Explore Your City’s Architecture

16 - 19 October 2008
Architecture Transforms Lives

The Irish Architecture Foundation’s role is to be a vibrant and passionate organisation that excites its audiences about the cultural value of architecture. The IAF seeks to explore architecture, and also challenge the perceptions of the built environment through our annual programme of exhibitions, talks and events. Open House Dublin is a major part of the IAF's programme.

Now, in its third year, Open House Dublin has grown from strength to strength and is the only event which successfully promotes public awareness about the built environment, and uses buildings and the spaces in-between to inspire an audience to interact with their surroundings.

I would like to thank our Open House Dublin sponsors and partners: Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, South Dublin County Council, Ballymun Regeneration Ltd., the Office of Public Works, Dublin Docklands Development Authority, Temple Bar Cultural Trust, the RIAI, Trinity College Dublin, Urban Design Ireland, Open House London.

The coordination of Open House Dublin is delivered through a small and dedicated team who manage hundreds of partners and volunteers. I am very grateful to the team and also to our volunteers for giving time and energy, which is necessary to ensure the success of the project. This year Dr Sandra O’Connell has curated an ambitious and diverse programme which not only presents architecture to the public to enjoy, but has the added benefit of revealing the interdisciplinary nature of architecture by incorporating visual art, film and debate.

The Changing City and County speaks about the physical transformation of our environment and the ability for that environment to transform our lives. This is the power of architecture and of Open House Dublin.

Nathalie Weadick
Director, Irish Architecture Foundation
Open House Dublin 2008
The Changing City and County

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Open Debate
Has Dublin Changed for the Better?
Liberty Hall, 16th October, 6.30pm

In recent years Dublin city has seen immense growth and development. But has Dublin really changed for the better? A panel of architects, planners and developers will debate this question from an economic, political and media perspective at Liberty Hall.

Come along and contribute to this lively and provocative discussion on key issues about the built environment, design and sustainability. Open Debate is your opportunity to have your say.

Seats will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Arrive early to avoid disappointment.

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We hope that you will discover both hidden gems and new public landmarks in this year's programme and find delight and enjoyment in your city's architecture.

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Open House Dublin Information

Entry

Open House Dublin is a free event in which all sections of the community are invited to participate. Buildings will be open on the day and time specified in this publication and on the website www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Some events require pre-booking; pre-book through the website www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse or by telephone.

Pre-book is open from 6th October until 17th October 2008.

Information Points

Further information on the event is available on our website www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Join our mailing list today.

An information desk will open from Monday 6th October at the Temple Bar Cultural Information Centre, 12 East Essex Street, Dublin 2.

Monday: Friday 9.00 – 17.30
Saturday 10.00 – 18.00
Sunday 12.00 – 15.00

Tel: (01) 670 8621

Please note that all information is correct at time of print. We advise to check the website for updates.

Volunteers

Hundreds of professionals and enthusiasts volunteer their time over the weekend. Why not join us in 2009?

For information on volunteering please email: openhouse@architecturefoundation.ie
**Building Categories**

- Residential
- Cultural/Educational
- Eco-Building (energy efficient design)
- Office
- Public/Community
- Children's Open House
- OpenSpace (walking, cycling or boat tour)

**Transport Information**

**Luas**
Luas encompasses two unconnected on-street light rail lines in Dublin. The system consists of two lines:
- Red Line: Connolly Station to Tallaght.
[w: www.luas.ie]

**Bus**
Dublin Bus operates an extensive bus network of nearly 200 radial, cross-city and peripheral routes in the city of Dublin and the Greater Dublin Area. The main radial routes are focused upon Dublin's 15 quality bus corridors which provide buses with daytime access to the city centre.
[w: www.dublinbus.ie]

**Dart**
Dart is part of the suburban railway network, running mainly along the coastline of Dublin Bay on the Trans-Dublin route, from Greystones in County Wicklow, through Dublin City to Howth and Malahide in County Dublin.
[w: www.dart.ie]
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Culturprojection is a complementary selection of recent artist's films with architectural relevance. Screenings will take place in Meeting House Square, Temple Bar from 8pm on Friday 17th and Saturday 18th October.

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Leinster House
*Kildare Street, D2*

**Architect:** Richard Castle  **Building Date:** 1745

Leinster House was originally designed by Richard Castle for James Fitzgerald, 20th Earl of Kildare and Duke of Leinster. The house was purchased by the Dublin Society (now RDS) in 1815 and became the centre for cultural development. The third Dáil met there in September 1922 and ever since has been the seat of the Oireachtas, the Parliament of Ireland.

**Visitor Information**
Regular tours on Friday: 10am - 5pm, Saturday: 10am - 4pm  
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Trinity College Dublin
*1 Grafton Street, D2*

**Provost’s House**

**Architect:** John Smyth  **Building Date:** 1759

One of the most sumptuous and elaborately decorated interiors of its period, the building’s exterior is based on the solid principles of palladian design. The house still remains the residence of the Provost of Trinity College and has many original features.

**Visitor Information**
Friday: 12.00 noon - One Tour  
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The Irish Art Research Centre (TRIARC) is housed in the renovated Provost's House Stables, adjacent to the Provost's House. The stables were designed by Frederick Darley junior in 1841 and recently converted by award-winning architects O'Donnell + Tuomey. TRIARC is an excellent example of the successful translation of an existing building to a new purpose.

**Visitor Information**

Saturday: 3pm - One Tour - PREBOOK ONLY

w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Architectural Evening Walk of TCD Campus

This atmospheric evening walk will stroll by Trinity College's architectural masterpieces both historic and modern. The buildings will be brought to life by architectural commentary and some impromptu performances by TCD students.

**Visitor Information**

Friday: 7.30pm - One Tour - PREBOOK ONLY

w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Meeting Point: Campanile
Science Gallery, TCD
Pearse Street, Trinity College Dublin, D2

Architects: RKD Architects and Wilson Architects, Boston      Building Date: 2007

An initiative by TCD, this spectacular visitor attraction occupies a newly constructed glass-fronted building on the corner of Pearse Street and Westland Row. The first two floors house the Science Gallery (RKD Architects), a unique forum for public discourse on science and technology and their role in Irish society.

Visitor Information
Saturday and Sunday: 12noon - 5pm
Self-guiding tours

Sculpture Tour
Trinity College Dublin, D2

Discover the sculpture collection of Trinity College Dublin in this special tour. Featuring works by Michael Warren, Henry Moore and Alexander Calder, this tour will explore how the sculpture collection of the college responds to and enhances the unique Trinity campus.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 3pm - One Tour - PREBOOK ONLY
w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Meeting Point: Campanile
Trinity College Dublin  
*College Green, D2*

**Library Tour**

Guided tour of Trinity’s landmark library buildings including the listed Berkeley Library, the award-winning Ussher Library and the sumptuous Long Room.

Visitor Information  
Saturday: 11.30am and 2pm - © PREBOOK ONLY  
w: [www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse](http://www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse)  
Meeting Point: Campanile

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Trinity College Dublin  
*College Green, D2*

**Common Room and Loos Bar**

Architect: Hugh Darley, de Blacam & Meagher  
Building Date: c1760, 1984

Originally designed by Richard Castle, this fine iconic stone building was rebuilt in the 1760s. The award-winning restoration in the 1980s following extensive fire damage, includes the clever replica of the famous American Bar by Adolf Loos, in Karntner Strasse, Vienna.

