

**To the Chairperson and Members
Of the Central Area Committee**

8th November 2022

Housing Matters North East Inner City

Choice Based Lettings:

Our most recent round of Choice Based Lettings closed on Friday 14th October 2022. Units on offer consisted of two x 2 Bed Units, one at North Williams Street Flats, and one at Crinan Strand. There was a 100 expressions of interest in total for these units. Selections are been finalised and successful applicants will be notified in due course. There will be another round of Choice Based lettings advertised in the coming weeks. Units on offer will be circulated to the members.

CCTV Upgrade:

The first phase of our CCTV upgrade is now completed. CCTV is now centralised in a secure area. James Larkin House, St. Mary's Court, and Summerhill have been added to the centralised system. In total we have 17 sites centralised. The second phase of works will resume in the first quarter of 2023. This will include upgrading of old cameras and a number of sites will be identified for CCTV systems to be installed.



Bonfire Material:

Central Area Housing have been working in conjunction with Waste Management, An Garda Síochána, and other stakeholders in the NEIC in the detection of combustible materials used to build bonfires. Staff have patrolled the streets from the 22nd to 31st October, with Drones deployed on the 21st, and 26th to 28th. A significant amount of materials have been found, a final account of which, will be given in next month's report.

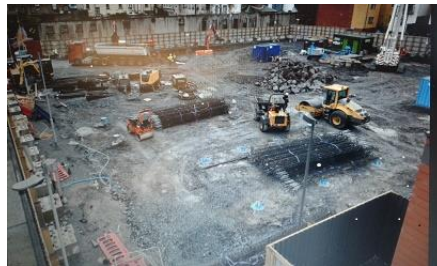
Brendan Behan Court:

The Landscaping of the perimeter hedging and plants of Brendan Behan Court has been completed.



Poole House Apartments, Poplar Row:

A special “showing day” was organized for potential new tenants at Poole House on Saturday 8th October. A Tenants Handbook, specific to the Complex, has been produced in conjunction with the management company, which outlines essential guidelines as well as information on recycling, fire safety, TV & broadband, etc. The property consists of 3x 3 bed, 19 x 2 bed, and 17 x 1 bed units. All units are fully furnished.



Railway Street.

The new development by Circle Housing on Railway Street has commenced. When completed it will provide 40+ apartment and duplex type units.

Sean O Casey/Summerhill

The Area Housing Manager, Project Estate Officer, LCSP, NEIC and our Community development team continue to engage with the residents of Sean O Casey and Summerhill. A recent letter highlighting the concerns in relation to the continuous dumping in the lane ways, incorporating preventive measures and outlining relevant phone numbers was issued to each household. As a result DCC have made a couple of house calls to those allegedly dumping waste into the lane way. The area office in consultation with the residents are working hard to improve the environs of the area and we are currently planning some events for Christmas.

Summer Street North:

A new decorative gate with mesh support has been erected on Summer Street North at the entrance to the community garden. The pathway, leading into the garden, has also been resurfaced.



Tom Clarke House:

The Perimeter Railings against the laneway at Orchard Road have been repaired and painted a dark green in-line with the surrounding environs. The ivy and other overgrowth has also been cut back.

Estate Management Housing Statistics, October 2022

ESTATE MANAGEMENT

Housing Manager:

Paul White

No of anti-social complaints per 1997 act Drug related	9
No of anti-social complaints per 1997 act not Drug related	41
No. of other complaints	32
Total Complaints	82

No of anti-social Interviews per 1997 Act	15
No of other interviews	14
Total interviews	29

No of requests for mediation	
No of complaints referred to the Central Unit for action	3
No of Tenancy Warnings issued	
No of Excluding Orders issued	
No of Section 20s	

Allocations:

Housing (band 2&3)	6
Transfers (band 2&3)	6
Older Persons Housing (band 2&3)	0
Older Persons Transfers (band 2&3)	7
Medical & Welfare	0
Older Persons Medical & Welfare	2
Homeless	2
Transfer /HAP	5
Fire/flood/Emg – Maintenance	
Estate Management	
Choice Based Lettings	1
RAS Exits	

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Sean Foster Place

The assigned certifier met with the architects and the rest of the design team on Tuesday 25th October. There are a small number of items to be resolved e.g. some of the doors need to be adjusted where not fully closing and some doors have minor damage like cracked lipping / chipped leaf etc. Some compliance paper work has still to be completed including a new form from SEAI. Contractors have advised their aim to have items completed by Wednesday 2nd November. The assigned Certifier is engaging with Building Control regarding completion.

Dominic Street Lower

There is still no official handover date as yet. Building Control have 21 days from this date to register the building. Substantial completion should be 14th November

Constitution Hill

Housing Maintenance works continue on 16 voids in blocks 2 and 3. Residents and councillors came to view the design proposals for Constitution Hill. Very good feedback was received on the night by all. Members of the design team from Grafton Architects and Colleagues from DCC City Architects and Housing Regeneration were in attendance.

Blackhall Queen Street Complex

A DJ, Music and games will take place in the complex as part of Halloween Night festivities. Flyers to households and posters displayed in the complex were issued advertising events to residents.

Estate Management is liaising with the caretakers & residents regarding the upkeep of the complex.

Hardwicke Street

The painting of the fencing surrounding Hardwicke Street is now complete. A DJ, music and games will take place in the complex as part of Halloween Night festivities. Flyers to households and posters displayed in the complex were issued advertising events to residents. On-going discussions between Estate Management and Residents as issues arise.

Chancery House

On-going discussions between Estate Management and Residents as issues arise.

