



**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA JPC
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ON MONDAY 15 APRIL 2024 AT 10.30 AM

AGENDA

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Verbal Update on LGMA Derek Farrell

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Verbal update by Bruce Philips

7 A.O.B

CLlr Gilliland would like an **update** on the non-compliance of the 30km speed limits in residential estates, emailed to Superintendents 2/4/24 as there does not seem to be any level of enforcement by An Garda Siochana.

Next Meeting: Monday 15th July 2024 at 10.30am via Zoom



MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA JPC MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 15 JANUARY 2024

1 Minutes of Meeting held 16th October 2023

Councillor Brabazon & Councillor O'Toole sent their apologies, Councillor Heney agreed to chair this meeting in their absence.

Agreed.

2 Darndale Implementation Oversight Group

Derek Farrell present to answer questions.

3 Garda Reports

Santry: Councillor Roe requested that the format of DMR reports be written as opposed to the list of figures, requested Chair of JPC write to Superintendents regarding same, agreed. Issue in relation to Santry being moved was raised also by Councillor Roe and Superintendent Mc Carthy reiterated that this is due to happen in first quarter 2024 however the community policing team will stay the same which is 1 sergeant & 6 Gardai for Santry & 1 sergeant and 8 Gardai to Ballymun.

Raheny/Clontarf: Councillor Heney requested update on the 50,000 upgrade to Fairview Park skate park, Mick Carroll to follow up with Fergus O'Carroll. Inspector Barker advised that there has been success with bogus crimes through both THOR & HYDRID operations being increased in the area. Deputy O'Riordan raised issues around Safety Forums and asked Manager to contact Harmonstown as few issues in this area that could be brought to the Edenmore Safety Forum. Mick Carroll will follow this up with Deputy O'Riordan. Councillor Mac Donncha requested a review of safety fora take place to ensure all areas are covered and be brought back to next meeting. Derek Farrell agreed but stated no restrictions to expanding the areas however extra forums not an option due to staffing issues. Bruce Philips advised that there is currently 3 pilot schemes in operation in relation to a major reform and once this has been completed results will be brought back to this committee. A number of Councillors raised concerns around the recent racial and threatened arson attacks in the area and were advised by Chief Superintendent Duff that it was impossible for An Garda Siochana to police the internet but assured the committee that Dublin City Council should continue to link in and advise of any issues that may be of concern. Both Councillor Cooney & Councillor O'Muiri raised concerns around Fairview Park and the fencing that is in need of repair and that a commitment was given by Dublin City Council on 8th Jan

that this would be repaired however up until 13th Jan this was not the case, Bruce Philips will follow this up with Andy Walsh re the C2CC. Inspector Barker gave a commitment around on the ground Garaí in this area.

Coolock: Superintendent Barry was unable to log back into call & advised all members if they have any queries in relation to report issue that they can email him directly and he will reply.

4 **CCTV**

Derek Farrell advised that Section 38 application is in process for Darndale to be brought up to standard. Councillor Cooney requested to know what other areas will be included as she is interested in Causeway due to illegal dumping. Councillor Heney requested a follow up on this issue also as Waste Management Services had been deadlined, Mick Carroll to follow up. Illegal dumping would come under the Circular Economy Bill which has become an Act however until the LGMA agree the regulations of this Act this is on hold. Bruce Philips advised that he would follow this up with the LGMA as due end of 2023 & agreed that this committee will write to the Minister for an update on the progress. Councillor Heney advised all members to ensure this matter is raised at meeting with Assistant Chief Executive in the coming weeks.

5 **New Garda Station**

Deputy O'Riordan asked if Coolock station would be incorporated into this plan which Chief Superintendent Duff advised that it was intended for the station to be moved in this new plan. Councillor Gilliland suggested that pop-up/Garda Clinics be looked at being installed in either Cromcastle Court or the underpass development. The exact location of the proposed Garda Station is on the lands opposite Tesco, to the south of the Hilton hotel. Councillor Barron would not be in support of pop ups, it's a station that is needed. Bruce Philips to provide a full written report on what the plan was and now is and will circulate to all members. Item to remain on the Agenda.

6 **Any Other Business**

Next Meeting: Monday 15th April 2024.

Chairperson
Monday 15 January 2024

Councillor Tom Brabazon
Chathaoirleach

Councillor Larry O'Toole
Leaschathaoirleach

Attendance:

Members:

Daryl Barron
Dearbhail Butler
Donna Cooney
Declan Flanagan
Terence Flanagan

Members:

Alison Gilliland
Deirdre Heney
Jane Horgan Jones
Micheal Mac Donncha
Naoise O'Muire

Members:

Patricia Roe
Catherine Stocker
Jenny mc Cormack (Deputy
Bruton)
Deputy O'Riordan
Deputy O'Callaghan

An Garda Siochana

Chief Superintendent Peter Duff
Superintendent Ronan Barry
Inspector Helen Barker
Superintendent Darren Mc Carthy

Sergeant John Long

Officers

Bruce Philips
Mick Carroll
Derek Farrell
Deirdre murphy
Niamh Reilly
Fiona Moore

Catherine Cahill
Patrick Smith
Gillian Corcoran

Non Members:

Nicko Murphy

Apologies:

Tom Brabazon
Larry O'Toole
Superintendent John Grace
Dympna McCann
Rose Wall
Jacinta Carton

Meeting: 4th April 2024.

