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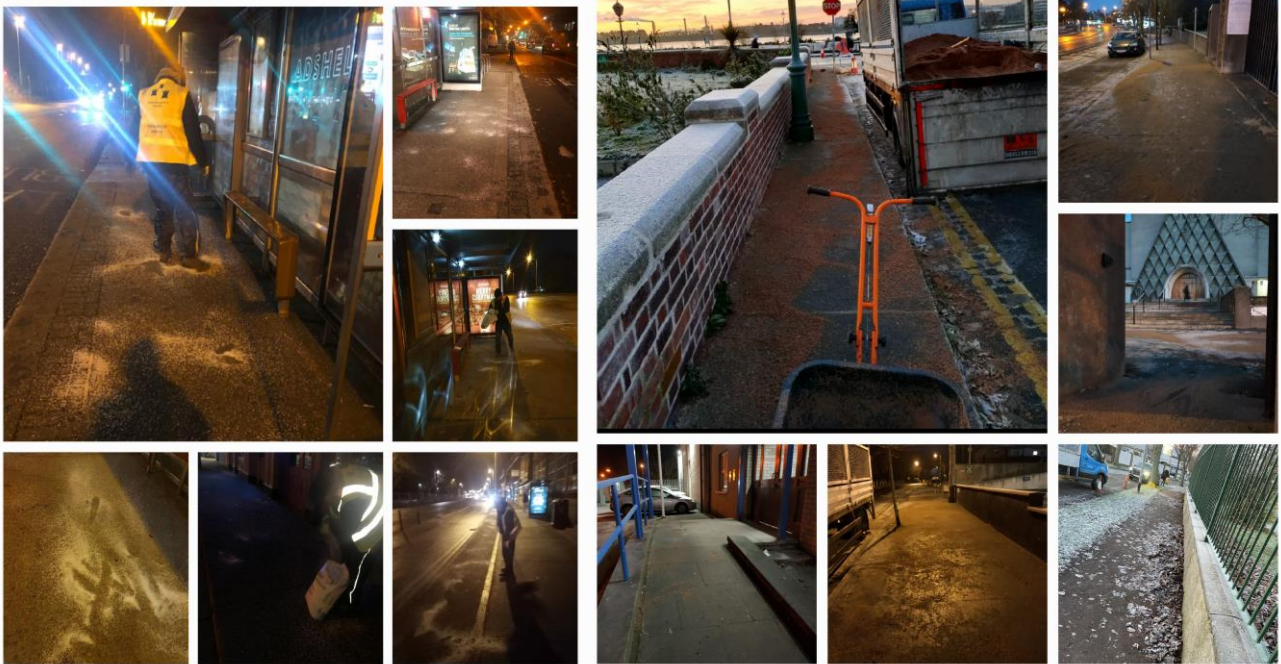
To: The chairperson and members of
North Central Area Committee

Meeting: 16th January, 2023.

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

Gritting

Waste Management staff gritted areas of high priority around schools, bus stops, cycle-ways, shop fronts, churches and Garda Stations to keep pedestrians & cyclists safe during the cold spell in December. The Road Maintenance Department focused on main thoroughfares.



Graffiti

We continue to respond to reports of graffiti across the area. Residents can also log these requests directly on Citizen Hub.

Street Cleaning

Members of the public can check when their area is next due a street sweep by visiting the DCC website. <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/waste-and-recycling/street-sweeping>

Click on: Dublin City Council- Residential- Environment Waste and Recycling- Street Sweeping

Planters

New sustainable 100% recycled plastic planters were delivered to Main Street Clongriffin, The Clans in Donnycarney & Apollo Way in Coolock just in time for Christmas.

The square style containers were planted up with silver birch trees as a centre piece and around the tree are a selection of the following plants:

- Viburnum tinus- an evergreen pollinator friendly shrub that starts flowering in late autumn and flowers until late spring so is great for winter interest and food for bees when there is very little else Hellebores in pinks and whites
- Geranium dreamland
- Purple Heucheras
- Pink polyanthus

The tiered style planter was planted up with the following variety of plants:

- Geranium dreamland
- Salvia caradonna
- Geranium rozanne
- Hellebore
- Pink polyanthus



Huge thanks to Joe O'Reilly and his team in Parks for planting up the containers for us and getting them safely onsite on Thursday 22nd December 2022.



The planters in The Clans & Apollo Way are being trialled and if they are successful we will consider placing more of these planters with trees in these areas in 2023. Residents had expressed a wish for more trees in their locality and since the pathways are not suitable for planting into we are trialling this idea.

We have also been renovating and moving some wooden planter boxes from areas where they are not being cared for. Here are some images of the planters at their new homes in the North Central.



Signage:

New signage will be considered as the budget allows in 2023.

Leaf Composting

We received a request for help to clear an area close to the Post Office on Griffith Avenue that had extensive leaf fall and no residents living nearby to clear it. The Parks team from Albert College Park helped us to remove the old leaf baskets from the site and they will use the compost in the park. We then organised for the area to be cleared and we placed some new leaf composting baskets with signage at the location. Huge thanks to the Drainage Team for providing us with much needed water on the day to wet the leaves before we placed them into the baskets and for giving us a helping hand to fill the baskets.



Murals

2 new pieces of artwork were completed recently in the Sensory Garden & Fairy Garden on Springdale Road using funding provided by Councillor Tom Brabazon & Councillor Daryl Barron's Discretionary Budgets.

Artist Elaine Prunty designed and created a beautiful mosaic piece of wall art in the Sensory Garden. Artist Susan Crossan designed and created a magical fairy piece on a fairy house in the Fairy Garden.



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