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To: The chairperson and members of
North Central Area Committee

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**PUBLIC DOMAIN TEAM UPDATE FOR THE
JULY MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**

Waste Management & Illegal Dumping

The Public Domain Team continue to provide equipment to groups across the North Central Area for carrying out community clean ups. During the month of June, the team responded to and completed 200 Community Clean Ups, 44 Sweep your Street and 44 Illegal dumping requests. Unfortunately, there are continuous issues with illegal dumping across the area but our amazing team in Waste Management are always on hand to assist. They recently cleared 20 tonnes of waste illegally dumped at the square in the Malahide Road Industrial Park.



Graffiti

During the month of June, the Public Domain team responded to 30 incidents of graffiti across the North Central Area. We arranged removal of graffiti on utility boxes, on public rights of way, on walls, poles and shelters etc. Here are some examples of graffiti that was removed from a cross section of the NCA area - Clontarf Shelters, Father Collins Park, Albert College Estate, Primrose Grove, Darndale & Church Avenue Drumcondra.



Signage/Planters/Equipment

The following heritage style signs were ordered in June and we are awaiting delivery:

- Welcome to Artane
- Gracefield Avenue
- Welcome to Limewood

A new raised bed was installed around the Casino Park entrance sign and we also took delivery of our first ecoplastic sustainable planters for the North Central Area. These planters are maintenance free- no painting or treating is necessary. An occasional power wash will keep them looking new. They are climate resistant -UV stable so won't fade and are even resistant in marine environments. They are rot proof even after flooding and are made of vandal resistant material- minimum damage from scoring and graffiti can easily be removed with solvent. No rusting or splintering and they are made from 100% recycled plastic.



Weeding

Weeding continues to be an issue across the North Central Area but we are supplying equipment to groups to help them and we hope to have the strimmer scheme up and running, to tackle the worst hit areas very soon.

City Neighbourhoods Competition

The judging for the City Neighbourhoods Competition in the North Central Area is now complete and the results will be forwarded to DCC's Litter Management Office. There is some amazing work being done by committed groups of residents' right across the area. People are becoming so much more aware of the benefits of biodiversity, recycling and using spaces to their best potential.

Utility Boxes

Painting of the utility boxes has started in North Central and we are pleased to report that 2 artists have completed their artwork at Watermill Road and Howth Road in Raheny. Work on the following boxes is underway - Donnycarney, Brookwood Rise and Sybil Hill. The box at the Clontarf waterworks is due to start next week.



A total of 25 utility boxes throughout the North Central Area will be painted by the end of August.

2 boxes in Darndale will also be prepared for artwork this weekend.

The Link Road, Priorswood, Darndale, Dublin.

Priorswood Road, Darndale, Dublin 17 @ the roundabout.

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