

Date: 3rd January 2024

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

Meeting: 15th January 2024

**DONAGHMEDE & CLONTARF LEAS - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEAM UPDATE
FOR THE JANUARY MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**

Christmas

Le Cheile Community Centre, 5th December 2023

The North Central Area Office in conjunction with Le Chéile Community Centre, Donnycarney hosted a “*Festive Afternoon Tea*” for residents for senior citizens from all Dublin City Council Older Persons Complexes in the Clontarf/ Donaghmede LEA’s. Groups that attend the centre and the surrounding area were also invited. Entertainment was provided by the Cotton Club Quartet and Natalie Scullion provided the vocals. Approximately 85 people attended on the day. The event was a great success and enjoyed by all.



St. Brigid's Resource Centre - 8th December 2023

On Friday 8th December a Christmas party was held in St. Brigid's Resource Centre for volunteers from the Clontarf/Donaghmede LEA's. There were 70 volunteers in attendance from various groups who enjoyed the food and entertainment that was provided.



The Community Development team engaged with and supported the following local community and voluntary groups with their Christmas events for their communities:

- St Monica's Youth Resource Centre
- The Fairview Marino Tuesday Club
- St. Paul's Youth Club
- Grange Woodbine Residents Association
- KCCP held a Christmas
- St. Brigid's Resource Centre, Howth Road.
- Clongriffin Community Association
- Donnycarney West Community Association
- The Donahies Residents Association
- Holy Trinity Seniors
- Rathvale Residents Association
- Kilmore West Youth KEEP (Kilmore Empowering Every Person) Project
- Belmayne & Clongriffin
- St. Gabriel's Court's Christmas
- Rockfield Wellness
- Mount Prospect Grove Residents Association
- Cameron Park Residents Association

Cormac Moore Historian

On 5th December, Historian Cormack Moore gave a very informative talk on Lemons Sweet Factory to Coolock Women's Sheds in Le Chéile Community Centre. Approximately 15 members of the group attended this talk and it was enjoyed by all.

Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) 2024- 2029

The deadline for the LECP public consultation has been extended until 15th January as shown below:

Public Consultation Survey extended until
January 15th 2024

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Community groups can email the LECP team at lecp@dublincity.ie with any questions.

Memory Movers Initiative

The six week Memory Movers initiative in St. Brigid's Hall completed on 12th December. The following statistics were noted in a presentation delivered by Regina Rafferty, registered advanced nurse practitioner, Ashlin Centre, Beaumont Hospital to a Mental Health Conference and a HSE learning event - The Outcome Measures of Pre and Post Assessments of Memory Movers Programme show the following:

- 6 % Improvement in Life Satisfaction Scale
- 14% Improvement in Anxiety Rating Scale
- 19% Improvement in Mood Scale
- 101% Improvement in engagement in Physical Activity

The Sports Officer involved has invited the attendees of this programme to attend the *chair aerobics* class in St Monica's Youth Centre which is held at 11am every Thursday morning.

Community Climate Action Fund 2024

The Community Climate Fund was launched in December 2023. This fund is being made available to organisations and community groups interested in developing projects and initiatives which relate to the challenge of addressing climate change. The fund is now open for applications until 6th March '24. Application forms can be accessed through Citizens Hub. For more information please visit the website

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/environmental-awareness/community-climate-action-fund>

We have distributed the information in relation to this grant to all local groups and organisations. This grant scheme is being managed through the Climate Action office.

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