

Contingency Plans in the event of extreme weather conditions – 1 Oct 2019

The Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE) is ready to respond to ensure homeless persons at risk are sheltered for the duration of any extreme weather event. We have been working with our partners in homeless services and have developed contingency plans which will form part of a coordinated response that can be activated during extreme weather conditions or adverse events.

The DRHE is in contact with the Met Éireann Office and the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government (DHPLG) and is monitoring the current situation as it evolves.

In the event of extreme weather over the coming days arrangements are in place with service providers to put in place additional temporary accommodation across a range of existing services.

In addition, the DRHE funded Dublin Street Outreach Service operated by Dublin Simon are out engaging with those at risk of rough sleeping in order to provide shelter for anyone who needs it.

We are confident that there will be sufficient additional emergency spaces to cater for those that require it and we are extremely grateful for the cooperation and assistance from our partner agencies in the charity sector.

Important contact information

- **Dublin Street Outreach Service – 01 872 0185 from 7am to 1am**

The four Dublin Local Authorities fund Dublin Street Outreach Service, operated by Dublin Simon. This service engages with adults who experience rough sleeping, supports them into temporary homeless accommodation, and ensures they are linked with other appropriate housing and health services to prevent further rough sleeping.

- **Central Placement Service FREEPHONE - 1800 707 707 from 2pm to 1am (DCC Homeless Services)**

The Central Placement Service is available during the day in Parkgate Hall, 6-9 Conyngham Road, Dublin 8 for individuals and families presenting as homeless in the Dublin City Council area. In addition, assessment and placement services are in place in the housing departments of South Dublin County Council, Fingal County Council and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

- We are asking the public if they come across a person at risk of rough sleeping to please notify the relevant services:- <http://www.homelessdublin.ie/report-rough-sleeper>