

**Housing, Community & Emergency Services Department
South East Area Office**

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Community Development Section Report

- May 1st: Ringsend Festival Parade and Family Fun Day 11 - 3pm
May 2nd: Dance for Life (Evergreen Club 11am)
May 4th: Parent & Toddler Group (in evergreen Club 10 - 2pm)
May 9th – 14th: Harold's Cross festival – Week of events
May 6th: East Well Ladies Club Open Day & Plant Sale 10 - 4pm
May 9th: Schools Nature Walk – Eanna Ní Lamhna 11am
May 10th: Walk on the Wild Side(Noshington, Harold's Cross Park 7pm)
Milltown Summer Plant Sale 9.30am
May 11th: Schools Nature Tour As Gaeilge, Eanna Ní Lamhna 11am
Parent & Toddler Group – Evergreen Club 11am
May 12th: Mount Drummond Plant Sale 9.30am
May 13th: Sandymount Summer Plant Sale 10.30am
Harold's Cross Dogs Show 12 noon
May 14th: Harold's Cross Family Fun Day 1 - 5pm
Harold's Cross Summer Plant Sale 1pm
May 16th: Dance for Life – Evergreen Club 11am
May 17th: Terenure Summer Plant Sale – Evergreen Club 3pm
May 18th: Green Ribbon Day 9 Gateway Mental Health)
Parent & Toddler Group – Evergreen Club 10 - 12pm
Ringsend Summer Plant Sale 11am

May 18th–31st: African Art Exhibition as part of Africa Day
Ranelagh Arts Centre, Ranelagh.
May 20th: Donnybrook Plant Sale 10.30am
May 22nd: Brazilian Mothers Day
Aungier Street Summer Plant Sale – Carmelite Centre 11am
May 23rd: Rathmines Summer Plant Sale – Swan Leisure 11am
Dance for Life – Evergreen Club 11am
May 24th: Pearse Street Summer Plant Sale – 11am
May 25th: Parent & Toddler Group – Evergreen Club 10 - 12pm
May 26th: Let's Walk and Talk Park Picnic – Irishtown Nature Reserve
The Collective 1st year Anniversary at Ranelagh Arts Centre 8pm
May 27th: Sandymount Dog Show 11am (Registration from 9am)
May 30th: Dance for Life – Evergreen Club 11am

In addition to the above a number of weekly events continue to take place as part of ongoing community work: Older persons' activities, weekly walks, (yoga, knitting club weekly events) Friends of Green Spaces and Allotment Links etc.

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Environmental Services Unit Report

Local Clean – Ups

Team Dublin clean-up on Good Friday resulted in an excellent turn-out throughout the South East Area.

Dodder Action and Canals Action Days took place on 22nd April 2017.

Dublin City Neighbourhoods Competition 2017

The closing date for applications was 28th April 2017

Public Realm Enhancements

The first round of intensive cleaning of the high footfall commercial village areas throughout the South East area took place in March and April. This work involved using a low pressure, high temperature steam on the footpaths to remove chewing gum, but also stains and dog foul, the cleaning of street furniture, application of disinfectant on areas where needed including around bins, and the removal of waste. The work was carried out at night to avoid inconvenience to traders, but also taking into account residents where relevant. This work will again be carried out in June and September. The village areas are listed below:

- 1) Ranelagh Village
- 2) Rathmines Village
- 3) Donnybrook Village
- 4) Sandymount Village
- 5) Rathgar Village
- 6) Ringsend
- 7) Harold's Cross
- 8) Terenure
- 9) Irishtown
- 10) Ballsbridge
- 11) Milltown
- 12) Baggot Street Upper and Lower

Weed Control

The first round of spraying throughout the South East Area is currently underway.