Visitor Information  
Saturday: 2pm - One Tour - © PREBOOK ONLY  
w: [www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse](http://www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse)  
Meeting Point: Campanile / Toilets Available
The Irish Times Building (Liffey House)
24/28 Tara Street, D2

Architects: Donnelly Turpin Architects     Building Date: 2003

Liffey House is an eight-storey commercial office development commissioned by Dublin City Council and let to The Irish Times. Tours will include a typical news floor, editor's floor and the stunning roof-top restaurant.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm - ☝ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Georges Court
Townsend Street, D2

Architects: KMD Architecture     Building Date: 2006

Georges Court is a mixed-use development opposite the listed Markievicz Flats on Townsend Street. The primary office building incorporates a neighbourhood sports hall, retail and four penthouse apartments. Classic materials such as granite and copper are contrasted with structural glazing and board-marked concrete.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular Tours. First come basis
Iveagh Trust Museum Flat
3b Iveagh Trust Flats, Patrick Street, D8

Architect: McDonnell & Reid / Joseph & Smithem    Building Date: 1904

This historic flat is part of the Iveagh Trust complex built by Edward Cecil Guinness, the first Earl of Iveagh to house the working poor of Dublin. Uniquely, the flat has been retained in its original condition at the expressed wish of its last tenant, Nellie Molloy.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour 12.45pm
Regular Tours. First come basis. Max 12 per tour

Iveagh Play Centre
Bull Alley Street, D8

Architect: McDonnell & Reid    Building Date: 1913

This handsome red brick building with Portland Stone dressings was one of Dublin’s first after-school clubs. Founded by the philanthropist Guinness family, over 900 children, many from the city’s poorest families, attended in 1915 on a daily basis and received free cocoa and buns. Today it houses the Liberties Community College of further education.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
The Green Building
3 Crow Street, D2

Architect: Murray O Laoire Architects  Building Date: 1994

One of Ireland’s most innovative apartment houses, the Green Building is a flagship environmentally-friendly project. Ground-breaking for its time, it set new standards in energy saving design strategies. The roof harnesses wind and solar power and hot water is pumped from an underground spring.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis

Temple Bar Gallery & Studios
9 Temple Bar, D2

Architect: McCullough Mulvin Architects  Building Date: 1994 (adaptation)

This early 20th century industrial building has been adapted as a gallery and artists’ studios. Rooftop studios sit as a separate metal-clad element on the square on a rendered base – a metal atelier above the city configured to provide external balconies. The composition in plan and elevation recalls 20th century painting.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled access - Toilets available
Georgian Townhouse
25 Eustace Street, Temple Bar, D2

Architect: Unknown (1720) /Arthur Gibney & Partners (renovation)

No. 25 Eustace Street is a handsome Georgian Townhouse and one of only a small number of early 18th century houses to survive from this time. The characteristic interior features tall narrow proportions, panelled interiors and the original bolection panelled staircase.

The building is owned by the Irish Landmark Trust.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 5pm. Last tour 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Partial disabled access
w: www.irishlandmark.com

The Gaiety School of Acting
Sycamore Street, Temple Bar, D2

Architect: Group '91/Paul Keogh Architects   Building Date: 1995

This modern mixed-use building is home to one of Ireland’s premier acting schools. The building incorporates a two-storey late 19th century red brick building and fronts onto Meeting House Square. Its most striking features are the glazed ground and mezzanine floors as well as the dramatic roof.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm
Self-guiding tour - Toilets available
The Wooden Building  
*Exchange Street Upper, D8*

**Architect:** deBlacam and Meagher  
**Building Date:** 2000

The Wooden Building is an elegant and carefully detailed modern brick-clad apartment tower within the former walled medieval city. The dark red brick and thick creamy pointing is beautifully off-set by the warmth of the hardwood panels.

**Visitor Information**

Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm  
Regular tours. First come basis  
Toilets available

Fuse Graphics  
*27a Synge Street, Portobello, D8*

**Architects:** Box Architecture Ltd  
**Building Date:** 2007

Fuse Graphics is an infill, two-storey over basement, split-level office extension. The double-height entry void is filled with light. Old materials have been used in a modern way.

**Visitor Information**

Saturday: 10am - 5pm  
℗ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse  
Toilets available
The Daintree Building
62 Pleasant’s Place, Camden Street, D2

Architect: Solearth Ecological Architecture  
Building Date: 2005

An award-winning timber frame building with many ecological innovative energy saving features. Daintree is a mixed-use building with apartments, offices, papermaking workshop and the popular Cake Café.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Access from Pleasant’s Place. Regular tours. First come basis
Ambulant Disabled Access - Toilets Available - Café

No 1 Park Place
Hatch Street, D2

Architects: KMD Architecture  
Building Date: 2007

Park Place is a new mixed-use development formed from the remaining structures of the Harcourt Street Station platform building and the supporting vaults. Energy efficiency is achieved with an innovative ‘ice bank’ cooling system.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular Tours. First come basis
Disabled access - Toilets available
York Street Housing
17-19 York Street, 1-2 Mercer Street, D2

Architects: Sean Harrington Architects  Building Date: 2008

Working closely with the local community, SHA Architects designed 66 apartments, a community centre and a crèche for Dublin City Council. Based on ecological design principles, the building benefits from passive solar gain, using glazed winter gardens and solar thermal roof panels. It also has an energy-efficient communal heating system, high levels of insulation and sedum green roofs.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm.

PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Meet at Community Facility on Mercer Street

Palace Street Offices
Dame Street, D2

Architect: MBM Architects  Building Date: 2007

This compact new office building terminates a terrace of buildings along Palace Street and defines a new public space adjacent to City Hall. The visit includes a tour of the top floor dome and roof-top terrace with stunning views over the city.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm. No children under 12
Regular tours. First come basis. Partial disabled access - Toilets available
City Hall
*Dame Street, D2*

*Architect: Thomas Cooley    Building Date: 1769-1779*
A stunning Neo-Classical building with a grand entrance rotunda covered by a wide coffered dome. The building was the first public building in Dublin to be clad in Portland stone. Included in the visit is the exhibition on the lower floor.

*Visitor Information*
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled Access - Toilets Available

Dublin Civic Offices
*Wood Quay, D8*

*Architect: Sam Stephenson, Scott Tallon Walker Building Date: 1983, 1994*
Visit both phases of this important civic building and experience spaces not normally accessible to the public, including the fascinating traffic control room.

*Visitor Information*
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled Access - Toilets Available
Chester Beatty Library
Dublin Castle, D2

Architect: Unknown    Building Date: Mid 18th century

The Chester Beatty Library is housed in a mid 18th century, U-shaped clock tower building, which has been re-modelled in the early 19th century, when the north façade and brick second storey were added. The building was adapted for museum purposes by the OPW Architectural Services. Tours will include areas not usually open to the public.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry 4.15pm
Partial disabled access - Toilets available

Department of Finance Offices
7-9 Merrion Row, D2

Architects: Grafton Architects    Building Date: 2007

This new contemporary office building sits in a highly significant position, clearly viewed from St. Stephen's Green and the Huguenot Cemetery. The building respects the existing street line and makes formal reference to the tradition of set-back and entrance detailing of Dublin's great historic buildings and squares.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Disabled access - Toilets available
℗ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
National Library
Kildare Street, D2

Architect: T.N. & T.M. Deane  Building Date: 1890

The National Library, together with its sibling the National Museum, flank the forecourt of Leinster House. Among the impressive interior spaces is the early Renaissance style rotunda. The Library was recently extended by OPW Architects to provide new exhibition spaces.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
First come basis. Disabled Access - Toilets Available - Café

Iveagh House/Department of Foreign Affairs
78-81 St. Stephen's Green, D2

Architect: Richard Castle  Building Date: 1736 (begun)

Iveagh House was designed in 1736 by Richard Castle and subsequently remodelled in the 19th century, when a Portland stone façade was added. Behind this façade, is a large house dating from three distinct periods. The sumptuous interiors are highly decorated. Iveagh House is today the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Limited Disabled access - Toilets available
OPW Offices
51-52 St. Stephen’s Green, D2

Architect: George Paul Monck     Building Date: c.1760

Today the headquarters of the Office of Public Works, this fine Georgian townhouse was originally built in c.1760. It was bought by Government in 1848 and remodelled as the Museum of Irish Economic Geology. The entrance hall, front parlour and service stair of the Monck house survive as well as the renowned 19th geological cabinet in the vestibule of the main entrance.

