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Tuesday, 3rd December 2024

**To Each Member of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development
Strategic Policy Committee**

Dear Member

A meeting of the **Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development
Strategic Policy Committee** will be held in the **Room 3A6 - County Hall,
Swords** at **4.30 pm** on **Tuesday, 10th December, 2024** to consider the
following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

Nikki Halleran
Meetings Administrator
Corporate Services

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A G E N D A

- 1 Introductions and Convening of New Committee**
- 2 Confirmation and Re-affirmation of the Minutes of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 3rd of March 2024**
- 3 Strategic Policy Committee Framework & Role of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism SPC**
- 4 Strategic Policy Committee Policy Programme and Updates**
- 5 Strategic Framework for Economic Development**
- 6 Local Economic & Community Plan Update**
- 7 Appointments to the Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor (DBEC) Political Advisory Board**
- 8 Events Strategy**
- 9 AOB / Next Meeting**

Comhairle Contae Fine Gall Fingal County Council

Minutes of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development Strategic Policy
Committee

Wednesday, 13th March, 2024

PRESENT

Councillor Ian Carey
Councillor Breda Hanaphy
Councillor Anthony Lavin
Councillor Howard Mahoney
Councillor Tony Murphy
Councillor Siobhan Shovlin
Mr. Anthony Cooney
Ms. Yetunde Joyce

The Chairperson, Councillor Darragh Butler, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

John Quinlivan, Director; Breffni O'Rourke, Administrative Officer; Tom Nolan, Administrative Officer; John Kavanagh, Senior Staff Officer; Toni Hogan, Senior Staff Officer.

EETD/1/24 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 30th of November 2023

Minutes of the Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 12th September 2023 which had been circulated were considered.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor D. Butler and seconded by Councillor I. Carey and **RESOLVED:**

"The minutes of the meetings of the 30th of November 2023 be **ADOPTED**."

EETD/2/24 (Agenda Item No 2)

Annual Work Programme Update

John Quinlivan, Director of Services, outlined in a presentation the Policy & Strategy updates / implementations, Policy Developments & Reviews and Town Regeneration for the following areas:

Tourism Strategy.	Tourism Strategy launched February 2024; implementation procurement underway.
Food Policy.	Launch scheduled for June 2024.
Local Economic & Community Plan.	LECP adopted in January 2024 and launched in February 2024. Implementation commencing.
Economic Development Strategy.	Economic Development Strategy adopted in February 2024. Preparing for a launch event in April 2024.
Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor.	El Smart Regions Funding Streams being reviewed to advance recommendations of Shared Island funded Feasibility Study on Innovation Hubs in DBEC Region. Skills Research Audit across DBEC Region in progress with Working Group.
Local Development Strategy.	New Leader Development Strategy approved and implementation programme commencing in March 2024 with Information Sessions scheduled in Fingal on Tuesday 12th March at 5pm in Lusk Cultural Centre.

New Dublin Rural LAG met in February for briefing on new LDS.

A call is out for suitably skilled members to participate on the LAG's Independent Evaluation Committee.

Development of Economic Zones

Work in progress on the preparation of Stephenstown Framework Plan in Balbriggan.

Lands at Cherryhound in preparation to be brought to market in 2024.

Industrial Estate Improvement Programme

Update to be delivered in September 2024

Enterprise Development & Support

Update to be delivered in 2024.

Policy Development & Review - Sustainable Fingal/Circular Cities Strategy

Update to be delivered in November 2024.

Review of Fingal Skills Strategy

Sectoral sub-groups met in January to agree priorities for 2024.

Consultants being appointed for the next iteration of the Strategy in March 2024.

Stakeholder consultations anticipated to commence in April 2024.

Xplore Your Future Expo scheduled in The Helix on Tuesday 15th October 2024 – procurement underway for various services required & consultation in progress with stakeholders.

**Review of
Events Strategy**

Approaching completion. Update to be delivered in June 2024.

**Review of Heritage
Property /Visitor
Attraction Strategy**

Approaching completion. Update to be delivered in June 2024.