Events

Darkness into Light 5k, Saturday 6th May
Streets of Dublin 5k, Sunday 21st May
Dublin Dance Festival, Sunday 21st May
VHI Women's Mini Marathon, Monday 5th June
Docklands Summer Festival 20th and 21st May
Dublin Port Riverfest 3rd to 5th June

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Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

Southern Campshires Flood Protection Scheme

The contractor moved on site on 23rd October 2014. The works are being carried out by the Office of Public Works (OPW) and various sub-contractors and supervised by various consultants for different aspects of these works. A number of ground condition problems have slowed this project down to date. The estimated cost of this whole project from Butt Bridge to Cardiff Lane is €3.5m and is around 75% completed. Georges Quay is reopened except for trees to be installed later. One third of flood gates were installed before Christmas 2016. Substantial completion in March 2017 except for some minor contracts on works.

Grand Canal Sub Group

The latest meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee was held on 22nd March 2017. The annual Canals Action Day was held on Saturday 22nd April 2017 and was a great success with over 350 people getting involved city wide. The next meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee will be held on Wed 3rd May 2017.

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

The finalised Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP) was approved at the January 2015 South East Area Committee. New lamp standards have been installed. The Part 8 was approved at the meeting of the full City Council on 9th January 2017. Implementation works will commence with re-alignment of the bring centre. Waste Management Section is preparing a tender document at present. Consultation has commenced with three local primary schools in relation to providing a nature play area in the woodland area. Works have been completed on the pedestrian crossing in the village.

Ranelagh Gardens Park

The Part 8 was approved at the City Council meeting on Monday 6th July 2015. The tender for the playground has now been awarded and works are now completed. Other elements of the Part 8 will be provided in 2017 subject to finance.

Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP)

Consultation commenced in January 2016, beginning with meetings with local business groups and others, followed by an open morning in Ringsend Library on Thursday 28th January 2016. Following tender process Mitchell and Associates were appointed to deliver the Local Environment Improvement Plan in March 2016. Initial internal consultations with relevant Dublin City Council departments and Mitchell and Associates took place during March and April 2016. A draft presentation of the plan was presented at a public workshop was in Ringsend Irishtown Community Centre on the 8th June 2016 to further canvass the views of local residents, businesses, community groups and other stakeholders. Proposals have been refined by Mitchell and Associates based on comments received at the workshop and subsequently. A series of meetings took place in October and November with works departments and a second and final public workshop was held on 7th December 2016 to present a revised draft plan and take further comments. A draft Local Environment

Improvement Plan has now been put on public display for consultation for a period of 6 weeks from 18th January 2017 until 28th February 2017 and 39 submissions were received. There is some work to be done now in addressing the issues raised and in re-drafting and finalising the report. It is hoped to have a new version of the plan prepared by end of April 2017. A presentation of the revised plan will be made to the area councillors in May 2017, in order to deal with any issues that might be outstanding, prior to placing the finalised report on the agenda of the South East Area Committee in June 2017.

Terenure 2030

In 2016 six new lamp standards were provided in the village along with cycle parking and new litter bins. A further five new lamp standards will be installed in 2017 and other village greening / public domain works.

Charlemont:

Practical Completion has been revised to November 10th 2017. Dublin City Council's Project Office is in constant communication with the residents in particular dealing with queries regarding moving to their new homes. The next Regeneration Board meeting is on May 10th.

Canon Mooney Gardens:

Contractor due on site to carry out landscaping works May 8th.

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Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership Report

Older adult Groups from **Ranelagh Active Retirement Group** and **Ringsend Active Retirement Group** will take part in the regional **Go For Life Competition**. The competition will take place in Ballyfermot Sports & Fitness Centre on Tuesday 16th May. The winner of this competition will then represent Dublin in the **National Finals** in Dublin City University on 10th June.

Jumping Jacks: This is an initiative designed for young children to teach them fundamental movement skills through fun & games, to help participate in activity throughout their life. A new programme will take place in St. Louis Junior School Rathmines every Friday after classes have finished.

Chair Fit: Chair Fit classes take place in Sandymount with the Iris Charles Centre for older adults every Tuesday at 11.30am. This class will help to increase the mobility and flexibility of the participants, improving their overall general health.

