

The sod has officially been turned on the Sean Foster Apartment Scheme

Minister for Housing Eoghan Murphy, Minister for Finance Paschal Donohoe and Lord Mayor of Dublin Niall Ring have officially turned the sod for the pilot housing scheme at Sean Foster Place, North King Street, Dublin 1.

Works have officially commenced on the 6 storey social housing scheme which will comprise 30 apartments – 7 no.1-bedroom apartments; 18 no.2-bedroom apartments; 3 no.2-bedroom duplex apartments; and 2 no.3-bedroom apartments.

Each apartment has dual aspect and is designed with a private balcony. Four apartments have triple aspect. A shared private courtyard is located along the southern boundary of the site.

The new social housing scheme has been named after “Sean Foster” as a mark of remembrance to the first child killed during the 1916 Easter Rising. Sean Foster was only 2 years

old when he was killed by a gunshot to the head as he was wheeled in his pram along North King Street. North King Street was the centre of heavy fighting during the rebellion, which led to the death of 16 civilians on this street – 9 of which were killed on the site of the new development.

The new apartment scheme will be NZEB compliant. NZEB stands for “nearly zero energy building” and is a low energy design benchmark for buildings with very high energy performance.

In addition, the very low amount of energy that is used is provided from renewable energy sources. NZEB buildings set standards for carbon performance in addition to energy performance.

The design development of this scheme ensured careful consideration of a range of solutions to meet NZEB energy targets.



Duggan Brothers Awarded Contract for Dorset Street Hotel Development

We are delighted to have been awarded the contract for the €20M Dorset Street Hotel Development. The new 6 story hotel will be located on the site of the famous North Dublin Tavern ‘The Big Tree’. The former Big Tree pub will be converted into a 163-bed pod hotel.

The mixed-use hotel and retail development will have an overall gross floor area of, 5,820sq.m. Retail use will be accommodated at ground level with hotel accommodation above.

The new development for the Dublin Loft Company will provide 163 bedrooms; reception; lobby; circulation areas; plant & store rooms; landscaped courtyards to the rear; plant area at roof level and to the rear; an ESB substation room accessed from North Circular Road; associated signage; boundary treatment and ancillary works.

Works are due to commence on June 3rd.



National Workplace Wellbeing Day 2019

We were thrilled to participate in National Workplace Wellbeing Day on Friday the 12th of April.

As part of our ongoing commitment to workplace wellbeing we organised a number of events to mark the day. The Construction Workers Health Trust visited our Dominick Street Site and our Site at Peamount Healthcare.

Individual health screenings took place for individuals that signed up prior to the visit. The following tests were carried out on 48 individuals, Blood Pressure; Full Cholesterol Screen; Lung Function Test; Diabetes Test; Height; Weight & BMI.

Each individual was given their test results on the spot along with a booklet explaining all of the results in addition to heart health advice, cancer awareness and dietary advice.

This year we had 35 members of staff participate in the Annual Great Ireland Run, which was held in the Phoenix Park. Participants used the 12week training plan provided by Duggan Brothers to ensure that they were race fit. Congratulations to all that took part and to our winners:

- 1st Sean Reidy
- 2nd Terry Grimes
- 3rd Rory Skeath

Health and Wellbeing is just as important in the workplace as it is at home. We recognize as a company that most of our employee's day is spent in the workplace. As a result, it is our responsibility as an employer to promote and encourage a healthy workplace.

Over the next number of months, we are working towards introducing a health and wellbeing plan. You may see suggestion boxes across offices and sites over the coming weeks, please make suggestions on how we can improve your health and wellbeing at work. A healthy workplace equates to a healthy company!



Management Seminar

Thank you to all that attended our recent Management Seminar at the Red Cow Hotel. It was a great success and provided the opportunity to answer questions and provide guidance on a range of Health & Safety Topics.

We will be presenting an award at our next seminar which is scheduled for Friday the 14th of June. The award is being presented to the individual that best filled out and made appropriate suggestions on the questionnaire.

At the upcoming seminar we will have a prize on offer again for the individual the best fills out and makes appropriate suggestions to the questionnaire which will be handed out.

Well done to Brian Morrissey and Denis McLaughlin for designing an excel version of the Quick Reference Register that is now being used across all DBL sites. It was noted as a very positive observation by the external auditor during our Safe-T-Cert re-certification.



Builders Brew at Peamount Healthcare

Duggan Brothers and Peamount Healthcare were delighted to partner for the second year running to raise much needed funds for the Alzheimer Society of Ireland. The event was held at the 'Hub' on the grounds of Peamount Healthcare.