**Fingal Economic &
Tourism Development
Marketing Strategy**

Economic Marketing Plan in development. Update to be delivered in September 2024.

Tourism Marketing plan to be developed as part of Tourism Strategy implementation.

**Town Regeneration
Review / Development
of Town Centre First.**

The formation and structure of the Town Regeneration Office has now been completed with the integration and inclusion of Our Balbriggan Rejuvenation Project, Town Centre First Measures, URDF, RRDF, Town and Village Renewal Schemes, URDF Revolving Vacant Property Acquisitions Fund, and Derelict Sites. An Update on the new Town Regeneration Office will be brought to the SPC in Q3

**Regeneration Plans
for Towns & Villages.**

The Town Centre First Plan for Lusk is at Draft Stage awaiting sign off. It is expected that a presentation on the Completed Plan will be brought to the SPC in Quarter 2.

Rush has been selected by the DRCD as Fingal's second Town Centre First Town and procurement for a consultant for that plan will begin shortly.

The report was **NOTED**.

EETD/3/24 (Agenda Item No 3)

Skills Strategy Report

Presentation by Toni Hogan, Senior Staff Officer. Report outlined the work of the Fingal Skills Strategy Implementation Group throughout 2023 in line with the Action Plan focused on the delivery of the following objectives:

Information, Promotion, Raising Awareness.

1. Fingal Skills Strategy support meetings/engagement:
 - Dublin Regional Skills Forum
 - Balbriggan Loves Learning Festival
 - Education Skills and Training Pillar Group – Balbriggan Regeneration Office
2. LAMA Awards.
 - Nominated: Fingal Skills Strategy: Balbriggan School Mentoring Programme
3. PROJECT SKYLA
 - SKYLA Partners visit to Fingal November 2023
4. Xplore Your Future 2023

The report was **NOTED**.

A.O.B

John Quinlivan, Director of Services, noted that the March 2024 SPC would be the last SPC for the current group before the Local Elections.

Chairperson Councillor Darragh Butler thanked all the members of the SPC for all the hard work.

The Meeting concluded at 5:30 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON

DATED

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL
FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**ENCONOMIC, ENTERPRISE & TOURISM DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY, 10th DECEMBER 2024

ITEM NO. 04

**STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE POLICY PROGRAMME AND
UPDATES**

Implementation & Updates -	Report
Tourism Strategy	Tourism Strategy launched February 2024. Implementation underway. Report to next SPC.
Food Policy	Launched June 2024. Implementation underway. Report to next SPC.
Local Economic & Community Plan	Update Report on main Agenda
Economic Development Strategy	Economic Development Strategy launched in April 2024. Implementation underway. Report to next SPC.
Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor	Projects / Funding Applications being considered Political Advisory Group continues to meet. Nomination required
Local Development Strategy	Leader Local Development Strategy approved in March 2024. Implementation underway.
Development of Economic Zones	Balbriggan Economic Zone Planning Frameworks nearing completion. Lands at Cherryhound sale process underway.
Industrial Estate Improvement Programme	Implementation Ongoing. Budget adopted in Capital Programme – Programme Update at next SPC
Enterprise Development & Support	Update to be provided at next SPC
Policy Development & Review -	

Sustainable Fingal/Circular Cities Strategy	Procurement of Consultancy underway.
Review of Fingal Skills Strategy	Review and completed. New Skills Strategy adopted at November Full Council meeting.
Review of Events Strategy	On main Agenda today
Review of Heritage Property/Visitor Attraction Strategy	Approaching completion.
Fingal Economic & Tourism Development Marketing Strategy	Economic & Tourism Marketing Plans in development.
Town Regeneration	
Review / Development of Town Centre First	Progress Report Update on the new Town Regeneration Office will be brought to the next SPC.
Regeneration Plans for Towns & Villages	Town Centre First Plans – Lusk adopted Rush in development

LECP Vision 2023-2028

“Fingal will be a vibrant, sustainable, progressive and climate resilient county, underpinned by inclusive, healthy, empowered communities and a dynamic economy.”

