

**The Chairperson and Members
South Central Area Committee**

Halloween 2022 Report - South Central Area

Dublin City Council Departments are deploying labouring crews and vehicles to facilitate the removal of bonfire material in the days leading up to and including Halloween. The services are being provided through Housing, Parks, Waste Services and Development Department. The removal of bonfire material will be prioritised on risk. The following risks are examples of cases that will be prioritised.

- Material that pose a risk to safety and wellbeing of the public.
- Material that pose a risk to critical public infrastructure.
- Material that may become a focal point for major public order issues.

To Report locations of stored bonfire material

- Call Dublin City Council's Customer Services Centre (01) 222 2222 24hrs
- Use the Dublin City Council Link- Click on "Bonfire Materials"
<http://www.dublincity247.ie/>
- Flyer by email or door to door Halloween Safety/Environmental Message

In South Central we will follow a twin track approach to the removal of materials. Where materials are discovered, they will be removed immediately or the site will be monitored and materials will be removed when they have built up. We are identifying the major geographic areas at risk and intelligence gathering on the assembly of materials in these areas. A large stockpile has already been removed by Public Domain from a Sperrin Road property with Gardaí and Waste Enforcement present.

CCTV Surveillance will be used to assist in identifying stockpiles in Housing complexes. Staff from Housing will concentrate on Housing, common areas DCC flat complexes. Parks Department will be responsible for the removal of bonfire material from Green spaces and bonfire prevention in DCC parks. Waste Management are responsible for removing bonfire materials from public roads and footpaths from 6am-to 1pm- they will also be operating an out of hours on request service from 2pm-10pm from 21st October. Public Domain will augment Waste Management services with crews to collect bonfire materials that could create a potential environmental hazard. These crews will operate over the Weekend 22nd & 23rd October and from Wed 26th October to 31st October.

As in 2021, we have agreed arrangements for support from the Gardaí in Ballyfermot, Crumlin and Kevin Street / Kilmainham. Meetings have been held with Gardaí and Dublin City Council Housing in each LEA.

If there is imminent danger to life or property dial 999 or 112

DUBLIN FIRE BRIGADE SERVICES

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Fire Safety Week is running from **Monday 17th to Sunday 23rd October**. Further information can be found at <https://firesafetyweek.ie/>

This year the main theme is 'Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives – Have you a plan if yours goes off'.

To celebrate, Dublin Fire Brigade is delighted to announce a Primary School Fire Safety Poster Competition. To enter: SCAN your child's fire safety picture to dfbcommunity@dublincity.ie. Closing date for entries is Friday 28th October, 2022. Check out www.firesafety4kids.ie for more details.

Keep an eye out for Dublin Fire Brigade's campaigns:

#Red4ready

#SmokeAlarmsSaveLives

#STOPFIRE

#22FSW

<https://twitter.com/dubfirebrigade>

Facebook: DublinFireBrigade

National Fireworks Awareness Campaign

On 6th October Minister for Justice, Helen McEntee TD, launched an awareness raising campaign urging against the misuse of fireworks in collaboration with An Garda Síochána, the Irish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ISPCA) and Dublin Fire Brigade at Garda Headquarters in the Phoenix Park.

Promoting fire safety among children is vitally important for their future, their families and the local community.

Details of Community Halloween Initiatives will issue to all Councillors separately.

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