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Balheary Park to become recreational centre of Swords - Kennedy

DUBLIN NORTH Deputy Michael Kennedy (FF) and his council colleague Cllr Darragh Butler (FF) have welcomed a plan from Fingal County Council for a range of recreational facilities in Balheary Park, Swords.

Deputy Kennedy said: "Balheary Park is to get a major face-lift thanks to ongoing works from the council, and I welcome any measures taken to provide better amenities in Swords."

"Many of the queries I get into my office are related to antisocial behaviour so I am delighted that the council has adopted such a progressive approach in providing recreational facilities for young people in the Swords area."

Deputy Kennedy said: "The council has already proven its commitment to this issue by building a skate park in Balheary, but now intends to proceed with the next phase of works which will include the following amenities:

- Six new tennis courts
- Three seven-a-side sports pitches
- One children's playground
- Sports changing rooms which will incorporate public toilets and a park ranger station
- A public car park with space for 188 cars

Cllr Darragh Butler added: "The completion of these works will significantly improve facilities for all residents in Swords, and contribute enormously towards getting people out and about and active. As a councillor for the area, I am standing behind this project and I urge all other public representatives to vote in favour of this plan."