Theme 1: Sustainability & Climate Action

Goal 1.1 To support communities & the economy in the transition to Net Zero & climate resilience

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 1.1.1	Broaden the scope of the <i>Sustainable Fingal</i> initiative to include businesses, communities and organisations, explore the concept of the circular economy, and lead on a Just Transition to Net Zero and a climate-resilient economy.	Procurement in progress for consultants to develop a Sustainable Fingal Strategy
Action 1.1.2	Engage with communities and organisations to scope current climate transition status and identify future need.	LEADER 2023 – 2027 Call open for Social Enterprise Projects EMPOWER - Engaged with Traveller, Roma and other Disadvantaged Communities to explain the concept of Just Transition and to initiate local sustainability projects.
Action 1.1.3	Provide clear sign-posting of supports for the transition to a Net Zero, climate resilient county.	To be progressed after development of Sustainable Fingal Strategy
Action 1.1.4	Support initiatives which inform, facilitate and enable behavioural changes towards more sustainable outcomes.	Climate Action Week Sustainability Briefing held in September 2024 with Fingal Chamber & Balbriggan Chamber
Action 1.1.5	Support the development of renewable and alternative energies, and sustainable construction materials and methods.	Sustainability videos in development 2 complete and communication plan in development
Action 1.1.6	Promote and Facilitate the implementation of the Fingal <i>Climate Action Plan 2024 - 2029</i> , <i>Biodiversity Action Plan 2022-2030</i> , the Fingal <i>Circular Cities Action Plan</i> , and climate positive initiatives being	Ongoing liaison with Climate Action Team CCD Webinar in June on leveraging procurement to advance circular economy

Theme 2: Prosperous Economy

Goal 2.1 Support the development of sustainable & strategic infrastructure

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Action	Action Description	Update
Action 2.1.1	Support implementation of the <i>Fingal County Development Plan</i> and the <i>Fingal Economic Development Strategy</i> relating to economic lands and the development of sustainable and strategic infrastructure ie housing, power, water, wastewater, education facilities, digital connectivity, strategic physical infrastructure, sustainable/active travel infrastructure, public transport, and Dublin Airport.	In progress via FCC Capital Programme including support for development of DDLETB's College for Further Education and acquisition of strategic landbank in Balbriggan which is currently being masterplanned & focus of EcoCore Project EMPOWER - Ongoing - continue to campaign for affordable, not-for-profit early-years infrastructure which remain a huge barrier for disadvantaged women engaging in employment and economic development.
Action 2.1.2:	Support implementation of the <i>Fingal Economic Development Strategy</i> relating to low-cost start-up and scale-up spaces and business/industrial parks.	FCC's 3 Enterprise Centres reorientating for greater strategic collaboration Ongoing liaison with Enterprise Ireland to access Smart Regions Funding
Action 2.1.3	In collaboration with IDA Ireland, explore options to deliver more economic lands and facilities in Fingal which facilitate Foreign Direct Investment.	Ongoing collaboration with IDA IDA a stakeholder in FCC's Urbact EcoCore Project in Balbriggan

Theme 2: Prosperous Economy

Goal 2.2 Provide a supportive business environment that encourages innovation & attracts, retains & grows businesses sustainably

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 2.2.1	Support implementation of the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy</i> relating to cluster development.	Implementation stage commencing Investigating funding streams to support clustering with Enterprise Ireland Smart Regions Fund & DBEC
Action 2.2.2	Support implementation of the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy</i> relating to establishing an economic forum and adopting an ‘anchor employer’ account management approach to business engagement.	Launch of Strategy in September 2024 Economic Forum to be established
Action 2.2.3	Support implementation of the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy</i> relating to the creation of a ‘one front door’ solution to sign-post business supports.	To commence
Action 2.2.4	Support implementation of the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy Marketing Plan</i> , specifically targeting investors.	Marketing plan being finalised Investors Guide developed (best practice from EcoCore)

