

# Cultural Audit and Map

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## We have built a database and map of Dublin's culture.

Cultural information gathered includes arts and heritage, parks and nature, sport and fitness, food, hobbies, community involvement and education, as well as artists and makers who call Dublin home.

The Cultural Audit and Map adds to Dublin City Council's knowledge base, to inform decisions by the city council departments, planners and strategists. This intelligence project is also a public resource - a website called *Culture Near You* - that makes the city's cultural buildings, organisations and networks easier to find and connect with.

It was developed using a 'cultural mapping' process and the public are invited to add to and update this data via *Culture Near You*.

This dynamic database will continue to grow and evolve, organising information and tracking changes in the cultural landscape of the city.

## Why did we make it?

This project has a dual aim of providing cultural knowledge to Dublin City Council for decision-makers and city planners, and highlighting cultural choices to people who live in the city.

It was made by Dublin City Council Culture Company in partnership with Dublin City Council to deliver Priority 2.4 and 3.1 of the Dublin City Cultural Strategy (2016-2021).



### How did we make it?

We set up a working group from inside and outside Dublin City Council including planners, decision-makers and people working in the cultural sector and in communities. They helped identify what we needed to know, what to include and exclude, how to categorise the data and what language to use to describe it.

We worked in partnership with Dublin City Council GIS and Information Systems Departments, data intelligence company **IMGS** (to develop the map system), and creative agency **McCann Dublin** (to present it to the public in a user-friendly way).

### Where can you find it?

The Cultural Audit and Map works within the existing mapping, analytical and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) of Dublin City Council.

**All Dublin City Council staff** can access the data via the corporate GIS intranet. Dublin City Council planners, strategists and decision makers can access and analyse the data via M.App Enterprise Feature Analyser.

Anyone can visit *Culture Near You* online at [dublincity.ie/culturenearyou](http://dublincity.ie/culturenearyou)



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