St. Patrick's Day. I would love to see a stronger focus and access to Irish language activities. I was born in Germany and would have loved to learn Irish when I moved here, die myself and to support my children in school, and there is nothing available. Even beginners' courses in adult education felt very exclusive to me, as they catered for Irish people who want to refresh their knowledge- a very different starting point to me.
Diversity	8	All areas	
Inclusion	13	All areas	Greater consultation with and inclusion of members of the Traveller Community in decision-making processes Bring back the Summer Festival for the whole community's enjoyment and well being, to include the arts, sports, the elders, children, all nationalities, members of the travelling community and everybody in between to participate as well. After all, Human beings are just one of the many facets of the environment. The work of organisations and groups which aim to

			support and represent marginalised groups in communities must be supported and developed. We must retain and develop any work that promotes Social Justice and Inclusion. Meaningful participation of members of the Traveller community; meaningful participation of new Irish citizens & people who've moved to the county from other countries. Every part of Irish society has a responsibility to nurture a more inclusive society. This is not just inclusion for persons who are marginalised or those who support specific political, economic or social views but respect for all citizens. It would be nice if our local public servant shared that vision and adopted a culture that would support it.
Cultural Events	16	All areas	Adequate funding provided to promote all community cultural activities in DLR. Love to see the Festival of World Cultures re-introduced.
Accessable	4	All areas	Culture should be affordable
Workshops - Education	9	All areas	For Children and Youth. Perhaps a return to some of the values of former times and the encouragement by our schools of real civic and environmental obligations for every child. Zero tolerance of racism and prejudice is essential, once it is unacceptable to demonstrate hate to another individual, people begin to realise that it is not an option. The schools such as Holy Child Sallynoggin have excellent programmes promoting inclusion in relation to race, gender and sexuality.
Intergenerational Activities	6	All areas	Would love to see a community where old people are not afraid of younger people and that both generations can help support and respect each other. Most groups that are set up are aimed at one particular generation at a time. would like to see groups develop that have a mixture of old and young from

			all walks of life attending.
Land of poets & Scholars	1	All areas	
Environment and Wildlife	9	All areas	We don't want it turning into concrete jungle with over development of apts we need more green area and proper shops in shopping centre
Cultural Spaces	4	All areas	Support for Arts and Cultural activities are also vital and providing spaces for these to take place is hugely important. As we know, recent Planning decisions in Dublin in particular, seem to favour the building of more hotels and apartment blocks over the retention of vitally important cultural spaces and heritage. We must continue to fight for these spaces for ourselves and for future generations. In a town of such a high population, we only have one theatre, The Pavilion. While there are several theatres in the County, they need a greater subsidy in order to promote non professional productions. The cost for rental for these theatres makes it prohibitively expensive to mount amateur productions. We need a more vibrant all inclusive culture in order to encourage all citizens to become involved in their communities
Consultation	2	All areas	
Visual	1	All areas	Visual representations of our community residents
Racism/discrimination	3	All areas	
Social & Affordable Housing	5	All areas	
Communication	4	All areas	
Special/Additional Needs	2	All areas	

Climate Change	2	All areas	
No answer	3	All areas	
Sense of Community /Community Development	7	All areas	
Heritage	6	All areas	
Integration	5	All areas	It is essential that the values and culture of the existing community are valued, not to the exclusion of newer people. How can the Community know where it is going, if it can't remember where it came from? The best guarantee that can be given to newer members of the community, is living proof that the existing community is valued and considered. No one can have confidence in a community that readily rejects its past for the shiny new thing that comes along.
Respect	10	All areas	caring for each other, hospitality, conviviality. Kindness. Sense of pride. Compassion. tolerance and good neighbourliness ; respect for people struggling with disabilities, bereavements and age
Schools	1	All areas	Non religious
Transport	1	All areas	Safe and clean
Community Centres/Libraries	4	All areas	Places to meet
Sports Heritage	2	All areas	

Work, Economy and Resources

Question asked

How can our communities thrive economically, with good jobs, and supports for enterprise, business and for people not in work? What resources do we have and are they used effectively without causing harm to social and environmental sustainability?

