

# The Chairman and Members of North West Area Committee.

Meeting: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Item No: 3

# **Finglas Area Office Report**

# Housing (Jan – Feb)

No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - drug related	0
No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - not drug related	0
No. Other Complaints (nuisance)	14
No. Individual Cases that complaints relate to	14
No. Racial Harassment Complaints	0
No. Anti-Social Interviews per 1997 Act	0
No. Other Interviews	13
No. Requests for Mediation	0
No. Complaints Referred to Central Est. Mgt. Unit for Action	0
No. Live Case Files (at the end of month)	7
No. Case Files Closed	7
No. Section 20 Evictions	0
No. Excluding Orders	0
Applied for by tenant	0
Applied for by DCC	0
Granted in court	0
Refused/failed in court	0
Withdrawn	0
No. Surrender of Tenancy due to Anti-Social Behaviour	0
No. Tenancy Warnings served	0
No. Possession Orders requested	0
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No Court Orders Granted	0

# **Housing Allocations**

Housing & Apartments			
Category	Housing	Transfers	Choice Base Letting
Bands 2 & 3	2	0	0
Medical	0	0	0
Welfare	0	0	0
Homeless	0	0	0
Travellers	0	0	0
Homeless HAP	0	0	0
De-tenanting	0	0	0
Estate Management	0	0	0
Maintenance Grounds	0	0	0
Surrendering Larger	0	0	0
Unable to afford	0	0	0
Succession	0	0	0
Total	2	0	0

Senior Citizens			
Category	Housing	Transfers	Choice Base Letting
Bands 2 & 3	0	0	0
Medical	0	0	0
Welfare	0	0	0
Homeless	0	0	0
Homeless HAP	0	0	0
Travellers	0	0	0
Estate Management	0	0	0
De-tenanting	0	0	0
Maintenance Grounds	0	0	0
Surrendering Larger	0	0	0
Unable to afford	0	0	0
Financial Contribution	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

# Voids Report

Vacant Housing Units (37)			
Address	Type of unit	Date of vacancy	Remarks
Abbotstown Avenue	3 bed house	23/12/2021	Work in progress
Abbotstown Avenue	3 bed house	22/06/2021	Works in progress
Abbotstown Drive	3 bed house	29/11/2021	Works in progress
Ballygall Crescent	3 bed house	22/07/2021	Works in progress
Ballygall Crescent	3 bed house	22/09/2021	Works in progress
Ballygall Parade	3 bed house	23/08/2021	Works in progress
Ballygall Parade	2 bed maisonette	26/10/2021	Works in progress
Barnamore Park	3 bed house	06/07/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Barry Drive	3 bed house	02/09/2021	Works in progress
Berryfield Drive	3 bed house	09/05/2021	Works in progress
Berryfield Road	3 bed house	21/06/2021	Works in progress
Cappagh Drive	2 bed house	31/01/2022	Works in progress
Casement Drive	3 bed house	21/04/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Casement Grove	3 bed house	05/05/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Cloonlara Road	3 bed house	22/07/2021	Works in progress
Cloonlara Road	3 bed house	21/04/2021	Works in progress
Collins Place	2 bed maisonette	12/07/2021	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	14/10/2021	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	16/12/2021	Works in progress
Finglaswood Road	2 bed maisonette	18/08/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Finglaswood Road	2 bed maisonette	05/09/2021	Works in progress / On offer

Finglaswood Road	3 bed house	20/05/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Gortbeg Road	3 bed house	26/05/2021	Works in progress
Griffith Parade	2 bed house	20/12/2021	Works in progress
Kildonan Drive	3 bed house	29/09/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Kippure Park	3 bed house	14/12/2021	Works in progress
McKelvey Avenue	3 bed house	28/06/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Mellowes Avenue	3 bed house	09/04/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Mellowes Avenue	4 bed house	30/11/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Ratoath Avenue	3 bed house	05/03/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Ratoath Drive	3 bed house	31/01/2022	Works in progress
St Helena's Court	3 bed house	20/12/2021	Works in progress / On offer
The Botanic	2 bed Apt	22/11/2019	Issue with the building
The Tolka	2 bed Apt	26/03/2019	Issue with the building
Tolka Vale	2 bed Apt	12/05/2021	Works in progress
Valley Park Drive	2 bed house	07/04/2021	Work in progress
Wellmount Park	3 bed house	06/10/2021	Work in progress