Theme 2: Prosperous Economy

Goal 2.3 Remove barriers to labour market participation

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 2.3.1	Identify under-represented groups and address reasons for under-representation in the Fingal labour market, such as childcare availability, transport options, and skills.	EMPOWER - Under-represented groups identified and the largest barrier to participation in the labour market has been identified as the lack of affordable, not-for-profit early-years services
Action 2.3.2	Delivery of employability programmes for economically inactive people.	SICAP Programme in progress Programmes in progress by DSP & ETB's
Action 2.3.3	Provide job related training to unemployed people, such as CV preparation, interview skills, social media skills for job seeking, and transition to employment initiatives.	SICAP Programme in progress Programmes in progress by DSP & ETB's

Theme 3: Skills for Life & Work

Goal 3.1 Stimulate a culture of life-long learning

Action	Action Description	Update
Page 4 Action 3.1.1	Develop the next iteration of the <i>Fingal Skills Strategy</i>	Future Fingal Skills Strategy adopted by Council in November 2024 Incorporation of Interreg SKYLA good practices "Skills for life" programme in development by Libraries Libraries have published their Autumn/winter programme including the 'Skills for Life' programme. Skills for life programme ongoing
Page 4 Action 3.1.2	Engage with community representative organisations and individuals in local target priority groups to identify and address skills needs	In Progress with stakeholders of Fingal Skills Strategy & via SICAP EMPOWER Skills need identified and continuously being addressed by Empower. Community representative groups include Travellers, Roma, People with Disabilities, Long-Term Unemployed and New Arrivals.
Page 4 Action 3.1.3	Ongoing monitoring and delivery of relevant education and training by providers in Fingal to address requirements of residents.	In Progress with stakeholders of Fingal Skills Strategy & via SICAP Monitoring and delivery in progress by Empower
Page 4 Action 3.1.4	Promote and develop targeted skills development opportunities.	In Progress with stakeholders of Fingal Skills Strategy & via SICAP Promotion of new sustainability micro-credential courses with DDLETB
Page 4 Action 3.1.5	Align with the recommendations of the <i>Fingal Skills Strategy</i> .	In Progress
Page 4 Action 3.1.6	Work with employers and education & training providers to identify	In Progress with stakeholders of Fingal Skills Strategy

Theme 3: Skills for Life & Work

Goal 3.2 Support skills development to meet the diverse needs of communities & businesses

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 3.2.1	Support implementation of the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy</i> relating to skills development to meet businesses' needs and the recommendations of the Fingal Skills Strategy.	In Progress with stakeholders of Fingal Skills Strategy
Action 3.2.2	Promote options to support the recognition of occupational credentials from overseas.	To be investigated with stakeholders of Fingal Skills Strategy
Action 3.2.3	Collaborate with education & training providers, businesses and key stakeholders to devise innovative skills development initiatives such, such as in digital/AI/green economy.	Interreg SKYLA Project in progress AI for Business Leaders Briefing – DDLETB in August
Action 3.2.4	Identify and address barriers to education, and sign-post available solutions.	Fingal Skills Expo – Helix – 15 th October In progress via SICAP & Fingal Skills Strategy stakeholders; Libraries Dept continues to enhance access to informal educational opportunities and ensures that information about such opportunities is readily available. Library programming continues to enhance lifelong and informal learning opportunities. Work continues on enhancing access to adult learners and people with additional needs. Libraries Dept continues to enhance access to informal educational opportunities and ensures that information about such opportunities is readily available.