Chair Fit classes also take place on Wednesday evening from 6.15pm – 7.15pm for residents of Mount Drummond Court in Harold's Cross.

Dance For Life: Dance classes take place every Tuesday morning at 11am in The Evergreen Centre in Terenure Village. Classes are for older adults looking to take up dance and keep fit. Classes cost €4 per session.

Yoga: Yoga classes take place every Wednesday from 2.30pm in HOPS Rehab Care in Pearse Street, for adults suffering from mental health issues. The classes are a great benefit to all taking part and participants have found them very relaxing and therapeutic.

Men on the Move: These 'men only' fitness classes take place every Tuesday from 7pm – 8pm in St. Joseph's Community Hall, Terenure and on Thursday's from 7pm – 8pm in The Evergreen Centre, Terenure Village. Classes are free and are open to all men. This programme is run in partnership with the HSE.

Transition Year Swimming Programme: This programme, in conjunction with CBS Westland Row, takes place every Tuesday morning in Sports & Fitness Markievicz from 9.30am – 10.30am (ongoing until end of school term).

Sport Na nÓg: This initiative, in conjunction with City Quay National School, takes place in the school every Wednesday morning from 9.30am – 10.30am (ongoing until end of school term).

After-School Sports Drop-in: Every Friday in PARC Recreation Centre from 1.30pm – 2.30pm for local primary school children in the area (ongoing until May).

The local **Rugby Development Officer** will be running several primary & secondary school tag rugby blitzes during May and June.

Citywide Rugby Schools Blitz: This event will take place on 7th of June in Irishtown Stadium and sixteen schools from across the city will participate.

The local **Boxing Development Officer** is continuing to roll out the 'Startbox Silver' Programme in schools throughout the South East Area. The Silver Programme involves higher intensity sessions and limited contact.

Football

Sprog Soccer: This initiative for 4 – 8 year olds takes place every Friday morning in Sports & Fitness Irishtown (currently 60 participants) and every Wednesday at 9.30am in YMCA Augier Street (currently 80 participants).

Girls' Soccer: Ongoing every Tuesday & Thursday evenings in Ringsend Park. Please contact the local Football Development Officer for more information.

Men's League: Ongoing every Monday & Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 8pm in Ringsend Park.

Late Night League: Four week league in Irishtown Stadium.

School Sessions: The local Football Development Officer will deliver an 8 week school programme with City Quay National School on Tuesday mornings and St. Brigid's National School on Thursday mornings.

Football For All: This programme is aimed at young people with learning difficulties and/or physical disabilities and takes place in Irishtown Stadium on Fridays 5pm – 6pm.

Club Development Programme: The Football Development Officer will deliver coaching clinics for clubs in the South East area through May and June.

Sport & Fitness Irishtown will host a number of events including: May 24th 7am – 10pm County Board, May 27th 10am – 5pm County Board, June 9th 9am – 3pm Sports Day, June 10th 7pm – 9pm Crusaders Athletic Event, June 11th 10am – 5pm County Board, June 16th 9am – 3pm Sports Day & June 23rd 7pm – 9.30pm County Board.

Cricket

The Cricket Development Officer is currently liaising with Sport Officers in the area to co-ordinate programmes for the coming months.

Provincial cricket sessions will continue on Friday nights from 5pm – 9.30pm. These are held in the North County Cricket Club where a number of players from the South East Area are involved. Players are between 10-18 years of age.

During the months of May and June, the 'Leprechaun Cup' competition will be played between all Dublin City Primary Schools. This competition will run until June. Dates and times vary between each school.

The annual **South East Area Inter-Schools 5th Class Blitz** will take place in May and June. Dates and times to be confirmed with schools.

The Cricket Development Officer will be delivering **schoolyard sessions** in the following schools during the coming weeks:

- Star of the Sea Primary School
- St. Matthew's National School
- Sancta Maria Synge Street
- Ranelagh Multi Denominational School
- Harold's Cross National School

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