Visitor Information
Saturday 2pm to 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

Mansion House
Dawson Street, D2

Architect: Joshua Dawson     Building Date: 1710

Join a guided tour of the Mansion House, official residence of the Lord Mayor since 1715. Visit the Oak Room, scene of important civic events such as the Conferring of the Freedom of the City. Enjoy the history of a building which has seen historic events such as the meeting of the first Dáil and continues to play a central role in the civic life of Dublin.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon - 4pm. Tours on the hour
Regular tours. First come basis
Royal Irish Academy
Dawson Street, D2

Architect: Unknown/Frederick Villiers Clarendon
Building Date: c.1756/1852-54

Academy House is an 18th century townhouse. The chief internal areas of architectural interest are the inner hall and staircase, with walls decorated with low relief stucco in a blend of Rococo and Chinoiserie elements and the galleried 19th century reading and meeting rooms.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available

Government Buildings
Upper Merrion Street, D2

Architect: Sir Aston Webb and Sir Thomas Manly Deane
Building Date: 1904-22

Thirteen Georgian houses were demolished to make way for the new Royal College of Science and two Government departments. Designed in the Edwardian grand manner, the imposing building is faced in Portland stone. The complex was successfully converted in 1989-91 by OPW Architects as Government Buildings.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
National Gallery of Ireland
Merrion Square, D2

Architects: Francis Fowke/Sir Thomas M. Deane
Building Date: 1861-64/1902

Millennium Wing: Benson & Forsyth
Building Date: 2001

The National Gallery – an impressive Italianate nine-bay structure - was purpose built to a design by Francis Fowke. The building was extended on several occasions, including in 1902 by Sir Thomas M. Deane. The impressive new Millennium Wing designed by Benson & Forsyth, provides new galleries, restaurant and shop. (See also workshop for children No.99)

Visitor Information
Saturday: Architectural tour at 2pm & 4pm.
 Państwo: Prebook only w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Disabled Access - Toilets Available - Café

RIA I Offices and Exhibition Centre
8 Merrion Square, D2

Architect: Robert Price Building Date: 1765

The offices of the Royal Institute of the Architects in Ireland are housed in a stately Georgian townhouse. The building was recently refurbished and features an impressive new bookshop and exhibition space.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Self-guiding tour. Partial Disabled access - Toilets available
Irish Architectural Archive
45 Merrion Square, D2

Architects: Unknown/Restored by OPW    Building Date: c.1794/2005

Founded in 1975, the Irish Architectural Archive is located in an impressive Georgian townhouse with a double frontage of red brick and a big doric columnar doorcase. The house was restored to its original plan by the OPW, and updated for use as best-practice archive facility.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Sunday 12noon – 5pm. last tour at 4.30pm
Self-guiding. First come basis. Partial Disabled access · Toilets Available

Mews House
No. 63 Fitzwilliam Lane, Merrion Square, D2

Architect: Unknown, Patrick Shaffrey Architects    Building Date: 1793/2006

This beautifully restored mews, at the rear of No. 63 Merrion Square, is one of the most significant survivals of an 18th century Dublin town house within the Merrion Square area. Complete with its own garden and coach yard, the mews survives with its stables and coach house intact and is owned by the Irish Landmark Trust.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am · 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Toilets available w: www.irishlandmark.com
Dublin City Library and Archive
138-144 Pearse Street, D2

Architects: CJ McCarthy
Dublin City Architects
Building Date: 1909
Building Date: 2002

This library and archive complex on Pearse Street boldly stitches together 'old' and 'new' through the redevelopment of a classic 19th century building and the addition of a 21st century library headquarters. Building visits include the historic reading room, and areas not usually open to the public.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available - Café

Architects’ Offices at Baggot Court
11-12 Baggot Court, D2

Architect: Newenham Mulligan
Building Date: 2005

An innovative scheme of apartments and architects’ offices on an urban infill site between Fitzwilliam Square and Baggot Street. A central courtyard acts as a communal amenity space for those working and living in the building.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available
The Long House
54 Percy Lane, Ballsbridge, D4

Architect: Grafton Architects     Building Date: 2001

This modern mews house is located on a long and narrow plot on a leafy canal-side site. The split level design maximises views and light.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon to 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Toilets available

Engineers Ireland - Offices & Lecture Hall
54 Percy Lane, Ballsbridge, D4

Architect: McCullough Mulvin Architects     Building Date: 2005

An innovative use of the confines of a Victorian protected structure and its garden provides a sunken lecture theatre and additional office space for Engineers Ireland. The dense development maximises the site in a sustainable way, using the section and new ideas about the garden.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm. Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled access - Toilets available
Contemporary House
31a Pembroke Lane, Ballsbridge, D4

Architect: Gerard Carthy & Eva Byrne     Building Date: 2003

This stunning house is inspired by the notion of a periscope as a way of bringing light and views while maintaining privacy and enclosure. The bright, generous living space on the ground floor runs from courtyard to garden and a terrace on the first floor provides a third more private outdoor room.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 4pm. Disabled access
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Elm Park: Senior Citizen Housing
Elm Park, Merrion Road, D4

Architect: Gerard Carthy & Eva Byrne     Building Date: 2003

Elm Park is a large scale mixed-use development in Dublin. The Senior Citizen Housing for Dublin City Council forms an integral part of the larger project. Housing units are composed of low bars that are carefully integrated into the landscape. The buildings have been orientated to give constant access to the sun and the apartments are dual aspect with east and west façades.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5pm Regular tours. First come basis.
Last tour at 4.30pm
Meeting Point: Marketing Centre, Elm Park
Meander
South Dublin

Architects: Alan and Máirín Hope  Building Date: 1939

Meander is a cedar-clad detached house dating from 1939. Long recognised as a fine example of Modernism in Ireland, it retains all original fittings and furnishings and is still lived in by Máirín Hope who designed the house with her husband Alan Hope.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5pm.

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Architects’ Offices at St. Catherine’s Lane
4 St. Catherine’s Lane West, D8

Architect: de Blacam and Meagher Architects  Building Date: 2006

A stunning new office building, in the heart of the Liberties, which is organised around an elegant glazed atrium. The visit will include access to the architects’ office.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets available
The Digital Depot
Thomas Street, D8

Architect: Unknown/DCC Architects  Building Date: 1993/2003

This former Guinness printing building has been imaginatively refurbished to create stylish modern offices for digital media companies.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled Access - Toilets available

Guinness Storehouse
Market Street, D8


The imposing former Market Street Store is one of the finest buildings in the Guinness brewery. The building was remodelled as a visitor centre in 2000 when a circular glass atrium was added. Perched on top of the building is the Gravity Bar with stunning views over the city. Tours will include special access to training bar.

