

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

Meeting: 17th November 2020

Item No: 9

PUBLIC DOMAIN REPORT

Halloween

The Public Domain Team for the North West Area worked alongside Gardaí from Ballymun and Finglas for the weeks leading up to Halloween to remove as much stockpiling from the area as possible. Cooperation between DCC and Gardaí was key to the success of the project and it worked very efficiently.

This was a co-ordinated approach between all DCC departments - Waste Management, Housing, Parks and Public Domain.

In the ten days immediately prior to and including Halloween the Public Domain Team worked directly with contractors to act on reports of stockpiling as soon as we received them or became aware of them. A total of 130 tonnes of materials was removed by contractors in the North West Area.



There were 22 fires in the North West Area in total, which is in line with previous years. There are some areas where the fires are burning for a number of weeks prior to Halloween and therefore the damage at these locations will take some time to repair. However, in general the size of the fires and the level of damage was not extreme.

City Neighbourhoods Awards

The results for the City Neighbourhood Awards (North West) were posted on Social Media from 4th to 7th November. A great response from all the entrants and this year we were able to give prizes to all entrants in the competition. List of winners below:

North West Area

City Neighbourhood Awards 2020

Category	Winner
RESIDENTIAL COMPETITION	
1- 150 Dwellings	<p>Joint Winner – 1 -Doon Court Environmental Group 2- Knowth & Druid Court Residents</p> <p>Joint Runner- up – 1- Oakwood Avenue / Sycamore Park 2- The Waltons</p> <p>Merit - 1. Coultry Way Tidy Road Committee 2. Finn Eber Fort Residents 3. Hollywell Residents Association 4. Beneavin Residents Association 5. Patrickswell Court Residents Association 6. Beneavin Court Residents Group</p>
151-300 Dwellings	<p>Winner - Lakeglen Residents Association</p> <p>Runner-up – Glasnevin Avenue Environmental Group</p> <p>Merit - 1. Northway Estate Residents Association 2. Scribblestown Residents Association</p>
300 Dwellings and Over	<p>Winner- Willow Park & Pinewood Residents Association</p> <p>Runner –Up – Dunsink Residents Association</p>
Senior Citizen Complex	<p>Joint Winner – 1- Merville Court 2 – Ballygall Senior Citz Fold Housing</p> <p>Runner-Up – Kildonan Court</p> <p>Merit - Griffith Crescent Community Group</p>
Front Garden	<p>Winner – 69 Knowth Court – Leonie Stears</p> <p>Runner-Up – 45 Doon Court – Tina + Terry</p> <p>Merits – 19,21,23 & 24 Graigue Court - 18,36 & 41 Druid Court - 44 & 48 Doon Court - 8 Termon Court - 18 Kilshane Drive - 70A , 117 & 185 Hillcrest Park - 73 Glasnevin Park - 45 Wadelai Road - 4 St Canices Park</p>

Open Green Space	<p>Joint Winner – 1 – Joes Patch 2- The Fairy Garden 3 - Sunnyside</p> <p>Merit - 1. An Cearnog Glas 2. Belclare People 3. Doon Court Environmental Group 4. Doon in Bloom 5. Doon in Bloom 6. Finglas Tidy Towns 7. Scribblestown Residents Group 8. The Waltons 9. Wadelai Hillcrest & District Residents Association 10. Wellmount Green & Crescent Res Ass 11. Hollywell Residents Association 12. Willow Park & Pinewood Res Ass 13. Grove Wood EWG</p>
Community Environment Initiative	<p>Joint Winner – 1 - Finglas Tidy Towns 2- Patrickswell Court</p> <p>Joint Runner-Up – 1 – Wadelai/ Hillcrest & District Res Assoc 2- Doon Court Environmental Group</p> <p>Merit - 1. Glasnevin Ave Environmental Group 2. Finn Eber Fort Residents 3. Scribblestown Residents Association 4. The Waltons 5. Wellmount Crescent & Green Res Ass 6. Kilshane Residents Association 7. Wadelai Hillcrest & District Res Ass 8. Willow Park & Pinewood Res Ass 9. Beneavin Court Residents</p>
Community Garden	<p>Winner – Glas Community Garden</p> <p>Runner-Up – Patrickswell Court</p> <p>Merit - 1. The Waltons 2. Finglas Tidy Towns 3. Finglas Forest Community Garden</p>
Urban Village	Winner - Finglas Tidy Towns
Mixed Use Street	Winner - Ballymun Tidy Towns
Individual Contribution	Winner – Gillian Lloyd Corbett

	<p>Runner- Up – Angela Cruz</p> <p>Merits – 1. Maeve McNamara 2. Deirdre Martin 3. Joanne Higgins</p>
Best New Entry	<p>Winner – Finn Eber Fort Residents</p> <p>Joint Runner-Up – 1 – Wellmount Crescent & Wellmount Green Res Ass</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2 – Pairc Ni Cuileann (The Feileacans)</p> <p>Merit - 1. Scribblestown Residents Association 2. Glasnevin Avenue Environmental Group 3. Beneavin Court Residents 4. Silloge Park Residents</p>
Endeavour Award (Most Improved Entry)	<p>Winner – Wadelai/ Hillcrest – Plant Sale</p> <p>Merit - 1. Wadelai/Hillcrest 2. Wadelai/Hillcrest</p>
Apartment Complex	Winner – St Canice’s Court
Allotments	Winner – FAST (Finglas Tidy Towns) Runner-Up – Meakstown Allotments
BUSINESS COMPETITION	
Best Shopfront	Winner – Twigs and Berries

Better Ballymun

The Better Ballymun Project are still going strong within the Covid-19 restrictions and working on small scale projects within the Community. They are now finalists in the Pride of Place awards, which take place virtually this year on the 21st November . We wish them luck in the competition.

Leaf Collection

The Public Domain Team and Waste Management Crews are working tirelessly to distribute blue bags for leaf collection. The North West Communities are working hard to remove the leaves from the footpaths and communal areas and DCC North West would like to thank all the groups and individuals involved in this initiative. There were 370 collections of blue bags noted on CRM for the month of October and given that there are at least 4 bags in each pick up gives an indication of the mammoth task that is being undertaken.

Illegal Dumping

There were 214 incidents of illegal dumping noted in the month of October for the North West Area. This figure has remained stable for the last number of months.

Christmas Tree Finglas Village

The Christmas Tree for Finglas Village will be lit up at the end of November. In line with Covid 19 restrictions there will be no event taking place this year. Hopefully, we can look forward to some events of this nature in 2021.

Bulb Distribution

The Public Domain Team sourced a large amount of bulbs from the Parks Department and, with assistance from our Community Team, were in a position to distribute a parcel of bulbs to 120 Community and Environmental Groups over the last few weeks. These were very well received by the groups.

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