

Date: 2nd February 2024

To: The chairperson and members of North Central Area Committee

Meeting: 19th February 2024

DONAGHMEDE LEA & CLONTARF LEA - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEAM UPDATE FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE

Older Peoples Council

The second meeting of the North Central Area's "Older People's Council" met on Tuesday 30th January, where the OPC's terms of reference were discussed and the executive committee members elected. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 9th April.

International Women's Day

International Woman's Day will be celebrated this year on Friday 8th March. The Community Development Team will be engaging with various groups and organisations to support the day.

Senior Exercise Classes

The Sports Officer from Dublin Sports & Wellbeing Partnership has been engaged to run chair aerobics classes for the "Fairview/Marino Tuesday Club". The Club meet every Tuesday in the "Church of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary", on Fairview Strand. Other senior groups in the community who may be interested in availing of these classes have also been identified.

LGBTQI Workshop

Outhouse Limited has been engaged to facilitate an LGBTQI Workshop for Sphere 17, Kilbarrack. This workshop was originally planned for Inclusion & Integration week 6th to 12th November but was rescheduled for February 2024.

Local Enhancement Programme 2024

The Local Enhancement Programme 2024 is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development. Minister for Rural and Community Development Heather Humphreys and Minister of State with responsibility for Community Development and Charities Joe O'Brien have today announced €6 million in capital funding under the "Department of Rural and Community Development Local Enhancement Programme 2024".

Dublin City Council has been allocated €503,189.38

The Programme has a **focus on supporting groups in disadvantaged areas**. Typical enhancements under the CEP include:

- IT equipment
- improvements to buildings
- renovation of community centres
- development of community amenities
- purchase of equipment for community usage
- improvements to town parks, common areas and energy-saving projects

The Enhancement Programme will go live on Monday 19th February, the community team will circulate all the information to the groups and advertise on the social media pages.

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