Visitor Information
Saturday: Architectural tours at 10am, 11am & 12 noon. Max 20 per group - PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse t: 01 408 4800 - Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm. Disabled Access - Toilets available
Memorial Court, Senior Citizen Apartments
717-727 South Circular Road, D8

Architects: City Architects Division, Dublin City Council  
Building Date: 2007

Memorial Court contains 66 apartments for senior citizens. Three unified white blocks enclose a delightful courtyard garden and meeting place. The scheme was Highly Commended in the 2008 RIAI Irish Architecture Awards.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30  
Regular Tours. First come basis. Disabled access

Timberyard Apartments
Cork Street, D8

Architects: O'Donnell + Tuomey  
Building Date: 2008

Timberyard is a housing scheme for Dublin City Council. Forty-seven dwellings are centred on a new public space on the site of a former timber yard, connecting the new construction to the historic character of the Liberties.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm  
PREBOOK ONLY  
w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse  
Disabled access - Toilets available
St Bridig’s Primary School
Junction of the Coombe and Cork Street, D8

Architects: McCullough Mulvin Architects   Building Date: 2008
St. Bridgid’s is a new inner city 16-classroom primary school. The building is formed by a three and four-storey brick classroom block behind a perimeter street wall.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last entry 12.30pm
Regular Tours. First come basis. Disabled access

Central Laboratory, Dublin City Council Labs
Marrowbone Lane, D8

Architect: Murray O’Laoire Architects   Building Date: 2006
State-of-the-art laboratories, operated by Dublin City Council, occupy the top two floors of this new mixed-use building in the heart of the Liberties. Translucent projecting glazing conceals a light-filled interior and emphasises the laboratory’s presence in a scheme which aims to recreate the streetscape of Marrowbone Lane.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available
St. Catherine's Foyer
Marrowbone Lane, D8

Architect: Brady Mallalieu Architects     Building Date: 2004

The first ‘Foyer’ housing project in Ireland, St. Catherine’s is a brick and glass building which accommodates young people in need. A distinctive entrance drum leads to the bright colourful interior. Accommodation includes a translucent glass sportshall, gymnasium, health centre and public café.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available

Reuben Street Apartments
Reuben Street/Dolphin’s Barn, D8

Architect: FKL Architects     Building Date: 2006

Two unequal L-shaped blocks, which take their scale from the adjoining streets, make up this striking red brick apartment house. A glass bridge links the eight and ten-storey blocks at high level and will incorporate a specially commissioned piece of modern art. The elevations reflect the industrial aesthetic of the area, such as the nearby Guinness complex.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Tours every 30 min. First come basis. Disabled access
Sophia Housing
25 Cork Street, D8

Architect: GCA Architects  Building Date: 2007

This innovative residential scheme on Cork Street for Sophia Housing, a national housing association, provides sheltered accommodation. The well thought-out mixed-use development contains 50 apartments, a crèche, café, administration, conference and community facilities as well as a tranquil urban garden at its centre.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis

Donore Avenue Community Centre
Donore Avenue, D8

Architect: Henchion + Reuter Architects  Building Date: 2004

This striking Youth and Community Centre provides a wide range of facilities for local residents but the real surprise lies in a stunning roof garden. Materials include timber and fibre cement above a solid brick base.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 3pm. Last tour at 2.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available
Liberty Hall
Eden Quay, D1

Architect: Desmond Rea O’Kelly, Brian Hogan
Building Date: 1965/2002

The site of Liberty Hall has been at the heart of the neighbourhood since 1912. This is a rare opportunity to travel to the roof terrace of Ireland’s first sky scraper.

Visitor Information
Saturday & Sunday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. No children under 12
Partial Disabled Access - Toilets Available

Abbey Theatre
26 Lower Abbey Street, D1

Architect: Michael Scott & Partners   Building Date: 1966

The Abbey Theatre is Ireland’s national theatre. Its current building was designed by Michael Scott and Ronald Tallon to replace the Abbey’s original home from 1904, which was destroyed by fire. A portico was added in 1991 by McCullough Mulvin Architects and the main auditorium was re-configured in 2007 by John Keogan Architects with designer Jean Guy Lecat.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10.30am - 12 noon. Tours every 30min. Last tour at 12 noon
℗ PREBOOK ONLY through Abbey Theatre - t: 01 878 7222.
Toilets available
Irish Aid Volunteering and Information Centre
Findlater House, 27-31 Upper O’Connell Street, D1

Architects: de Paor Architects    Building Date: 2008

Irish Aid was commissioned by the Department of Foreign Affairs as an exhibition and office space to inform citizens about overseas aid. De Paor Architects have inserted a clever sequence of solid and transparent planes, creating an ambiguous inside/outside relationship between observer and observed.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Self Guiding. Disabled access - Toilets available

LAB and Dance House
Foley Street, D1

Architect: HKR Architects    Building Date: 2005

Ireland’s largest purpose-built dance centre also contains a city arts centre with exhibition and workshop spaces. The LAB Gallery is currently showing an exhibition of new work by Lee Welch, *Never Odd or Even and other pieces*. The collaboration with architect Ken Meehan and artist Jeanette Doyle has transformed the gallery space to capture spatial metaphors and transport the viewer to an alternate space where they can view the work.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled Access - Toilets Available
Ballybough Community Centre
Ballybough Road, D3

Architects: Mitchell + Associates   Building Date: 2008

The Ballybough Community Building is a multi-functional facility with a range of spaces – both external and internal. The interior spaces have been ordered vertically around a three-storey foyer, which provides light as well as visual connectivity between the various elements. A multi-use outdoor pitch completes the scheme.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Toilets available
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Croke Park Stadium / GAA Museum
St. Joseph’s Avenue, D3

Architect: Gilroy McMahon Architects   Building Date: 1993-2005

Croke Park Stadium is Europe’s first modern stadium, predating the Stade de France and the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff by several years. The 83,000 capacity stadium is the flagship of the world’s largest amateur sporting organisation, the Gaelic Athletic Association. This architectural tour is guided by Gilroy McMahon Architects.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2.30pm
© PREBOOK through Croke Park - t: 01 819 2361
Disabled Access - Toilets Available
No. 10, Henrietta Street

*Henrietta Street, D1*

Architect: Unknown/Campbell Conroy Hickey  Building Date: c.1730, 2003

A visit to a splendidly restored early Georgian house with surviving original interiors and fascinating stuccoed ceiling work. Once the residence of developer Luke Gardiner, today it accommodates the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

**Visitor Information**

Sunday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm  
Regular tours. First come basis. Partial Disabled access - Toilets available

Light House Cinema

*Block A, Market Square, Smithfield, D1*

Architects: DTA Architects  Building Date: 2008

The concept behind the Light House Cinema embraces the desire to express the individual cinema forms, creating tension between surface and void.

**Visitor Information**

Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm  
Regular Tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
King’s Inns
*Henrietta Street, D1*

**Architect:** James Gandon, Francis Johnston, Frederick Darley  
**Building Date:** 1800, 1817, 1826

A fascinating complex of neo-classical architecture. This visit includes Gandon’s greatest surviving interior in Dublin, the monumental Dining Hall. A visit will also be made to Fredrick Darley’s Library and to 11 Henrietta Street. Tour will be led by Camilla McAleese of the Honorable Society of King’s Inns.

**Visitor Information**  
Saturday: 10am - One Tour; Sunday: 2pm - One Tour  
 Pedido solo, consulta: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

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3,4,5 Temple Cottages
*3 Temple Cottages, Broadstone, D7*

**Architect:** Boyd Cody Architects  
**Building Date:** 2002

Three terraced houses have been imaginatively linked around a central courtyard to create a wonderfully spacious modern house, fluid and light-filled.

**Visitor Information**  
Sunday: 12noon - 4pm. Toilets available  
Pedido solo, consulta: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
This new student housing scheme, containing 21 apartments with space for over 100 students, occupies a prominent site at the top of Constitution Hill. The exterior facades are highly varied to address the diverse site context – from the lush Royal Canal Park on the east to the imposing Broadstone Station on the west.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis

This glass and brick corner building provides a wide range of services to the local community in the markets area. The interior spaces are sharp and contemporary.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled Access - Toilets Available
Bluecoat School/Law Society of Ireland
Blackhall Place, D7

Architects: Thomas Ivory/Robert J. Stirling  Building Date: 1773 (begun)

This impressive granite and Portland stone Palladian style building replaced earlier premises, which had been established by King Charles I in 1671 to care for the sons of impoverished citizens. Originally started in 1773 to a design by Thomas Ivory, a copper-clad cupola, designed by Robert J. Stirling, was added in 1894. Today the building contains the Law Society of Ireland.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access. Toilets available

Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane
Charlemont House, Parnell Square North, D1

Architects: William Chambers/Horace O’Rourke/Gilroy McMahon
Building Date: 1763/1933/2006

Formerly the residence of Lord Charlemont, this stone-fronted palazzo was remodelled in 1931-33 by the City Architect Horace O’Rourke as an art gallery. A recent extension by Gilroy McMahon Architects has provided new gallery spaces organised on two storeys around a tall roof-lit atrium. (see also workshop for children No. 100)