Theme 3: Skills for Life & Work

Goal 3.2 Support skills development to meet the diverse needs of communities & businesses

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Action	Action Description	Update
Action 3.2.6	Support and promote and life-long learning opportunities and promotion events.	In progress via Skills Strategy & SICAP Promoting new DDLETB micro-credentials
Action 3.2.7	Engage with community, voluntary, social inclusion and environmental organisations in the Fingal Public Participation Network to identify and address skills gaps.	In progress with Fingal PPN
Action 3.2.8	Engage with education & training providers to deliver relevant training.	In progress via Skills Strategy & SICAP
Action 3.2.9	Provide capacity-building training and support opportunities.	In progress with SICAP Further opportunities to be identified & progressed with Fingal PPN; LEADER 2023 – 2027 Call for Social Enterprise Projects
Action 3.2.10	Develop the skills and capacity of Fingal Public Participation Network members to participate in decision-making structures and greater involvement in improving the design and delivery of community services.	In progress with Fingal PPN

Theme 4: Healthy, Inclusive, Connected Communities

Goal 4.1 Increase participation in initiatives that promote active living, positive mental wellbeing & physical activity to achieve improved health & wellbeing for all

Action	Action Description	Update
Page 17 Action 4.1.1	Support implementation of Healthy Ireland and Healthy Fingal initiatives.	In progress with HSE/Healthy Fingal/SICAP/FCYPSC; in progress with HIAYL (Healthy Ireland at Your Library); rolling out drug/alcohol and smoking cessation programmes HIAYL new stock added to all library branches. Programming pertinent to healthy lifestyles and wellbeing continues. In progress with HIAYL (Healthy Ireland at Your Library) Libraries run a range of Healthy Ireland events and activities and provide resources to support physical and mental wellbeing. CYPSC Delivery of body image programme across primary and post primary schools is under way. Delivery of Barnardos mind body breath programme is underway across services where young people are involved. Delivery of Foróige's health and wellbeing programme to marginalised young people in Fingal is currently being implemented. Evidenced Baseline report on Fingal Complete.

Theme 4: Healthy, Inclusive, Connected Communities

Goal 4.1 Increase participation in initiatives that promote active living, positive mental wellbeing & physical activity to achieve improved health & wellbeing for all

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 4.1.2 Page 18	Improve the health and wellbeing of the community by promotion of access to new and existing recreational, physical and mental health support services, facilities and amenities in Fingal.	In progress with HSE/Healthy Fingal/SICAP/FCYPSC and FCC in development of new community/recreation facilities; Healthy Fingal disseminates information weekly via email distribution and socials CYPSC - New and existing services are being promoted through the FCYPSC networks. FCYPSC are in the process of developing an all Dublin CYPSC hub. Healthy Fingal disseminates information weekly via email distribution and socials
Action 4.1.3	Devise plans to address gaps in support services and facilities in specific geographic areas.	Ongoing; Healthy Fingal working with Stakeholders to identify support options Healthy Fingal is working with organisations to identify gaps in service provision In progress by Empower, includes Health Inequality Action Groups in Balbriggan and Mulhuddart Healthy Fingal is working with organisations to identify gaps in service provision such as the HSE around Healthy Mulhuddart

Theme 4: Healthy, Inclusive, Connected Communities

Goal 4.1 Increase participation in initiatives that promote active living, positive mental wellbeing & physical activity to achieve improved health & wellbeing for all

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 4.1.8	Actively promote and increase the inclusion of traditionally under-represented populations in health and wellbeing activities.	In progress with HSE/Healthy Fingal/SICAP/FCC/FCYPSC In progress by Empower including Walk & Talk Groups, Buggy Push and Social Prescribing Activity Groups
Action 4.1.9	Maintain and develop arts and sporting initiatives designed to support young people in reaching their full potential.	In progress with HSE/Healthy Fingal/SICAP/FCC/FCYPSC, HIAYL
Action 4.1.10	Collaborate with key agencies and community groups in assessing young (under 25 years of age) and older people's needs to develop and implement the Fingal CYSPC Strategy and the Fingal <i>Age Friendly Strategy</i> .	In progress with HSE/Healthy Fingal/SICAP/FCC/FCYPSC New Age Friendly Strategy in development FCYPSC evidence baseline report will support this. As will the FCYPSC three year plan which includes information on consultations with children, young people and families.
Action 4.1.11	Facilitate community engagement with the HSE and TUSLA to accelerate the development of early intervention and prevention programmes in line with National Suicide Reduction Strategy, <i>Connecting for Life</i> (2015-2024).	Ongoing; In progress with Empower including support to Suicide Awareness D15 and Traveller specific response
Action 4.1.12	Support community based initiatives to address mental health and social inclusion based on the needs of specific communities of interest, such as young	FCYPSC have accessed funding for the delivery of non-up youth services to marginalised young

