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**To: The chairperson and members of  
North Central Area Committee**

Meeting: 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.

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**ARTANE/WHITEHALL LEA - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEAM UPDATE FOR THE  
JUNE MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**

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**The Stardust Walkers Group**

Stardust Memorial Park, Adare Road Coolock, Dublin 17.

The Stardust walkers group was set up and is supported by the Artane /Whitehall Community Development team. The walk is held every Tuesday at 9.40am in the Stardust Memorial Park. The average number of participants each week ranges from 10- 20 people.



**The Ellenfield Walk**

This walk is based in Ellenfield Park, Glencorp Road Whitehall Dublin 9. This was an 8 week walking programme that was started in mid-March and finished the end of April. We hope this walking programme will return at the end of September /October. This walking project is in conjunction with the Artane/Whitehall Community Development Team and our Sports Development Team.

### **Easter activities**

The Artane/Whitehall Community Development Team supported local schools at Easter with Easter Eggs for competitions. We also donated Easter Eggs to the Salvation Army Family Hub which provides temporary emergency accommodation for 28 families. We also helped Aoibhneas which is a refuge for families of domestic violence with Easter eggs for the young families.



### **Men Sheds**

The Artane/Whitehall Community Development Team continue to support the Priorswood Men's Shed. This group meet on Wednesday morning. They take part in a range of various activities.

The Artane /Whitehall Community Development Team arranged, through Dublin Fire Brigade donated a supply of modern smoke alarms for all the local Men's Shed groups. The Artane/Whitehall Community Development Team give ongoing support to a number of Men Sheds in the local area.



### **The Priorswood Parish Pastoral Centre**

The Artane/Whitehall Community Development Team and the Sports Development Team supported the Priorswood Parish Centre fun sports day which was held on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2022. There was approximately 40 members of the community ranging in age from 55 to 75 years. There was numerous activities including cricket, Jenga, handball and volleyball. The Parish Centre arrange many activities throughout the year for all ages. Dublin City Council Community Team and Sports Development team worked in partnership on these events.



### Darndale Park

Dublin City Council supported the **Another Way 5K** event which took place in Darndale Park on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022. This initiative was part of the “Get The Message Out” campaign which was established by Northside Partnership, to improve the lives of people in the area and to foster positive change. It promotes a positive representation of Darndale.



### Lorcan Community Centre Hall

A garden project has started in the grounds of Lorcan Community Centre Hall, Santry. This project involves the 18<sup>th</sup> Scout group Den which is situated on Lorcan Green, Santry and local residents. Both groups are working jointly on this community initiative and are being supported by the Artane /Whitehall Community Development Team.



## **Environmental work**

We have supported a number of Environmental groups and have delivered plants to 48 groups in our area as part of The City Neighbourhoods Competition 2021. We have also distributed application forms for The City Neighbourhoods Competition 2022.

We continually liaise with the Environmental groups and have handed out bags, gloves, pickers.



*Beaumont Residents Association receiving their plants*



*Newbury Volunteer group*

## **Darndale Park**

Community Development Team continue to support the local schools in conjunction with the Parks Section with environmental projects in the area.



*(picture above tree planting in the Darndale Park with students from Our Lady of Immaculate Senior School)*

### **The Kilmore West sensory garden**

This garden was developed jointly by Dublin City Council and the local community and is actively used by the community. The sensory garden is maintained by “The Get Kilmore Going” group. The Artane /Whitehall Community Development Team are continuing to develop and support “The Get Kilmore Going” community group for the improvement of the Kilmore West area.



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