

Public Art – Private Developments

Policy Update 2023



Introduction

Wingal County Council's Development Plan

2017 – Current

National Per Cent for Art Guidelines 2004 – 2020

Countywide Activity since 2017

Feedback from sector

Sample Funding Allocations

Recommendations going forward.



Development Plan 2017 -

Public Art

Objective DMS05

Require new residential developments in excess of 100 units and large commercial/retail developments in excess of 2000 sq m to provide for a piece of public art to be agreed with the Council.



PUBLIC ART: PER CENT FOR ART SCHEME

GENERAL NATIONAL GUIDELINES – 2004



The amount of the Per Cent for Art budget relates to the total capital construction cost, calculated in accordance with the limits noted below.

Budget limits (1 January 2020)

New limits and bands will apply from 1 January 2020. The new parameters investment bands and limits will be:

Projects below €5,000,000: 1% of the cost of the project to a maximum of €50,000 (1% of upper limit);

Projects between €5,000,000 and €20,000,000: 1% of the cost of the project to a maximum of €125,000 (1% at median);

Projects between €20,000,000 and €50,000,000: 1% of the cost of the project to a maximum of €350,000 (1% at median);

Projects in excess of €50,000,000:- up to €500,000 being 1% of the lower level scale and declining as projects increase in scale.

Current project cost band	Current maximum limit	Proposed project cost band	Proposed maximum limit
€0-€2.55m	€25,500	€0 – €5m	€50,000
€2.55m-€6.3m	€38,000	€5m-€20m	€125,000
€6.3m-€12.7m	€51,000	€20m-€50m	€350,000
€12.7m +	€64,000	€50m +	€500,000

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Public Art Planning Compliance Projects



21 **€380,000** 7 Developments

20 **€760,000** 15 Developments

19 **€30,000** 2 Developments

18 **€64,000** 1 Developments

17 **€158,000** 3 Developments

16 **€64,000** 1 Developments

Combined Total 29 Developments

€1,456,000

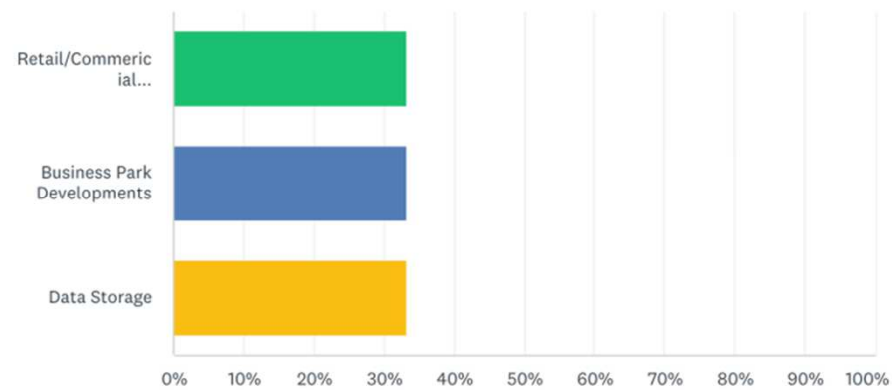
Survey Findings – Private Developers

Public Art Planning Contribution

Q1 🗨️

Nature of Developments Required by Planning

Answered: 3 Skipped: 0

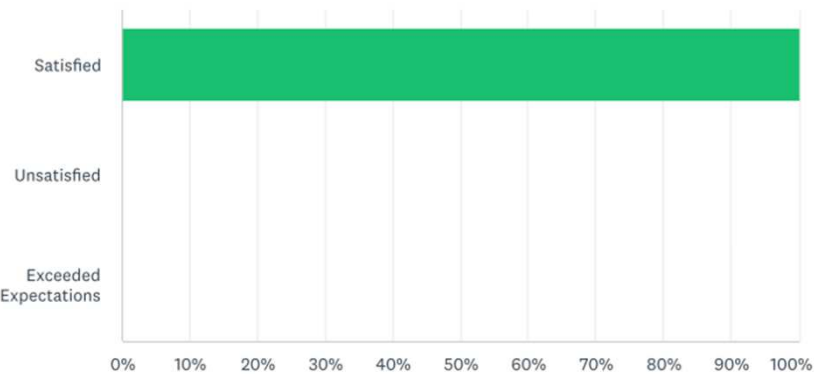


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Retail/Commercial Developments	33.33%	1
Business Park Developments	33.33%	1
Data Storage	33.33%	1
TOTAL	3	

