



## New Student Centre the 'U' at Dublin City University Unveiled

President of Ireland Michael D Higgins was joined by President of DCU Students Union Vito Moloney Burke for the Official Opening of the New €15M Student Centre, built by Duggan Brothers at DCU recently.

The building spans more than 5,500 sq. metres and will facilitate as many as 50,000 students over the next decade and support over 150 student clubs and societies.

The project involved the phased construction of a new-build 3-storey extension to the existing Student HUB building to provide extended student facilities, including foyer space, offices, shops, cafes and an auditorium with terraced seating, along with refurbishment works to the existing building.

In addition to this the project also included associated external works, external utilities and landscaping.

The building remained operational throughout the build,

with some limitations throughout the lifetime of the project. The main structure of the building included Structural Steel, Precast Concrete, High end special class in-situ – concrete finish and brick/blockwork, Cladding, Glazing/ Façade Works.

The fit-out element included extensive M&E, lift installation, floors, stud and glazed partitions, suspended ceilings, built in furniture and fixtures and fittings.

The New Student Centre, the 'U' will house a broad range of activities and support services. Core features of the centre include a student leadership and life skills centre; performing arts and cultural spaces for students and the wider community; and an entrepreneurship and innovation hub for national and international student initiatives.

In addition, the new centre contains two escape pods in order to provide a social space for students with Autism. Last March DCU was declared the worlds first Autism

friendly university by advocacy charity AsIAM. The centre will also be home to DCU student radio station, DCU FM.

Commenting at the Official Opening, DCU Student Union President; Vito Moloney Burke said: *"This day marks the collective contributions of generations of DCU. Once again, we have a centre of activity that students can call home. The place will be alive with club and society life and will serve as a platform for increased student engagement. Today is a representation of what a culture of collaboration between students and the University can achieve; the legacy starts here".*

Duggan Brothers Contract Director, Eddie Cleary said: *"We are delighted to have delivered this outstanding state-of-the-art building for both DCU and its students and look forward to seeing the future success that the building will bring".*



## Duggan Brothers Commence ALT Hotel Development in Dublin City Centre

We are delighted to announce that works have commenced on the new ALT Hotel Development for our client, Andrew's Lane Development Ltd in Dublin City Centre.

The hotel will comprise 137 luxurious bedrooms in the heart of the city centre. A signature external stepped entrance and double height arrival space will provide an exclusive entrance for the hotel, enhancing the exterior public space and creating more light along the street.

This interdisciplinary project is designed to be one of the first hotels in the capital to fulfil with the near zero energy building standards. It will host air source heat pumps that will provide heating and cooling to all of the building.

The works include the demolition of the existing Andrews Lane Theatre and replacement with the 9 storey hotel development. The tech savvy pod like bedrooms will be circa 15 sqm., with reception and coffee dock facilities provided on the lower ground floor level.

The primary target market encompasses well informed, contemporary, tech savvy business and leisure individuals who want style, location and value for money

This is reflected throughout the limited service hotel with sophisticated technology assisting the guests from self service check in to compact sophisticated rooms. The scheme creates a new concept in the city and provides basic hotel services at affordable prices to counter the guest accommodation shortage in the city.



## Regeneration of Dominick Streets 1960's Social Housing

Duggan Brothers have officially been awarded the contract for the Regeneration of Dominick Streets 1960's Social Housing. The contract value is approximately €35M.

The new mixed-use development comprising 72 no. social housing units (67 apartments & 5 houses), a landscaped residential courtyard, a community centre, commercial/ retail space, basement car-park, will be exemplar for apartment living and social housing in the City. The site is on the new Luas Cross City Red Line, just off Parnell Street.



