

Richmond Barracks Visual Story

We are going to visit Richmond Barracks, a historic building in Inchicore, Dublin 8.

Constructed in the early 19th century, it has served various purposes over the years.

Today, the building is home to Inchicore Library, and to a programme of workshops and cultural activities, alongside historical tours and talks.

Richmond Barracks has Part M access. All public areas are on ground level, and all facilities (including the garden) are wheelchair and buggy-accessible.

One wheelchair is available for visitors to use. The building and garden are dog friendly.





Before we arrive:

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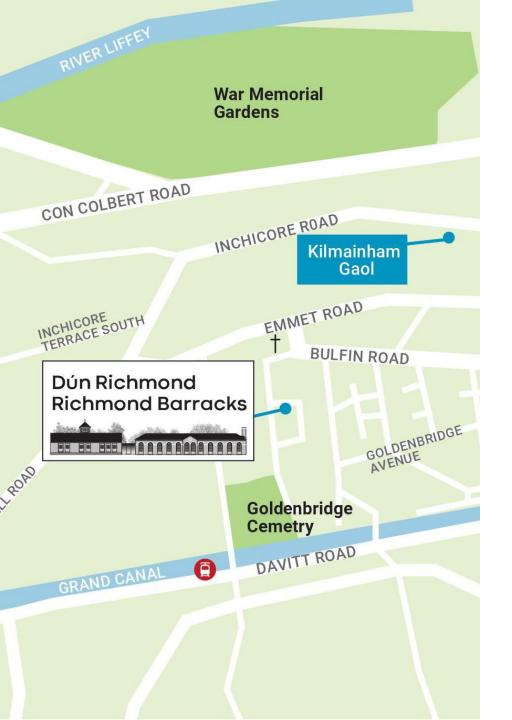
- Monday 10 am to 5 pm
- Tuesday 10 am to 5 pm workshops may run later.
- Wednesday 10 am to 5 pm workshops may run later.
- Thursday 10 am to 5 pm
- Friday 10 am to 5 pm
- Saturday 10 am to 5 pm

We can join workshops, talks, and tours, or just come to see the historic building. We can also visit Inchicore Library or spend time in the beautiful garden.

For workshops, talks and tours, we should book before coming. We can do so <u>online</u> or over the phone by calling 01 524 2532.

Louder times:

The building tends to be busier, and therefore louder, during school holidays. We can check the website in advance to see what's on at www.richmondbarracks.ie.



Getting to Richmond Barracks

Richmond Barracks is located in Inchicore, Dublin 8.

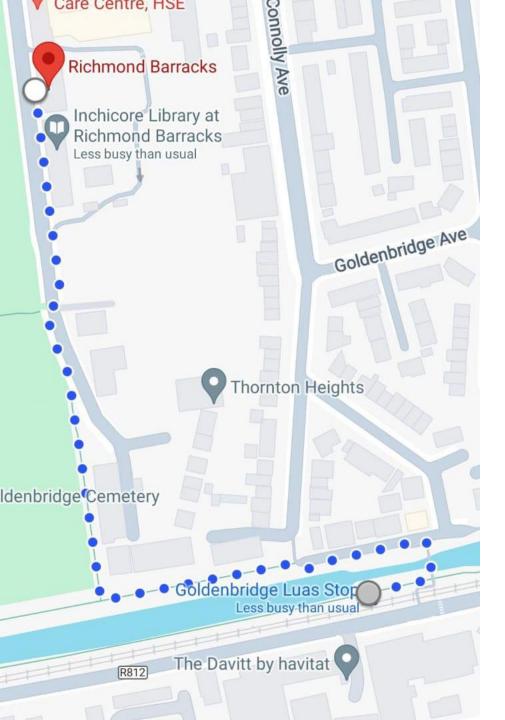
The eircode is D08 YY05 and Google Maps Plus Code is 8MQM+8G Dublin.

The building is situated off Bulfin Road, near the corner of Emmet Road (R810), behind St. Michael's Church. It faces a large construction site on St Michael's Green.