Q2 🗨️

How would you describe your experience of commissioning artists as part of your development

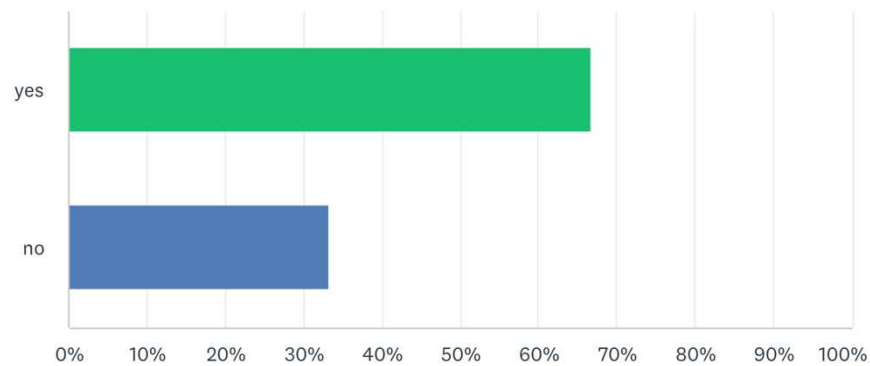
Answered: 3 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Satisfied	100.00%	3
Unsatisfied	0.00%	0
Exceeded Expectations	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 3		

Q3
In your opinion, do you think the work commissioned at
the development has the potential to be enjoyed by the
Fingal Community?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 0

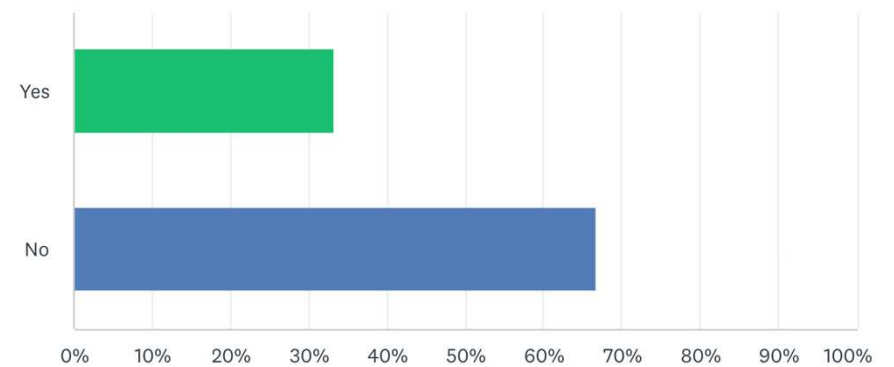


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
yes	66.67%	2
no	33.33%	1
TOTAL		3

Q4

Do you support the inclusion of a public art compliance
clause, in the requirements for planning?

