

Date: 17th July 2023

**To: The chairperson and members of
North Central Area Committee**

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**ARTANE / WHITEHALL LEA – COMMUNITY & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION UPDATE
FOR THE MEETING OF THE JULY NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**

The Community & Social Development Team (CSDS), Artane - Whitehall LEA continue to meet and support a wide range of community groups in the area on an ongoing basis.

Mens Health Week

Our Community Officer linked in with all 10 local Mens Shed groups regarding Mens Health Week which was held from 12th to 18th June. This included linking in with Beaumont District men's shed which received copies of the "Tips for Men's Health" booklet.

All the local Men Sheds have been forwarded a link so that each shed can download the booklet and forward onto all shed members who have access to email.



Summer Projects

CSDS have contributed funding towards the local non-voluntary summer projects below. This funding will assist with the costs of their summer activity programme.

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| Doras Buí | Aoibhneas |
| Kilmore West Youth Project | Santry Active Retired |
| New Life Centre | |

Our Lady Immaculate Church golden jubilee celebrations.

Our Lady Immaculate Church, Darndale is celebrating its 50th anniversary in July. To mark their golden jubilee, the church committee has organised a mass to be said by the Most Reverend Dr. Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin on Sunday 23rd July.

The front area of the church requires some enhancement. The Committee have an improvement plan which includes painting the front of the church and new planting at the Church entrance. CSDS have made a financial contribution for plants to replenish their front door planters and the Grotto.



Above photo, members of Our Lady Immaculate Parish gardening team, George McKane and Pat Dawson

Hampstead Court

CSDS continue to support the ongoing activities for the residents in both Hampstead and Albert College Court. Taster sessions of chair aerobics began in June in conjunction with our Sports Development Officer. Also, our "Historian in Residence", Mr. Cormac Moore presented a history talk on Lemon's Sweet factory and the local Community Policing Unit gave a talk on personal safety and crime. The residents from the surrounding area were invited to attend where appropriate.

Summer Fun Days

CSDS has contributed to a number of local fun days in June which included providing refreshments for fun days in Larkhill, Kilmore Crescent and Beauvale Park, Beaumont.

Local Area Community Grants Scheme 2023

In order to provide a more user friendly and efficient process, an online portal for the Community Grant Scheme has been developed to allow for an online application process. This will be open from 6th July 2023 and close on 18th August 2023. It can be accessed via the following links:

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/improving-my-community/community-grants-and-funding#a24613-24611>

[Community Grant Application - Self \(dublincity.ie\)](#)

St. Michaels House, Coolock

CSDS provided funding to Clontarf Yacht & Boat Club who hosted fishing trips for young adults from St. Michael's House, Coolock. The fishing trips and family day were held on 15th June.

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