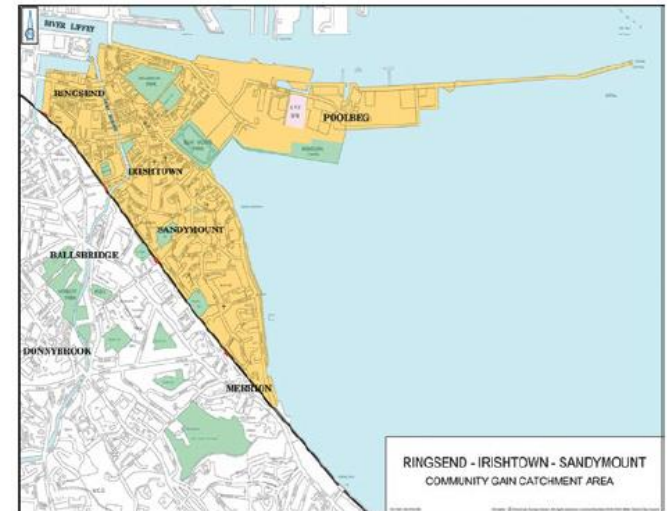


Proposed development of the sporting and community facilities at Railway Union during 2017

As part of the Dublin Waste-to-Energy project, a Community Gain Fund was established by Dublin City Council with funding provided by the developer, Dublin Waste to Energy Ltd.

The aim of the Community Gain Fund is to provide financial assistance to community based clubs and groups, voluntary organisations, schools, colleges and businesses for the development of **community, educational, recreational, environmental and local heritage projects and works** which will be of benefit to the communities in Irishtown, Ringsend and Sandymount catchment area.



Last year, following feedback and suggestions for possible development works from each of our sports, Railway Union Sports Club made an application for funding to the Community Gain Fund for a range of capital projects.

In November 2016, we learned that we had been successful and allocated a grant to enhance the sporting and related facilities at Park Avenue. Work is now underway to deliver these projects during 2017.

The Dublin Waste-to-Energy project is a Public Private Partnership (PPP) between Dublin City Council (acting on behalf of the four Dublin Local Authorities) and Covanta.



The proposed development encompasses

The proposed development and funding presents an opportunity to transform and significantly enhance the facilities which the club provides to our members and to the local schools, community groups and families which use the club's facilities.

The proposed works are:

Summary	Comments/description
Refurbishment and slight expansion of the club's function room (timeline: April-July 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expansion to be facilitated within the existing footprint of the building and will involve the relocation of the kitchen and toilets;• To enable the club to meet the meeting and event requirements of community groups and sports.
Installing a new patio area in front of the clubhouse with a retractable pergotenda (timeline: July 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Existing patio area is dated and needs replacement.• Pergotenda will provide external 'extension' of the bar area.
Demolition and replacement of the existing bowls pavilion (timeline: August-October 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Building of a new facility encompassing community and meeting rooms; bowls dressing rooms, toilets, a strength & conditioning training room and a physio treatment room.

The proposed development - continued

Summary	Comments/description
New tiling and general refurbishment of the changing rooms and showers (timeline: July 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basic renovation of existing changing room facilities
Install new fencing and storage sheds alongside Willow Field (timeline: tbd 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Existing area consists of a range of fence structures of varying states of repair/disrepair;• Installing new fence to provide single consistent perimeter;• Storage sheds for sports and schools usage;
Demolition of the green storage sheds alongside the car park and extension of the car park area (timeline: April-July 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removes dilapidated buildings and provides additional on site car parking
Erect new netting alongside the adult soccer pitches (Willow Field boundary) (timeline: tbd 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installation of netting has been sought by local residents



The proposed development - continued

Summary	Comments/description
Erect new netting and four floodlights beside the junior soccer pitch (Radcliffe Hall boundary) (timeline: tbd 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installation of netting has been sought by local residents• Four practice level floodlights for underage teams winter training
Install new footpaths on the boundary of the playing pitches (timeline: April-September 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To replace existing tarmacadam footpaths with multipurpose paths/walking tracks
New drainage works for the cricket and soccer pitches (timeline: April-July 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To improve pitch drainage and general ground conditions



The final design and specifications for the proposed development works are currently (March 2017) being worked on.

The image shown here is the outline of the proposed works which was included within the grant application to the Community Gain Fund.

Whilst the detailed specifications will be finalised, it is not envisaged that there will be any material variation or change to the work elements within the overall project.

Current envisaged timeline for the works is shown below:

Project works / sub-phases	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
1. Pitch drainage works							
2. Sports lighting, netting & dug outs							
3. Bank removal, storage sheds, pathway							
4. Car park, maintenance sheds							
5. Renovation of function hall							
6. Dressing room painting and repairs							
7. Clubhouse toilets and pergotenda							
8. Bowls dressing rooms, training room and new meeting rooms							