Issue	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
Affordability	2	All Areas	lower rents, house prices, services etc.
Apprenticeships	2	All Areas	
Attract new businesses	2	All Areas	Tech
Balance of work	1	All areas	We need a balance of paid work, social enterprise, self-employment, volunteering and all the supports to keep these things alive and thriving.
Broadband	2	All Areas	
Childcare	1	All Areas	
Community Cooperatives	1	All Areas	additional Supports
Community Cargo Bikes	1	All Areas	
Community Centre hubs	1	All Areas	
Community feel	1	All areas	Change the shopping centre to apartments and encourage the shops in there out onto the street to bring back a community feel.
Continuity	1	All Areas	villages, towns to stay the same; trees staying in place;
Control the media	1	All areas	
Development of seafront	1	All Areas	

Drop in Centres	1	All Areas	empty shops
Education and Training	5	All Areas	Grammar; Innovation Campus Digital Skills Digital Transformation Digital Infrastructure Digital Public Services
Employment security	2	All Areas	Jobs for those with poor or no qualifications available but are poorly paid and with little job security.
Enterprise supports	4	All Areas	Need to be expanded. However the economy is largely focused on private enterprise rather than community or cooperative enterprise
ETB	1	All Areas	
Fairness	1	All Areas	
Green Belts	2	All Areas	Not enough when building homes
Green Jobs Provision	3	All Areas	
Green tech	1	All Areas	
Half finished building	1	All Areas	Tear down the half-finished buildings in Sandyford industrial estate before granting any more planning applications.
Housing	3	All areas	Direct supports are of marginal value. DLR is a shambles except along the M50. We need to develop modern-design, high-density, accessible and affordable housing and industrial/ commercial accommodation along this western boundary of the county. The eastern side of the county is beyond redemption as a place for substantial development of real industry, commerce or housing.
I don't know	4	All areas	
Industrial/ Business estates	1	All Areas	develop existing ones; no new ones

Infrastructure	1	All Areas	
LEO	3	All Areas	LEO - they are doing well but quite niche
Life Skills education	1	All Areas	
Local Employment Services	4	All Areas	Are vital to the Community and to those not in work and these are under threat currently, Linking with the Jobs club to provide the skills for the community to provide support in employment. CE Scheme with staff working in the Loughlinstown Community Rooms to provide skills for the unemployed.
Local shops	3	All Areas	
Local Training Centres	1	All areas	
Lower rates	1	All Areas	
Luas	1	All areas	
Men's sheds	1	All Areas	
Mentoring	1	All Areas	
Model of Working from home	1	All Areas	
More roundabouts	1	All Areas	
OAPs	1	All Areas	Not much for them
Parking	3	All Areas	Parking is the single most issue for working people who use public transport. There is insufficient public parking space availability which runs totally counter to the state policy of encouraging the use of public transport; free parking

Parking charges	2	All Areas	Jobs in dlr are being lost due to parking charges
Partnership with early years	1	All Areas	
Pedestrianisation	1	All areas	
Planning	2	All Areas	Bus routes
Policies	1	All areas	Prohibitive and exclusionary policies geared towards dissuading business from outside will eventually lead to a decline in Dun Laoghaire. That is unless turning Dun Laoghaire into an economic wasteland is the overall plan!
Public Transportation	2	All areas	
Remote Working	2	All Areas	Services near where people live to enable remote working High quality broadband
Remote Working hubs	1	All Areas	
Requirement for community service	1	All Areas	for people on welfare
Safe Cycling Routes	1	All areas	
Schools	1	All Areas	
Seasonal Markets	1	All Areas	
Sell local produce	1	All Areas	
Services	1	All Areas	
Shops	1	All Areas	better shops to revitalise things
Showcase talents	1	All Areas	
Social enterprise	3	All Areas	promote their role; A need for clear guidance from the Council around what they view as socially and environmentally sustainable

