



The Triple SEC in Dublin

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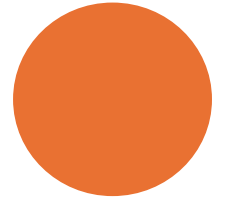
Welcome to Dublin

- Dublin is the capital of Ireland
- Population 1 million approx



Welcome to Stoneybatter

- Stoneybatter is adjacent to Dublin's city centre
- Built in the 1890s, with brick terraces & cottages, plus newer apartments
- High % of people renting, which is precarious
- Population c 15,000



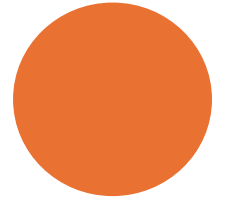
Welcome to “Cosybatter”

- Cosybatter Sustainable Energy Community was founded in 2020
- Started with a couple of people, expanded via our community connections
- Cosybatter is part of Ireland’s network of hundreds of SECs – more info [here](#)
- These are **voluntary** groups
- Working to help their communities reduce energy use and swap to more sustainable energy sources



The “Triple SEC”

- We now work with two SECs in the neighbouring communities of [Cabra](#) and [Phibsboro](#), which are interconnected with families, schools, resources.
- Phibsboro is also famous for its old brick terraced houses
- Cabra was built a little later, 1930s onwards
- Together we are the “Triple SEC”



Working with the CLR scheme

The Triple SEC selected for the [EU's Citizen-Led Renovation](#) project.

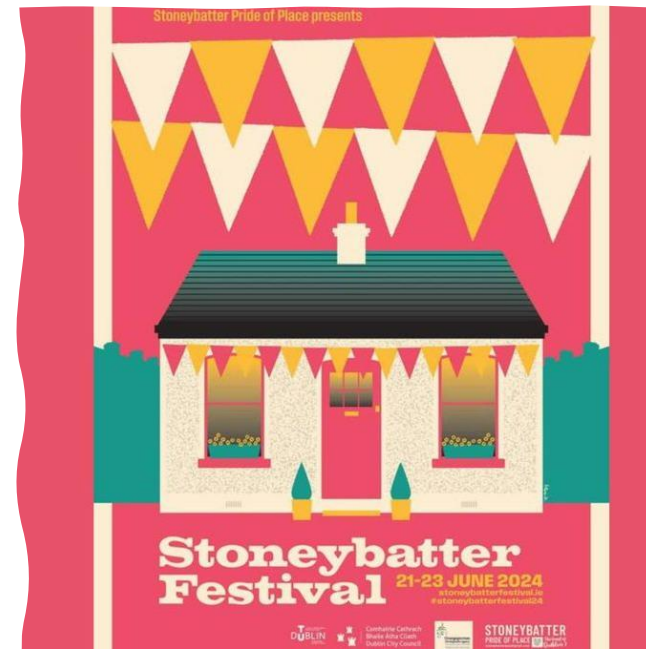
Focuses:

- Residents' lack of knowledge & confidence about how to make our buildings more energy efficient
- Older buildings
- High % of renters



Community Engagement I : Partners & Channels

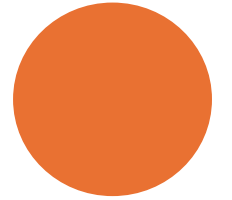
- Our partners include our local football club, our local university, a land development agency, and existing community groups
- Our communication channels incl posters, our own & partners' social media, and our own & partners' newsletters



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Ghráinseach Ghormáin

Community Engagement II : Activities

- [Solar webinar](#)
- [Co-creating information for renters](#)
- [Grant application support events](#)
- Retrofitting walks
- Retrofitting information specific to local older buildings



A stylized illustration of a town square. In the background, there's a church with a tall spire and a stadium with two large floodlights. The foreground shows a street with a sign that says 'fáilte' (Irish for 'welcome'), a bicycle, and a row of houses with red doors and windows. A string of bunting hangs across the square. The overall style is flat and colorful.

Future Plans with the Triple SEC

- Working with our local football club's initiative "The Spark", a learning-by-doing initiative based in Dublin 7, laying the foundations of a new climate cooperative <https://www.thespark.coop/>
- With EU's Citizen-Led Renovation #2 & The Spark, to develop a large group purchasing scheme for insulation.