IOG UPDATE FOR THE APRIL 2024 MEETING OF THE JPC MEETING

Darndale Implementation Oversight Group achievements in 2023 include:

- The Darndale Implementation Oversight Group continues to meet monthly
 - Community Representative Forum established and meeting monthly - community esteem is rising!
 - Darndale Together Safety Forum re-established and meeting quarterly
 - Crime is down with regular policing operations and days of action
 - Community Policing Unit has been strengthened
 - Community Garda Clinic is open weekly
 - FAI Late night soccer leagues Programme acts as a positive diversion –Run by local Gardaí
 - Support Another Way 5km
 - Very effective 2023 Halloween Festival with Creative Places
 - Made In Darndale Summer Festival was hugely successful-These festivals have contributed significantly to a rise in community esteem
 - ACE Programme in primary schools is progressing - sizeable number of teachers trained now.
 - No Smoking Campaign in progress by HSE
 - Healthy Darndale programme in progress
 - TCD student access programme (TAP) was successful
 - EU Tree Planting Project in collaboration with TCD took place
- Sustainability Leadership Award received from Trinity in 2024- Recognition of outstanding Leadership for sustainability
- HSE Drug Outreach Programme is in progress-Engagement with individuals suffering problems and issues has been enhanced through the HSE Drug Outreach

Programme & the City of Dublin Youth Service Board Sphere 17 youth outreach projects in the area

- CDYSB via Sphere 17 youth outreach engagement project is in progress
- DBVC provides and support the Fáilte Isteach Programme for Ukrainians fleeing the war who want to improve their spoken English.
- Sporting and recreational opportunities continue to be available through thriving local clubs such as Darndale FC, Darndale Boxing Club, O'Toole's GAA Club, Coolock running club & others
- Dublin City Council is addressing the long-standing illegal dumping problem with a direct solution in progress
- DCC continues to do clean ups, pocket gardens, planting, painting, waste removal etc.
- Social Media platforms, www, Facebook etc. in use and profile is growing. These platforms offer residents a chance to have their say
- Two Newsletters have been published to date, which were circulated to all households in Darndale, Belcamp and Moatview.
- End of Year 2023 Progress report will be circulated to you all in the coming weeks.

Dympna McCann
Administrative Officer
North Central Area

Edenmore Safety Forum April 2024

There have been 3 meetings of the Edenmore Safety Forum since the last report was presented to the JPC in October 2023; 14th November, 16th January and 12th March.

The meetings are attended by residents from Edenmore and the local environs, DCC personnel, Community Gardaí and Public Representatives.

At the November meeting the Gardaí reported that Halloween 2023 had been very positive. They thanked DCC's community team and residents groups for the success of the Halloween events which led to families "reclaiming" Halloween.

Residents also had very positive feedback on the Halloween events, and commended the Public Domain and waste management teams for their efficiency in removing combustible waste.

Requests to assess the trees in Woodbine Park were raised at each meeting.

Residents raised the issue of fires being lit at trees in Edenmore Park. The NCA Public Domain team followed up with waste management, and local businesses were audited re their storage of combustible materials, reminders were issued where necessary.

Residents raised concerns at each meeting about dangerous parking at the entrance to Woodbine estate.

At the March meeting two additional concerns were raised re traffic:

- Speeding on Edenmore Grove, which is the only road in the estate without speed bumps. Cars and buses are travelling too fast. Sgt O'Shaughnessy asked if there was a particular time of day that is an issue – residents reported 4pm to 6pm. AGS to follow up and target this time of day.
- Parking at Edenmore shops – users are not using the car park but parking dangerously on road/footpath.

Coolock Gardaí will follow up and act on illegal/dangerous parking.

Nominations for AGS Youth awards were invited from community

Sgt Chris O'Shaughnessy is transferring out of Coolock; the community representatives and DCC staff present thanked him for his contribution to the community.

Donaghmede Safety Forum April 2024

There have been 3 meetings of the Donaghmede Safety Forum since the last report was presented to the JPC in October 2023; 15th November, 17th January and 13th March.

The meetings are attended by representatives from DERA, Grange Woodbine, The Donahies Residents Association and local community representatives. A representative from Irish Rail attended November's meeting.

Residents groups are not happy with the lack of engagement by Irish Rail with the local community regarding the impact of Dart + on Howth Junction station. Irish Rail confirmed that they met their obligations re consultation and that the volume of submissions from the public is evidence of same.

The community reps commended the DCC Halloween events in the area for contributing to a successful and quiet Halloween. They would like to see a fireworks display in the community for 2024.

Residents raised the issue of fires being lit at trees in Edenmore Park. The NCA Public Domain team followed up with waste management, and local businesses were audited re their storage of combustible materials, reminders were issued where necessary.

Leaf composting has been very successful in Donaghmede and groups commended ELO, Joanne, for this initiative.

Two road safety concerns were raised by residents at January and March meetings, they would like the following investigated:

- The need for a filter light at corner of Adara and at the moment traffic is turning right on the red light.
- The roundabout at Clare Hall/Grange Road is no longer fit for purpose with traffic volumes arising from new developments.

