

Date: 6th November 2024

To: The Chairperson and members of
North Central Area Committee

Meeting: 18th November 2024

Item No:

**ARTANE / WHITEHALL LEA – COMMUNITY & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION
UPDATE
FOR THE NOVEMBER 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.

Age Friendly Annual Recognition Awards Ceremony

Members of the North Central Area's Older Persons Council attended the annual National Age Friendly Recognition & Achievement Awards that were hosted by Fingal County Council in the Crowne Plaza, Santry on 6th November. Congratulations to all the award winners.



Chair based exercise classes, Whitehall Parish Centre

In conjunction with the Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnerships, Sports Development Officer John McDonald, the CSDS have supported an 8 week programme of chair based exercise classes for older adults in the Parish Centre, Whitehall. The classes are held every Wednesdays at 11:30 – 12:30, the charge to attend is €2 and is pay as you go.



Doras Bui

Through our Social Inclusion Budget, the CSDS have allocated funding to Doras Bui (a parents alone resource centre). This funding allocation will allow the staff to continue to support the families in Coolock parenting children with additional needs by providing a variety of social groups for the children and their siblings. The centre plan to run Lego workshops, drama groups and group to support siblings of children with additional needs. The centre are currently supporting 40 families under this initiative.

Halloween 2024

A large number of Halloween events were held across the Artane-Whitehall LEA. A massive thank you and well done to all the residents, groups and organisations that supported, organised & attended the various events.

The CSDS supported a number of local Halloween events (Woodlawn Residents Association, Lorcan Residence Association, Respond Housing, Gracepark Road complex).

Great fun was also had in Kilmore! The CSDS with the support of Kilmore West Youth Project, Kilmore Recreation Centre Staff and An Garda Siochana held two Halloween themed parties in the Kilmore Recreation Centre on 31st October.

The Darndale Together After Dark Festival continues to grow year on year with another fantastic festival. Many thanks to the members of the Darndale Together After Dark Festival Committee for their ongoing support.

All Halloween events listed were financially supported through the area's discretionary fund.



Above picture's – Kilmore Halloween Event



Above picture's - Darndale Together After Dark



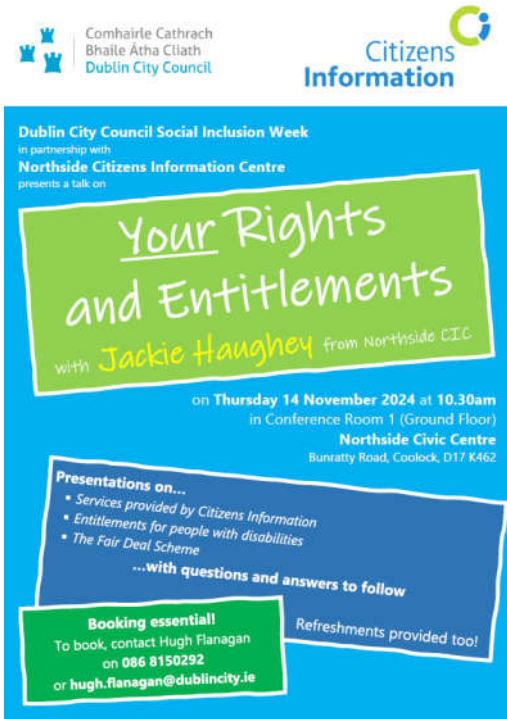
Above picture's – Woodlawn & Lorcan Residents Halloween activities

Inclusion and Integration Week 2024

The annual Inclusion and Integration Week was held on Monday 11th to Sunday 17th November. As part of this week the CSDS supported the events below.

In conjunction with Citizens Information, CSDS have organised a talk on peoples rights and entitlements on Thursday 14th November in Northside Civic Centre.

We have also given a financial contribution to the Lorcan Estate Residents Association for their first Céilé Mór which is being held on Saturday 9th November.



Comhairle Cathrach
Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council

Citizens
Information

Dublin City Council Social Inclusion Week
in partnership with
Northside Citizens Information Centre
presents a talk on

**Your Rights
and Entitlements**
with Jackie Haughey from Northside CIC

on Thursday 14 November 2024 at 10.30am
in Conference Room 1 (Ground Floor)
Northside Civic Centre
Bunsratty Road, Coolock, D17 K462

Presentations on...

- Services provided by Citizens Information
- Entitlements for people with disabilities
- The Fair Deal Scheme

...with questions and answers to follow

Booking essential!
To book, contact Hugh Flanagan
on 086 8150292
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Refreshments provided too!



THE LORCAN ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

CÉILÉ MÓR
FOR THE LORCAN SENIOR RESIDENTS

DANCING WILL START AT 7:30PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH
LORCAN ESTATE CLUBHOUSE



Niamh Reilly

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