

**To the Chairperson and Members of
The Central Area Committee**

February 2024

**Area Housing Report
Cabra/Glasnevin/NWIC**

Housing Office Annamoe Terrace

With a view to re-opening the Housing office and providing a public counter service a number of issues have been addressed:

- CCTV Room – works complete
- Secure interview room with protective screen and two door access - works complete

Senior Citizen Complexes

A full review of the CCTV coverage across the Senior Citizen Complexes has been completed. All of the CCTV coverage now feeds back to the Housing Office and is available to An Garda Síochána upon request.

- New cameras installed and FOB access to gates implemented in Dominic Court
- Lighting - the complex has been listed for lighting upgrading works. This upgrading will change the current street lighting to LED lighting.

Costings received to upgrade existing cameras across the following complexes:

- Rowan Hamilton Court
- Convent View
- Dunard Court
- St Bricin's Court
- McKee Court
- St Peter's Court
- Eccles Court
- Clareville Court
- Aughtrim Court
- Botanic Court

These works will be implemented on a phased basis throughout the year.

St Peter's Court

- Deep clean completed. All shrubbery and green spaces cleaned and cutback
- Stairs – power washed regularly – Caretakers supervisor has confirmed this work has been carried out.
- Community Room – to be cleaned, upgraded and brought back in to use – on-going – works commenced.

A request for some benches to be installed will be considered following the cleaning and upgrading works.

McKee Court

- Deep clean completed. All shrubbery and green spaces cleaned and cutback
- Bait boxes laid and deep cleaned.

Dunmanus Court

- Deep clean completed. All shrubbery and green spaces cleaned and cutback

Bricin's Park

- Deep clean completed. All shrubbery and green spaces cleaned and cutback
- Quotes sought to upgrade existing flower beds and shrubbery.

Botanic Avenue Flats

- External works to garden area rear of senior citizens
- 48m of new footpaths
- Re-pointing of two paving areas
- Quotes received and approved, works commenced.

Canon Burke

This complex is on the Housing Maintenance list for the “Enhanced Works Programme” – start date to be confirmed. The area housing staff will engage with all residents in advance of works commencing. A written request was submitted to Housing Allocations to relocate all remaining seven residents to alternative accommodation on a permanent basis to facilitate the programme of works – on-going.

Infirmary Road

The Infirmary Road development will consist of 38 units in total located in two blocks, with a mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed apartments and duplexes in both blocks. The development has received Part 8 approval to include the demolition of two buildings on site, which excludes the Married Quarters as there is a preservation order in place for this building. Enabling works were completed in Q3 2023.

Lisa Flanagan, Dublin City Council Project Manager attended the last O’Devaney Gardens Forum and confirmed she will meet some members to discuss the plan for the redevelopment of the Cruciform Building on Infirmary Road. This building will be redeveloped to provide a community space for locals. The project will have an estimated 18 month construction programme and consultation will be taking place with local residents over the coming months.

St Marys Place North/ Dorset Street Flats

St Marys Place has now been fully de-tenanted and it is projected that the remaining two blocks in Dorset Street will be fully vacated by Q3 2024. The Housing Office has secured all vacated dwellings. Housing Maintenance is currently undertaking an extensive scheme which involves decommissioning and clearing out all units and blocking access to de-tenanted landings. Palisade fencing of the site commenced on August 30th 2023, following completion of these works the CCTV cameras will be realigned for maximum coverage of the site. The Housing Delivery / Project Manager for this development is Eileen Martin – eileen.martin@dublincity.ie

The Area Housing Manager has met with the remaining tenants in Dorset Street and they have agreed in principal to take two 1 bed units in the development in Wellington Street. These units will be ready for occupation in March 2024. These moves are subject to a letter of comfort for both tenants to return to the new development in Dorset Street in due course if so desired.

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Community and Social Development Report for the Cabra Glasnevin area.

Community Development:

Valentines over 55s Afternoon Tea Dance 

14th February @ 2.30pm - 4.30pm @ Cabra Parkside Sports Centre

A themed and fully ticketed event will be held for over 55s in the Cabra Parkside Sports Hall with the support of Centre Staff. Music and refreshments will be provided with special guests, local entertainment and a raffle. Tickets will be limited to 200 and targeted to residents of DCC senior Complexes and the local community.

14th February @ Clareville Court Senior Citizens Complex, Glasnevin

A Valentine's Day Lunch will be held in the Community Room followed by live music for all invitees both residents of the complex and the local community.

St. Bricins Seniors Complex

24th January 11.00am – 13.00pm

The Community Development team held a meet and greet community coffee morning for the residents to re invigorate them and support a new committee. Many residents attended and a new committee was voted in. Plans are in motion to facilitate their ideas and community development initiatives.

Cabra Knit & Stitch Club

26th January The Maples Hotel

A team building and support lunch was held for the group in the Maples Hotel to facilitate a plan for the group going forward and capacity building and direction within the group.

Cabra Credit Union

Cabra Credit Union have partnered with the community development team to provide a simple route and leaflet to set up accounts for new groups. This will provide financial autonomy for new groups and existing ones to apply for community and other grants in their own right.

Community Rooms in Senior Citizens DCC Complexes Audit:

An audit of DCC Senior Citizens Community Rooms is ongoing to ascertain the condition of these rooms, what they were being used for and by whom and what arrangements are in place for that usage.



A promotional poster for a Valentine's Afternoon Tea Dance. The top section features a light blue background with several vertical strings of pink hearts of varying sizes. Below this, the title "VALENTINE'S AFTERNOON TEA DANCE" is written in a pink, serif font. Underneath the title, it says "OVER 55'S" in a smaller, bold, black font. The next line reads "JOIN US FOR DANCING AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS" in a smaller, black font. Below that, it says "MUSIC BY THE COTTON CLUB QUARTET" in a bold, black font, followed by "NO ADMISSION WITHOUT THIS TICKET" in a smaller, black font. The middle section has a light blue background with a central silhouette of a man dipping a woman. There are several small pink hearts scattered around the couple. Above the couple, there is a logo for "Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath Dublin City Council CABRA AREA OFFICE". The bottom section is a dark pink horizontal bar with three white boxes containing the date "14TH FEBRUARY", the location "CABRA PARKSIDE SPORTS CENTRE RATOATH ROAD D.7", and the time "2.30PM - 4.30PM".

VALENTINE'S AFTERNOON TEA
DANCE

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