**The Chairperson and Members
North Central Joint Policing Committee**

CLONGRIFFIN BELMAYNE FORUM

Clongriffin Belmayne Forum meets every two months in the Junction, 11 Station Square, Clongriffin. There is a very good attendance at the Forum by local community, public representatives, Coolock Gardai and Dublin City Council North Central staff.

In order to bring greater focus to the meetings local residents submit their individual queries in advance of the meeting, to allow sufficient time to research and provide an adequate response at the meeting.

Outlined below are the main queries which were raised at the meetings held on 29th January, 2024 and 25th March, 2024.

- **Bemayne Main Street** – the community are very concerned regarding the delays in opening Main Street and traffic lights being turned on at the junction Belmayne Main Street/Belmayne Avenue. At the Forum meeting on Monday 25th March Mick Carroll, Local Area Manager updated the group that traffic and public lighting is connected, however a problem was identified that the footpath abutting the secondary school being built on Belmayne Avenue has not been completed, and therefore it wasn't safe to turn on the lights at the Junction as planned on 15/03/24. Following a site meeting with various DCC personnel, the School Contractor and Dept. Of Education, it is envisaged that the Contractor will have this work carried out in the next couple of weeks.

- **DCC TIC Bekmayne Recreational space** – The mapping and surveying section have completed their drawings. The Area Office have requested OCPM (Management Company) to submit a formal request to have this space taken in charge, we are still awaiting same.

- **Taking in charge Main Street and the remainder of Clongriffin** – Gannon Homes advised that the taking in charge of Main Street is ongoing, meetings were held in February with DCC Parks and Drainage Departments, along with further engagement with Roads Department. DCC have requested further works to be undertaken before agreeing to TIC. These works are underway by Gannon's who will then require DCC to revisit the site again to sign off. Once Main Street has been Taken in Charge the remainder of the area will be done on a sequential basis.

- **Park and ride:** Coin kiosks have been installed, an operator is confirmed and is at legal stage.

- **Gannon's sale of land/sites:** All of Gannon's vacant lands/sites have been sold to the Land Development Agency.

- **Vacant retail units in Clongriffin:** There have been ongoing queries regarding the vacant retail units in Clongriffin and if they are all listed for payment of commercial rates. The rates Office have confirmed that they have requested Táiite Éireann to value any unvalued properties in this area.

Garda Update:

Garda Judge provided an update on safety/security issues. The statistics for the Clongriffin/Belmayne area are very good. Domestic incidents are down, there is also a drop in robberies and there has been a huge drop in assaults only 2 in the last quarter.

**The Chairperson and Members
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There is a new Drug unit in Coolock who are proactively tackling the drug issue. The illegal parking on Marsfield Avenue is a work in progress, the guards continue to liaise with the community to find the best possible solution.

Again the Guards **emphasised** 'that people need to ring to report suspicious activity'. They can either ring 999 or Coolock Station.

Community Garda Enda O'Reilly has gone to the Drugs Unit. The Belmayne Community Group emphasised that Belmayne needs a dedicated Community Guard.

- Community Staff from DCC continue to engage with residents from Belmayne and Clongriffin. Public Domain liaise with Clongriffin Tidy Towns

**Deirdre Murphy,
Administrative Officer**

**The Chairperson and Members of The
North Central Joint Policing Committee**

DARNDALE TOGETHER SAFETY FORUM

Darndale Together Safety Forum meets quarterly in the Conference room, Darndale Village Centre. There is a very good attendance at the Forum by local community, public representatives, Coolock Gardaí and Dublin City Council North Central area staff.

Outlined below are the main queries, which were raised at the meetings, held on 6th March 2024.

- **Housing Developments**
Local Housing Projects
- Glin Court Re-development: The project remains on track with no delays or problems reported.
- **Cromcastle Court / Woodville**
The proposal is for the demolition of three of the existing housing blocks on the Cromcastle Court site and for the construction of a new social housing scheme in its place and the development of the Coalyard site
- **Bunratty Road**
All units in the Bunratty Road development have been allocated.
- **Oscar Traynor Road Site**
The main contractor Glenveagh commenced on site in January 2024 and will continue works up until the end of 2027. Progress is good and there are no delays reported.
- **Cromcastle Underpass Site**
Planning has been secured for this scheme. The plan is for 146 units in a mix of (13) social and (133) Cost rental homes.
- **Spine Site and Belcamp B Site – Respond Housing, Approved Housing Body**
The design team are working on a revised proposal for the Spine site based on the engagement with Dublin City Council, Local Councillors, Estate Management and the Gardaí. A further meeting will be organised with the Local Area Office and the local Councillors to review. It will then go forward to local Community Consultation prior to going to planning.

- **Void properties**
32 void/vacant properties in total for the area under refurbishment, with a number of these in Moatview, Belcamp and Darndale.
10 void/vacant, Senior Citizen units, which are in the process of being refurbished.
- **CCTV**
New CCTV will be going into a few Senior Citizen complexes in the coming weeks. The CCTV for Darndale is also in the process of being upgraded.
- **Community Engagement**
Ongoing meetings with The Dales and community workers to try to tackle antisocial behaviour/drug use in the area. Drug debt intimidation is on the rise with a number of incidents reported to the housing office and Estate Management.

