

Date: 17th October 2024

To: The Chairperson and members of
North Central Area Committee

Meeting: 7th October 2024

Item No:

**ARTANE / WHITEHALL LEA – COMMUNITY & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION
UPDATE
FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**

The Community & Social Development Section (CSDS), Artane - Whitehall LEA continue to meet and support a wide range of community & residents groups in the area on an ongoing basis.

Kilbarron Court Afternoon Tea

CSDS organised an afternoon tea in the common room of Kilbarron Court for residents living in Kilbarron Court and Kilmore Place. Many thanks to Shedwood for providing the entertainment. The section hope to host another afternoon in the centre before Christmas.



Our Lady of Immaculate JNS, Darndale

The Junior School are in the process of making improvements to the outside area of the school. To assist with their planned improvements, the CSDS provided paint for their benches, outdoor classroom, fencing and the fascia. The section also supplied the school with planters for both entrances of the school. This project is ongoing and is being managed by the school and its parents committee.

Age Friendly Sports Taster Day, Sports Ireland Campus

Members of the area's Local Older Persons Council (OPC's) attend an Age Friendly Sports taster day that was organised in partnership with Sports Ireland in September. OPC's from around the country participated in a variety of sports which included walking football, chair volleyball, yoga and Zumba.



Halloween 2024

The CSDS will support a number of community events across the area over the Halloween period. This will include two main events in Darndale and Kilmore.

Darndale festival will be held on Thursday 31st October, the festival will start at 4pm and finish at 7pm. The festival promises to be a wonderful evening of spooky fun Halloween entertainment in Darndale Belcamp Village Centre. The festival will feature, crazy fairground rides, haunted house, face painting, creative workshops, food, spooky storytelling, and a main stage featuring DJ Will Softly, The Bubble Guys, D17 Choir, TBL8 Brass Band, Go Dance for Change. The finale will be the spooktacular fireworks display. Free Event, all welcome.



The CSDS have organised Halloween activities for 31st October in Kilmore Recreation Centre. The first activity will be for 5 to 7 year olds, the event will start at 11:30-1pm and will include spooky face painting, mask making arts and crafts workshops and other fangtastic activities. The second activity will be on from 2pm to 3:30pm for 8-10 year olds and will include spooky face painting, Halloween themed activities and a magic show. This is a free event, however booking is essential, please contact North Central Area Office on north.central@dublincity.ie or (01)2228870 to book a place. This event is being supported by Kilmore West Recreation Centre.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

