

**The Chairman and Members of
North West Area Committee.**

Meeting: 21st March 2023

Item No: 3

Finglas Area Office Report

Housing (1st Feb – 28th Feb)

Estate Management

Statistics 2023 - Finglas area office	Feb	Year to Date
No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - drug related	2	5
No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - not drug related	4	6
No. Other Complaints (nuisance)	28	60
No. Racial Harassment Complaints	0	0
TOTAL	34	71

No. Anti-Social Interviews per 1997 Act	0	3
No. Other Interviews	12	22
No. Requests for Mediation	0	0
No. Complaints Referred to Central Est. Mgt. Unit for Action	0	0
TOTAL	12	25

No. Section 20 Evictions	1	1
No. Excluding Orders	0	0
• Applied for by Tenant	0	0
• Applied for by DCC	0	0
• Granted in Court	0	0
• Refused / Failed in court	0	0
• Withdrawn	0	0
No. Surrender of Tenancy due to Anti-Social Behaviour	0	0

No. Tenancy Warnings served	0	0
No. Abandonment Notice Served	0	0
No. Possession Orders requested	0	0
No. Possession Orders granted	0	0
No. Appeals / Judicial Reviews / Challenges	0	0
No. Warrants Executed (Evictions)	0	0
No. H/A of refusal / deferral to let due to Anti-Social Behaviour	2	2

Allocations

Housing & Apartments			
Category	Housing	Transfers	Choice Base Letting
Bands 2 & 3	3	1	2
Medical		1	1
Welfare			
Homeless			
Travellers	1		
Homeless HAP			
De-tenanting			
Estate Management			
Maintenance Grounds			
Surrendering Larger			
Succession			
Total	4	2	3

Senior Citizens			
Category	Housing	Transfers	Choice Base Letting
Bands 2 & 3	1	1	
Medical			
Welfare			
Homeless			
Homeless HAP	1		
Travellers			
Estate Management		1	
De-tenanting			
Maintenance Grounds			
Surrendering Larger			
Financial Contribution			
Succession			
Total	2	2	

Voids Report

Vacant Housing Units (38)			
Address	Type of unit	Date of vacancy	Remarks
Abbotstown Avenue	2 bed house	23/12/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Abbotstown Drive	3 bed house	16/12/2022	Works in progress

Abbotstown Road	2 bed house	15/03/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Ballygall Parade	2 bed maisonette	09/01/2023	Works in progress
Barnamore Park	3 bed house	22/2/2023	Works in progress
Barry Close	2 bed house	17/11/2022	Works in progress
Barry Drive	3 bed house	27/06/2022	Works in progress
Barry Drive	3 bed house	10/11/2022	Works in progress
Barry Park	3 bed house	25/07/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Barry Park	3 bed house	01/02/2023	Works in progress
Berryfield Drive	3 bed house	04/07/2022	Works in progress
Berryfield Road	3 bed house	30/11/2022	Works in progress
Cappagh Avenue	3 bed house	23/01/2023	Works in progress
Cappagh Drive	2 bed maisonette	20/10/2022	Works in progress
Casement Drive	2 bed house	20/2/2023	Works in progress
Casement Green	3 bed house	14/07/2022	Works in progress
Deanstown Park	4 bed house	27/06/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Dunsink Drive	3 bed house	13/12/2022	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	09/06/2022	Works in progress
Fairlawn Road	3 bed house	10/11/2022	Works in progress
Finglas Park	3 bed house	23/08/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Finglaswood Road	2 bed maisonette	08/12/2022	Works in progress
Finglaswood Road	2 bed maisonette	06/01/2023	Works in progress
Finglaswood Road	2 bed maisonette	19/07/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Glasanaon Road	2 bed house	12/10/2022	Works in progress
Gortmore Ave	3 bed house	15/02/2023	Works in progress
Kilshane Road	3 bed house	21/06/2022	Works in progress / On offer

Kippure Park	3 bed house	17/11/2022	Works in progress
McKelvey Ave	3 bed house	09/09/2022	Works in progress
McKelvey Road	2 bed house	06/12/2022	Works in progress
Mellowes Avenue	4 bed house	30/11/2021	Works in progress / On offer
Rathvilly Park	4 bed house	15/06/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Ratoath Drive	3 bed house	31/01/2022	Works in progress
Ratoath Road	3 bed house	23/06/2022	Works in progress
St Pappins Road	3 bed house	19/01/2023	Works in progress / On offer
Valeview Drive	3 bed house	10/2/2023	Works in progress
Virginia Park	3 bed house	24/08/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Westwood Road	3 bed house	20/02/2023	Works in progress