We are working on improving relationships between local residents and DCC. Members from The Darndale Together Community Representative Forum work closely with DCC to influence improvements in the safety, health, happiness and wellbeing of each member of the Darndale community. Monthly meetings take place.

- **Anti-social Behaviour**
There has been a reduction in the number of anti-social complaints received for Darndale, Belcamp and Moatview. The use of scramblers has reduced and there are fewer reports of incidents in the area. There has been a reduction in Joyriding and the burning of stolen vehicles in our green spaces and green areas.
- **Animal Welfare**
Regular meetings have been taking place with Gardaí, Animal Welfare and Estate Management, to develop a plan of action in relation to the seizure and safe removal of horses in the area. A number of horses have recently been removed but unfortunately, the problem persists, as we are unaware of the location where the horses are being stored at night time. The majority of the horses are moved on a daily basis to different locations, which makes it difficult for our Animal Welfare section to assess safety concerns.
- **DCC Community Section Update**
Older People's Council (OPC)
The Older People's Council for the North Central Area held their AGM in January '24. The OPC will begin to develop their work plan, which will include the Darndale Area.
- **Community and Informal Adult Education Grant**
A number of local groups in Darndale would have received funding through this grant stream.
- **Another Way 5K**

Dublin City Council including the Community & Social Development Section are supporting the 3rd year of Another Way 5k. This event will be held on Saturday 27th April.

- **Local Enhancement Programme 2024**

The Department of Rural and Community Development (DRCD), through the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) and Dublin City Council, is funding a **Local Enhancement Programme 2024 (LEP)**.

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- **International Women's Day**

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- **Summer Projects**

CSDS Assistant Community Development Officer, Antoinette Hayden is currently linking in with voluntary youth groups to ensure that they link in with Crosscare to assist them with the relevant training in advance of their summer project. It is hoped to increase the number of voluntary summer projects this year. Should a group within the Artane-Whitehall LEA wish to enquire about setting up a local summer project they can contact Antoinette directly on (01) 2228856 or antoinette.hayden@dublincity.ie

- **Waste Management and Environment**

- **Special Clean-ups**

- A clean up of the Darndale Area was carried out in January 2024. Green spaces at **Buttercup, Snowdrop, Tulip & the Spine Site** were all part of this clean-up.
- Dublin Community Clean Up Day in April.

The Team Dublin Clean-up will take place on Saturday April 27th this year, from 11am to 1pm

Dublin City Council are asking all residents, volunteers and community groups around Dublin City to join forces to organise the biggest ever clean-up to date. April is also when the National Spring Clean takes place.

Groups who want to take part must register with An Taisce National Spring Clean in order to have insurance to do the Dublin Clean Up.

Register at www.nationalspringclean.org.

- **City Neighbourhoods Competition**

More information is available on the DCC website & if any groups need help or support to get their area ready for the competition please get in touch with the Public Domain Team.

- **Local Development Officer/Slaintecare**

- Community Health Needs Assessment commenced in 2023 with RCSI. RCSI, Sláintecare Healthy Communities are seeking community members 18 years, and over to discuss, deliberate, and rank what you view as your community's strengths and needs. The aim is to ensure your voice dictates how health services are delivered in your community. Meet 21/03/24 in the Bell Building, Darndale.
 - FMCD presented the Digital community map, which was launched on Darndale Together website in Dec 2023, groups/ projects not on it can be added by contacting Fiona.
 - Belcamp Community project –Turn the space at Belcamp Green/Avenue into something positive for the Community- Contact Fiona on 087-3998860 or Fiona.mcdonnell@dublincity.ie
- **Sphere 17**
 - **Target Group 1:** The key Issues affecting this target group includes but is not limited to; family members use/misuse and its impact on young people's sense of security and safety, personal use, removal of inhibitions which can result in risky behaviour, antisocial behaviour, drug debt, addiction and risk of drug dealing and crime low educational attainment due to a lack of access to appropriate developmental opportunities/activities.
 - **Target Group 2:** The key Issues affecting this target group may include but is not limited to low confidence and self-esteem, increased risk of intimidation and discrimination, issues related to concentration, anxiety, depression, intergenerational poverty and trauma, poor body image, lack of exposure to healthy lifestyles, lack of support.
 - **Target Group 3:** The key issues affecting this target group may include but are not limited to lack of suitable accommodation, become transient in communities and services relevant to their need's poverty, discrimination.
 - **Target Group 4:** Young people aged 14-24 who are not engaging in youth work and/or other services referred to as 'hard to reach' including but not limited to young people who are affected by or are at risk of becoming involved in gang related crime, violence, antisocial behaviour, affected by issues linked to substance misuse and issues related to formal education.

Focus on young males aged 17+ Issues affecting the target group include but are not limited to not engaging with services/spaces or programmes leading to social isolation and lack of support, poverty, issues associated with mental well-being, lack of exposure to healthy lifestyles, damaging life choices, low confidence and self-esteem, increased risk of intimidation and discrimination.