			enterprises, that they are going to focus on supporting
Solas	1	All Areas	
Start-up supports	1	All Areas	
Stop overdevelopment	1	All areas	
Support sports	1	All Areas	
supports for early school leavers	3	All areas	
Supports for small businesses	2	All areas	
Switch off lighting when not in use	1	All areas	Make it a regulation that businesses in the borough are required to switch off most of the lighting in their huge office blocks when not in use - huge issue in this area - wasting valuable and scarce energy resources, causing light pollution
Tourism	1	All Areas	Focus on supporting businesses that provide services that will benefit locals while also attracting visitors and tourists such as coffee shops, outdoor dining, book shops. Develop affordable access to the water for locals and visitors
Training	4	All Areas	early; proper; excellent tech literacy courses and consider expanding these services to all residents with CV courses, technology courses etc online.
Transport Connectivity	4	All Areas	Connectivity within the city and specifically the DLR county is a shambles and getting worse every day, partly as a result of the direct action of the Council and partly because of the abdication of responsibility to provide adequate connectivity. If we want to have a successful city, we need to take this issue much more seriously. It should not take hours for people in a

			modern city to get to work. The idea that everybody should be able to cycle to work or take a bus is farcical.
Unemployment supports	1	All Areas	Long term unemployment supports are too readily available and have led to an inter-generational mentality and expectancy that the state owes people handouts for everything without giving anything in return
Women's Forum	1	All Areas	
Workshops in wellbeing	1	All Areas	
DL Development plan	1	Dun Laoghaire	The overall development plan for Dun Laoghaire is unclear. It would appear there is no place for business other than coffee shops and restaurants.
Employment Services	1	Monkstown	I was sorry to see my local employment centre being moved from Monkstown Farm to Blackrock. It was essential for the Mounttown/Monkstown Farm area and we are now in need of local services.
Empty Shops	1	Dun Laoghaire	no vision from DLRCOCO to fill them With something exciting like a factory outlet that would bring visitors from Dublin to them
Ferry/Cruise	1	Dun Laoghaire	The loss of the large ferry and cruise liners from the port of Dun Laoghaire was a major loss to the community and town.
Houses	1	Dun Laoghaire	Invest in making the spaces above the shops on George's Street available for living in - it's a shame to see them almost derelict when there's such a crying need for accommodation
Rural Supports	1	Glencullen Ward	More small business should be encouraged in our rural areas...for the future!

Economy & Sustainability

Question asked

How do we value our natural environment and man-made heritage? What can be done to conserve, protect and restore these? How can we interact with the environment in a sustainable way, and hand it on to the next generation in a better state?

Issue	Number of mentions	Area	Comment
15 Minute City	2		Protecting the habitats that are already there. Being good ancestors for those that come after us. Move towards a more compact 15-minute city model. Mixed-use development with nearby local services is one of the best ways to encourage people to choose active modes, like walking and cycling, for their journeys, thereby contributing to more sustainable development. Providing higher-density developments with housing, workplaces, schools, local healthcare facilities, parks, community centres and retail within 15 minutes walk or cycle from every residential unit within the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown administrative area
Access	6		Build better access to swimming points along the coast. E.G. 40ft could do with a second set of steps to improve ingress and egress from the sea during busy summer periods. Not valued e.g. DLRCC could develop more access to the sea swimming on the seafront, which is not tide dependent. The current development of the Baths is a lost opportunity to provide a sea swimming facility and should be

			<p>revisited. Proposed toilet and changing facility on Killiney beach is an over development -toilets already there and change facility is for whom????? Do not build windmills close to our shore Do not privatise any part of our seafront</p>
Biodiversity	1	All Areas	<p>Green spaces, not only as dedicated parks but equally as important are trees, grass, plants and flowers on the sides of the roads and roundabouts. Roundabouts are far more environmentally friendly than traffic lights.</p>
Biodiversity/ Environment	12		<p>Appoint a tree officer to liaise with the biodiversity officer - implement tree strategy Protect and nurture all mature trees in the County for the health of both the community and the climate. Wherever possible plant the right trees in the right places with the emphasis on locally seed sourced material. Include fruit trees in public places, educate property developers into the advantages of preserving and planting trees in their developments by planting the right trees in the right places. Other Tidy Towns Groups should emulate Shankill Tidy Towns 'Trees for All' project and the Patrician Villas Community Orchard initiative Rewilding should be promoted Supporting All Ireland Pollinator Plan Native trees and other appropriate trees should be planted for pollinators Promote the location of more beehives in DLR. Protecting marine environment, preservation and improving the habitats that are already there. Being good ancestors for those that come after us. Make it a regulation that businesses in the borough are required to switch off most of the lighting in their huge office blocks when not in use - huge issue in this area - wasting valuable and scarce energy</p>

