

To the Chairperson and Members
Of the Central Area Committee

3rd December 2021

Public Domain/Environmental Services Unit Report

Litter Hotline/CRM

In the period 1st November – 30th November 2021, 284 incidents were reported via Litter Hotline/CRM for the Central Area.

Incidents - Central Area Office

Type of Request	Count of Incidents for November
Abandoned Bicycles or Trolleys	2
Bonfire Materials	4
Community Clean Ups	18
Fallen Leaves	2
Illegal Dumping	237
Name Plates	1
Overflowing Skips	1
Report Graffiti	6
Report Litter Offence	4
Street Cleaning Sweep Your Street	3
Weed Control	6
Total	284

In addition to the CRM incidents, the Public Domain crew carry out inspections of their assigned routes on a daily basis. They will collect any dumped bags/materials which is not reflected on the above figures.

The total tonnage of collected illegally dumped items by our 5 outdoor staff members was:

- **47.86 tonne** for 1st –30th November.

For reference, the average tonnage rests in or around 39-40 tonne most months.

Update on Halloween 2021 – Bonfire Material

At the time of submission for the November Central Area Committee meeting the full extent of bonfire material collection was not known. In addition to the tonnage removed by the Public Domain (3.86 tonne) and what Waste management collected, private contractor, Breffni also removed **57.06 tonne** between 23rd-24th and 30th-31st October.

Over time – Public Domain

The Public Domain crews 12 week trial period for over time finished on 7th November. The trial was deemed as a huge success with 21.69 tonnes in total being removed. This greatly relieved the overwhelming pressure experienced on Mondays and Tuesdays and allowed for quicker response times for other complaints to be dealt with.

It is the hope that the over time will be extended to allow for such work to continue.

Community Clean-ups

Community Clean up equipment was distributed to 29 Community Groups / individuals throughout the month of November. Requests for the removal of bags from community clean ups were looked after by Waste Management and Public Domain staff.

We would also like to acknowledge residents of Sherrard Street/Avenue who got together and did their first community clean up on Saturday 27th which was a success. They had a good turnout and improved the streets that they reside in.

Public Domain Washer Vehicle

The Washer team continue to clean areas around the Central Area. Please contact this office if there is a location you feel would benefit from their attention.



Images taken at Woollen Mills, Liffey street

Graffiti

Graffiti has been removed from the following 8 locations covering from 1st -30th November 2021 by graffiti removal specialists PMAC:

Welcome Pub Parnell Street multiple tags.
Frankfort Cottages.
Bridewell Garda Station x4.
Sean MacDermott Street Street x 2.
Frederick Lane.
Commons Street x2.

Please find 23 locations of graffiti referred to Waste Management Services for removal during the month of September:

Botanic Road.	Hill Street flats
Catherine Lane North.	Commons Street x2
Richmond Street North.	North Strand Bridge
Nepin Road.	Ossory Road x 2
Phibsborough Road.	Buckingham Street Lower
James Larkin House flats .	Bayview Avenue
Newcomen Avenue.	Summer Street North
Railway Street x 10	

WEEE Collection in Schools

Three local schools organised a Weee collection to take place within each of their respected schools on 24th November - 2nd December with the assistance of Claire O'Byrne A/ Environmental Liaison Officer.

This office had the pleasure of dealing with students and teachers alike in ensuring any support needed is available to them.

Through the process of organising the collections, one TY class from St. Paul's CBS decided to also do two community clean-ups in the Manor Street area on Friday 19th November and Wednesday 1st December. All materials used were supplied by this office.

The three schools involved were:

- St. Paul's CBS, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7. Collection day.
- Mount Carmel Secondary School. Collection Day.
- Cabra C.C. Collection Day.

The total amount has not been confirmed as of yet but It is expected that approx. 250kg of white goods were collected.

Greening Strategies

The Parks Department, in association with the Public Domain current projects:

- Sherrard Avenue Greening - Six large planters have been ordered for the Sherrard Avenue area. It is hoped that they will be in situ before the end of December. Several local residents have committed to contributing to their upkeep.
- Poplar Row, Island works - Unfortunately due to operation free flow it was not possible to start works before Christmas. Works will begin first thing in the New Year.

Signage

The Public Domain have requested “No Dumping” signage be erected at the following locations:

- Dunmanus Road, Cabra.

Christmas Trees

Members of the Public Domain office have worked to co-ordinate locations for the Christmas trees, provide electricity supply, lighting etc. with the Parks Department, Public Lighting, Electrical Services, Civic Maintenance and directly employed contractors.

Christmas trees have been placed at the following locations:

Buckingham Street	Fassuagh Avenue, Cabra
St. Peters Church, Cabra	Johnny Cullens Hill, East Wall
Sheriff/Oriel St.	Dorset Street
Drumcondra	Poplar Row, Clonliffe
O’Connell Street	Smithfield
Sheriff St. / Oriel St. – This is a new permanent tree project organised by Parks & NEIC	



Wishing you and yours a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year from all in the Public Domain Team.

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