

**The Chairman and Members of
North West Area Committee.**

Meeting: 20th June 2017

Item No: 3

Cabra Area Office Report

Blackhorse Avenue Works

On the north side of the road (Lyndon Gate to opposite Park Crescent House) the following works have been carried out:

- laid a new section of storm water sewer, and its' associated gullies and gully connections.
- Replaced a section of existing combined sewer just east of Nephin Road junction.
- A new water main and associated water connection to each house has also been placed.
- The carriageway has been completely excavated and rebuilt new (as far as final surface layer – this final layer will be carried out at the end of the Works, along with the final layer of surfacing over the full extent of the job).
- The final portion of footpath has been completed

At Workfront No. 5 (opposite the Pallet Yard, to Springfield Road – north side):

- Works commenced at this location on Wednesday, 24th May, and will be carried out under the usual two-way shuttle system using temporary traffic signals.

The contractor has now moved to the east end of the Works. This section of the works will take approximately six weeks. At that time, the Contractor will extend the length of the works to include the junction of Skreen Road. This will take approximately a further two weeks. At the end of this eight week period, the area will be reopened to vehicular traffic.

Finally, the Contractor will then work on two remaining Sections of road:

- (i) A short section east of the Springfield Road junction; and
- (ii) Between the junctions of Nephin Road and Skreen Road.

Mount Bernard Playground extension

Work commenced on the development and installation of a 'Natural Play Area' at Mount Bernard Park on Tuesday 30th May. The project should take approximately three weeks and there may also be some time added to allow grass to take etc. All going well the facility should be ready for use during the school summer holidays.

Any questions may be referred to Debby Clarke, DCC Play Development Officer at:

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Public Lighting

Last year, Dublin City Council Public Lighting Services started a programme to replace all of the existing low pressure sodium lights (i.e. the orange coloured lights) throughout the

Council functional area with LED lights (i.e. white light) over the course of the next few years. The lighting on St. Jarlath's Road was replaced under this programme.

By using energy efficient LED light sources in public lighting installations, Dublin City Council is reducing its energy consumption and its carbon emissions footprint, and this will also assist the Council in meeting its obligation under the European 2020 carbon reduction targets.

Ratoath Road Flyover

Irish Rail has informed the Roads Department that they have engaged a contractor to conduct remedial works to prevent further flooding on Ballyboggan Road following heavy rain. This work was scheduled to be carried out on the June Bank holiday weekend but was postponed until 17th June.

Shandon Area

Badly damaged kerbs on the corner of Shandon Crescent have finally been replaced and work is under way to repair grass verges on the Road and Park which have also been damaged due to the narrowness of roads here.

Community & Social Development

Community Environmental Projects

Over twenty community groups participated in the subsidised Community Flower Sales at the Cabra Office. Community staff supported the groups in their endeavours to improve their neighbourhoods and their entries in the City Neighbourhood Competition. Many community spaces were planted by the groups using these flowers.

Christ the King Centre

Work has commenced on upgrading of the Centre: painting, installation of footpaths, landscaping and planting. The cost of the works is being covered by D.C.C. and is being overseen by the volunteer committee.

Charleville Road and Rathdown Road

A new residents group is in the process of being set up. We look forward to supporting them in the ventures.

Phibsborough Tidy Towns

This group continues to work on the improvement of Phibsborough Village. As a new initiative they are promoting a major Bin the Butt Campaign supported by the community team.

A new committee was elected and some new volunteer have joined the group.

Summer Projects

There are four Summer Projects in the area this year: Annamoe, Sharing the Journey, Riverston Abbey and a new project in St Oliver Plunketts off the Navan Road. In addition to these projects there will be activities in Ventry Park, Cabra Parkside and Naomh Fionbarra's G.A.A. Club.

European Neighbours Day

This Community Event was a great success and took place outside the Cabra Area Office. It was well supported with 20 community groups and local businesses participating. Lord Mayor Brendan Carr also attended in addition to hundreds of local people.



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