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Sláintecare Healthy Communities -

Energy Use in the Home Initiative

Project Update –
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South Dublin County Council

Our County - South Dublin County spans 223 square kilometres and features a blend of large urban centres, villages, and extensive rural areas.

Location – One of four local authorities in Dublin area

Population – 301,075 (2022 Census)

Elected Representatives – Forty local councillors



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Guiding principles:

Target areas with greatest level of disadvantage combined with highest proportion of young families and aligned to existing SICAP (Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme) areas.

Ensuring interventions are evidence informed and aligned with national and international best practice programmes and government policies.

The ultimate goal of the Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme is to improve the long-term health of target populations and improve the quality of life of individuals in those communities.



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Clondalkin

24,873

Population of specified
electoral districts

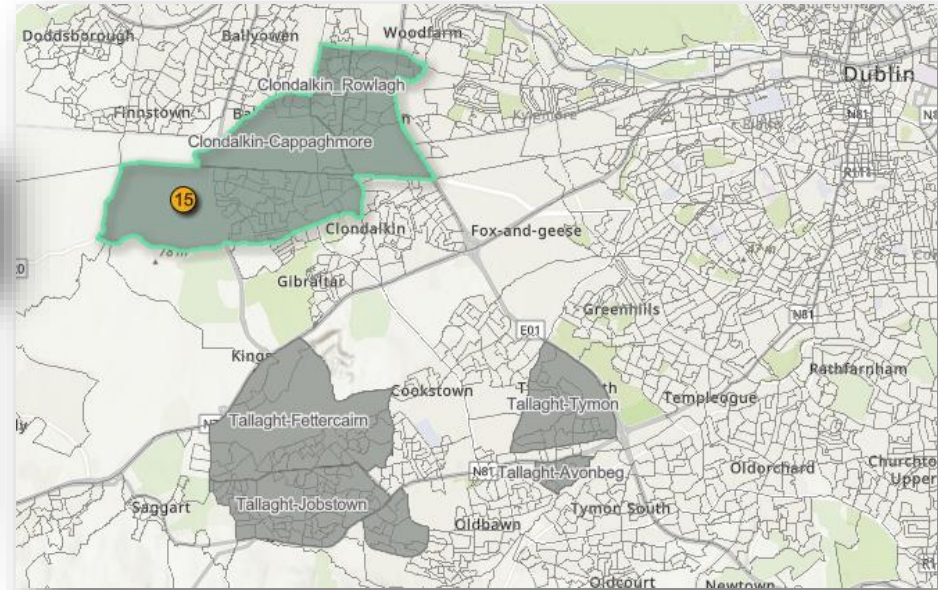
11,963

Population who are male

12,910

Population who are female

	Owned with a Mortgage	Owned Outright	Rented from Local Authority	Rented from Private Landlord	Rented from Voluntary/Co- operative Housing Body
<i>Cappaghmore</i>	88	133	456	29	14
<i>Moorfield</i>	517	583	622	314	100
<i>Dunawley</i>	1,090	761	999	595	175
<i>Rowlagh</i>	293	335	519	117	19



Tallaght

40,019

Population of five Tallaght
areas

19,268

Population who are male
in these five areas

20,751

Population who are female
in these five areas

	Owned with a Mortgage	Owned Outright	Rented from Local Authority	Rented from Private Landlord	Rented from Voluntary/Co- operative Housing Body
<i>Avonbeg</i>	156	215	147	18	11
<i>Fettercairn</i>	1,020	237	1,373	474	230
<i>Jobstown</i>	1,852	503	1,682	1,226	231
<i>Killinardan</i>	184	206	698	87	62
<i>Tymon</i>	507	715	423	128	34

Example of Housing within areas targeted for EPAH Project



- (i) Advice and capacity- building on engaging households in energy hardship.
- (ii) Advice and assisting in the design and development of the engagement programme.
- (iii) Advice and assisting in the evaluation of the programme.

Aim:

- 1)** Develop and pilot energy consumption project and provide tailored supports to households at risk of energy poverty in Sláintecare Healthy Community sites.
- 2)** Provide a blueprint to National Healthy Ireland in Local Government network emphasising co-production with communities and best practice to aid replicability

Objectives:

Support energy consumption behaviour change through bespoke tailored household plan

Equip households to feel confident understanding energy consumption in the home (e.g reading bills, identifying suppliers and energy efficient measures)

Develop analysis and recommendations of how households can reduce energy consumption in healthy, safe and sustainable way through low threshold measures

Provide households with small energy appliances / items that can support low threshold energy consumption reduction

Obtain insights from participating households regarding the impact on health of experiencing energy poverty

Partners – EnergyLads, EPAH, University College Cork, South Dublin County Council, Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme

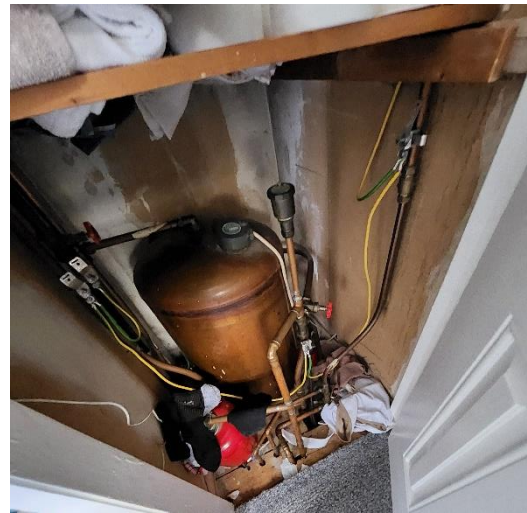
Rationale – Sláintecare areas and energy poverty programme – informed by community consultation and engagement with established community networks and residents

Scope – 25 households per area, within Sláintecare areas

Project steps: Department of Health funding application – EPAH technical assistance application – Appointment of contractor – Data protection agreements – Workshop with EPAH technical expert, community reps and project partners – Recruitment – Delivery of assessments – Ongoing review with EPAH assistance – Delivery of remaining assessments – Provision of household items – Participant testimonies - Creation of promotional content –



Project Photographs



PHASE I

Task
Energy audit and health impact assessment template development
Prepare application form and recruitment materials
Review platforms
Briefing on health impact information collection / energy measures with UCC and auditors
Pilot template and mock household visit with SHCP

Phase II

Task
Roll out sign up recruitment and sign-up materials
Initial pilot assessment of houses in Tallaght and Clondalkin (up to 10)
Review process of initial information collection and household visits
Remainder of initial house visits / energy audits completed – (up to 40 houses)
Develop bespoke recommendations and feedback for each household
Return to households for second visit with information report / do bill review / set out key recommendations provided

Phase III

Task
Carry out final review over phone call / community centre visit
Provide bespoke small energy measure packs items / appliances
Compile reports and provide report to SCHP and UCC
Overall project report and evaluation developed

Are you struggling with energy costs?

Sláintecare Healthy Communities 'Energy Use in the Home Programme' provides:

- Energy use household assessment
- Recommendations for energy savings
- Small household items for energy savings

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Challenges

Targeted Recruitment

Messaging and Promotion

Follow-Through with harder to engage cohorts

Trust and engagement with public bodies

Competing Inter-departmental priorities

Staff Resource

Timelines

Outcomes and Next Steps

Forty Households engaged in process

25 have two in-person household energy assessments and receive household items

4 have one in-person household assessment and follow-on phone call

11 households do not engage with project following initial referral

Participant testimonies recorded and further recruitment ongoing