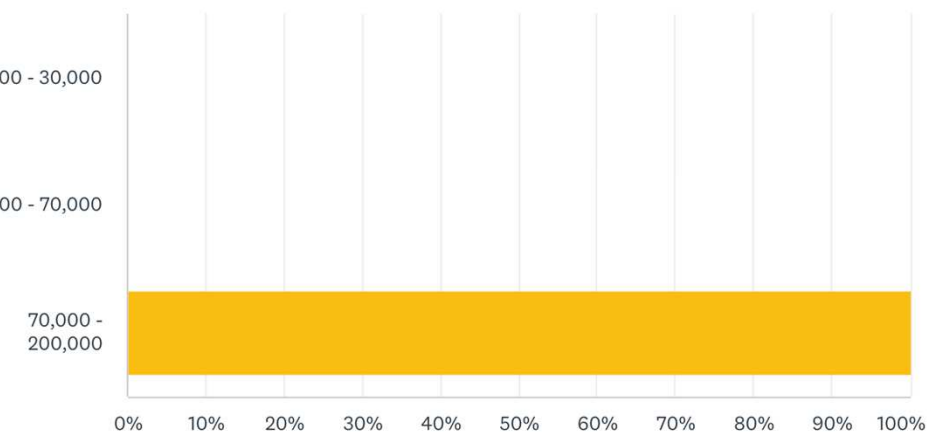
Answered: 3 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	33.33%	1
No	66.67%	2
TOTAL		3

How much have you previously been required to allocate to cover the cost of the required public art condition?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 0

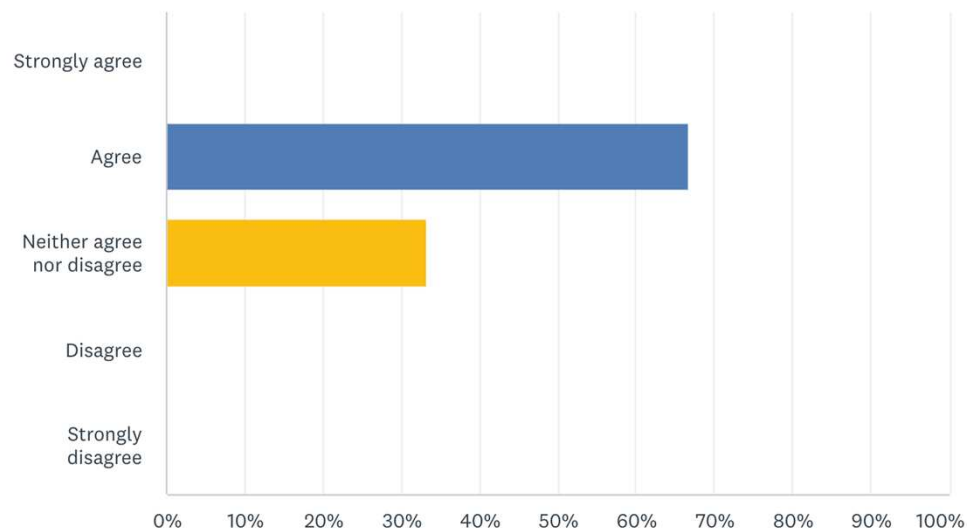


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
0 - 30,000	0.00% 0
30,000 - 70,000	0.00% 0
70,000 - 200,000	100.00% 3
TOTAL	3