Visitor Information
Saturday: 3.30pm - One tour by Gilroy McMahon Architects
© PREBOOK ONLY - w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Disabled Access. Toilets Available. Café
Custom House (Visitor Centre)
Custom House Quay, D1

Architect: James Gandon      Building Date: 1780 (begun)

Praised widely as “unrivalled among the Neoclassical buildings in the city”, architect James Gandon’s first large-scale commission is also hailed as his masterpiece. Gutted by fire in the Civic war in 1921, the building was subsequently restored and the stonework extensively repaired in the 1980s by OPW Architects. It currently houses the Dept. of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

Visitor Information
Saturday & Sunday: 10am - 4pm. Last tour at 3.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

Ballymun Civic Offices & Axis Arts Centre
Main Street, Ballymun, D9

Architect: BDP Architects and BRL

Ballymun’s Civic Offices and the axis Arts Centre constitute two landmark buildings on Ballymun’s new civic plaza. Tours will visit areas not usually open to the public including the Council Chamber. Currently on show at the Civic Offices is the Ballymun Timeline exhibition, which documents 10 years of urban regeneration.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
Garda Station & Social Welfare Offices
Main Street (Beside Civic Centre), Ballymun, D9

Architect: OPW Architects   Building Date: 2008

The Garda Station and Social Welfare buildings respond to the Ballymun Masterplan by holding the building line, however, they are set back in part to create a public space. The public elements of these buildings project into this created space at ground level to give a human scale. Materials and detail design further enhance the buildings’ public persona.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

New Ballymun Neighbourhoods: East Side
Ballymun, D9

OpenSpace Tour
Architect: Various   Building Date: 1998-2008

This walking tour will explore some of the new neighbourhoods in Ballymun’s East Side. When it comes to the regeneration project every neighbourhood has their own story to tell. As the old blocks disappear from the landscape, the buildings replacing them represent the dedication of many individuals and groups across a range of sectors. All have made their mark on the new Ballymun.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm – 5pm. Regular tours. First come basis
Tours leaving from Ballymun Civic Offices
New Ballymun Neighbourhoods: West Side
Ballymun, D9

OpenSpace Tour
Architect: Various     Building Date: 1998-2008

This walking tour will explore the West Side of Ballymun’s new neighbourhoods including parks, housing schemes and neighbourhood centres. The words safety, connectivity, destination, participation, creativity, home, inclusion, quality, prosperity and ecology remain a benchmark for the completion of the new Ballymun.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm – 5pm. Regular tours. First come basis.
Tours leaving from Ballymun Civic Offices

Alto Vetro
Grand Canal Quay, D2

Architects: Shay Cleary Architects     Building Date: 2008

This iconic glazed 16-storey residential tower comprises 24 two-bed and 2 three-bed duplex apartments. On the ground floor are two retail units. Its tall and elegant form is visible from a distance, making this an important urban landmark.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5 pm. Last tour at 4.30pm. Regular tours. First come basis. Partial Disabled access
Hanover Quay to Grand Canal Square
Dublin Docklands, D2

Architect: OMP Architects/ Martha Schwartz
Building Dates: 2006 (Hanover Quay) / 2007

Explore one of Dublin’s newest residential and business quarters in this special tour guided by the Dublin Docklands Development Authority. The tour takes in the award-winning Hanover Quay apartments by OMP Architects and a new urban space - the colourful Grand Canal Square - by Martha Schwartz landscape architect.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm to 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Meeting Point: DDDA offices, 52-55 Sir John Rogerson’s Quay, D2

No 7, The Waterfront
Hanover Quay, D2

Architects: Burke Kennedy Doyle
Building Date: 2008

The recently completed Waterfront apartments have been designed, in accordance with the Dublin Dockland’s planning objectives, as a mixed use development with an active streetscape and a high quality urban environment.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30
Regular tours. First come basis
Riverside One
Sir John Rogerson’s Quay, D2

Architects: Scott Tallon Walker     Building Date: 2007

Riverside One is a stylish new headquarters for the law firm McCann FitzGerald Solicitors. Located on a prime waterfront site in the Dublin Docklands, the building features a highly innovative double-glass skin façade, which reduces energy requirements. At night, integrated LED lighting creates a dramatic colour sequence.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm. PREBOOK ONLY
w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Penthouse on Clarion Quay
Clarion Quay, D1

Architect: Urban Projects/ Gerry Cahill, Michael McGarry, Derek Tynan

An elegant penthouse apartment in the Clarion Quay development offers breathtaking views over the city and Dublin port. It has been extensively featured in fashion shoots and TV commercials, including a commercial for Guinness. The Clarion Quay housing scheme won the RIAI’s prestigious Silver Medal for Housing in 2007.

Visitor Information
Sunday 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Belvedere House  
*Great Denmark Street, D1*

**Architect:** Robert West  
**Building Date:** 1786

Closing the grand North Great George’s Street, this freestanding house with its ornate stair hall, impressive piano nobile, and work by renowned stuccodor Michael Stapleton is one of the most significant Irish buildings of the late 18th century.

**Visitor Information**  
**Sunday:** 2pm to 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm  
Regular tours. First come basis. Toilets available

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Georgian House  
*No. 11 North Great Georges Street, D1*

**Architect:** Unknown  
**Building Date:** 1774

No 11 is essentially Palladian with some important examples of late Rococo plasterwork ceilings. Exceptionally well preserved, it includes interesting original features and a rare example of contemporary graffito. The wonderful condition of the house today is the result of meticulous conservation work by the current owners.

**Visitor Information**  
**Sunday 2pm - One Tour - PREBOOK ONLY - 30 Max**  
[www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse](http://www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse)
Luas
Abbey Street

Bus
City Centre Routes

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Georgian House
No. 37 North Great Georges Street, D1

Architect: Charles Thorp  Building Date: c. 1785-1790

Number 37 and its neighbour, No 38, are both attributed to Charles Thorp. The saloon has an ornate tripartite ceiling featuring musical instruments. The tour includes a visit to the offices of Visual Artist Ireland as well as a contemporary garden at rear by architect Dirk Louw.

Visitor Information
Sunday 2pm & 3pm - Two Tours

℗ PREBOOK ONLY - 25 Max w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Mahaffy House
No. 38 North Great Georges Street, D1

Architect: Charles Thorp  Building Date: 1785

The doorcase and railings to No 38 are the grandest on the street. The ceilings of the piano nobile are exceptionally fine with paintings set into roundels around its border. This splendid house is beautifully maintained.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm & 3pm - Two Tours

℗ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
No. 40 North Great Georges Street, D1

**Georgian House**

This fine Georgian House, dating from 1782, is believed to have been built for the Bowen family. The decorative detail is Neoclassical. Between the basement area and former coach house are a number of vaulted offices.

**Visitor Information**

Sunday: 2pm & 3pm - Two Tours

℗ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

No. 50 North Great Georges Street, D1

**Georgian House**

No 50 is a meticulously conserved example of the Georgian period, with a fine array of ceiling and wall ornamentation. The rooms of the piano nobile are of especial interest with rich Rococo cornices and ceilings.

**Visitor Information**

Sunday: 2pm & 3pm - Two Tours

℗ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Distillery House is a four storey Victorian red brick warehouse in the north inner city. It originally was part of the largest brewery in Dublin; Findlater’s Mountjoy Brewery which was bordered by Russell Place (now Russell Street), The Royal Canal, Portland Street North and Russell Street (now North Circular Road). Distillery House is now in the centre of a large number of building developments, most of the original brewery buildings no longer remain.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12 noon – 5pm. Last tour 4.30pm.
Regular tours. First come basis.

Nuns Lane is a contemporary residence and workplace on a garden-estate site in Killester, North Dublin. The dual function of home and office is expressed in two distinct cubes. Inside, the house reveals great innovation in layout of spaces, changing levels and material choices (including concrete and timber panelling).

