

31st May 2022

# To the Chairperson and Members Of the Central Area Committee

## Public Domain/Environmental Services Unit Report

## **Litter Hotline/CRM**

In the period 1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022, incidents were reported via Litter Hotline/CRM for the Central Area

#### **Incidents - Central Area Office**

Type of Request	Count of Incidents for May	January - April 2022	Total to date in 2022
Abandoned Bicycles & Trolleys	4	11	
Abandoned Vehicles	0	1	
Bonfire Materials	0	2	
Community Clean Ups	8	15	
Homeless Materials	0	2	
Illegal Dumping	323	1114	
Litter Offence	2	20	
Over Flowing Skips	2	10	
Report Graffiti	7	22	
Sweep Your Street	2	0	
Weed Control	0	16	
Total	348	1214	

In addition to the CRM incidents, the Public Domain crew carry out inspections of their assigned routes on a daily basis. Collecting 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:

• **36.6 tonne** for 1<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022. Total Tonnage for 2022: **171 tonne** 

# **Overtime**

Our staff removed some weeds from the Stoneybatter area as seen in photos below, Sunday  $22^{nd}$  May after receiving on going complaints from local residents. It is not possible to carry out such work whilst keeping up with the levels of illegal dumping.





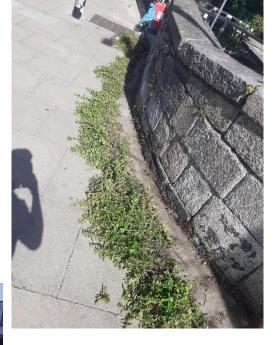




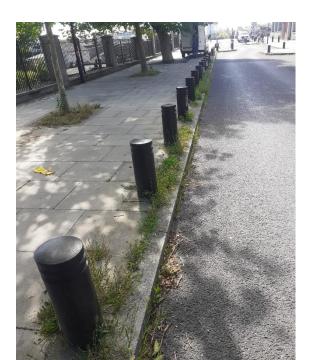


The Public Domain Crew also did some more weed removal from Charleville Mall area, Sunday,  $29^{\text{th}}$  May:











#### **Community Clean-ups**

Community Clean up equipment was distributed to **10** Community Groups / individuals between 1<sup>st</sup>–31<sup>st</sup> May. Requests for the removal of bags from community clean ups were handled by Waste Management and Public Domain staff.

#### **City Neighbourhood Awards**

Entrants to this year's City Neighbourhood Awards had until 27<sup>th</sup> May to submit their entries, this is excluding schools, (Schools have until 21<sup>st</sup> September to enter their category). It is hoped that a high standard of entrants will enter this year's competition.

#### **ADI – Anti Dumping Initiative 2022**

The Public Domain team were successful in securing funding through the Anti-Dumping Initiative to hold a Mattress Amnesty and to part fund cleaning a section of the Royal Canal between North Strand and Sherriff Street. This is a joint initiative with Waterways Ireland & Irish Rail.

The canal clean-up is to remove a considerate amount of loose litter that has accumulated on the bank and within the water opposite to the walk way. The area is owned by Irish Rail and difficult to access from the bank itself.

The Mattress Amnesty is aimed at recycling old, dry mattresses, by collecting them directly from the addresses of those that register interest. The Amnesty will be publicised and anyone interested must provide an address for collection. The project is aimed at householders who would find it difficult to dispose of mattresses on their own.

Dates for both initiatives have yet to be confirmed, more information will follow in due course.

#### Weeding Program

The first round of the weeding process is nearing completion. The trial of the new strimmer system has been completed in East Wall and cost per km is being assessed by the contractor. Initial indications are that the coverage per day was not as fast as we hoped but we await confirmation. There were other issues with missing sections due to parked cars.



## **Graffiti Removal**

Waste Management Services removed graffiti from 18 locations since 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022:

Griffith Avenue	Royal Canal Bank	Benburb Street
Cathedral Street	Custom House Quay	Thomas Lane
O'Connell St Upr	Church Street	Harbour Court
Britain Place	St Mobhi Drive	Glasnevin Ave
Montpellier Drive	Phibsboro Road	Prospect Ave
Fassaugh Road	Benburb Street.	Sherrard St Upper

The Probation Services have been given approval to resume such work as graffiti removal, they removed graffiti from 10 locations in May:

Frederick Lane	Hill Street
Nth Strand Road	Grenville Street
Shelmalier Road	Bolton Street
Eastwall Road	Ballybough Bridge Canal
Berkeley Street	Western Way

Graffiti Removal Experts removed graffiti from 23 locations:

Capel Street Hoarding	Manor Street
Foley Street x 4	Custom House Quay Wall
James Joyce Street x4	North Lotts x 4
Berkeley Road x2	Liam Whelan Bridge
Nth Brunswick Street	

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