- **Empowering Communities introduction**
- **Community engagement/information event May 15th 12noon to 4pm**
Empowering Communities and Darndale Belcamp Village Centre are joining to host a large open day in the DBVC Campus inside and out in the square to inform the community on the extensive supports, services and educational opportunities available to them.
- **Placed Based Leadership Development network**
The group continue to meet every 2 months and has the following projects in action:
OLI School enhancement project in progress
PBL Darndale and Drogheda Young Leader podcast in progress
PBL Drogheda participants are scheduled to visit Darndale on 10th April to keep the connection and learn about our community. They will visit The Dales and Sphere 17 and finish their visit in the Bell Building with the Darndale PBL network.
Sub groups have been formed to try and encourage New people
- **Community work plans** – NSP are linked in with 12 groups from the area to support their needs... Types of supports provided include HR support, Access to training, skills building, health and wellbeing initiatives and more.
- **Storytelling Coolock Library** - 6-week course took place from January to mid-February in Coolock Library following the success of the initial pilot in September, to support and encourage and empower people to use their public library for social connection. This will be facilitated 3 times per year
- **Cancer awareness campaign:** On the 14th March 8.30am-1pm The ECP Team have organised for a Cancer awareness mobile unit to visit the DBVC Campus/Square in collaboration with Social prescribing day to raise awareness in the community on importance of screening.
- **Out 'N' About**
 - 2023-Engaged with just under 1800 young people in the Darndale,Moatview, Bonnybrook and Kilmore area
 - Higher level of younger people involved in Drugs
 - New Drug unit are very active
- **Community Garda Update**
 - AGS gave a comprehensive overview of Garda policing in the DBM area
 - Issue with Drugs in the area-Work in progress-Drug Intimidation treated confidentially
 - 11 Drug related incidents
 - 4 possession of Drugs
 - 6 sale and supply
 - 1 obstruction
 - 1 Fire arm(knife)
 - 1 Assault
 - 3 Burglaries(Motorbike stolen)
 - 18 Domestic cases
 - 5 Public Order matters
 - Sergeant Ronan Ormsby will replace Sergeant Chris O'Shaughnessy
 - Change in personnel in Drug Unit
 - AGS encouraged Community to report any crime-incidences to them

- CCTV will make the area safer

- **Local Highlights and Achievements**

- DF noted**

- Tender for Illegal dump went on e-tenders 22/02/24
- 2 stage Tender
- Ready to start on site end June/early July-
- Queries re terms of contract could delay process by a very short period
- Team working on access and egress route
- Involved in Another Way 5k
- Camera to go up in Moatview-
- Contractors have been threatened and ran of site---
- Garda assistance is ongoing
- Issue with horses in pocket parks-Animal welfare seized 3 horses at night but were threatened

Dympna McCann
Administrative Officer
North Central Area



Minutes of The Kilmore Safety Community Forum

Meeting Held on Thursday 7th March at 7.00 pm

Present

Derek Farrell(DF),Acting Local Area Manager
Lynda Drysdale (LD), Acting Senior Staff Officer, North Central Area Office
Niamh Reilly (NR), Area Community and Social Development Officer
Fiona Mc Donnell (FM), Local Development Officer, Sláintecare Healthy Communities

Cllr Dearbhail Butler

Greg O’Flaherty, Out and About
Emma Buckley, Out and About
Jordan T, Out and About

Joe Carey
Jesslyn Henry
Jacqueline Lambert
Charlene Lambert
Fiona Lelas
Edel Moran
Teresa Farrell
Caroline O’Donell
Laura Inglis
Dean Russell
Catherine Inglis
Brigid Lyons

Garda Jimmy Dunne
Garda Aoife Cusack

Apologies:

Cllr Allison Gilliland

- **Community**
Niamh Reilly – Area Community and Social Development Officer

The Older People's Council for the North Central Area held their AGM in January '24. The OPC will begin to develop their work plan which will include the Kilmore Area.

The Community and Informal Adult Education grant allocations would have been received by voluntary groups in North Central from the middle of January. A number of local groups in Kilmore would have received funding through this grant stream.

Community and Social Development Section will continue to distribute relevant grant information to all local groups.

The Department of Rural and Community Development (DRCD), through the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) and Dublin City Council, is funding a **Local Enhancement Programme 2024 (LEP)**.

A total of €516,456 is available under this fund for **capital costs only**. Of the €516,456, the DRCD has allocated €83,864.90 ring-fenced funding for capital costs in Women's Sheds under the Dublin City LEP 2024.

Applications to this fund are now being welcomed by the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee (LCDC). Applications can be made online from the following

link: https://citizenhub.dublincity.ie/service/Local_Enhancement_Programme_Online_Form

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This year to mark this important day CSDS will support a number of local events. - Whitehall

Summer Projects

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- **Health, Sláinte Care**

FM introduced herself and explained the role of Sláinte Care, based in DCC's Bunnratty office. Fiona's role is to promote all matters related to health in the community (Bonnybrook, Kilmore, Darndale and Moatview).

FM shared information on upcoming workshop in conjunction with RCSI aimed at consulting with community on their needs. Contact details are on the flyer distributed if anyone has any questions.

Recent initiatives include a period poverty scheme to provide free period products available at various local community spaces
In conjunction with Archways a new anti bullying programme being rolled out with specialised training in 6 local schools.