Saint Michans House

The Nightmare Realm is taking place in the markets area at present. It has proven a big success in the area and has drawn much attention from visitors. A DJ, Music and games will take place in the complex as part of Halloween Night festivities. Flyers to households and posters displayed in the complex were issued advertising events to residents. Monthly meetings are on-going with members of the residents association to discuss all issues related to the complex.

Drumalee Estate/ Court

A Halloween Party has been arranged in Drumalee Drive on Monday 31st October. On-going meetings with Estate Management, Residents and Gardaí take place on a regular basis.

Kevin Barry House

A DJ, Music and games will take place in the complex as part of Halloween Night festivities. Flyers to households and posters displayed in the complex were issued advertising events to residents.

After a major incident which occurred in the complex a flat remains steeled and remains with An Garda.

On-going discussions between Estate Management and Residents as issues arise.

Henrietta House

6 small plants boxes were given to the complex from the community section as part of the garden project.

20 tickets for Nightmare Realm were given to the children in the complex from the Community Section. The outing was a huge success and lots of positive feedback was received. A DJ, Music and games will take place in the complex as part of Halloween Night festivities. Flyers to households and posters displayed in the complex were issued advertising events to residents.

On-going discussions between Estate Management and Residents as issues arise.

Wolfe Tone Close

Ongoing meetings are taking place with residents and estate management concerning the general upkeep of the complex.

Sheridan Place / Court

Work has commenced on the demolition of the former Amharclann Centre. Environmental monitors have been installed and are functioning correctly. Barnmoe have carried out property condition surveys.

On-going discussions between Estate Management and Residents as issues arise.

Estate Management Housing Statistics, October 2022

Housing Managers: **Marion Foran** **Paul White**

No of anti-social complaints per 1997 act Drug related	15	0
No of anti-social complaints per 1997 act not Drug related	6	0
No. of Complaints	3	0
Total Complaints	24	0

No of anti-social Interviews per 1997 Act	5	0
No of other interviews	0	0
Total interviews	5	0

No of requests for mediation	0	0
No of complaints referred to the Central Unit for action	0	0
No of Section 20 Evictions	0	0

Allocations

Bands 2 & 3	2	0
Medical	0	0
Welfare	0	0
Homeless	0	0
Travellers	0	0
Succession	0	0
RAS/HAP	0	0
Fire/flood/Emg – Maintenance	0	0
Surrender Larger	0	0

Housing Managers:

Marion Foran

Paul White

Senior Citizens

Bands 2 & 3	0	0
Medical	0	0
Welfare	0	0
Homeless	0	0
Travellers	0	0

Voids

Long Term Maintenance	0	0
Contracts	30	0
Capital Projects	97	0

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Community Development Matters in the Central Area:

North Inner City

The Ballybough Pride of Place:

This group has reached a mile stone of eighty clean-ups since they were set up.

The group has been successful in direct interventions as well as highlighting the theme of pride of place amongst other stake holders in the area.

Their clean up on the 22nd October was followed by a Pizza and Coffee lunch for participants.

In November, they will plant Spring bulbs around the area.



Dorset Street Planters:

The planter units on Dorset Street were given a refresh during the month of October with replacement plants installed along the route. The units are serviced regularly as part of an overall scheme of 60+ units.

The project is funded through the Councillors Discretionary Fund.



Sherrard St Pride of Place:

This group continue to make steady progress. They held a clean-up on Sunday 23rd October.

Twenty people from different cultural backgrounds living in the area attended the “Nightmare Realm” in the fruit and veg market as a reward for their continued efforts and to encourage closer cultural understanding and integration. This outing was an overwhelming success.



The Nightmare Realm @ the Fruit & Veg Market

The Community Section assisted in the advance planning for the “Nightmare Realm” at the Fruit and Veg Markets. The section distributed six hundred complementary tickets to the local community.

The Big scream Festival @ NEIC

This is probably Dublin’s Biggest Halloween Festival. It offers a month long program of arts workshops, online events and competitions that lead up to the main festival programme.

The main festival operated from the 27th October through to the 31st and has a wide range of engaging activities for all ages. The full programme can be found at www.bigscream.ie

There are celebrations for older adults at Ballybough and Lourdes day care centre including afternoon tea and seniors “Dress up”

The two day Fun fair @ O’Connell’s CBS attracted over four thousand five hundred people attended this event. A session for children with sensory needs was provided on both days.

Big Scream Cat walk:

Primary Schools from the North East Inner City took part in the Halloween Cat walk in Mountjoy Square Park on Thursday 27th October. Two hundred children attended this event.



Big Scream @ Rainbow Park

A large crowd attended the event at rainbow park. This aspect of the festival included a fun fair and stage with local talent. The newly formed Sherriff St Festival committee assisted in organising this event.



Big Scream @ The Royal Canal Greenway

Pictured here are local East wall based band "Zestra" who played on the stage at the Royal Canal. Other attractions included fire jugglers, roaming entertainers and a Samba band



Halloween @ Mud Island Community Garden:

Mud Island hosted the return of their ever popular family Halloween fright night. The event was organised by members of the Garden Committee and the Sea Scouts based at New Common Cottage @ Mud Island. The event was funded by the Central Area Office

Halloween @ East Wall

East Wall Community Centre are held a dinner and music for seniors on Wednesday 26th.

Nascadh, DCC Community Centre and St Mary's Youth held their parade and Halloween festivities through the area from St Mary's Youth Club via Church Road to Russell Avenue 7pm On the 31st. Additional activities will took place at St Mary's Youth Club and at the DCC Community Centre @ Russell Avenue.

Halloween @ Dublin Northwest Inner City:

A total of over six hundred children visited four events organised at Hardwick Street, Kevin Barry House, Marmion Court and St Michan's House.

Each complex had an entertainment programme, games and a Disco. The organisation of all four events were supported by members of the local community.

These four events were funded through the Councillors Discretionary Fund.

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