

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

**Meeting: 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Item No: 3**

**Finglas Area Office Report**

**Housing (Jan – Sept)**

Estate Management

No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - drug related	24
No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - not drug related	18
No. Other Complaints (nuisance)	195
No. Racial Harassment Complaints	2

No. Anti-Social Interviews per 1997 Act	13
No. Other Interviews	106
No. Requests for Mediation	0
No. Complaints Referred to Central Est. Mgt. Unit for Action	6

No. Section 20 Possessions	0
No. Excluding Orders	0
• Applied for by tenant	0
• Applied for by DCC	0
• Granted in court	0
• Refused/failed in court	0
• Withdrawn	0
No. Surrender of Tenancy due to Anti-Social Behaviour	4

No. Tenancy Warnings served	3
No. Abandonment notice served	2
No. Possession Orders requested	1
No Court Orders Granted	0
No. Appeals / Judicial Reviews / Challenges	0
No. Warrants Executed (Evictions)	0
No. of refusal / deferral to let due to Anti-Social Behaviour	0

Allocations

<b>Housing &amp; Apartments</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>Housing</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Choice Base Letting</b>
Bands 2 & 3	6	4	4
Medical	3	2	3
Welfare	1	0	
Homeless	0	N/A	
Travellers	0	N/A	
Homeless HAP	N/A	5	3
De-tenanting	N/A	1	
Estate Management	N/A	2	
Maintenance Grounds	N/A	3	
Surrendering Larger	N/A	0	
Succession		1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Senior Citizens</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>Housing</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Choice Base Letting</b>
Bands 2 & 3	5	0	2

Medical	1	1	
Welfare	0	0	
Homeless	3	0	
Homeless HAP	0	1	
Travellers	N/A	0	
Estate Management	N/A	0	
De-tenanting	N/A	0	
Maintenance Grounds	N/A	1	
Surrendering Larger	N/A	1	
Financial Contribution			
Succession	0	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>

Voids Report

<b>Vacant Housing Units (34)</b>			
<b>Address</b>	<b>Type of unit</b>	<b>Date of vacancy</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Abbotstown Avenue	2 bed house	23/12/2021	Works in progress
Abbotstown Drive	2 bed house	29/11/2021	Works in progress
Abbotstown Drive	3 bed house	27/06/2022	Works in progress
Abbotstown Road	2 bed house	15/03/2022	Works in progress
Ballygall Crescent	3 bed house	22/07/2021	Works in progress
Ballygall Parade	2 bed maisonette	11/02/2022	Works in progress

Ballygall Parade	2 bed maisonette	05/05/2022	Works in progress
Barry Drive	3 bed house	02/09/2022	Works in progress
Barry Drive	3 bed house	27/06/2022	Works in progress
Barry Park	3 bed house	25/07/2022	Works in progress
Berryfield Drive	3 Bed house	04/07/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Cappagh Drive	2 bed house	31/01/2022	Works in progress
Casement Green	3 bed house	14/07/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Cloonlara Road	3 bed house	22/07/2021	Works in progress
Deanstown Park	4 bed house	27/06/2022	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	09/06/2022	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	05/05/2022	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	14/10/2022	Works in progress
Finglas Park	3 bed house	23/08/2022	Works in progress
Finglaswood Road	2 bed maisonette	19/07/2022	Works in progress
Griffith Parade	2 bed house	20/12/2021	Works in progress
Griffith Parade	2 bed house	21/02/2022	Works in progress
Kilshane Road	3 bed house	21/06/2022	Works in progress
Kippure Park	3 bed house	14/12/2021	Works in progress
Kippure Park	3 bed house	06/9/2022	Works in progress
McKelvey Ave	3 bed house	06/9/2022	Works in progress
Mellowes Avenue	4 bed house	30/11/2021	Works in progress
Ratoath Drive	3 bed house	31/01/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Ratoath Road	3 bed house	23/06/2022	Works in progress
Rathvilly Park	4 bed house	15/06/2022	Works in progress
St Canice's Court	2 bed house	25/05/2022	Works in progress / On offer

The Iona	2 bed apt	21/10/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Virginia Park	3 bed house	6/9/2022	Works in progress
Westpark Drive	3 bed house	17/02/2022	Works in progress / On offer

<b>Vacant Senior Citizens Units (14)</b>			
<b>Address</b>	<b>Type of Unit</b>	<b>Date of vacancy</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Brookville Court	1 Bed	30/9/2022	Works in progress
Glasanaon Court	Bedsit	08/08/2022	Works in progress
Glasanaon Court	1 Bed	13/05/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Kildonan Court	1 Bed	21/03/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Kilshane Court	2 Bed	19/05/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Kilshane Court	2 Bed	24/08/2022	Works in progress
Kilshane Court	2 Bed	5/9/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	24/09/2021	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	01/07/2022	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	1 Bed	11/07/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	26/08/2022	Works in progress
Merville Court	1 Bed	04/8/2022	Works in progress
Merville Court	1 Bed	14/03/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Merville Court	2 Bed	31/05/2022	Works in progress

#### Choice Based Lettings

- The following dwellings were advertised through the above scheme.