Visitor Information
Sunday: 1pm – 5pm. Last entry at 4.30
Regular tours. First come basis.
OpenSpace

Open Space is an extended programme of walking, boat and cycling tours that explores not only our city’s built environment but also the essential spaces ‘in between’ - from our parks and our squares to our rivers and streets.

Alongside last year’s highly popular walking tours of Temple Bar and Smithfield, Alan Mee and David O’Connor of Urban Design Ireland have devised a rich and varied programme of both historic and contemporary interest.

Please note that some events require prebooking.
Urban Design Ireland is a voluntary group which provides a forum for professionals and others interested in sharing ideas and information regarding urban design in Ireland. Urban Design Ireland aims to provide an accessible, friendly and cross-disciplinary forum for the exchange and communication of urban design knowledge and ‘know-how’ regarding best practice in urban design. UDI seeks to encourage the use of best practice by professionals in the built environment, to support learning and the continuing professional development of decision making in the built environment and to promote an increased awareness about the value of urban design amongst the wider community. For more information see www.udi.ie
Temple Bar Walking Tours

*OpenSpace Tour*
Renowned Dublin historian Pat Liddy leads two walking tours on the architectural history of Temple Bar. The morning tour explores the East End including Temple Bar’s medieval beginnings, early Georgian residences, converted warehouses and the innovative 20th century Green Building. The afternoon tour visits the West End and such landmarks as the 13th century remains of Isolde’s Tower, the elegant St. Michael’s and John’s Church, award-winning apartment buildings, new and old streets, and leafy urban courtyards.

**Visitor Information**
Saturday: 11am – 1pm (Meet outside Starbucks, Foster Place, D 2) and 2pm to 4pm (Meet outside Turk’s Head, Essex Street West, D8)
Tour on first come basis, numbers limited.

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Smithfield Walking Tours

*OpenSpace Tour*
*From markets to new residential quarter*

The morning walking tour by Ken McCue focuses on Smithfield as one of Ireland’s oldest markets (begun in 1665), while the afternoon tour explores recent urban renewal and the emergence of a new multi-ethnic quarter as well as the new Light House Cinema.

**Visitor Information**
Two tours, 12noon and 2pm.
Meeting points: AIB Bank, Corner Capel St 12noon tour and Chimney Stack, Smithfield, near Park Inn 2pm Tour
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Discovering the Old City
Temple Bar, D2

OpenSpace Tour

On this walking tour of the Old City, Temple Bar, you will discover Dublin’s place of sanctuary where terraced cafés meet bakeries and cutting edge fashion. Find out how it all came about.

Visitor Information
Saturday: Two 45-min tours - 12noon & 1pm -
Meeting Point: Temple Bar Information Centre, 12 East Essex Street, Dublin 2
℗ PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

Temple Bar Revisited (Group 91)
Temple Bar, D2

OpenSpace Tour

Once condemned for demolition as the site for a bus depot, Temple Bar has won several international awards for its urban regeneration. This tour is led by Paul Keogh Architects who were part of Group 91 and instrumental in the architectural renewal of the area.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 11am, 60 min tour - ℗ PREBOOK ONLY - Max 25 people
Meeting Point: Temple Bar Information Centre, 12 East Essex Street, Dublin 2
w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
“Back to the Street” Walk
The Liberties, D8

OpenSpace Tour

In 1979 architect Gerry Cahill published his seminal book on the Liberties Back to the Street. This special tour, led by Gerry Cahill, retracts the book and focuses on the social and community aspects of the area.

In Association with Urban Design Ireland

Visitor Information
Saturday: 12 noon - 90 mins tour - © PREBOOK ONLY - Max 25 persons
w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Meeting point: St. Catherine’s Church, Thomas Street

Cork Street Walking Tour
Cork Street, D8

OpenSpace Tour

Cork Street is one of the last streets in the city to be recreated and has been the venue of several important urban regeneration projects. This tour is led by Kieran Rose, Senior Planner with Dublin City Council, and will explore recent and future developments of this historic Dublin area. (Phase One is now complete)

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 60 min tour © PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Meeting Point: to be confirmed
**Parnell Square Walk**  
*Parnell Square, D1*

**OpenSpace Tour**

This tour will focus on the historic development of Parnell Square with discussions on the various house types and current developments. The tour includes three sides of the square and the Garden of Remembrance.

**Visitor Information**

Sunday: 2pm - 90mins tour - Meeting Point: Ambassador

ⓒ PREBOOK ONLY  w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse

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**Public/Private Space Walking Tour**  
*D1, D2*

**OpenSpace Tour**

This walking tour visits some well known Dublin public spaces, focusing on aspects which may not be immediately visible, but which profoundly affect the ways we use public space, such as ownership, rights of access, maintenance, overlooking and surveillance potential. Areas include Trinity College, O’Connell Street, Temple Bar and Dame Street.

**Visitor Information**

Sunday: 2pm  
Meeting point: Trinity College, Front Gate

ⓒ PREBOOK ONLY  w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Dublin Docklands by Water
CHQ Stack A, D1

OpenSpace Tour

These lively and informative boat tours, guided by Ruari Quinn and Sean O’Laoire, on the Liffey Voyage will explore the creation of a new urban quarter in the Dublin Docklands from the waterside.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 1pm, 2pm, 3pm

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Liffey Voyage departs from CHQ Stack A

Phoenix Park Cycle
D8

OpenSpace Tour

Explore the architecture and parkland of Dublin’s Phoenix Park in a one-hour cycling tour. The tour, led by Chief Park Superintendent John Cullen, focuses on the historical, cultural and social significance of the Park. Tour starts at the bike hire lodge at the Parkgate Street Gate.

In Association with Urban Design Ireland

Visitor Information
Saturday: 1pm - 60-90min tour - © PREBOOK ONLY - Max 30 persons
w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Meeting point: Bike hire lodge, Parkgate Street Gate
Gasholder & Grand Canal Harbour Walk

OpenSpace Tour

This walking tour explores new architectural developments on the former Gas Works site including the Gasholder. The tour will also include the Charlotte Quay area including the Millennium Tower and the Alto Vetro tower (exterior only).

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am and 11.30am, Two 60min tours
PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Meeting Point: Grand Canal Dock Station

Mount St Anne's – Milltown

OpenSpace Tour

A walking tour of this new mixed-use community on an historic site in Milltown with about 600 apartments and houses, offices, shops and crèche. The architecture includes reuse of old convent buildings set around a park, including the offices of OMP Architects in the former chapel.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 3pm and 4pm. Two 60 min tours
Meeting Point: Entrance at traffic lights on Milltown Road, opposite Spar
PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
National Gallery of Ireland
Nassau Street, D2

Children’s Open House - Family Workshop

Children and parents are invited to join architect Angela Brady of Brady Mallalieu Architects on this special tour and design workshop. Participants will design their own design project, using the gallery’s architecture as inspiration. This workshop is in association with the National Gallery of Ireland.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 11.00am - 1pm. Prebook only through National Gallery T: 01 6633505. E: jdrum@ngi.ie. For Children aged 7-12 years
Meeting point: Info desk, Nassau Street Entrance

Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane
Parnell Square, D1

Children’s Open House - Family Workshop

Children and parents are invited to join architect Angela Brady of Brady Mallalieu Architects on this special tour and design workshop. Participants will design their own light sculpture, using the gallery’s architecture as inspiration. This workshop is in association with the Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane. Tour by Gallery Architect, Des McMahon.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2.30pm - 4.30pm - PREBOOK ONLY
Through Hugh Lane. T: 01 2225564. For Children aged 6-12 years.
Disabled access, Toilets available. Meeting point: Foyer, Gallery entrance
**Children’s Tour of TCD Campus**

*Trinity College, College Green, D2*

**Children’s Open House**

In a special tour for children aged 6-12, the students of the future can explore the beautiful campus of Trinity College. Participants will experience some of the key buildings of Trinity, and see how each is used by students every day: from the exam hall, to the libraries, lecture theatres and museum buildings, followed by a Exam Hall graduation ceremony for all in the Exam Hall.