Vacant Senior Citizens Units (12)			
Address	Type of Unit	Date of vacancy	Remarks
Brookville Court	1 bed	16/12/2021	Works in progress
Deanstown Court	1 bed	12/10/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Deanstown Court	2 bed	31/05/2021	Works in progress
Glasanaon Court	Bedsit	11/08/2021	Works in progress
Glasanaon Court	1 bed	13/10/2021	Works in progress
Griffith Court	1 bed	14/12/2021	Works in progress
Kilshane Court	2 bed	09/07/2021	Works in progress / On offer

Mellowes Court	Bedsit	27/09/2021	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	1 bed	09/11/2021	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	21/06/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	15/06/2021	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	20/08/2021	Works in progress

# **Choice Based Lettings**

 Mellowes Court was advertised through the above scheme. (Closing date for applicants was 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022)

No. Eligible Applicants	No. Non Eligible Applicants
7	0

# <u>Sites</u>

## Berryfield Drive

A meeting is planned for local residents to attend on 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2022, this will allow them to meet with the architect from Nova's who are managing this project on behalf of DCC. (Proposed plans attached at end of this report)

#### • 61 - 63 Ratoath Avenue

6 X 1 bed units will be ready to allocate 2nd quarter of this year

# Rents Update

The Finglas Area Office continues to provide a rent assessment service for tenants living in the Finglas area.

Finglas Rent Assessment Update	
Assessments	77
Permission to Resides	1
Refunds	2

#### **COMMUNITY & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

## Teen Space update

Dublin City Council Community & Social Development Staff (CSDS) leafleted residents in Ballygall Parade in relation to the proposed "Multi Use Games Area". The leaflet included proposed designs/layout and a request asking residents to give feedback on the facility.

Unfortunately, the feedback from residents was largely negative, with 85% of respondents against the proposal, citing a genuine fear that the facility would draw anti-social

behaviour/drug dealing/drinking. They requested that Dublin City Council consider an alternative site for the MUGA.

While disappointed with the outcome the CSDS will meet with Parks to discuss alternatives, one of which would be to locate the MUGA in Johnstown Park, which is widely used by teenagers.

## **Smart Bench**

The order for the Smart bench was made in December 2021 and is due for delivery in April 2022. The Bench will be located in the green area on Seamus Ennis/Glasanaon Road. The bench can charge phones, earbuds and other small electric devices and will work off solar energy. Appropriate Firewalls will be in place to ensure appropriate search fields.

#### Barry Area Proposals

Dublin City Council Finglas Area Office Staff have arranged a meeting with the Principals of St. Kevin's/St Joseph's Schools, Finglas West Family Resource Centre and Axis to look at the delivery of a Drama Programme within the schools and the Resource Centre.

The connection with Axis is important in that the centre can support/enhance the work of the schools and the resource centre through Drama, Art, Music and Play.

The meeting will take place the week of the 7<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Enhance the Space.

CSDS in conjunction with Finglas West Family Resource Centre will meet with local residents to devise a series of small enhancement projects in the Barry/Plunkett areas. The programme is a follow up on the enhancement scheme, which took place in autumn 2021. The scheme will hopefully end with a "Fun Day" for all participants.

## International Women's Day

International Women's Day will take place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Dublin City Council in conjunction with Finglas Tidy Towns will celebrate by unveiling the plaque erected in 2018 to "Women's Suffrage in Ireland. Rachel Hegarty will write a poem for the event, James Curry Historian in residence will speak about suffrage, while a piper will also perform.



#### Football For All

CSDS supported the "Football For All" programme last year by giving the group financial assistance to buy equipment.

The equipment has arrived and is now very much in use. The benefits of the programme to participants and parents/guardian are enormous. A sincere word of thanks must go to Finglas United for taking on the project and the support they are giving to participants and parents. CSDS will continue to support the programme when and where appropriate.

# Supports to Community Buildings

The CSDS has supported a number of community facilities manage and pay for necessary repairs to their buildings as they prepare to reopen after Covid.

St Canice's Parochial Hall has had a faulty Fire Door replaced.

Fr.Maloney Hall rewiring

Griffith Hall: Repairs to lighting system and door.

As community buildings are widely used by local Community Groups it is essential that the facilities operate with a high degree of safety.

# Niamh Reilly Moving On

Niamh Reilly, Community Officer for the Finglas Area will be moving to a new post with effect from today 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Niamh has proactively supported many groups in the area, in addition, she has delivered a number of high quality events in the area during her time in Finglas.

We wish Niamh every success in her new post.

#### Mick Carroll

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