<b>Type of Dwelling</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Closing Date</b>	<b>No of applicants eligible</b>	<b>No of applicants not eligible</b>
3 Bedroom House	77 Fairlawn Road	02/09/2022	50	24
3 Bedroom House	35 Glenties Park	02/09/2022	91	29
3 Bed House	123 Kippure Park	14/10/2022		
3 Bed House	68 Fairlawn Road	14/10/2022		
3 Bed House	69 Fairlawn Road	14/10/2022		

#### Finglas Projects Update

- Ratoath Avenue 6 x 1 bed Apartments  
Selection process for applicants is under way for these units and it is estimated these units will be ready mid-November.
- 13a Casement Drive 2 x 2 bed Apartments  
Tender report submitted, however the only valid tender is in excess of approved funding available.
- 47-48 Barnamore Drive 2 x 3 bed dwellings  
Tender report submitted, however the only valid tender is in excess of approved funding available.
- Berryfield Drive  
A new primarily design proposal is currently being assessed.
- 307 Casement Road  
Tender report submitted, however the one valid tender received which was in excess of the approved funding available.

Consideration is being given to put both Barnamore and the Casement projects out in the same Tender, this may yield a better response from the market. However this approach will require careful consideration as due to the current nature of the construction market a re-tender may not achieve any cost savings at this time.

#### Rents Update

- The Finglas Area Office continues to offer rent assessment service for tenants living in the Finglas area.

Assessments	1148
Applications for Permission to Reside	38
Refunds	34

## **COMMUNITY & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

### Halloween

The annual outdoor Finglas Fright Night Halloween Festival is back!

It will take place on site at the Civic Centre, Mellows Road on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 6pm to 9pm. All are welcome to attend this fun, safe, family event. Information event posters will be placed within the Finglas area.

This year will have many attractions, including the teenage terminator fun fair ride, mini roller coaster, teacups, a carousel, magic show, face painters inflatable obstacle courses, carnival stalls, main stage entertainment and a spectacular fireworks show.

Due to the growth of the event requirements around Health & Safety, First Aid and Security have also increased resulting in the need for Festival organisers to use organisations that can provide appropriate levels of cover.



Community participation is key to the success of the Halloween Festival; Dublin City Council will meet with volunteers on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm, to allocate stalls and to brief volunteers on Health & Safety procedures for Halloween Night.

#### November Exercise classes

The chair based exercises and adapted tai chi was such a great success in September that the Community & Social Development Section (CSDS) have decided to do another four weeks fitness classes for the month of November. Registration details have been sent to all the Finglas community. There are classes booked in for February and April next year and will continue on into 2023 if demand is there.

#### Out and About Newsletter

Our Dublin City Council Finglas “Out and About” newsletter has been launched this week. The (CSDS) have been working to gather information on active groups, activities and information on what is available in the area. This is a valuable source of information for the community of Finglas. The newsletter has been circulated to all our community groups, mailing lists and councillors. Hardcopies are available in Finglas Library and the Finglas Area Office reception. If you would like a copy sent out in the post or would like to add your community group information in the next issue, please contact: [finglascommunity@dublincity.ie](mailto:finglascommunity@dublincity.ie)

#### Circus Project Programme

The CSDS, is providing support to the children from the Finglas Sunshiney Day Youth Club to participate in a six week circus programme. Each class will have a social objective such as resilience, teamwork, celebrating diversity and a skill objective such as hula hoop, juggling and stilt walking.

At the end of the project the children will put on a Halloween Circus Performance.



### Community Grants

This year the CSDS received 72 applications for consideration through our DCC Community Grants Scheme. These have been processed and our recommendations have been finalised. The grants are now being processed by the Community Development Section Head Office.

### Finglas Older Persons Dance

This event took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> September in Erin's Isle and was a great success with over 250 people in attendance. The Garda Band gave a lively performance to start off the night followed by dinner, dancing and a sing along. The Lord Mayor of Dublin Caroline Conroy was there on the night. A big thank you from the Community Team to everyone who contributed to the great success of the event and all those who supported it. Over €1,000 was raised from the ticket sales going to the Rising Voices Choir.



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