**Visitor Information**

Saturday: 11am - For children aged 6-12 years

Meeting point: Campanile inside Front Square

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**Dublin City Colouring Book**

*Temple Bar Information Centre, 12 East Essex Street, D2*

**Children’s Open House**

This specially developed Children’s Colouring Book of Dublin architecture has been designed by artist Eilis McDonald. A complimentary copy is available while stock lasts during Open House at the Temple Bar Information Centre, 12 East Essex Street, Dublin 2, and other Children’s Open House venues.

**Visitor Information**

Available on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th October (while stock lasts)

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Blanchardstown Courthouse
Grove Road, Blanchardstown, D15

Architects: Scott Tallon Walker, Brian O’Connell Associates (fit-out)
Building Date: 2001/ 2008

Designed by Scott Talon Walker Architects, with specialised fit-out by Brian O’Connell Associates. This new courthouse forms part of a civic complex with the Blanchardstown Fingal County Council offices.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12noon. Regular tours. First come basis

PREBOOK ONLY w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
NOTE: Tours subject to no Emergency Court sitting on that day.

Fingal County Council Offices
Grove Road, Blanchardstown, D15

Architect: Scott Tallon Walker     Building Date: 2005

This modern office building provides offices and public services for Fingal County Council. It is located in close proximity to the Blanchardstown Centre, Library and Draíocht Arts Centre. Tour will also visit Blanchardstown Library and Draíocht.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last entry at 12 noon. Disabled access - Toilets available
Meeting Point: Blanchardstown Library
Blanchardstown Library
The Blanchardstown Centre, D15

Architect: Fingal County Council Architects’ Department   Building Date: 2002

This architect-designed library is the largest public library in Ireland with more than 36,000 users per month and is open for over 50 hours per week. It forms part of a complex with the Draoiicht Arts Centre. Tour will also visit Draoiicht and Fingal County Council offices.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Regular tours First come basis. Last entry at 12 noon
Disabled access. Toilets available
Meeting Point: Blanchardstown Library

Draoiicht Arts Centre
The Blanchardstown Centre, D15

Architect: Fingal County Council Architects’ Department   Building Date: 2002

Draoiicht is a purpose-built arts centre, next door to the Library. It houses exhibition spaces, a café, studio space and a theatre with associated facilities. Tour will also visit Blanchardstown Library and Fingal County Council Offices.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Regular tours
First come basis. Last entry at 12 noon. Disabled access - Toilets available
Meeting Point: Blanchardstown Library
Newbridge House
Newbridge Demesne, Donabate, Co. Dublin

Architect: In the style of James Gibbs  Building Date: 1747-1752

Newbridge House is an intact 18th century house with its original furniture. The red drawing room is one of the finest Georgian interiors in Ireland.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 12 noon – 5pm. Last entry at 4pm - PREBOOK ONLY
E: newbridgehouse@fingalcoco.ie or T: 01 8436534 (weekends only)
Toilets available

Fingal County Hall
Main Street, Swords, Co. Dublin

Architects: Bucholz McEvoy  Building Date: 2000

These award-winning offices for Fingal County Council are renowned for their innovative and environmentally conscious design, and important commissioned art works. Areas open to the public will include the foyer, a typical office floor and the council chamber.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled access. Toilets available
Prosper Fingal Training Centre
Seatown Road, Swords, Co. Dublin

Architects: Niamh Butler Architects/ Alan Mee Architects
Building Date: 2007

The Prosper Fingal Training Centre provides training and education for adults with an intellectual disability. The existing protected structure was renovated and made fully accessible, and the new three-storey resource building establishes a strong presence on Seatown Road.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis.
Disabled access - Toilets available

Swords Credit Union
North Street, Swords, Co. Dublin

Architects: Oppermann Associates
Building Date: 2008

This modern three-storey office building for the Swords Credit Union features an atrium, banking hall, meeting rooms, offices, conference room and staff facilities. The building integrates sustainable energy solutions throughout.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access
Swords Castle
North Street, Swords, Co. Dublin

Architect: Unknown     Building Date: 12th-15th century

This medieval castle with long perimeter walls was the fortified residence of the Archbishops of Dublin. It features a restored Constable's tower.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4pm
Regular tours. First come basis

Malahide Library
The Mall, Malahide, Co. Dublin

Architect: Fingal County Council Architects     Building Date: 2007 (extension)

This early 20th century Carnegie library has been recently restored and extended. The new extension features a dramatic tall and light-filled reading room as well as additional office space. Architect-led tour.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4pm
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled access. Toilets available
Baldoyle Library
Strand Road, Baldoyle, D13

Architect: FKL Architects     Building Date: 2006
This modern architect-designed library occupies an important coastal site and creates a new public space. The first floor meeting room offers stunning views of Dublin Bay. The library also contains exhibition space and local council offices. Architect-led tour.

Visitor Information
Saturday:  10am - 1pm. Last entry at 12 noon
Regular tours. First come basis
Disabled access. Toilets available

‘Thulla’
No.2, Thulla, Dunbo Hill, Howth, D13

Architect: Robin Mandal Architects     Building Date: 2008
There are three new houses on this site, of which this is the first to be completed. Two of these, at ‘Evora’ - the site of a former 1940s Art Deco house - are complete, and a further two, at the original ‘Thulla’ - a house designed by Andy Devane in the 1970s - are under construction. They are uncompromisingly contemporary, of concrete, steel, glass and timber. The architects supervised the construction at ‘Evora’, but not at ‘Thulla’.

Visitor Information
Saturday:  2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
℗ PREBOOK ONLY  w: www.architecturefoundation.ie/openhouse
Disabled access - Toilets available
In 1936, Desmond Fitzgerald assembled a team of young architects to work on the design and construction of a new airport. Completed in 1940, the terminal is Ireland’s most important pre-war International Style building. The curved glass and concrete structure has been likened to an ocean liner. An icon of the golden age of air travel.

Visitor Information
Saturday: Tours at 10.30am and 12 noon - PREBOOK ONLY
Meeting Point: Gardens outside the Old Terminal Building
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Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Hall
Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Architect: McCullough Mulvin Architects   Building Date: 1996

Dún Laoghaire’s original Town Hall (1878) was designed by J L Robinson. The new extension by McCullough Mulvin Architects, won in competition with RKD, is an essay in manifest democracy: the concourse is a public room visible through the external elevations. Offices laid out in three blocks in pin-wheel geometry complete the composition.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12 noon - 5pm. Regular tours
Last tour 4.30pm. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

Bentley House
Bentley Villas, Georges Place, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Architects: DLRCC Architects Dept, Dr Eugene Gribbin   Building Date: 2007

No 1 Bentley Villas, a council house with a moderately sized side garden, became available to DLRCC in 2003. The site was developed into Bentley House which consists of 13 apartments above a day care centre. Its built form was carefully modulated and shaped so that its bulk is assimilated in the physical context and presents a bright image.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5pm. Regular tours
Last tour 4.30pm. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
The Obelisk

*Killiney Hill Park, Co. Dublin*

Architect: John Mapas, James Howley (restoration)
Building Date: 1742/2008

The Killiney Obelisk is one of the most prominent and best loved facilities in Ireland. Built in 1742 on the crown of Killiney Hill by John Mapas, it provides a dominant landmark from land and sea. It also marks one of the most stunning panoramic views in Ireland, with Killiney Bay and the Wicklow Mountains to the south, Dalkey Hill and Island to the north, the Irish Sea to the east, and Dublin to the west.