- **Public Domain**

DF reported that 27th April is Dublin clean up day, residents confirmed that JOS, Environmental Liaison officer has been in touch with details. Whole week is dedicated to clean up, with big push on 27th and DCC staff out and about to support and take photos between 11am and 1pm. Bunratty office have supply of litter pickers, hi-vis vests, bags etc – contact office to request.
Participants on 27th April will go forward into City neighbourhood competition.

- **Housing**

DF: Bunratty Road apartments are now all let.
Oscar Traynor Road (OTR) development is under way, work began in January 2024 with expected completion date of April 2027.
Cromcastle Underpass site has received planning permission, development named An tSruill, works will commence soon.

Residents raised issues with littering and parking that they fear will be worsened by impending developments.

Littering is already an issue with residents reporting problems with Beaumont Hospital (BH) staff using streets to empty ashtrays and rubbish from cars onto street, coffee cups a particular problem. This is now worsening due to construction workers on OTR site.

Parking is a big issue for community, they would like to engage with BH to address the problems with parking, particularly by hospital staff in roads on approach to hospital. In particular in two wheelchair accessible parking spaces which are frequently unavailable to those families who need them. DF agreed this is not acceptable and will talk to traffic re signage and to parking enforcement re spot checks in the area. Suggestion to introduce paid parking with permits for residents was not popular with residents present – they feel it will still be cheaper for hospital staff to park in problem areas and it won't alleviate the issue.

Residents expressed frustration that BH won't engage with them, and that Glenveagh have engaged with BH, but not with residents.

DF: Cromcastle Court and Coal yard developments will go to planning in the foreseeable future.

Residents raised the poor living conditions for those still occupying some of the blocks in Cromcastle Court as a result of the state of the vacant blocks, with grass overgrown and significant illegal dumping taking place, and the playground is unusable. DF to follow up on getting grass cut, playground reopened and rubbish removed.

Concerns re parking were reiterated, and the low numbers of parking spaces being provided for new developments. DF explained that this is set by government policy and DCC have no control over national policy,

Issue of communication with residents of Cromcastle was raised, and that residents who are still there do not know what is happening. DF explained that when the design team have an updated design prepared, plans will be on display, there will be an open day for viewing plans and asking questions, and as part of planning process there is opportunity to object to the planning permission. DF stated that he will speak to housing about updating Cromcastle Court residents and the local community.

- **Facilities**

The playground is at design stage. It will be located near the sensory garden. There will be consultation with the community prior to commencement of work. Civic maintenance have commenced work in St Luke's, with works expected to be complete within four months.

Residents are concerned about Easter camps – they already cancelled February mid term camps due to works. NR to link with groups re basing Easter Camps in Kilmore West Recreation Centre (KWRC).

St Luke's toilet facilities were being used for junior football, can KWRC be made available on mornings to football club?

DR asked why KWRC is booked on Saturday for 3 hours by private business, when community groups have nowhere to train. DF to investigate. DF stated that Kilmore FC have unused hours in KWRC.

One of street lights on Kilbarron Road is out and no one has responded to Citizen Hub request to deal with this – LD will talk to residents after meeting and take details to follow up. *Update – this has now been repaired.*

New swimming pool adds to residents' concerns re parking as the plans only include 8 car park spaces. DF stated that what has been seen so far is only an initial drawing. A design team is yet to be appointed to bring an actual design for consultation.

- **Garda Matters**

Sgt Monahan sent apologies on behalf of Santry Garda Station, due to operational matters they were unable to send representation. Gardaí Dunne and Cusack attended from Ballymun to answer questions.

DR raised matter relating to request for support for late night leagues. DF to follow up with Sgt Monahan.

Residents raised incident in local supermarket and alleged lack of follow up. This will be addressed to Santry Garda station.

- **A.O.B**

Emma from Out and About introduced herself and colleagues and gave an outline of the work they carry out in the community. Their aim is to link in with local youth who are not engaged with mainstream youth groups in Coolock and Kilmore. They are based in Sphere 17 Darndale. The team regularly walk the area and actively engage with young people on their own turf. They can be recognised by their blue jackets/grey hoodies.

Traffic survey requested for Kilmore West, Monday to Wednesday to monitor volume and assess how to proceed. DF to investigate.

Request for DCC to investigate need for lights and school warden on Kilbarron Road. Traffic queuing for hospital causing hazard for school children. DF to follow up.

Request for Gardaí to make spot checks around school between 1pm and 3pm for dangerous parking. Garda Dunne to pass request to Santry station.