Duggan Brothers site team working on the new 100 Bed Nursing Facility, subcontractors, Peamount Healthcare residents and staff of Peamount Healthcare enjoyed the celebrations with a cuppa and freshly baked cakes & cupcakes.

Alzheimer's Tea Day is the largest annual fundraising campaign for the 'Alzheimer Society of Ireland'. There is currently no cure for this progressive disease. 1 of 2 of us know someone suffering from dementia.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland advocates, empowers and champions the rights of people living with dementia and their communities to quality support and services. The funds raised by both Duggan Brothers & Peamount Healthcare will help to fund Day Care; Home Care; Respite and Advisory Services.

Thank you to all that took part and kindly donated. In total €3143.01 was raised for the Alzheimer Society.



Dominick Street Regeneration Sod Turning

The Lord Mayor of Dublin; Niall Ring, has officially turned the sod on the €35M Dominick Street Regeneration Project.

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, and basement carpark will be exemplar for apartment living and social housing in the city.

The new development will be built on part of the former Dominick Street Flats complex on the East side of Lower Dominick Street.

Originally a Georgian residential street, Dominick Street was constructed in the 1750's by the Dominick family. It was at that time a fashionable upmarket place to reside however over time the street fell into decline and many large houses became tenement buildings.

In the 1960's, Dublin City Council Cleared Dominick Street of a number of the terraced houses that were in use as tenements and replaced them with eight blocks of five storey flats, containing 198 units. With a renewed commitment to regeneration and the creation of sustainable communities, the decision was made to replace them with a mixed-use, mixed tenure scheme, within the 1.26 ha site.

Duggan Brothers were awarded the construction contract in November 2018, with works commencing in late January. Construction is expected to take approximately 28 months, with the new homes due to be ready for occupation in June 2021.

The design of the redevelopment follows the masterplan strategy of building on tradition, reinstating the historically well defined character of Dominick Street as both a place to live and conduit to the cultural heart of the city, The new development will integrate positively with the new Luas cross city line, taking advantage of this strategic public transport network.



Focus Ireland Official Opening

The Minister for Housing, Eoghan Murphy officially opened Focus Ireland's new 31-unit social housing development built by Duggan Brothers. The new social housing development will provide homes for families and individuals in the heart of Dublin City.

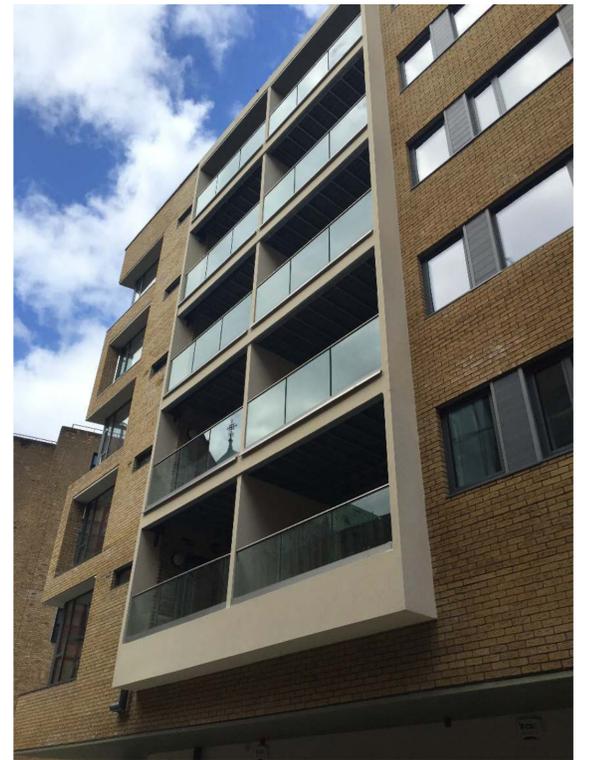
The new build encompasses a seven storey residential apartment building including basement, external envelope with balconies, canopy installation and associated services and systems installation. Each individual apartment comprises bedrooms, dining, kitchen and storage areas. Speaking at the event Minister Murphy said:

"I am pleased to be here today to officially open these 31 homes on behalf of Focus Ireland. Under Rebuilding Ireland, we are partnering with our many stakeholders to provide homes for people who are homeless and my department is always eager to fund such projects.

Increasing the supply of housing is at the core of addressing our housing problems. This year we will add 10,000 new homes to our active social housing stock and we will also meet the housing needs of some 27,000 families/individuals on local authority waiting lists. I would like to wish all the new tenants many happy years in their new homes."