			resources, causing light pollution etc. Stop the overdevelopment in the borough and build decent size homes that people of all ages and requirements can live in. Retain all existing green spaces and where possible purchase more and make them available freely Ensure that our bathing waters and drinking water is fit for purpose by all year round checks on seawater and speeding up the repair of water leaks/retrofitting water pipes etc. Convert public service vehicles to sustainable energy sources Lobby government to provide better grants to those who want to retro-fit their homes or buy an electric vehicle
Built Heritage	5		Put more resources into promoting great heritage assets. Enlist support of local history groups. Run local history festivals and walks across the year.
Climate Change	3	All Areas	Clearly, the climate issue needs to be an urgent top priority. The efforts of the Council and Local Government, generally to deal with it are pathetic. The housing stock is hopelessly badly designed and nothing meaningful is being done to remedy this, except the introduction of ever more sophisticated and expensive solutions for new homes. Similarly, our offices are no longer appropriate.
Climate Change	2		
Community	3		Encourage the community to own our existing facilities.
Consultation/ Communication	2		
Cycle Lanes	3	All Areas	The recent creation of cycling facilities, though well meaning, is causing business to go elsewhere and due to increased stationary traffic means there is probably no drop off in pollution. I do not have any evidence to

			<p>back this up and is therefore only anecdotal.</p> <p>I don't like the cycle lanes as they don't relate to my age group.</p>
Development/Planning Regulation	6		<p>Perhaps stronger building regulations in conservation areas in DLR. They seem very weak. People build what they want then apply for retention. Persuade developers to protect mature trees and plant more on their sites for the well being of the future residents. Great work has been carried out by DLR in terms of widening paths and minding parks already. This gives everyone the chance to use and admire our heritage. Land is restricted and building appears to be continuing and increasing at a great rate. Attractive pastoral lands and fertile agricultural lands such as in Carrickmines, Glenamuck and Kilternan and Stepside, Cherrywood, Laughanstown and Bride's Glen are disappearing rapidly. I think building must be curtailed. I also believe that no building should be allowed on the slopes of the mountains and on the mountains themselves as such development would destroy facilities for recreation and would be visually very unattractive.</p> <p>We do a good job in this regard, perhaps too good. For example, we spend tens of millions on show projects, lavish public housing and the destruction of the road traffic infrastructure. We need thousands of homes in this county alone. If we don't get them soon, there will be a massive distortion in the age profile of the county. High-minded ideas about sustainability are fine but we need places for young people to live that do not require Government subsidies.</p>

DLR CoCo	3		Lots of people like me clean up their local beach (Killiney) on their walks and we never notice any council workers do this. Rather than having the tins and stuff to take home please provide bins nearby for us to put the stuff collected off the beach. And maybe ask the council workers to pick up also.
Education & Awareness	15		Continue to provide ongoing awareness of the various interventions in respect of our environment, and climate change. Up-skill our residents and encourage them to follow best practice and take on board the advice of dlrcoco regarding sustainable planting..... and the needs of the planet. Build on the recent Cop26 exposure - Create a Skills day - a School Project or even a Competition to focus awareness within the dlrcoco area - of where we currently stand on emissions and what targets - both at Council level and on a Personal level - we wish to achieve by 2025. Get the young people out, give them areas to mind, to keep litter free, recycle trash, develop campaigns on social media etc that promotes the minding of their area, get them planting the right plants and trees, get them educating the rest of us , and their peers, get them to make caring for where you live an irresistible, cool ,sexy activity. The teens to twenties. The kids are not the problem in my opinion
Electric car power points	2	All Areas	
Energy /Retrofitting	5		If we had enough money to retrofit our houses and buy an electric car ... And pay our gas and electric bills ... would that be a start?
Enhance what we have	1	All Areas	