We can visit the Richmond Barracks website for all the information we need to get there -

https://www.richmondbarracks.ie/visit/find-us





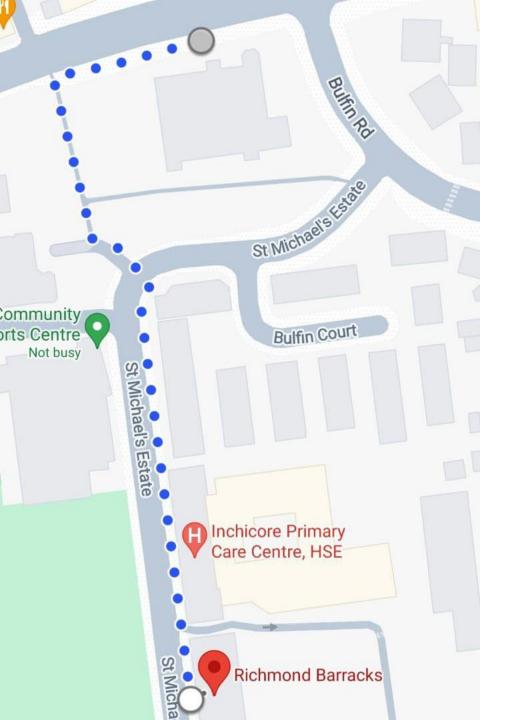
Getting to Richmond Barracks by Luas

We can reach Richmond Barracks by taking the **red Luas** line.

We get off at the **Goldenbridge** stop and cross over to the other side of the canal.

Keeping the canal on our left-hand side, we follow the canal walk - past Millview Cottages and St Helen's Terrace on our right - up to the wall of Goldenbridge Cemetery. On our right-hand side, we'll come to a gate.

We will walk through this gate and head straight, keeping the cemetery and green space on our left and apartments on our right. Richmond Barracks will come into view on the right hand side.



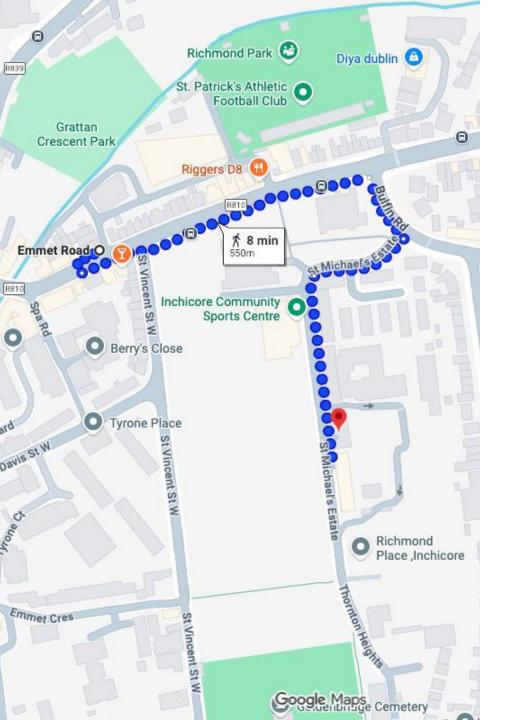
Getting to Richmond Barracks by bus, car or bike from the city centre.

We can reach Richmond Barracks by taking buses G1, G2, 13 or 68. Travelling from the city centre, we will get off at St. Michael's Church, Emmet Road, Inchicore. The stop number is 1946. We will walk towards Inchicore village and follow the first path to our left to the side of St Michael's Church. Richmond Barracks will be visible on our left.

We can type 8MQM+8G into our sat nav if we are driving.

When we walk by or drive around the church, the entrance to Richmond Barracks will be visible on our left, past the HSE Primary Care Centre. There is limited on-street car parking space outside of the building.

If we are cycling, we can park our bikes securely in the garden of the building. There is also bicycle parking outside. The nearest Dublin Bike stand is stop number 16 and is approximately 10 minutes walk away.



Getting to Richmond Barracks by bus, car or bike from Dublin 12 and 24.

We can reach Richmond Barracks by taking buses G1, G2, 13 or 68. Bus stops for route 122 are also within walking distance. Travelling towards the city centre, we will get off at Inchicore Workman's Club, Emmet Road, Inchicore. The stop number is 1989.

We cross the road at the lights and walk down Emmet Road away from Inchicore Village. We cross the road and take a right at St Michael's Church. Richmond Barracks will become visible on our left.

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Approaching the building

We can find the entrance to Richmond Barracks either from Emmet Road or from the Grand Canal.

The building is on the left-hand side of the street when walking from Emmet Road and Bulfin Estate. It is on the right-hand side when walking from Goldenbridge Walk on the Canal.