Date of next meeting: 23rd May 2024

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Garda Station / (Sub)District	Coolock	Period	01/01/2023 – 31/03/2024
Superintendent	Ronan Barry	Date of JPC Meeting	15 th April 2024

Reports Of	2023	2024	Change	Detection Rate 2023	Detection Rate 2024	Comments
Homicide	0	0	-	-	-	
Assault Causing Harm	20	31	+55%	35%	16%	Increased reporting of assaults
Assault Minor	32	27	-16%	16%	4%	Increased crime patrols – notable decrease
Aggravated Burglary	2	1	-50%	0	100%	Investigation ongoing
Burglary	32	41	+28%	31%	15%	Increased burglary patrols – opportunistic criminals
Criminal Damage	102	90	-12%	25%	14%	Increased crime patrols – notable decrease
Discharge of Firearm	0	1	-100%	0	0	Investigation ongoing
Robbery from Person	2	3	+50%	50%	0	Increased crime patrols –
Robbery from Establishments	4	7	+75%	75%	71%	Significant increase – investigations ongoing – increased days of action
Theft from the Person	4	5	+25%	0	20%	Opportunistic mobile phone thefts from person
Theft from MPV	23	18	-22%	22%	11%	Increased crime patrols – targeting areas - notable decrease
Theft from Shop	135	142	+5%	56%	19%	Slight increase for Q1 2024 –
Theft (Other)	96	74	-23%	9%	5%	Signification decrease due to increased patrols, crime prevention advice
UT of Vehicle	31	25	-19%	3%	0	Increased crime patrols – notable decrease
Fraud / Deception	58	21	-64%	5%	5%	National media education campaign has resulted in a continued decrease of incidents of fraud
Public Order Incidents	82	61	-26%	77%	69%	Increased crime patrols – targeting areas - notable decrease

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Reports Of	2023	2024	Change	Detection Rate 2023	Detection Rate 2024	Comments
Domestic Violence Incidents (including breaches)	193	187	-3%	N/A	-	Valuable assistance and advice is provided at calls and follow up calls by members

Garda Patrol	2023	2024	Change	Detection Rate 2023	Detection Rate 2024	Comments
ASBO Issued	2	3	+50%	0	0	
Possession of Firearm	0	0	0	0	0	
Possession of Drugs for Sale or Supply	22	26	+18%	64%	85%	Increased personnel in drugs unit has resulted in higher amount of seizures
Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	48	53	+10%	94%	49%	Significant increase in drugs searches and patrols
Possession of Offensive Weapon	14	7	-50%	86%	57%	Significant decrease due to increased crime patrols and knife crime awareness
Vehicle Seizures Sec 41	124	91	-27%	n/a		Notable decrease despite increase of Proactive and MIT check points
Offences Against Animals	4 dogs	1 Dog		n/a		

<p>Crime Prevention Matters and Other Information</p>	<p>Notable Drugs Captures 2022: Jan 23 – Mar 23 22 major Drugs Captures during this time. From January 2023 to March 2023 – 22 drugs captures in the Coolock Sub District which resulted in seizures of the following Cannabis valuing at €19193 Cocaine valuing at €369412.20 Heroin valuing at €591 Xanax valuing at €169784</p> <p>Notable Drugs Captures 2023: Jan 24 – Mar 24 26 major Drugs Captures during this period. From January 2024 to March 2024 - 26 drugs captures in the Coolock Sub District which resulted in seizures of the following Cannabis valuing at €126768 Cocaine valuing at €9296 Heroin valuing at €1291.60 MDMA (Ecstasy) at €17670 Xanax valuing at €1516</p> <p>Community Policing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue with current Garda Satellite Stations and community engagement <table border="1" data-bbox="459 981 1485 1223"> <tr> <td>Priorswood Parish Centre</td> <td>Staying safe in the community</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bell Centre Darndale</td> <td>Community Policing Clinic</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St Monica’s Youth Centre Edenmore</td> <td>Community Policing Clinic</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Donaghmede Shopping Centre</td> <td>Community Policing Clinic</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to support GAA Clubs, groups in the community - Memorial Service attendance at Wellview House, High Visibility Funeral Presence at St John Vianney Church, CCJ visit with Belmayne Youth Group, ‘Another Way 5k’ committee meeting, bus trip with Moatview Montessori, Breakfast Lego Club with Our Lady Immaculate School, Community bus with Autistic School and Stranger Danger Talk with Little Seeds kids group Continuing with Schools Program –17 National Schools and 8 Secondary Schools; 9 schools visited and program delivered e.g. Role of Garda, Cyber-safety, Bullying <p>January to March 2024 – During the first quarter of 2024 a number of days of action were planned with the divisional policing units – a large number of bench warrants were executed, a large number of search warrants were executed with both drugs and stolen property seized.</p>	Priorswood Parish Centre	Staying safe in the community	Bell Centre Darndale	Community Policing Clinic	St Monica’s Youth Centre Edenmore	Community Policing Clinic	Donaghmede Shopping Centre	Community Policing Clinic
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Garda Station / (Sub)District	Raheny/Clontarf	Period	01/01/2024 – 31/03/2024
Superintendent	John Grace	Date of JPC Meeting	15 th of April 2024