Vacant Senior Citizens Units (11)			
Address	Type of Unit	Date of vacancy	Remarks
Brookville Court	1 bed	22/02/2023	Works in progress
Deanstown Court	1 bed	01/03/2023	Works in progress
Glasanaon Court	1 bed	12/01/2023	Works in progress
Kilshane Court	2 bed	24/08/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	04/07/2022	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	1 bed	09/01/2023	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	15/11/2022	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	09/09/2022	Works in progress
Mellowes Court	Bedsit	26/08/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Merville Court	1 bed	21/10/2022	Works in progress / On offer
Merville Court	1 bed	13/12/2022	Works in progress

Rents Update

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

Assessments	350
Applications for Permission to Reside	11
Refunds	4

Community & Social Development

Age Friendly Classes

The chair based exercises and adapted tai chi started in February and were completed on March the 6th. It was great to welcome so many new faces to the class, people who want to get fit and make new friends in the community.

A new 5 week class will commence on 17th of April in a larger venue in the Finglas Youth Resource Centre which can hold up to 30 participants. Classes are free and open to all.



Finglas Sister Sheds

The Sister Shed meet in Finglas Youth Resource Centre every Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The membership is increasing weekly and has become very popular with women in the Finglas community. The weekly sessions offer a safe space for women to have an open dialogue and bond with one another. The group have recently successfully completed a 6-week programme of Mosaic art.

Dublin City Council has supported the establishment of Sister Sheds in the Finglas Area.





Rising Voices Choir

The Rising Voices Choir performed in the Mansion House in February. The choir consists of people suffering dementia, their family and friends.

The choir struggled over the past number of years due to Covid and the loss of members. Dublin City Council has supported the Choir through funds raised at last years Senior Citizens Ball. Support for the Choir will continue through funds raised at this years "Opera Night" which will take place in June.



Griffith Crescent Senior Complex Walkability Survey

The Community & Social Development Section (CSDS) met with the residents of Griffith Crescent Senior Citizen Complex to conduct a Walkability Survey. The group surveyed the public spaces within the complex, the outside surrounding areas and the foot paths that the residents use everyday.

The findings from this survey highlighted a number of issues with drains, gullies and walkways within the complex. Issues around dishing on footpaths, road markings, stop signage, public seating and dumping in the surrounding area were also highlighted.

A final report has been drawn up and sent to the Area Housing Manager and NWA Public Domain Officer.

A discussion also took place around enhancing the use of the community room for tenants. The Local Sports Development Officer will engage with the residents to discuss starting weekly classes in their community room.



Finglas Summer Project Launch

Summer Projects play an important role in providing positive activity for young people aged 6 to 12 years of age in the Finglas area over the summer months. It is vital to acknowledge the importance the numerous volunteers play in delivering the Projects to over 800 young people.

All Finglas based Summer Projects are invited to an information evening to launch their programmes for 2023 on Wednesday 5th of April at 6.30pm in The Den, Finglas South.

Each Project will be provided with an information pack, application form and training dates as well as light refreshments for all the volunteers.

Finglas Youth Resource Centre/Balseskin

The Finglas Youth Resource Centre has engaged with a group of teenagers in Balseskin Reception Centre. The engagement ensured that the young people would be brought to the Youth Resource Centre to participate in programmes/events and education.

Unfortunately recent events in the area raised concerns about the safety of the Balseskin Youth Group's attendance at the Youth Resource Centre. The Finglas Area Office sought funding to ensure that the group can continue to meet in a safe and stress free environment, however, this is outside the Finglas area.

Funding of €3,000.00 was secured to keep the Balseskin Group meeting with a view to the group returning to the FYRC as soon as possible.

International Women's Day

The CSDS celebrated International Women's Day on the 9th March in the Finglas Youth Resource Centre.

The event included music, dance, meditation, inspirational talks, stalls and of course light refreshments. The event was well attended with many of the attendees participating in the workshops.

Many thanks to all who supported and attended the event.



Pat Teehan
Area Manager - Finglas