The building has a clear sign stating 'Dún Richmond' and 'Richmond Barracks'.

The main entrance has glass sliding doors.





The reception area

When entering the building, we will be in to the reception area. This area has an open space and an information desk. Here we can collect some information about what's coming up in the building.

We will be welcomed by one of the team at the reception desk. They are there to help us and are happy to assist with any requirements we may have.

There is a small seating area on the left. There is also a water bowl for dogs.

On the right there is a noticeboard with various posters and information about upcoming events at the building and in the local area.

From reception, we can go left to the library and to the restrooms with an accessible toilet and baby-changing facilities.



Sensory kit

There are sensory kits available to borrow at both the information desk and the Library reception desk.

The kits contain noise-cancelling headphones, ear defenders and various toys and calming devices, including anti-stress balls, fidget toys, weighted and textured balls and figurines.





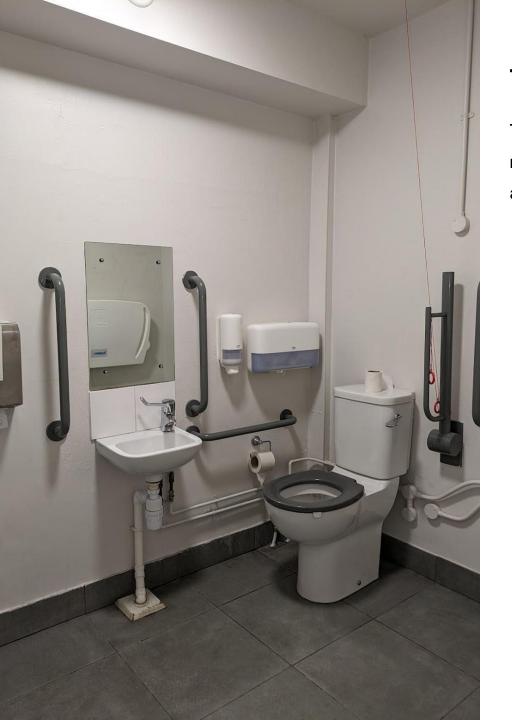
The space beside reception

To the left of the reception area, there are double doors leading to a short hallway, and then into the library. On the right, there are stairs and a small office space. The stairs lead to a staff workspace.

In the hallway we will find the library's self-service machine, printer and books ordered in from other libraries. If we need assistance, we can ask the library staff.

Toilet facilities, including a wheelchair accessible toilet, are on the left.





Toilet and baby changing facilities

Three gender-neutral, individual toilets are available near reception; one is wheelchair accessible. This room also contains baby-changing facilities.

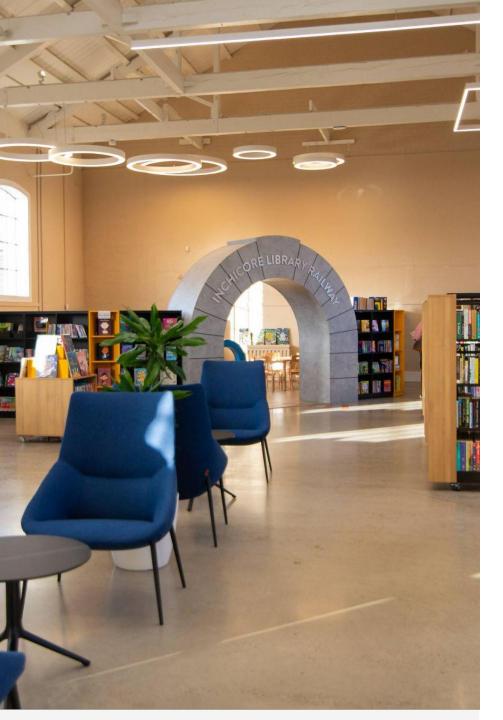


Inchicore Library

Inchicore Library is situated in the largest room in Richmond Barracks. There are many bookshelves and areas for seating. Books are divided into different sections. If we need any assistance we can ask one of the library staff who will be happy to help. There is a reception desk where library staff sit.

We can check the opening hours by <u>clicking here</u>. There is also a self-checkout/return system

We can use our library card to borrow books, movies, magazines and even games from the library! We can ask library staff how to get a library card.



Library services

There are many things we can enjoy at the Library browsing and reading books, puzzles, audio books, large print books and a special Children's section. There are daily newspapers, study desks and laptops available.