Theme 4: Healthy, Inclusive, Connected Communities

Goal 4.2 Promote citizen participation

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 4.2.1	Expand opportunities for residents and community groups to participate in community decision making and local democracy.	To be progressed with stakeholders Healthy Fingal is delivered the Place Standard (November) to Rush Community around the development of the Town Centre First plan
Action 4.2.2	Improve access and engagement between community groups and Fingal County Council and other government/state agencies.	Ongoing Delivered the Place Standard (November) to Rush Community around the development of the Town Centre First plan

Theme 4: Healthy, Inclusive, Connected Communities

Goal 4.3 Encourage inclusion & connection within & between communities

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 4.3.1	Support implementation of the <i>Fingal Migrant Integration and Social Cohesion Strategy</i> .	In progress with FCC Integration Team & SICAP
Action 4.3.2	Periodically assess the needs of migrants to facilitate integration of children, young people and families both socially and economically.	In progress with FCC Integration Team & SICAP In progress with Empower with a broad range of supports offered to promote integration of migrant children and families
Action 4.3.3	Engage with minority and migrant groups through dedicated outreach programmes to highlight available amenities and services in Fingal.	In progress with FCC Integration Team & SICAP
Action 4.3.4	Develop further initiatives to ensure newly arrived migrants and socially excluded groups are supported.	In progress with FCC Integration Team & SICAP; In progress with Libraries Dept. Balbriggan Library is applying to be a Library of Sanctuary. A Library of Sanctuary is a Library that is committed to creating a culture of welcome and inclusion, especially for people in International Protection (refugees and asylum seekers) and all newcomers to the area - Application for library of Sanctuary in Balbriggan submitted to the Council.

Theme 4: Healthy, Inclusive, Connected Communities

Goal 4.4 Target improvements in areas of disadvantage

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 4.4.1	Ensure appropriate supports are provided to Fingal residents within socially excluded groups and designated disadvantaged areas.	SICAP Programme in progress
Action 4.4.2	Identify key drivers of disadvantage in main areas of disadvantage per Pobal's 2022 <i>HP Deprivation Index</i> .	To be progressed by LCDC
Action 4.4.3	Develop outreach programmes for disadvantaged areas, focussing on removing barriers to work, and promoting accessible education pathways.	SICAP Programme in progress
Action 4.4.4	Provide supports to children and young people from target groups at risk of early school leaving and/ or not in education, employment or training.	SICAP Programme in progress In progress with Empower including programmes with both DEIS Primary and Secondary Schools

Theme 5: Rich Arts, Culture & Heritage

Goal 5.1 Promote, protect & grow the heritage of Fingal & ensure quality amenities for all

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 5.1.1	Support the implementation of Fingal County Council's <i>2019 – 2025 Arts Plan</i> .	In progress with FCC Arts Office
Action 5.1.2	Collaborate with operators of key heritage sites and transport operators to identify and address issues in access, specifically relating to transport options.	Ongoing with FCC & relevant stakeholders
Action 5.1.3	Support local communities to protect and develop local heritage and community cultural assets (including festivals and events) .	Flavours of Fingal; Vintage Picnic; Concerts; Let's Play Rush Sports Day in August Ongoing with FCC Events; Library festivals: Magic of Stories (Children's Literature Festival); History Festival; Writers' Festival; Cruinniú na nÓg.; Ongoing with Libraries Dept and Creative Ireland. "Magic of stories" 2024 completed successfully, The Write Time festival to take place on 15/16 November. History festival ongoing. Planning for all 2025 programming commencing late October/early November Writetime and History festivals completed. 2025 Spring brochure ongoing. Let's Play Rush Halloween event supported by libraries/Creative Ireland