Contracts Director, Eddie Cleary commented "We were delighted to be part of this project which will provide 31 families with a safe and secure place to call home".

Focus Ireland has provided over 500 homes in partnership with the State since 2015. It plans to deliver a total of 750 homes over the course of its current five-year plan (to 2020).



Raising funds for Diabetes Ireland

Duggan Brothers presented Diabetes Ireland with a generous donation of €4,500 at our Takeda Project in Piercetown, Co. Meath.

Diabetes Ireland is the only national charity in Ireland dedicated to helping individuals with diabetes. Diabetes Ireland provide support, education and training to all individuals affected by diabetes.

Takeda implemented a positive initiative on site over a 6 month period. The initiative was called

'The Safety Observation Report Charity Donation Nomination'.

For every SOR received within the 6 months €1 was donated to a nominated charity. During the 6 months 28,000 SOR's were received.

This meant that in total €28,000 was donated to 5 remarkable charities – ours being Diabetes Ireland.



Carrickmines Manor, Dublin 18

The construction of 75 no. of new houses at Carrickmines Manor is progressing well. The new development will comprise 3 and 4 bed family homes ranging from 1273 Sq. Ft – 1692 Sq. Ft.

The housing development is ideally situated just off of the Glenamuck Road, just off exit 15 on the M50 providing ease of access to Dublin Airport and all main routes nationwide.

An official launch took place on the 17th of May, where a number of show houses were officially opened to the public. The houses were well received in the market and sales are very strong.

Works are expected to be complete in early 2020.



World Health Day

We participated in World Health Day, which was held on the 7th of April. The World Health Organisation (WHO) focused on universal health coverage for this year's World Health Day. Universal Health Coverage is about ensuring all people and communities have access to quality health services where and when they need them, without suffering financial hardship.

As part of our commitment to the overall health of our crews we organised for Diabetes Ireland to carry out on site screenings and risk assessments at our Carrickmines Housing Development project and at our Leopardstown Racecourse Project. In addition, presentations were also delivered covering Diabetes, the importance of reducing risk of developing type 2 diabetes, and how to manage type 2 diabetes.

An individual can have diabetes for up to 12 years, and not know it. Most people over 40 are at

least at moderate risk of developing type 2 diabetes. If untreated diabetes can lead to heart disease, stroke and other health issues. Early detection of diabetes through risk assessment and blood glucose screening can prevent serious health issues for employees. Simple lifestyle adjustments, early detection and prevention will benefit each individual's health greatly. The overall results from the two screenings were as follows:
 Total screened – 84
 Had Type 2 Diabetes – 1
 Low risk of Type 2 Diabetes – 59
 Moderate risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes – 20
 High risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes – 4

Of the 84 individuals tested 4 had a raised glucose levels and were referred to their GP for further testing.

Mental Health Ireland delivered a 90-minute information session covering the '5 Ways to Wellbeing' – connect; be active;

take notice; keep learning and give, on our Dominick Street Regeneration Project. Mental Health is everyone's responsibility. It determines and influences so many aspects to our lives, how we view ourselves, our relationships, work etc.

Our mental health is just as important as our physical health, we are encouraging all staff to be mindful of this. There are a number of small practices that can be undertaken on a daily basis for example; Try to take time away from your work space at breaks and lunch time – get outside for some fresh air. This will help to keep you energized for the rest of your working day; Join in team events such as our company run or annual cycle – this will give you a communal sense of achievement; Get the right work-life balance – create clear boundaries between your work and personal life; Ask for help – if you feel stressed at work most importantly speak to a colleague or manager.



