

**To the Chairperson and Members
Of the Central Area Committee**

14th September 2021

North Inner City Community Development Section

Summer Projects

The Community Development Team in association with Cross Care organised six Summer Projects catering for over six hundred children throughout the North Inner City. Activities included, Outings, field games / fitness, Arts and Crafts and games such as bingo. The projects took place in line with Covid restrictions in the following locations; Portland square, St Michan's House, Chancery House / Ormond Square, Henrietta House Dominick Street flats and Summerhill.

Hill Street / Grenville Street Flats

The Community Team have developed a good working relationship with this community. Flower boxes were recently installed on the landings throughout the complex that the residents manage themselves. This project was paid for through the Councillors Discretionary Fund.



East Wall Men's Shed

This group have built a new pagoda entrance to their garden of Church Avenue. The materials were bought using a grant from Dublin City Council. This group continue to assist the community team by manufacturing planter units for other groups around our area. They also manage a number of planter units in the East wall area.



Kayaking

Over five hundred children aged 8 - 17 took part in this activity over the course of eight weeks. The young people involved were brought on a journey up the River Liffey from Customs House Quay as far as O'Connell Bridge. Groups included: Sherriff St, Ballybough, Portland Square, Portland Row, Summerhill, Liberty House, St Michan's House, Patrick Heaney, Sean O'Casey, Hardwicke St, Hill Street and the Diamond Area. This project was funded through the NEIC.



Sailing

Over 200 children aged 10 – 18 years from across the north inner city took part in a sailing programme during July and August. The participants sailed from Dun Laoghaire towards Dalkey / Killiney. Participants were required to assist in all aspects of sailing this ship. Each participant was on board for three and a half hours. They were introduced to all aspects of sailing including rigging, steering, weather forecasting and health and safety at sea. This project was funded through the NEIC.



Frankfort Cottages

The Area Office has assisted this group with the installation of six small planter units, the provision of cleaning materials and a large quantity of paint. The group was also assisted in their application to the NEIC Community Grant Scheme.



East Wall Seniors Summer Project:

This project took place over a six weeks period with activities five days each week. Up to 50 people took part in various events including bingo, exercise classes, music, refreshments, raffle prizes and finger food. The finale event included a full sit down dinner.

It was a great project and helped bring some social and physical/mental wellbeing back to a lot of people. Over the course of the project we had a total of 800 individual contacts with a core group of about 65 people. The project was part funded through the Councillors Discretionary Fund.



Senior Citizens Fun Days

A series of fun days for one hundred and eighty older adults took place at several venues including Brendan Behan Court / Thomas Clarke, St Laurence O'Toole Court, Wolfe Tone Close and the Barbra Ward Centre. Activities included music, bingo, quiz and a sit down meal. The project was funded through the Councillors Discretionary Fund.

Ossory Road

Four planted half barrels have been installed at this location in conjunction with the local residents. The project was funded through the Councillors Discretionary Fund.

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