Clongriffin Belmayne Community Forum/ Updates

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The Clongriffin Belmayne Forum/ JPC took place on 29th January 2019 and 19th March 2019 in the Junction Clongriffin. There was a good attendance at both Forums.

Presentations from Guest Speakers

Mr. Garry Keegan addressed the Forum. He has been appointed Community Liaison Officer with the Ayrfield PPP .He provided phone and email details to the Forum to facilitate with communication while the construction of the 150 social homes commences .He will provide a Newsletter to residents during the project and is available to meet with residents.

Mr. John Mahony, Iveagh Trust addressed the Forum. He will be managing the 84 unit facility on main Street Clongriffin. On behalf of Gannon Homes .It is expected that the development will be completed by the end of June. There will be 44 car parking spaces available to residents. He stated that the development will have 18 one bed units, 13 2 bed units and 29 3 bed units .There will be an Estate manager and Resident caretaker appointed to the development. He advised residents to contact the Iveagh Trusts if they are concerned over behaviours of tenants. Details available on the Iveagh Trust website.

Ms. Claire Hutchinson of Foroige addressed the Forum. Foroige wish to establish a youth group in the Clongriffin Belmayne area. The club will be initially open to young people 16 to 18 years. Foroige have secured the Junction every Friday to host the club. They are looking for Volunteers to become involved in the group. Claire provided her contact details to the Forum. These details are available from DCC North Central Area Office.

Local Garda Issues Update

Sgt. Dan Creedon provided an update on safety and security issues. Inspector Brian Clune addressed the Forum on the issues that were raised by residents in relation to anti-social behaviours that occurred over the bank holiday weekend.

The Garda Clinic takes place Saturdays in Junction when Garda Resources permit. Attendance at the Garda Clinics has steadily increased.

Update On Fingal Council And Dublin City Council Developments

Sutton to Malahide Greenway

Construction of the Baldoyle to Portmarnock cycling and walking route is due to start in May of this year. At the same time a more extensive cycling and walking route to connect Sutton Cross to Malahide is being designed. This will tie in with the Malahide Castle to Newbridge House cycling and walking route which will traverse the Broad Meadow Estuary.

Hole in the Wall Road Re-alignment

This road re-alignment will improve access for vehicles and cyclists travelling between Baldoyle and Balgriffin via the Moyne Road. The Compulsory Purchase Order for the scheme was submitted to An Board Pleanála for approval in early December 2018 and the procurement process to source a main contractor to carry out the works is currently taking place. Construction will take place between 12-14 months.

Racecourse Park Baldoyle Wetlands

Substantial funding for works to improve the facilities at Baldoyle Racecourse Park are allocated and there has been consultation with residents to shape these plans. The final plans will be published shortly.

Ramp Access to Clongriffin Railway Station

Funding has been provided by central government under the Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund (LIHAF) for the provision of a high quality universal access to Clongriffin Dart Station from the Coast in Baldoyle. The Council will start work on this scheme once NAMA which controls these lands, activates their planning permission.

Provision of Community Facilities at the former Marketing Suite Baldoyle

Research carried out on behalf of Fingal County Council concluded that a new community facility at the Menolly Marketing Suite site should be flexible, multi-use, open and accessible to all groups and members of the community. The overarching requirements identified during consultation include a large, multi-use hall, meeting rooms/space and a café.

A full design team will be appointed in the second quarter of this year and work will commence on preparing a public planning notice.

Upgrade Main Street Belmayne

A preferred option has been chosen for Belmayne Main Street Section 2-2. This option requires altering the location of existing parking, kerbs and median, providing footways with a desirable width and providing a segregated cycle track on each side of the carriageway. The public consultation phase of the Belmayne Main Street and Belmayne Avenue Part 8 is now complete and the Planners Report has been done. There were no objections to the scheme. The proposal was approved by the North Central Area Committee on 21st January 2018. The scheme will then be forwarded to the full City Council Meeting in February 2018. The detailed design, tender and appointment of a contractor will then be progressed. It is hoped that a contractor will be appointed by the end of the summer.

School update:

The building contractor has commenced building on the two permanent schools in Belmayne. This building work is due to be completed by the end of March 2019. Vanessa Carey confirmed that Dublin City Council's Valuer's section are advancing negotiations with the DOE&S for the permanent disposal of a site for a second level school.

The Junction

The Junction Community Centre is now open for use by residents of Belmayne / Clongriffin. This facility is free of charge to non – commercial bodies. All group users must provide their own insurance. Preference will be given to non-profit local groups. Forum members who expressed an interest in using the facility were asked to submit their request to the local area office to be assessed.

Gannon Homes update:

David Young of Gannon Homes updated the Forum on developments.

- 10 Neighbourhood watch signs erected in conjunction with Garda Community Policing Unit.
- New CCTV Signs erected around Town centre.
- Clamping on Main Street at the Astro Pitch, to prevent grass being killed off.
- Perspex replacement for broken glass on Main Street bus stop.
- Visit our website to learn about Biodiversity for residents.
- 100 kilos of wild flower meadow seed ordered for 4 sites in Clongriffin Town

Units:

- Vets Fit-out at unit No. 5 underway
- Yoga Studio awaiting tenant signing
- CRC awaiting tenant signing
- Solicitor Office
 Lease application pending

Block 2:

- External landscaping nearing completion.
- Client to start snagging
- Final painting progressing well.
- Power / Heat On to units.
- Works progressing well with only a couple of weeks remaining to completion.

Belltree:

- Works ongoing in Park Street phasing 30 residential units. First occupations due in July / August 2019.
- Belltree Green Public Open space will be opened to the public in late spring once the grassed areas are established.