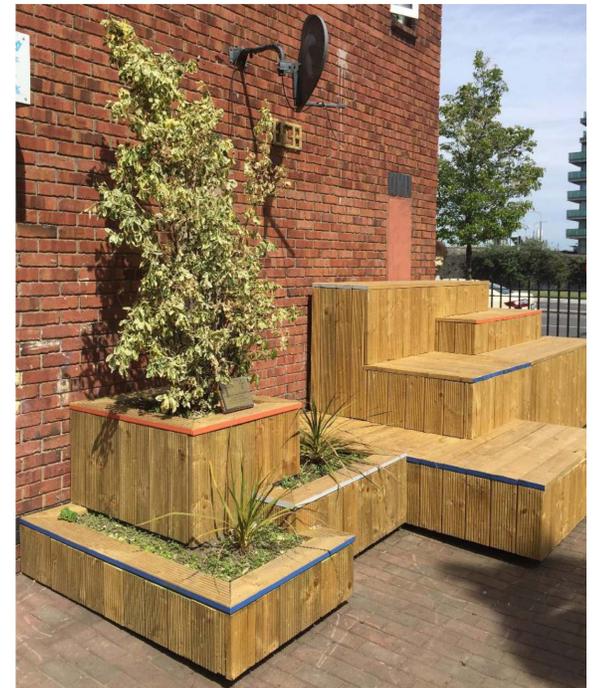
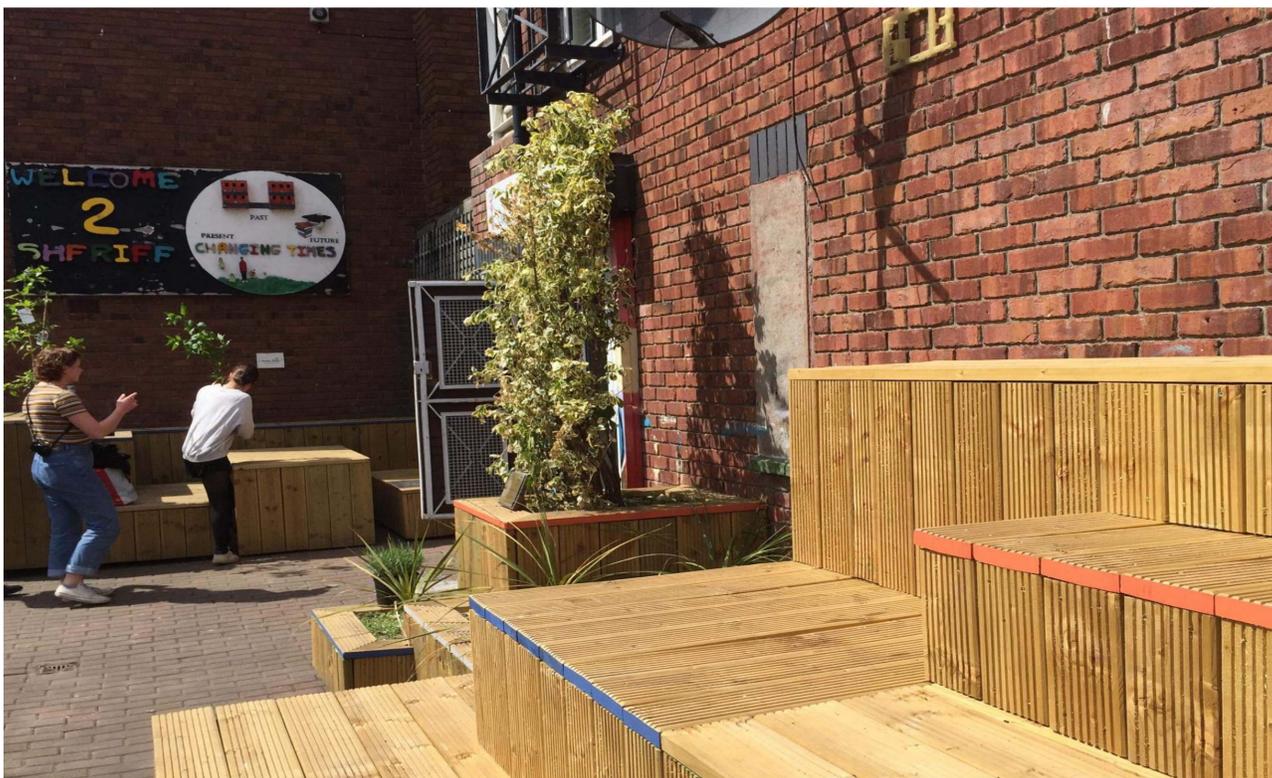
UCD Architecture Project

We were delighted to support UCD Architecture students to deliver a design/ build project in collaboration with the Swan Youth Services in Spencer Dock. Swan Youth Services is an organization made up of a group of volunteers who dedicate their time on a weekly basis to local children and teenagers seeking respite from their regular daily lives.

The students constructed the structure in their UCD building lab in Belfield. However, due to university policies the students were not allowed to work on site. Duggan Brothers provided the resources to assemble the project for both UCD Architecture Students & the Swan Youth Services on site in Spencer Dock.

The Swan Youth Service had a relatively small external space (60sqm). The objective was to develop the space into a functional garden space with seating, shelter and planters.

We hope that Swan Youth Services and its members enjoy the space throughout the summer months.



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