Environment	1	All Areas	Being totally eroded by greedy developers who are allowed to build high dense developments which are unsuitable. Not only that but the majority are not for sale but for rent. This means a transient community who won't care about the environment or heritage.
Heritage Sites	1	All Areas	The County is very rich in history and heritage sites with one tragic gap: Lord Edward Fitzgerald's house Frascatti demolished and now that part of Blackrock looks like the Grand Canyon with its high rises on both sides of the main road.
Litter Street Cleaning	1	All Areas	Once a month road cleaning is evidently insufficient where prosecution for littering is non-existent? Footpaths and roadsides need better cleaning - especially where inappropriate sized trees are planted - large sycamores in housing estates are not suitable - roots of trees uproot the paths making walking dangerous for anyone who is infirm or for people with buggies
Man made environment	1	All Areas	The man-made endowment is third rate - sprawling, badly insulated homes, congested roads, decaying villages, vacant and abandoned sites everywhere.
No Answer	3		
OPW sites	1	All Areas	Free access this year to OPW heritage sites - this should be continued at least for unemployed and seniors
Parks	2	All Areas	The river and local park but we need more.
Parks	5		More river walks
Pedestrianised Areas	1	All Areas	
Pollution	1	All Areas	There are ongoing issues with the discharge of effluent from the area into Dublin Bay with the destruction of the

			natural environment and loss of water quality. The installation of the large wind farm off the coast will not improve the view but is a necessary requirement for a greener energy production, provided the construction is strictly monitored to avoid further destruction to the environment.
Pollution/litter	9		Our natural environment needs the protection of DLRCC and this can be done by regular cleaning of our public areas. If children see a litter filled park or beach, how can we expect them to use bins? Dog fouling is a huge problem everywhere. People simply do not bin the poo! In Dún Laoghaire town it is unbelievable, people who are blind, or in wheelchairs are particularly at risk from contamination from this. More dog Wardens. Remove trees which are already dead of a danger to the public.
Recycling	4		
Refuse/Bins	7		More bins designated for both rubbish and recycling, more permanent bathrooms, more collections and clean ups.
Sport	1		
Sustainable Development Goals	1		
Tax Relief	1	All Areas	Tax reliefs for eco friendly business
Toilets	3		Please seriously consider changing the location or removing the bathrooms that were placed in the centre of Myrtle Square. These decisions seem to be made without properly thinking that it is a complete eye sore and it could have been more discreet in a corner, or just not placed there since the shopping centre has bathrooms already.

Transport/Pedestrian/ Active Travel	12		A greater emphasis needs to be placed on existing facilities. Greater use of Dun Laoghaire Harbour needs to be encouraged and developed. The cycle infrastructure needs a reevaluation by experts, as the current infrastructure has wasted resources and is in part dangerous. An integration of motor, pedestrian and cycle traffic needs to be managed and the current shambles needs to be corrected. A review of what should and can be pedestrianised should take place. It may be necessary to accept that the Victorian nature of the Town is not amenable to a transformation to a cycle and pedestrianised solution.
Walking Routes	1	All Areas	I wonder if any of the many ancient monuments could be developed or integrated into walkways - walking routes - Kilgobbin Castle, Kilgobbin Cross and the Church; the megalithic sites at Kilternan and Ballinteer.
Wellbeing			Honestly, a lot of people are too busy trying to survive day to day to be concerned about this. When everything else in people's lives is running smoothly or smoother, they can breathe and look at other things such as environmental issues. I'm more concerned about not handing on a huge amount of trauma, mental and physical issues to the next generation first and foremost!
Beaches/Seafront	1	Dun Laoghaire	The area in front of the People's park has been in renovation for a very long time. Although it is a good initiative, it is taking so long that it affects the environment. I also enjoyed the initiative to have the commercial street not accessible for cars and was disappointed when it was lifted. I did not understand why. I was shocked also by the behaviour of visitors in town during the lockdown and after. The amount of waste (plastic bottles,

