

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL
FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**BALBRIGGAN/RUSH-LUSK/SWORDS AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
(Services B – Strategic & General Matters)**

THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2026

ITEM NO. 13

DERELICT BUILDINGS - BALBRIGGAN - AI109669

Question: Councillor G. Maguire

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update in relation to all designated derelict buildings in Balbriggan and advise what is being done to address this issue?”

Reply:

From January 2024, the Derelict Sites Section has issued 150 no. statutory notices in respect of 53 no. derelict sites within the town boundary of Balbriggan. As a result of ongoing engagement and enforcement measures, 34 no. of these sites have been resolved and no longer meet the definition of Derelict as prescribed within the Derelict Sites Act 1990.

10 no. sites in Balbriggan stand entered on the Derelict Sites Register.

There are currently 19 no. active Derelict Sites files in the town.

145 no. inspections and reinspection's of derelict and potential derelict sites within Balbriggan have been undertaken since January 2024, as part of the section's ongoing monitoring, assessment and enforcement activities.

To date 13 no. sites have been levied in accordance with the Derelict Sites Act in balbriggan. A cumulative levy of €668,141.39 has been raised and demanded from the registered owners of those sites to the end of Q2 2026. Legal cases are being prepared to pursue, in line with the provisions of the Act, the collection of all due and payable levies.

The Derelict Sites section continues to identify and assess potential derelict sites and engage with owners to secure remediation in accordance with the Act. Fingal County Council actively encourages the reporting of potential derelict sites by members of the public. Referrals may be submitted by completing the Derelict Sites Report Form available on the Fingal County Council website and emailing the completed form to derelictsites@fingal.ie

Source of Reply: Declan Ryan, Senior Executive Officer, Economic, Community and Cultural Development.