

## **Donaghmede Safety Forum**

**15<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

The Donaghmede Safety Forum was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> January, 14<sup>th</sup> March, 9<sup>th</sup> May, 12<sup>th</sup> September and the next meeting is scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> of November '18.

The meetings continue to be well supported by the local community and with new representatives from the various groups attending.

Traffic issues regarding the Hole-in-the Wall roundabout in Donaghmede remain a source of major apprehension, however, it is hoped this concern will be alleviated with the introduction and fine tuning of the new traffic layout and pedestrian lighting system at this location.

Issues at Howth Junction station are continually raised with DCC in conjunction with Iarnród Éireann at regular meetings with Donaghmede Estate Residents Association re security and safety at Howth Junction Donaghmede DART station specifically in connection with the collection and storage of bonfire material. Separately Iarnród Éireann regularly meet with the Gardai and deploy resources as effectively as possible to stem anti-social activity. DCC NCA have been in v.recent contact with Fingal Co Co re same and preventative actions similar to DCC are undertaken ref Baldoyle Industrial Estate with letters issued to businesses requesting bonfire material not be given out ,and Litter fines issued for any breaches. As part of NCAC 2018 actions, having evaluated boundaries from tracks unto Donaghmede Park we are strengthening two access points at the lower end of Donaghmede Park and will have this work carried out as priority in advance of Halloween .Iarnród Éireann are working to prevent access and the transit of bonfire material across the railway tracks. Joint actions between key parties are best efforts to prevent his anti-social activity as far as possible.

A fireworks display event will take place in conjunction with Donaghmede residents as part of diversionary activity at Halloween.

Elaine Mulvenny

October 10/10/18

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