

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

Meeting: 13th November 2022

Item No: 7

PUBLIC DOMAIN REPORT

December Anti-dumping initiative

An increase in illegal dumping has been noted throughout the area over the last number of weeks. Illegal dumping is costly and a significant amount of resources are required to tackle this problem. This issue is demoralising to our Tidy Towns volunteers and community groups who work tirelessly to clean and enhance our area.

A leaflet drop around illegal dumping is being organised in Finglas and Ballymun to remind people of their obligations.

Waste should be disposed of in the correct manner via Household bin collection, bulky household waste collection <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/waste-and-recycling/bulky-household-waste-collection-services> and at Bring Centres <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/waste-and-recycling/recycling-information/bring-centres-dublin-city-council>.



Graffiti

From January to November the amount of graffiti removed by Contractor was 1077msq, which is down 500sqm on the same period last year.

• Illegal Dumping:	1979 incidents recorded to date
• Leaflet Drops:	18 Leaflet Drops to Households approximately 500 leaflets distributed by team

- **Enforcement:** Businesses all called to prior to Halloween and all Takeaways in the NWA called to throughout the year to remind them of their responsibility under the Litter Bye Laws.

4000 leaflets were delivered to both Finglas and Ballymun in the run up to Halloween.

Leaf Composting

The Public Domain Section teamed up with Craig Benton also known as “Doctor Compost” and held a free leaf composting workshop in Ballymun and Finglas.

This workshop covered how to make leaf mould cages, where to place them, how to manage the leaf mould cages once they are set up and how to use the compost made. This is the easiest way to make compost and helps the community turn “waste” into resources.

Planters at St. Canice’s Church, Main Street, Finglas

To support the centenary of St. Canice’s Church, Finglas, the Area Office installed high specification planters and a bench to enhance the front of the church and make it more aesthetically pleasing. The church de-commissioned five parking bays that were a health and safety concern.

Before



After



Art - Fuel yard/St Canice’s Abbey, Church Street

A contractor was commissioned to carry out an art proposal for the out building at the Fuel Yard Apartments, Church Street. These images will mirror the historic Church in St Canice’s Graveyard to the rear. The images will also include and represent the history of Finglas i.e. The Nethercross and an extremely rare brooch that was discovered along with the remains of a 10th century Viking Lady. This work will be completed in early December.



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