

# SCD is Moving

## Introduction

Senior College Dun Laoghaire (SCD) is pleased to announce that the College has received approval from the Department of Education and Skills, to proceed with its new building.

Dun Laoghaire VEC signed the contract for the new College building with Cordil Construction Ltd on Thursday 22 July 2010. McCullough Mulvin are the architects for the project. Construction commenced in August 2010 and the campus was expected to be completed within 15 months.



### **Senior College Dún Laoghaire Is set to move to a new premises and will now be known as Blackrock Further Education Institute**

Senior College Dún Laoghaire was established in 1982 under the statutory authority of Dún Laoghaire Vocational Education Committee. With over 1130 full time students and 550 part-time, it is one of Irelands largest Further Education Colleges. The new building will bring together the Colleges four departments (Business, Design, Information Technology and Beauty) onto

one modern campus in the centre of Blackrock village. The building project has been delayed due to unforeseen difficulties outside of the control of the Department of Education and Skills and Dun Laoghaire VEC.

Work is urgently continuing to have the project recommenced. We will provide updated information as it becomes available.. When

completed, this development will bring together the Colleges four departments (Business, Design, IT and Beauty) onto one modern campus in the center of Blackrock village and will transform the College and the educational services it offers. As part of the campus, the Town Hall will be refurbished and rebuilt to ensure that SCD students benefit from learning in state of the art educational facilities. This huge State investment is attributable to the success of Senior College Dun

Laoghaire over 25 years in facilitating learners, both full-time and part-time, achieve both educational excellence and valuable professional qualifications, benefiting themselves and the Irish economy. The architects, McCullough Mulvin, have a renowned track record in the refurbishment of old buildings and in the design of new buildings.\*

\*Info Taken from: [www.scd.ie](http://www.scd.ie)  
"The new building will offer greatly enhanced facilities to students and staff."  
- Carol Hanney, CEO DLVE.



## McCullough Mulvin Architects

The new further education college is to be located in Blackrock Co. Dublin incorporating the Town Hall, Carnegie library and VEC school, a fine composition of 1860 and 1905 buildings, all Protected Structures. An L-shaped addition, which completes an implicit urban block, creates two planimetrically equivalent but spatially distinct courtyards - one glazed, one open. The new building is without

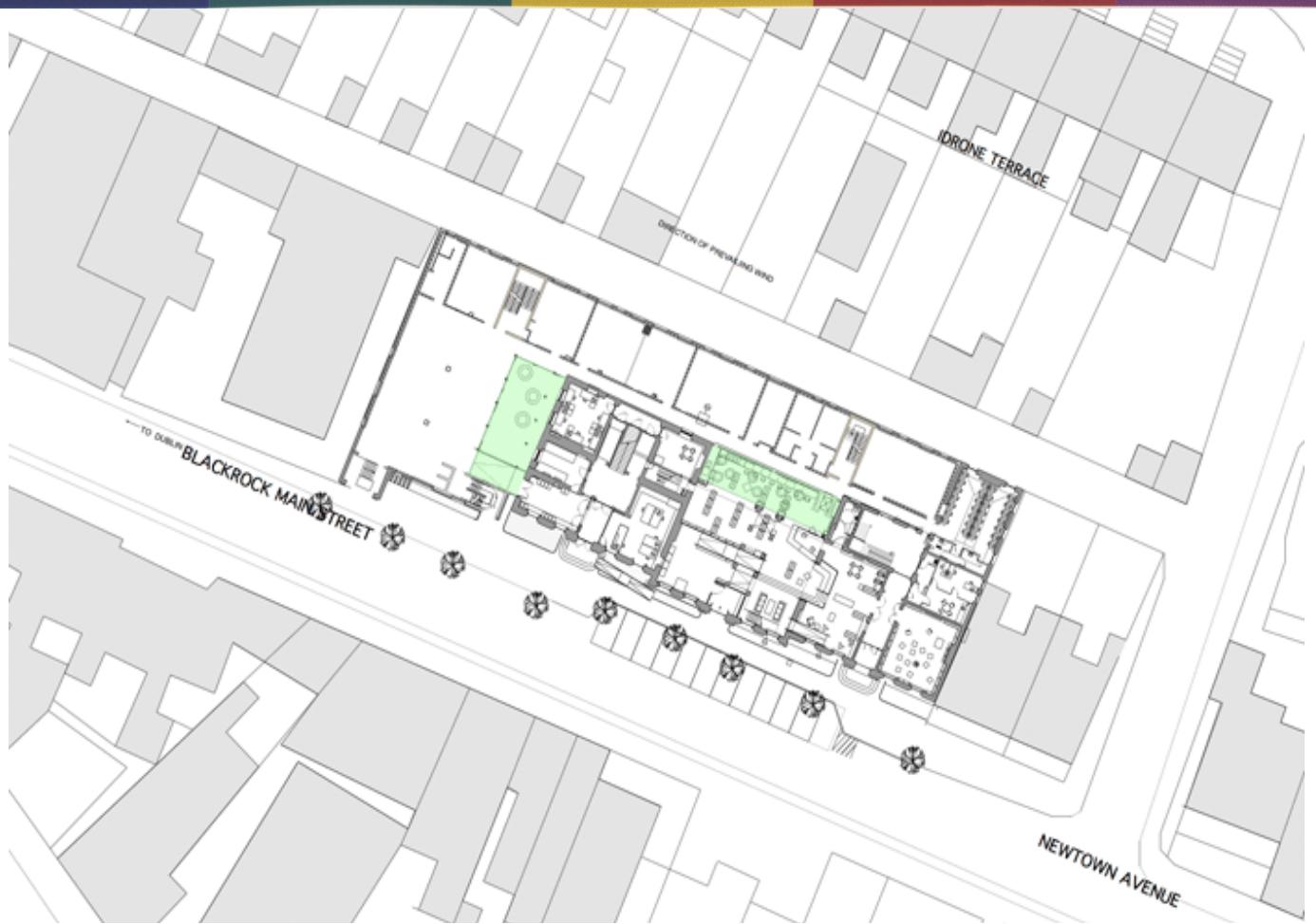
formal entrances to allow the Town Hall retain this role; elevations avoid hierarchy by giving equivalence to all rooms behind, allocating a number of window modules according to the functions, with one exception - the glazed atrium - expressed as a giant scaled eye at the upper part of the front and rear facades. Windows are held as full vertical openings between a matrix of expressed floor

plates, and slide along, abacus-fashion, to their allotted positions in the matrix. The Carnegie library is extended to double its size and on completion will be the public library for Blackrock. The internal spaces of the protected structures are sympathetically refurbished and appropriately matched with new uses. The major interventions

- courtyard and glazed atrium - are used to create light canons which make a focus of new social spaces for college students.

The work on the Protected Structures is at an interesting stage at the moment and the new build steel structure is up to roof level, so it seems like a good time to have a walk around! Full PPE will be required for all attending.\*

\*Information taken from :  
[www.mcculloughmulvin.com/](http://www.mcculloughmulvin.com/)



*New Location Of Senior College Dun Laoghaire*

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