Reports Of	2024	2023	Change	Detection Rate 2024	Detection Rate 2023	Comments
Assault Causing Harm	6	7	-1	17%	86%	2024 - 50% Domestic Violence Related
Assault Minor	21	18	+3	14%	44%	2024 – 43% Domestic Violence Related
Aggravated Burglary	1	0	+1	0%	N/A	Increased Proactive Patrols
Burglary	41	45	-4	10%	13%	Increased Burglary Patrols (OP THOR, and HYBRID patrols)
Criminal Damage	74	60	+14	7%	20%	Increased Proactive Police Patrols & DART Patrol (OP Saul)
Discharge of Firearm	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	
Robbery from Person	0	2	-2	N/A	50%	Increase in Operation THOR and HYBRID patrols to tackle this crime.
Robbery from Establishments	3	5	-2	33%	20%	Decrease in this type of Crime due to ongoing Thor and Operation Saul Patrols.
Theft from the Person	6	4	+2	0%	0%	Slight increase - new parks patrol plans implemented.
Theft from MPV	29	27	+2	4%	0%	Slight increase but detection rate up on 2023. Hot Spots targeted by High Visibility Patrols
Theft from Shop	65	52	+13	23%	51.9%	Slight Increase – Businesses encouraged to report more frequently re new OP Taire
Theft (Other)	58	53	+5	3.5%	8%	Majority are Drive-Offs
UT of Vehicle	26	27	-1	8%	18%	Detection rate showing decrease for 2024 due to ongoing Investigation.
Fraud / Deception	50	102	-52	2%	1%	Increase in Public awareness campaign has led to decrease in incidents this type of Crime
Public Order Incidents	61	63	-2	52%	76%	Includes different facets of Public Order, Demonstrations, Trespassing, Drunkenness etc.

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Reports Of	2024	2023	Change	Detection Rate 2024	Detection Rate 2023	Comments
Domestic Violence Incidents	65	61	+4	N/A	N/A	Domestic Violence Liaison Officer appointed and call backs completed.
Domestic Violence Breach of Orders	6	19	-13	N/A	N/A	

Garda Patrol Activity	2024	2023	Change	Detection Rate 2024	Detection Rate 2023	Comments
ASBO Issued	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	
Possession of Firearm	1	0	+1	N/A	N/A	Thor and Hybrid Patrols within District
Possession of Drugs for Sale or Supply	5	8	-3	N/A	N/A	Increase in Operation Thor and Hybrid Patrol has led to increased detections
Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	40	43	-3	N/A	N/A	Increase in Operation Thor and Hybrid Patrol has led to increased detections
Possession of Offensive Weapon	12	6	+6	N/A	N/A	
Vehicle Seizures Sec 41	50	73	-23	N/A	N/A	Seen as a positive in proactively policing road crime and travelling criminals.
Dog Offences	3	1	+2	N/A	N/A	
Offences Against Animals	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	
Proactive Patrols	1541	1393	+148	N/A	N/A	Increase patrols especially in Public Parkways.

<p>Crime Prevention Matters and Other Information</p>	<p>(A) Operation Thor, Creeper and ‘SAUL’ have contributed to operations, with designated checkpoints and a detailed Dart Patrol being carried out by both uniform and plain clothes units , which have helped in the detection of crime and high visibility policing throughout the Raheny/Clontarf Sub-districts.</p> <p>(B) New Operation Táirgre – Specifically Targets Retail Theft Offenders</p> <p>(C) Investigations into major incidents are ongoing and there have been several successful operations, as well as successful Court Prosecutions in this quarter.</p> <p>(D) Anti-social behaviour is being tackled through High Visibility Patrols which target local amenity areas during the year whether it is members on foot patrol or on Mountain bike patrol have led to successful increase in Public Order detections throughout the District.</p> <p>Call back initiatives have been put in place for persons who are victims of Burglary incidents, Domestic Violence incidents and Sexual Assault incidents. The victims of crime are visited and given crime prevention and security advice from members, this has proven to be quite successful and greatly appreciated by the persons’ concerned. There also has been the implementation of a Pedal Cycle Identity Card which has proven to be very helpful in combating theft of Bicycle Crime.</p> <p>(E) There are 2 Sergeants and 10 Gardaí attached to Community Policing and they have all Neighbourhood watch schemes in operation in their designated areas, they are all ELO trained and Mountain Bike Operatives. Each member is involved in Community Engagement initiatives throughout the District.</p>
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Chief / Superintendent		Date of JPC Meeting	15 th April

Reports Of	2023	2024	Change	Comments
Assault Causing Harm	8	5	-38%	
Assault Minor	17	12	-29%	
Aggravated Burglary	0	1	100%	
Burglary	26	30	15%	
Criminal Damage	47	35	-26%	
Discharge of Firearm	0	0	0%	
Robbery from Person	1	1	0%	
Robbery from Establishments	1	1	0%	
Theft from the Person	3	4	33%	
Theft from MPV	30	12	-60%	
Traffic / UT of Vehicle	27	21	-22%	
Theft from Shop	79	77	-3%	
Theft (Other)	108	35	-68%	
Fraud	109	49	-55%	
Public Order Incidents	37	44	19%	
Domestic Violence - Incidents	45	59	31%	

Reports Of	2023	2024	Change	Comments
Domestic Violence - Breach of Orders	11	14	27%	
Dog Offences	1	1	0%	
Offences against Animals	0	0	0%	

Garda Patrol Activity	2023	2024	Change	Comments
Possession of Firearm	0	0	0%	
Possession of Drugs for Sale or Supply	0	7	700%	
Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	14	6	-57%	
Possession of Offensive Weapon	6	2	-67%	
Searches under Drugs Act	53	37	-30%	
Vehicle Seizures Sec 41	74	83	12%	

**Crime Prevention
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