There are always librarians close by who can answer any questions we might have.

There is a large range of sensory toys available at the library for use at any time - we just ask at the library desk for them. The library has a sensory playtime on the second Monday of each month at 11 am.

If it becomes too loud in the library we can ask the librarian for ear defenders.



Children's section

The Children's section is through the archway that has "Inchicore Library Railway" on it. There are lots of books, colouring games and puzzles we can complete.

There's even a wooden train we can sit on.

There will be other people in the library reading, colouring or browsing books.

We can ask at the reception desk for any help we might need.



The corridor

To the right of reception, there is a long hallway with five rooms on the left.

Along the wall on the left-hand side is a visual timeline of Richmond Barracks which will tell us more about the history of the building and the people who live and lived in the local area.

Along the wall on the right-hand side are tall windows with coloured glass which light the hallway in different colours.

Also along the wall are historical photographs and maps of the local area and a bust of the famous poet Francis Ledwidge, by sculptor Rory Breslin, commissioned by the Inchicore Ledwidge Society.



Event Space

The second room in the corridor is called an Event Space.

This room has lots of natural lighting through the windows on either side, and no fluorescent lights. In the afternoon the lighting may be pink because of the front windows.

It is a large room that is used for many activities.

Sometimes there will be tables and chairs in here.

Sounds will echo in the room due to the room's size and hardwood floors.





Workshop 1

The third room in the corridor is a workshop room, called Workshop 1.

This room has lots of natural lighting through the big windows, and no fluorescent lights. It is a large room with tables and hard folding chairs; beans bags are available upon request.

Sounds will echo in the room due to the room's size and hardwood floors.





Workshop 2

The next room along the corridor is a workshop room, called Workshop 2.

This room has lots of natural lighting because of the big windows, and no fluorescent lights. It is a large room with tables and hard folding chairs; bean bags are available upon request. There are storage cabinets at the back of the room.

There is a folding glass and wood partition on one side of this room, which allows the room to be opened into the room next door.

Sounds in the room will echo due to the room's size and hardwood floors, and when there are many people in the room next door.



Workshop 3

The last room along the corridor is also workshop room, called Workshop 3.

This room has lots of natural lighting because of the big windows, and no fluorescent lights. It is a large room with tables and hard folding chairs; bean bags are available upon request.

There is a folding glass and wood partition on one side of this room, which allows the room to be opened into the room beside it.

Sounds in the room will echo due to the room's size and hardwood floors, and when there are many people in the room next door.





Toilet facilities

Two gender-neutral, individual toilets are at the end of the corridor.

These toilets are not wheelchair accessible.





The garden

The main garden space is wheelchair accessible and buggy, child and dog friendly. We can enter the garden at the doorway behind reception, or through the door in Workshop 3 when the room is not being used.

There are wide walkways around flower beds. There is also a sculpture on the ground that can be walked on.

We can find out more about the sculpture on the Richmond Barracks website.





Space to walk and run

The space at the Library end of the building is called "The Orchard". There are trees, plants and a walkway to explore.

The Richmond Barracks gardener will sometimes be working here and will be happy to answer questions you might have.

In spring and summer we will see the bees that live in the beehives buzzing around the flowers. We will be careful with the bees so they are careful with us!





Outdoors seating area

At the end of the building, there are tables and chairs beside and under the wooden gazebo to the right.

When the weather is fine, we can eat and drink at the seating outside.

A large outdoor event tent is in the centre of the garden.

Sometimes events - including fairs, concerts, plays and workshops - happen in and around this tent.





The community garden

Beside and behind the gazebo is the community garden space. There are rows of flowers, herbs and plants growing to encourage biodiversity and pollination by the bees.

The garden has a wide accessible pathway around the outside. There are wooden benches along the sides where we can sit.





Join in the gardening!

The community garden area is a space for nature and humans to grow. If we are interested in learning more about growing vegetables and herbs in Richmond Barracks we can get involved in the community garden - there's lots to be done.

We can contact reception on 01 524 2532 or email info@richmondbarracks.ie to get more information.





Leaving Richmond Barracks

The main exit to Richmond Barracks is the same as the entrance we came in.

On our way out people will say goodbye and will tell you you are welcome to visit again.

All information about events at Richmond Barracks can be found on the website at www.richmondbarracks.ie.

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