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92) Earl Street
Sculpture /
Courthouse
Dundalk

93) Dundalk Town Hall
- Artist's
Impression

94) Pay Parking
Dundalk

95) County Museum
Dundalk
- Coulter Gardens

Centenary Road, Dundalk

The disappearance of the old railway bridge at St. Alphonsus Road, long a thorn in the side of the people who lived there, has opened up the area to many possibilities, some of which are now taking shape. The cost of the scheme was €1.3 million with proposals now in hand to extend it along the line of the old railway, to Hill Street Bridge at a further estimated cost of €4 million, the statutory procedures having recently commenced.

Inner Relief Road, Dundalk

The completion of the remaining section to the Ballymascanlon roundabout has greatly eased traffic congestion and, as a result, considerably improved the economic life of the town. A new link to the Blackrock Road has recently been brought into operation.

Traffic Management

In Dundalk, the refurbishment of the Castletown Road, Clanbrassil Street, Crowe Street and Earl Street were among the main features. Carpark improvements included the Long Walk and Ramparts while the introduction of on-street pay parking also proved to be a success. Indeed, a new multi-storey carpark is currently at planning stage.

Dundalk Water Augmentation Scheme

This was the first ever example of a low flow augmentation scheme to be constructed in Ireland. Given the long distance from the water source to the town, it proved to be the most economically viable option, costing €30 million to complete. The river Fane is used to convey the water from the source to the intake, from where it is pumped to the treatment works.

Dundalk Sewerage Scheme

This project includes a waste water treatment works capable of providing full secondary treatment for the projected waste water loads of the town of Dundalk to the year 2015 at an estimated cost of c. €65 million.

Dundalk Town Hall Refurbishment

This major facelift, costing some €10 million, will greatly enhance service delivery and provide a fitting tribute for Dundalk's deep rooted civic tradition.

Millennium Centre

Dundalk Town Council has developed a 16 acre site on St. Alphonsus Road as a one-stop shop and public sector campus. The former CIE freight yard now contains Louth County Council's County Hall



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96) County Museum
Dundalk
- Carol Gleeson,
Curator with
Co. Manager

97) Ice House Hill
Official Opening

98) St. Helena's Park
Dundalk

99) Dundalk
Swimming Pool &
Leisure Centre

together with a de-centralised Government office while a health centre is planned by the North Eastern Health Board. The Leisure Centre/Swimming Pool is the latest addition. This centre is also the location for a major programme of decentralisation of government offices. This building, which was completed by the Office of Public Works, accommodates some 450 public servants dealing with such areas as social welfare, vehicle registration/testing and the revenue commissioners. Again, the fact that these services are now under the one roof has greatly facilitated service delivery.

Rampart River Refurbishment

Dundalk Town Council responded to the injection of private and state funding which was forthcoming as a result of the 1994 Urban Renewal Scheme by proceeding with this improvement scheme.

Ice House Hill Park

The restoration of Ice House Hill Park is the outcome of a unique link-up between the private and public sectors. Work began on the park in early 1995. The project was generously funded by Martin Naughton of Glen Dimplex with the land having been provided by Dundalk Town Council.

St. Helena's Park

This project involved an extension to the existing park, drainage works, additional trees, seating, the refurbishment of the bandstand, the insertion of stone embankments on the Castletown river and the riverside walk between the Táin and the "big" bridge.

Museum & Interpretive Centre

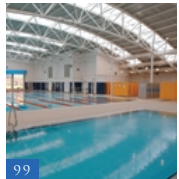
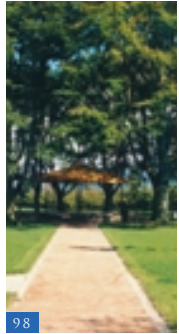
The preservation and rejuvenation of these important buildings represent a link with the town's economic, agricultural and architectural past, while providing much needed cultural facilities for the citizens of Dundalk into the next century.

