

Report on Cleaning in the Darndale Area

The Local Area Office public Domain Team visit Darndale on almost a daily basis to check for dumping and Graffiti which occurs in this area.

Public Domain contact Waste management services and in a lot of cases contact parks services to remove sweep and clean any dumped materials they find on their visits to the area. Waste Management public Domain crews are contacted to carry out clean ups on a regular basis in Darndale as requested by ourselves in the North Central area office and this involves weekend work carried out by the crews also.

These requests are placed on CRM for the immediate attention of the Department who will then carry out the work

Public Domain supply residents groups with clean up materials so that they can carry out work in their area to enhance and upgrade where residents live, work and play.

We also arrange for removal of clean up bags after a job has been carried out by the residents and we will continue to do so.

Public Domain have supplied and paid for numerous planters which have been placed in the Darndale to beautify and upgrade areas which had been used as a dumping ground or a burn out area.

Graffiti contractors remove Graffiti from Darndale on a weekly basis and we undertake to remove offensive Graffiti within 24 hours.

Richard Cleary Public Domain Officer

Waste Management Services clean the Darndale area every Wednesday due to the litter and dumping levels there. This involves a road sweeping machine, a few small dyna vans and the grab lorry for removing dumped items. We also clean the shopping area in Darndale on a daily basis. Every effort is made to keep this area as clean as possible.

Mick Boyle Waste Management

The Darndale and Belcamp parks and open spaces are maintained by contract on a weekly basis which includes the removal of incidental litter, smaller dumped items and bonfires. Darndale Park is litter picked daily for incidental and windblown litter.

Larger scale incidences of illegal dumping require the organisation of a JCB and grab truck to load and remove bulkier and heavier waste. This is expensive and demands a lot of resources and is carried out as required and as resources allow and appears to be necessary every 4 weeks approximately and is averaging in the region of 60 tonnes of illegal dumped waste removed per month.

Since Halloween last year over 250 tonnes have been removed in this way from open spaces in the Darndale area including:

Halloween 2019: 120 tonnes

Christmas 2019 : 60 tonnes

January 2020: 70 tonnes

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