

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

Meeting: 20th June 2023

Item No: 14

PUBLIC DOMAIN REPORT

Waste Management and Illegal Dumping

255 incidents of illegal dumping recorded on Citizen Hub for May. There were also 131 Community Clean Ups for the month of May which are serviced by our Waste Management Team.

Graffiti Removal

In May 35 Sq. meters of graffiti have been removed in North West Area. To date 691 Sq. meters of graffiti has been removed.

Community Clean-up's

The Public Domain team will continue to support residents groups and environmental groups with tools and bags to collect litter. Residents who wish to maintain the grass verges outside their properties will be encouraged to "GrassCycle"

GrassCycling is the natural recycling of grass by leaving grass clippings on the lawn when mowing. Once on the ground the clippings, which contain 80-85% water, decompose quickly returning valuable nutrients like nitrogen back into the soil. GrassCycling should be used as one piece of an integral lawn management system which includes thatching, aerating, cutting, watering and fertilising. Leaving cuttings on lawn areas all season long provides the same level of nutrients as one fertiliser application per year.



So, why GrassCycle?



Save money:

GrassCycling replaces up to a third of your fertiliser needs. It also saves space in your bins. As Ireland goes towards a pay-by-weight system for waste, this will make a difference to your bills. If you bring your garden waste to Civic Amenity Sites, GrassCycling will help reduce the number loads you bring each time.



Save time:

Even though you might mow more often, you spend less time raking, sweeping, bagging, and hauling cuttings to be collected, or less time gathering materials up and composting them yourself. GrassCycling has been shown to reduce time spent on maintaining your lawn by up to 30-40%.



Enjoy a healthier lawn:

The valuable nutrients released through GrassCycling make lawns greener and encourage healthier grass. Grass cutting decomposition enhances soil microbial activity and adds beneficial organic matter to the soil making it softer and the lawn more drought resistant.



Save the Environment:

Since grass cuttings make up the majority of landscape or garden trimmings collected and managed in landfills, this simple change in lawn management can significantly reduce the amount of materials going to the dump. This helps to conserve energy, reduce greenhouse gases and minimise the negative impacts associated with landfilling these valuable materials.

Dick McKee Memorial power washing

Before:



After:



Power washing Ballymun

Waste Management power washing division cleaning locations in Ballymun.

Poppintree Sports Centre

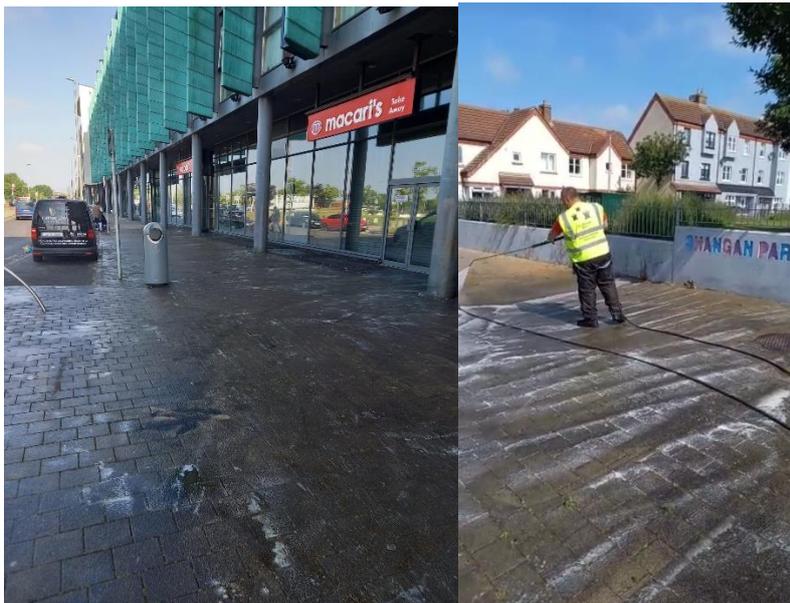
Shangan Road outside the shops

Shangan Park

Ballymun Road entrance to Trinity Comprehensive College and Scoil an tSeachtar Laoch

Travelodge Hotel path and walls

Poppintree Parade shops



Mattress and WEEE Amnesty Days.

There will be Mattress and WEEE amnesty days in the month of September. Dates to be confirmed in July

Wildflower locations 2023

This year the Public Domain Section has identified multiple locations in the Ballymun and Finglas areas which will be planted with wildflowers for the 2024 season.

Cappagh Green Junction with St Canice's Court
Casement Close, Green area
Griffith Heights Senior Citizens
Beneavin Park
Graigue Court @ Crannogue Terrace
Poppintree Terrace
Woodhazel Terrace
Shangan Green
Shangan Terrace
Belclare Avenue

Robert Ingram
Public Domain Officer