Dundalk Swimming Pool & Leisure Centre

This is a first class recreational facility of which the town can be well proud.

Urban Renewal Programmes

Possibly the highlight of the earlier years related to the advancement of a number of innovative schemes. The Council had made a compulsory purchase order on a portion of lands designated at Clanbrassil Street in order to facilitate the redevelopment of some 23 acres. This would include completion of one shopping mall, a major shopping centre in excess of



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100) Dundalk Town Council

101) OPW Offices

102) Dundalk Civic Amenity Site

103) Refurbished Courthouse Interior

104) Dundalk Joint Burial Board / St. Patrick's Cemetery

100,000 square feet, with a scheme of infill apartment units together with a substantial new car parking facility. In relation to a second location, the Council had secured a site consisting of an old bonded warehouse with a view to completing a major development comprising of

a museum/ interpretive centre. These buildings, along with associated carpark and amenity works carried out in locations such as Earl Street and Crowe/Earl Street, Market Square and Francis/Dublin Street would improve substantially the areas close to the Cathedral and town centre.

Name of Scheme	No. of Houses	Year
Clanmill (Tom Bellew Avenue)	68	2005
North & East (Toberona)	43	2004
Fardreg (Turnkey)	88	2003
Cluid (Muirhevnamor)	45	2003
Affordable Housing (Fardreg)	12	2003
Cluid (Fardreg)	35	2003
Patrick Tierney Crescent - Phase 2	16	2001
Castleross (Turnkey)	28	2001
Garrybawn (Turnkey)	11	2001
Barrack Close (Turnkey)	7	2001
Toberona Housing Scheme	90	2001
Woodview Park - Phase 2	3	2001
Respond Housing Scheme (Toberona)	48	2000
Patrick Tierney Crescent - Phase 1	6	1999
Ashling Park Remedial Scheme	32	1999
Barton Park - Phase 2	14	1998
Woodview Park - Phase 1	37	1996
O'Hanlon Park	24	1996
Barton Park - Phase 1	29	1995
Grange Drive, Muirhevnamor	2	1995
Cooley Park - Phase 2	10	1995
Cooley Park - Phase 1	48	1993
Cox's Demesne	4	1992
Moorland Housing	9	1992
Defenders Row	8	1990
James Street / Union Street	10	1990
OPDs, Cox's Demesne	16	1990
Purchases	103	Various
Various	846	
Panel Replacement - Cox's Demesne	400	1990

Estimated Total**€25,000,000**

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105) County Hall
Dundalk

The provision of two modern automatic public conveniences would also enhance facilities in the town.

Extension to Navy bank

An ambitious project encompassing a new pathway to Blackrock (The Lookers) is currently at consultation stage.

Arts Service

This area has certainly gone from strength to strength and incorporated the following main initiatives over the years:

- Dundalk Heritage Year 1989
- Global Radio Community Event
- Improvements to the Basement Gallery
- The opening of the public arts office.

Name of Scheme

Inner Relief Road - Phase 3 & 4	13,036,500
Clanbrassil Street Carpark	232,700
Secondary Distribution Road	1,206,500
St. Alphonsus Road Improvement	1,176,100
Hoey's Lane Junction	406,000
Industrial Estate Provision	588,900
Ramparts Road Carpark	229,300
Earl Street Improvements	320,200
Market Square Improvements	660,900
Clanbrassil Street Improvements	830,400
Roden Place Improvements	270,300
Other Urban Renewal Improvements	741,200
Improvements to Landfill	1,427,000
Sports Complex Extension	410,600
Ice House Hill Park	590,800
Riverside Park St. Helena's	619,900
Extension to Museum	377,100
Land Acquisition	8,455,600
County Museum	3,009,400
Barrack Street / Quay Street	402,100
Housing Construction & Purchases	25,000,000
Housing Loans	12,000,000
Water Schemes	30,000,000
Sewerage Schemes	80,000,000
Sports Complex Extension	360,000
Centenary Road	1,300,000

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Total**183,651,500**