			carton boxes, etc) thrown out in the street and threatening to end up in the sea. I saw the town's campaign and how more bins were added but it was not enough. More education is needed and the shops/restaurants should be incentives to be more responsible. They should charge more to their clients and refund the extra fees when the plates are returned for example.
Beaches/Seafront	1	DunLaoghaire	The coast of Dún Laoghaire is nice (though the ferry terminal left an eyesore that is lying vacant)
Beaches/Seafront	1	Dun Laoghaire	More focus required on Maritime Dun Laoghaire. DL should attract more business and pull down the Shopping Centre, reinstate market square in its place surrounding with new Neo Georgian Retail outlets
Biodiversity		Boosterstown	There is a tremendous opportunity to reinvent Booserstown near and around the marsh. It's a lovely nature reserve and must be protected at all costs, but there should be boardwalks with benches around it. There is scope for a small village and much better connection to the greatest asset of all / the sea!
Development/ Planning		Bulloch Harbour	More restrictive planning laws in public areas e.g. Bulloch harbour. The time and cost to local people to even object to developments is prohibitive and unjust when considering the wealth of the developers. A basic plan ensuring our harbours, parks, beaches will not be touched without agreement from the public. And, in a case like Bulloch harbour, private ownership should be bought out or huge attention should be paid to what the people of DLR want. Private housing in place of public interest is greed being rewarded
Development/Planning		Kiltarnan Glencullen	This is a worry. DLR had a sustainable environment - with Kiltarnan Glencullen acting as the lungs of DLR. And this is

			eroded and gone. With no planning or vision in place. Equally at central government level SHD development has devalued our natural environment. Our man-made heritage in this area must be protected as well and that includes stories and also things like granite craft as well as actual built - e.g. Lead Mines, etc.etc.
DL Harbour	1	Dun Laoghaire	Fix harbour
Heritage	2	Deansgrange	Undertake a major clean up/overhaul of Deansgrange Cemetery and encourage community engagement - this could be a large-scale community initiative, with residents associations, mens sheds, families of loved ones etc. encouraged to get involved. It is very sad to visit graves there at the moment and see the weeds completely taking over Overhaul the area at Blackrock baths - derelict for way too many years Encourage more biodiversity in gardens Support residents associations to plant flowers, shrubs, trees and enhance the natural environment
Heritage		Marlay Park	Start by making Marley Park a heritage site now before it is too late - our people need it and especially our next generation. Wouldn't that be a lovely legacy to leave them !
Heritage		Dun Laoghaire	Fix Dun Laoghaire- the ferry terminal is vacant and the shopping centre is soulless. For an area surrounded by so much wealth, so much of the town is an eyesore
Natural Heritage destruction of	1	Kilternan/ Glencullen	The natural heritage of our area - Kilternan to Glencullen is superb, with the situation at foothills of Dublin mountains, Ballycorus Valley etc. nearby. However this is being eroded, with no man-made heritage nearby apart from the Lead Mines. Access to national monuments such as Druids

			Altar Kilternan is impossible due to Council bad-handling. and there is big concern that our natural environment is disappearing, with no protection, despite what is espoused in local area plans by DLRCC, because of lack of regard by ABP in granting permissions. Natural environment has nearly disappeared in the area, or will soon when construction starts
Parks/natural areas		Shanganagh 1 Park	Shanganagh Park will need to be expanded at some point given future housing developments it will need to cater for an additional population the size of Sligo town. The green belt should be preserved as a priority and NO building should be allowed on flood plains.
Parks/natural areas		Shankill	Expand Shanganagh Park to the west to incorporate agricultural land in order to preserve biodiversity, create greenaways, cycleways and looped walks. Preserve the green belt between Shankill and Old Connaght
Rivers		Slang River	Make River Slang riverbed & walks more accessible & cleaned up
Traffic Calming		Dundrum	Bring in 30 kilometre signs for residential area of Wickham Park and Meadowbrook estates

