



Belcamp Lane/Newtown Court Way Progress Report – October 2017 **Traveller Accommodation Unit**

- Bins along Newtown Court Way regularly taken in after collections as per requests.
- Dogs removed by Dog Warden and most other dogs are chained on site.
- Entrance into Newtown Court Way has been cleaned and grass verges have been cut.
- Public Lighting have replaced and repaired all lighting on Belcamp Lane and Newtown Court Way. Lighting has been upgraded to LCD lighting.
- Meetings arranged every six weeks with CHI to address issues.
- Contact made with Traffic Section regarding double yellow lines to limit illegal parking, dumped vehicles etc on Belcamp Lane. Project approved and waiting to be implemented when all road works are completed.
- Contact made with Roads Maintenance regarding the entrances to sites, road maintenance and possible trip hazards etc. Scale of works agreed and to be coordinated with Traffic Section. Road works as agreed have been implemented on Belcamp Lane and dishing of entrances to Traveller encampments has been completed as per attached proposed road works.
- Contact made with Peter Finnegan and David Conway to address and limit incursion issues on all sites. Programme of works developed in two phases. Phase 1 costing approx  40,000. Phase 2 costing approx  60,000. Attempted implementation of Phase 1 and met with strong resistance from onsite Travellers and further incursion has occurred. Gardai have requested meeting with Traveller families from this site, TravAct and Dublin City Council with a view to a peaceful solution. Meeting to be organised in the near future. Phase 2 to be completed on successful completion of Phase 1.
- A redevelopment of the Grove Lane site is planned. This will occur in two phases. Phase 1 consists of demolition of the six houses currently on site and building 4 houses on part of the site to accommodate current onsite family needs. Phase 2 consists of building one house and 5 bays to accommodate local Traveller needs. It is expected that the project will begin in Quarter 4 of 2018 subject to Departmental budget approval.
- A new project is being developed in Cara Park. This will involve the demolition of the former F s centre and community centre and the RAPID build of 8 houses to accommodate onsite overcrowding. Respond Housing Association are the project managers. It is expected that the project will begin in Quarter 4 of 2018 subject to Departmental budget approval.
- New projects are being developed to refurbish/rebuild St Dominics, Tara Lawns and Northern Close subject to Departmental funding, agreement of local Traveller families. It is expected that these projects will cost in excess of  4million. However, if successful, it will significantly improve the build environment.