## Health & Wellbeing

Christmas can be a stressful time of year, when many of us will put ourselves under un-due pressure. Here are some tips and tricks to cope over the festive period:

1. Drink Sensibly – Alcohol is a depressant and excessive amount can cause low mood and irritability. Take notice and be aware of your alcohol intake.
2. Eat Healthily – A healthy diet will improve mood and overall well-being, try not to over indulge this festive period.
3. Be Active – Participate in some gentle activities over the festive period such as a walk or by joining in the Christmas games. This will help lift your mood, reduce anxiety and improve your self-esteem!
4. Get Involved – Connect with the people around you, or contact someone that you may not have seen in a long time. Step back from your mobile phone and give those around you your time.
5. Relax – By exercising regularly and learning to relax more you can help reduce signs of stress and gain more control with different situations.
6. Sleep – Try to establish a routine for bedtime. It is best to avoid eating too late where possible.
7. Challenge Yourself – Set an achievable goal that you can work towards over the Christmas period. Make sure to pick a realistic goal that you will be able to carry forward into the new year. An example could be setting a target to get 20/30 minutes exercise each day, this could be as simple as committing to getting out for a walk.

## Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to staff in our Dublin Office who kindly participated in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. The shoeboxes were dropped off to a designated drop off point and will be delivered to children in Eastern Europe or Africa, countries where there is no social welfare system, allowances or benefits.

Hopefully the shoeboxes will bring laughter and excitement to children who may never have received a gift.



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## CIF Safety Week 2018

Well done to all staff who participated in CIF Safety Week 2018. A wide range of activities were arranged for Safety Week which included health, wellbeing and nutrition talks, fire safety training, occupational health awareness, hand safety awareness, working around live safety awareness, working around live services workshops, plant safety, working at height tool box talks, MEWP Awareness, lifting equipment inspection awareness and 'Stop the Drop' demo's to name a few.

Thoughtfully as part of the lead up to the bank holiday weekend local Garda Traffic Core gave a presentation to staff in Head Office to raise awareness around safer driving. We encouraged healthy eating across all sites and offices throughout the week, hosting nutritional workshops and having fruit boxes delivered to each site canteen.

Overall there was a lot of positive feedback from across our sites, and it was fantastic to have the CIF kicking off Safety Week proceedings on one of our city centre sites.



## Leopardstown Racecourse Development 2018

We were delighted to announce our appointment as Main Contractor on the Leopardstown Racecourse Development 2018. This High-Profile Project will include significant Upgrades to Existing Facilities and the Construction of New Facilities throughout the Leopardstown Racecourse Facility.

The Works will be completed in a Live Operational Race Course Facility. Planned Works include a New Racing Hall and Upgraded Street Area, New Museum Bar, Grandstand Upgrade Works,

Conversion of Saddling Stalls, Children's Play Area, Prize Winners Podium, New Saddling Stalls, Pre-Parade Ring, New Weigh Room Building, Pavilion Building, Site Works and Associated Services Upgrade Works.

We are looking forward to working again with Leopardstown Racecourse and the Design Team on this prestigious project having successfully completed an earlier Phase of the Leopardstown Redevelopment in 2015.



## Management Seminar

Thank you to all that attended and participated the Annual Management Training Seminar in October.

This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> Management Seminar held, and it has proven to be very successful – offering an opportunity for continuous improvement and upskilling; with a number of interesting topics discussed.

The topics included; Working at Heights, House Keeping;

SPA's; ISO 45001; Management of Granular Fill; QC Inspections; Snagging and Management Practice.

Our first Management Seminar in 2019 will take place in January. We are looking forward to taking this opportunity to welcome new starts into the company, and to receive further feedback from staff.



# Progress on UCD Lochlann Quinn School of Business

Works are progressing well on our UCD Lochlann Quinn School of Business Project.

A recent important project milestone has been met – the disassembly of our tower Crane.

With 100% of the substructure and superstructure complete the team are now fully focussed on our 2019 completion date. The complex façade on this building is progressing well with Curtain Walling and Glazing underway. The stone façade system is also nearing completion along with the Alina Alucovering

panelling to the lecture theatre.

Meanwhile internally, works on the raised access flooring have commenced and skimming of internal walls will begin shortly. Glazed screens have gone into manufacture. Delivery of door frames and joinery screens, and the internal fit-out is certainly in full swing as more subcontractors come on board.