Theme 5: Rich Arts, Culture & Heritage

Goal 5.2 Support new & existing cultures to thrive

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 5.2.1	Action 5.2.1: Facilitate community awareness, community engagement and events to share knowledge and demonstrate diverse backgrounds and cultural beliefs.	Ongoing via SICAP & FCC Community & Integration Team; Ongoing as per Fingal Library Service Development Plan 2024-2029 and Fingal's Cultural and Creativity Strategy 2023-2027 Ongoing as per Fingal Library Service Development Plan 2024-2029 and Fingal's Cultural and Creativity Strategy 2023-2027 Ongoing as per Fingal Library Service Development Plan 2024-2029 and Fingal's Cultural and Creativity Strategy 2023-2027
Action 5.2.2	Action 5.2.2: Support the rollout of the Yellow Flag Initiative, promoting interculturalism, across Fingal schools.	Ongoing
Action 5.2.3	Action 5.2.3: Promote awareness regarding the availability of community facilities as places where inclusivity can be fostered.	Ongoing with FCC
Action 5.2.4	Action 5.2.4: Develop an integrated and readily understandable directory of all local services.	

Theme 5: Rich Arts, Culture & Heritage

Goal 5.3 Champion the arts & cultural life of the county

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Action	Action Description	Update
Action 5.3.1	Action 5.3.1: Alignment of the <i>Marketing Plan</i> which accompanies the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy</i> to incorporate and better promote Fingal's arts, heritage and culture within the Dublin and Irish contexts – and maximise the reach of the county's brand.	Marketing Plan in development Ongoing liaison between Economic & Tourism & Communications Sections of FCC Promotion of Fingal Tourism at Milwaukee Irish Fest in August

Theme 6: Safe, Accessible, Vibrant Places

Goal 6.1 Support the development of areas for a high quality of life

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 6.1.1 Page 26	Action 6.1.1: Support implementation of the Fingal <i>Economic Development Strategy, the Fingal Tourism Strategy, the Fingal Food & Drink Policy and the LEADER Local Development Strategy</i> relating to the development of vibrant places and sectors across Fingal.	Fingal Tourism Strategy launched – implementation commencing Fingal Food & Drink Policy launched at Flavours – implementation commencing New LEADER Programme underway; LEADER 2023 – 2027 Call for Social Enterprise Projects
Action 6.1.2	Action 6.1.2: Implementation of <i>Town Centre First</i> policy and delivery of Town Centre First Plans including local economic & community development initiatives.	Town Centre First Plan Lusk developed TCF Plan for Lusk published. Process to devise a TSF Plan for Rush under way. Capacity building for new TSF Town Team in Donabate/Ballyboughal/Balrothery underway.
Action 6.1.3	Action 6.1.3: Consult regularly with employers, employees and representative groups to identify and understand transport and infrastructural needs.	Ongoing
Action 6.1.4	Action 6.1.4: Facilitate collaboration between the NTA, BusConnects and other transport operators Fingal County Council to explore options to improve access and infrastructure – including the development of active travel options.	Ongoing

Theme 6: Safe, Accessible, Vibrant Places

Goal 6.2 Promote safety in the community through collaboration & inclusivity

Action	Action Description	Update
Action 6.2.1	Work with residents to ensure safe neighbourhoods.	Ongoing with FCC/AGS & stakeholders
Action 6.2.2	Facilitate a collaborative approach to promoting safer neighbourhoods and reducing anti-social behaviour.	Ongoing with FCC/AGS & stakeholders
Action 6.2.3	Promote Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (passive surveillance) as a feature in commercial and residential developments.	To be progressed
Action 6.2.4	Work in partnership with An Garda Síochána and community organisations to deliver late night sporting and other programmes for young people in key targeted areas.	In progress with stakeholders
Action 6.2.5	Work with An Garda Síochána to ensure community policing remains an integral element of security in Fingal.	In progress

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