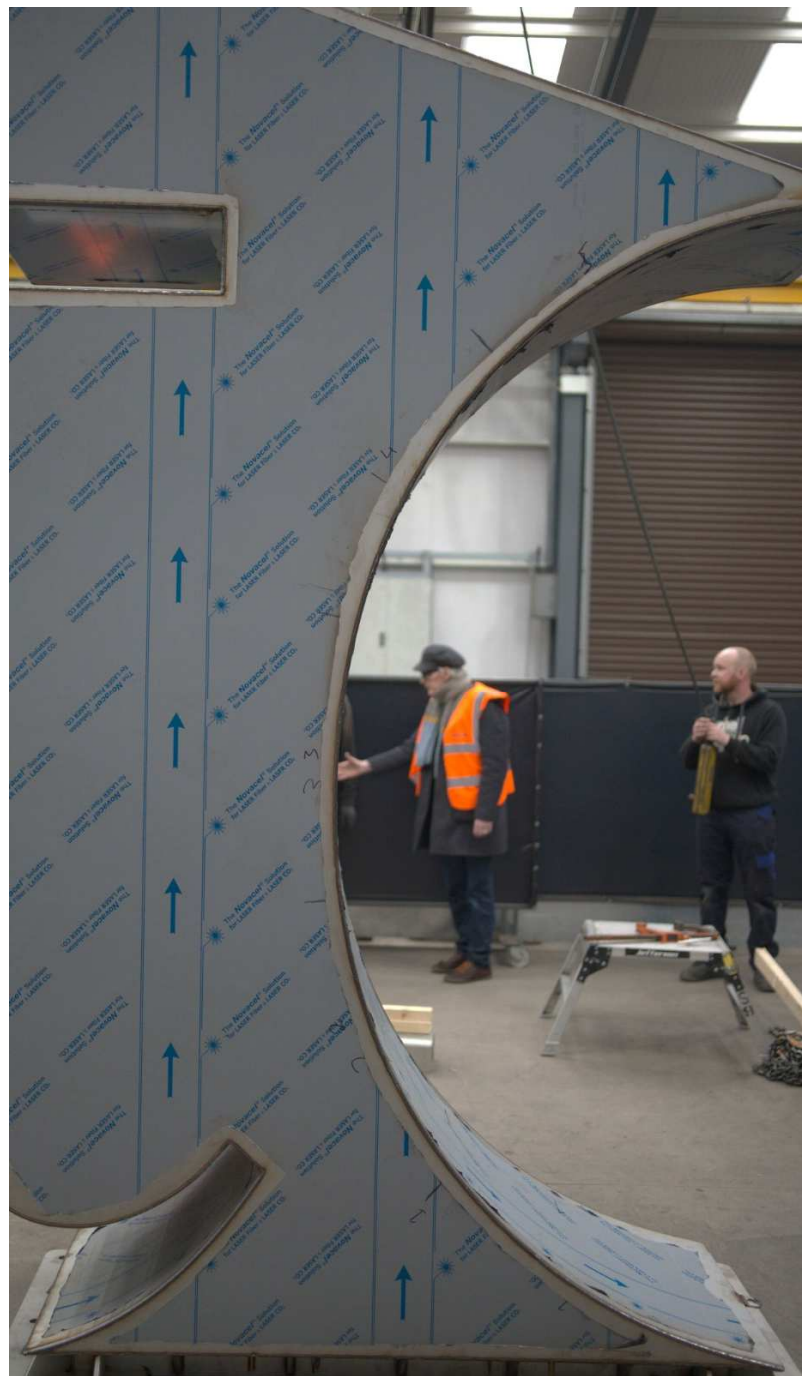
Q6

For future developments that will require planning permission, how willing would you be to make a contribution in lieu of public art, so that Fingal County Council could build up a public art fund that would benefit Fingal Communities directly?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Strongly agree	0.00% 0
Agree	66.67% 2
Neither agree nor disagree	33.33% 1
Disagree	0.00% 0
Strongly disagree	0.00% 0
TOTAL	3





Policy Recommendations Now

- Recognise the role of the private developments in the county as a significant opportunity for Fingal and its communities.
- Support a new mechanism which allows for a contribution be made in lieu of Public Art on that requirement for large scale commercial/Industrial Developments
- Liaise with the sector on the rationale for this approach
- Allow a fund to accumulate over time to allow for significant monies to build up
- All current and existing private developments must engage in the process set out by the Arts Office and their appointed curatorial Advisor in commissioning public art for their sites as part of the planning compliance as it stands now.
- Promote existing and new public art projects from this sector that are either at completion or ongoing through documentation and mapping.
- Development of a community fund structure which would support local communities who wish to commission something for their town – All funding allocations should align with Fingal County Council's New Public Art Policy and will require all necessary planning requirements in line with the County Development Plan.

Next Steps

Work with our financial specialists at the EETCD in partnership with the Planning Department to search a mechanism whereby funding in lieu of Public Art for commercial developments can be received.

Engage further with both internal and external stakeholders on creating a fund that will have transparent and demonstrate visible benefits over time to the greater Fingal Communities.