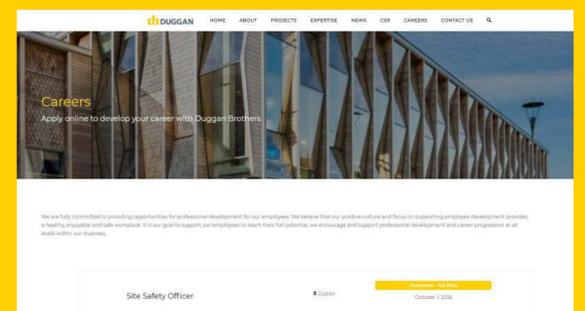
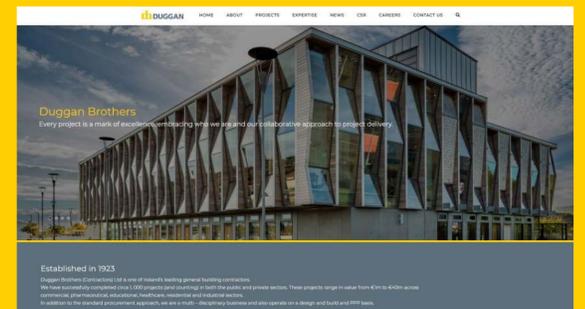
The team at UCD look forward to safely handing over another successful project of the highest quality to the client.



## New Website

Our new website officially launched in October. It is a fantastic source for staff and stakeholders to keep up to date with company news.

All of our newsworthy content is shared through the website and our projects are also updated regularly here. We are also now taking online applications for roles through our careers section.



## Duggan Brothers 'Trip to Tipp'.

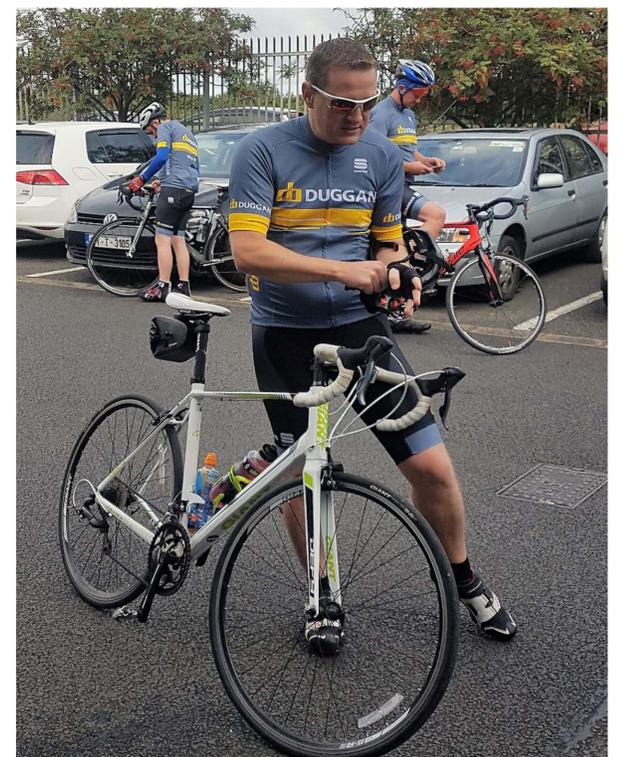
Well done to all 28 cyclists who undertook the 'Trip to Tipp' on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August. Special congratulations to Kevin Cahill who was first to cross the line in Templemore, followed by Michael Greene and David Duggan in second and third place respectively.

Cyclists had a choice between two start points beginning either from our Dublin Office or from PortLaoise. The first leg being 135km and the second leg being 55km.

The cyclists set sail from the Dublin Office,

taking their first break in Newbridge Co. Kildare, they then headed for the Killeslin Hotel in Portlaoise, where they took a break and had a bite to eat. Leaving Portlaoise they headed for their final pitstop in Roscrea before undertaking the final stretch into Head Office in Templemore, Co. Tipperary.

Speaking at the Barbeque which was held in Templemore afterwards Seamus Duggan, Duggan Brothers, congratulated all of the participants and encouraged staff to keep up the training for our next company cycle!



### Management

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