

Date: 28th September 2022

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

Meeting: 17th October 2022

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

Environmental Groups

The Artane /Whitehall LEA Community Development Team have supported local environmental groups with their improvement and development in preparation for the City Neighbourhoods Competition. There are new environmental groups in Darndale and Belcamp that have been established, liaised with and will be given further support with their development.

The team have been engaging closely with Hampstead Senior Citizens to revive their environmental group and expand participation. We have provided winter bedding plants and tools. The group also received an award at this year's City Neighbourhood Awards.

The Artane /Whitehall LEA Community Development team have linked in with Housing Section to support the Hampstead Senior Citizens in the set up and reopening of their community room for socialising and to combat isolation in the complex.



Local Area Community Grants

The Artane /Whitehall LEA local Area Community Grants for 2022 have been received by the Community Development Team. The grants have been processed and returned to Community & Social Development Section. There were 48 applications for the Artane - Whitehall LEA of which 6 were Adult Education grant applications.

Halloween 2022

The Artane /Whitehall LEA Community Development team are working with local groups in Kilmore, Santry, Darndale, supporting them with their small events for Halloween and for the mid-term break. The Darndale Halloween festival is being organised by the Community team in conjunction with Creative Places and other agencies. This promises to be a spectacular event with a main entertainment stage showcasing local talent, food stalls and many other spooky themed entertainments ending in a fireworks display in Darndale Park. The event will take place at 4pm at the Darndale /Belcamp Village Centre and will finish at 7pm. Fireworks will proceed at 7pm in the Darndale Park (Darndale Park will be closed to the public but the fireworks can be seen from a distance) The fun will begin at 4pm and finish circa 7.15pm.



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