Visitor Information
Sunday: Tours at 12 noon, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm. First come basis. Meeting point: Victoria Gate, Killiney Hill Park - Outside Tea Rooms

The Oratory

*Library Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin*

Architect: DLRCC Architects Dept, Dr Eugene Gribbin

The Oratory is a hidden gem of Celtic Revival art by Sister Concepta Lynch. This masterpiece was started by her in 1920 and completed in 1936 and is regarded as one of the finest works of Irish art in the first half of the 20th century.

Visitor Information
Sunday: Tours at 12 noon, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
Monuments & Sculpture of Dún Laoghaire's Seafront

OpenSpace Tour

A walking tour of the historic monuments and public sculpture of Dún Laoghaire's seafront guided by Tim Carey, Heritage Officer with Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12 noon - 5pm. Last tour 4.30pm
Meeting point: Victoria Fountain (Marine Road/ Queen's Road)

Harbour Lodge
Crofton Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Architect: Unknown   Building Date: 1820s

This house built in neo-classical style for the Harbour Master, represents the first serious piece of architecture in the town, unfortunately the architect remains unknown.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12 noon - 5pm. Last tour 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
East Pier Battery

**East Pier, Dún Laoghaire Harbour, Co. Dublin**

*Architect: Unknown     Building Date: 1840-50s*

The Kingston Battery was built in the 1850s around the existing East Pier lighthouse which was completed in 1842. The construction involved high granite blocks with the top of the walks rounded to deflect shot. The Battery was equipped with high powered guns, a powder magazine, shell and artillery stores, a shot furnace and quarter for 25 soldiers and an officer.

*Visitor Information*

Sunday: 12 noon - 5pm. Last tour 4.30pm

Regular tours. First come basis

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East Pier Tour

**East Pier, Dún Laoghaire Harbour, Co. Dublin**

*OpenSpace Tour*

*Architect: Unknown     Building Date: 1817-1823*

The East Pier was built between 1817 and 1823 and is 1,300 metres long. It is constructed from granite sourced locally from Dalkey Hill. This tour is led by conservation architect Gráinne Shaffrey.

*Visitor Information*

Sunday: 2pm. One Tour. Disabled access

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Commissioners of Irish Lights
Harbour Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Architect: Scott Tallon Walker Architects     Building Date: January 2008

The headquarters of the Commissioners of Irish Lights (offices and engineering workshops) provides an iconic landmark building that integrates seamlessly into its marine environment. The building utilises many innovative technologies to ensure sustainable building design and energy efficiency.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12 noon - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

Royal St George Yacht Club Extension
Harbour Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Architect: Micheal Collins Associates     Building Date: June 2008

The historic Royal St George Yacht Club has been extended with a contemporary addition, clad in copper, which makes it very distinctive. It is connected to the original club by a glass covered atrium. The extension provides a large junior room, a meeting room, offices and the Ladies’ changing room.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
New Community Centre at St. Paul’s Church
Junction Adelaide Rd & Silchester Rd, Glenageary, Co. Dublin

Architects: Scott Tallon Walker  Building Date: 2008

In its simplicity of design and form, the Community Centre at St. Paul’s Church, provides flexible and welcoming space. It promotes social interaction in an atmosphere of peace and friendship. The centre was opened by the President of Ireland, Mary McAleese.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 1.30pm - 3.30pm
Disabled access - Toilets available
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Tallaght Library  
*Old Blessington Road, Tallaght, D24*

Architect: South Dublin County Council Architects/OMP  
Building Date: 2008

The library extension links the existing South Dublin County Council headquarters courtyard to a new public square (adjoining the Luas) along a roof-lit internal library street. Busy with colour and usage, the library is a portal to civic society and the digital landscape beyond. Tour will also include the RED Arts Centre, Tramway Building and the ZIP project.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm  
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

RED Tallaght Arts Centre  
*Old Blessington Road, Tallaght, D24*

Architect: South Dublin County Council Architects  
Building Date: 2008

A key component in the growing cultural quarter at the heart of Tallaght is the new Arts Centre RED. The building with its distinctive coloured glass façade contains gallery spaces, dance/rehearsal hall, performance areas as well as a wide range of studies and workshops. Tours will also include the Library, Tramway Building and ZIP project.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm  
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
Tallaght ZIP is a dedicated pedestrian and cycle corridor, linking Tallaght Village with the Square shopping centre, the LUAS and the new business/commercial centre. The scheme aims to encourage and improve the environment for pedestrians and cyclists. Tour also includes the RED Arts Centre, Tallaght Library and the Tramway building.

Architects: Sean Harrington Architects     Building Date: 2008

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

Tramway Building
Old Blessington Road, Tallaght, D24

Adjoining an early Christian monument, this building combines a wide range of uses for Tallaght RTC. Offices, a bar and café, and student accommodation happily support each other in a carefully calibrated sequence. Tour also includes the RED Arts Centre, Tallaght Library and the Zip Project.

Architects: Cullen Payne Architects     Building Date: 2008

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available

ZIP Project
Tallaght, D24

Tallaght ZIP is a dedicated pedestrian and cycle corridor, linking Tallaght Village with the Square shopping centre, the LUAS and the new business/commercial centre. The scheme aims to encourage and improve the environment for pedestrians and cyclists. Tour also includes the RED Arts Centre, Tallaght Library and the Tramway building.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 10am - 1pm. Last tour at 12.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
Brookfield Community & Youth Centre
Brookview Avenue, Tallaght, D24

Architect: Hassett Ducatez Architects   Building Date: 2008

A piece of suburban repair and place-making, the community building forms a strong corner and a public garden within. Spatially complex, flexible and vibrant with colour, the centre encourages interaction at all ages and levels. Tour includes the West Tallaght Leisure Centre and the JADD Centre.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access. Toilets available
Meeting point: Brookfield Community & Youth Centre, Tallaght

West Tallaght Leisure Centre
Fortunestown Way, Tallaght, D24

Architect: South Dublin County Council Architects   Building Date: 2007

Housing a large regional swimming pool and a range of sport-spaces, this building uses light, plaza and garden to create a civic and sustainable place in a harsh setting. Tour includes the Brookfield Community & Youth Centre and the JADD Centre.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access. Toilets available
Meeting point: Brookfield Community & Youth Centre, Tallaght
JADD Centre
Fortunestown Lane, Tallaght, D24

Architect: Martin Henchion    Building Date: 2005

Centred on a private courtyard garden, the JADD centre optimises the synergies between an addiction-counselling facility, a crèche and a series of senior citizen apartments overhead, combining strong place-making and social interaction. Tours include the Brookfield Community & Youth Centre and the West Tallaght Leisure Centre.

Visitor Information
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access. Toilets available.
Meeting point: Brookfield Community & Youth Centre, Tallaght

Adamstown – Strategic Development Zone
Newcastle Road, Lucan, County Dublin

Architects: South Dublin County Council Architects/OMP/MOLA/BDP
Building Date: Various

Centred on a new railway station, Adamstown will grow into a sustainable new town of 25,000 citizens. Based on a strong and connected pattern of streets, squares and parks, its commitment to intensity and diversity offers a broad range of lifestyle choices. Led by architects, this tour will visit housing projects, schools, open spaces and the railway station.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 2pm - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access. Toilets available.
Meeting point: Marketing Centre, Adamstown
Adamstown Railway Station

Architect: Iarnród Éireann Architects     Building Date: 2007

This new railway station serves a new town of 25,000 citizens. The railway station will be visited as part of a tour that will explore Adamstown.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12noon - 5pm. Last tour at 4.30pm
Regular tours. First come basis. Disabled access - Toilets available
Meeting point: Marketing Centre Adamstown

Adamstown Walk

OpenSpace Tour

Adamstown is an award-winning new town, currently being developed according to a Planning Scheme and incorporating sustainable planning principles. The walk will start at Adamstown Train Station, with a short overview of the Planning Scheme and its background. Walkers will see new housing schemes, open spaces, play areas and schools.

Visitor Information
Sunday: 12.45pm. Max 35 people. Duration: 1 hour (approx.)
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Meeting point: Adamstown Railway station
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