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Dublin City Council

## Director of Services Report South Central Area Committee Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2025



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## SOUTH WEST INNER CITY ELECTORAL AREA

### Public Realm & Capital Programmes

#### Meath Street Public Realm

**Improvement Scheme** – Advance works by the utility Uisce Éireann to renew underground water infrastructure on Meath Street will take place over the summer. A series of road closures and service interruptions are expected and GMC (contractors for Uisce Éireann) will advise of these in advance.

#### Newmarket Public Realm

**Improvements** – Currently waiting on some outstanding civil works to complete the new pedestrian areas. New street furniture and landscaping is currently in design and is expected to be installed in September. The Traffic Division will be implementing a range of changes and updates to traffic and parking regulations in the vicinity over the summer. The Area Office is in discussions with a market operator to trial a number of flea/craft markets on Newmarket over the coming months.

**The Iveagh Markets** – An announcement of the preferred contractor for planned emergency stabilisation and roof renewal work to the markets will be made in due course. The current expectation is to commence site work in the autumn.

#### Dolphin's Barn Street Tree Planting

**(Phase 2)** – civil works to facilitate 15 no. planned street tree planting in buildouts on Haroldville Avenue, Reuben Street and Saint Anthony's Road is now expected to commence at the end of June. The Council's contractor is Redlough Landscapes. Work will begin at St Anthony's Road in the first instance.

KIN



KILMAINHAM  
INCHICORE  
NETWORK

**Kilmainham Inchicore Network - next meeting: Monday 23rd June 2025 5.30pm**

At the May KIN meeting, delegates from various member organisations shared information about their current activities:

#### Inchicore College of further education

Works are continuing on the roof of the college. There will also be a new nursing and healthcare wing on the east side of the building that should be completed over the next 18 months.

#### NTA bus route update

**Route 57,58 and X58 will serve the Bluebell and Inchicore areas.** These services will replace the current routes 68,68a,69 and 69x. These will now be hourly over two routes. The two routes will combine to have a bus every 15 minutes through Tyrconnel Road and Inchicore compared to the one per hour that was in the original plan.

**Common Ground** Commonground have been collaborating with SMEFRC and Core Youth services for a community garden space in Tyrone Place. They will recycle the timber from the display bench that was on the ERD site and create new benches.

#### KIN Education and Lifelong Learning

**committee** - the last meeting was held on Thursday 8th of May in Mercy school Inchicore. It was decided that the agenda for the next meeting should include creating a network, form a working group and ideas for mini tangible projects for the next year.

The next meeting to be held at 10am, on Tuesday 10th of June on TEAMS. All practitioners involved with Education and Life Long Learning are invited to attend.

#### KIN Newsletter

KIN continues to publish a monthly newsletter sharing information about what is going on locally. It is circulated to subscribers and is also available on the website: [www.Kilmainham-Inchicore.ie](http://www.Kilmainham-Inchicore.ie)



## Housing

### Herberton Clinic

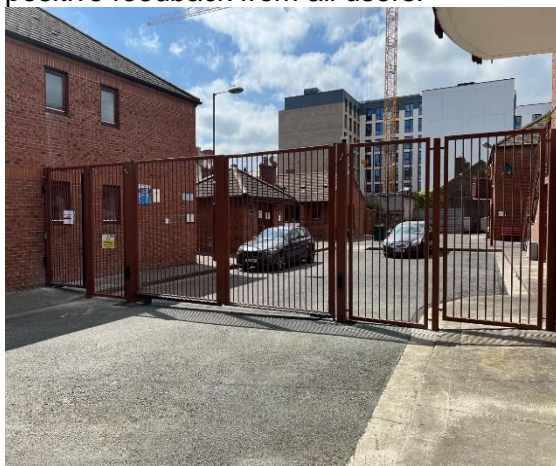
Weekly clinic being held on Thursdays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the F2 Centre.

### Security in the complex

The Crime Prevention Assessment report for the Herberton area has been received. It was prepared following an inspection of the area conducted by the Detective Inspector and Crime Prevention Officer from Kevin Street Garda Station, in collaboration with Housing Management from Eblana House. The report is currently under review, and recommendations are being implemented as appropriate.

### Robinson's Court

The new vehicle and pedestrian gate at Robinson's Court Senior Citizens Complex is functioning well and has received positive feedback from all users.



### Oliver Bond House - Clinic

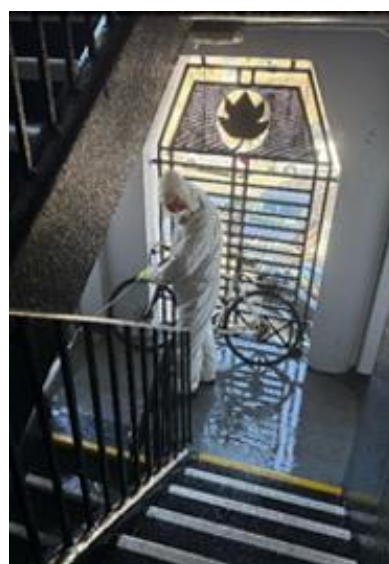
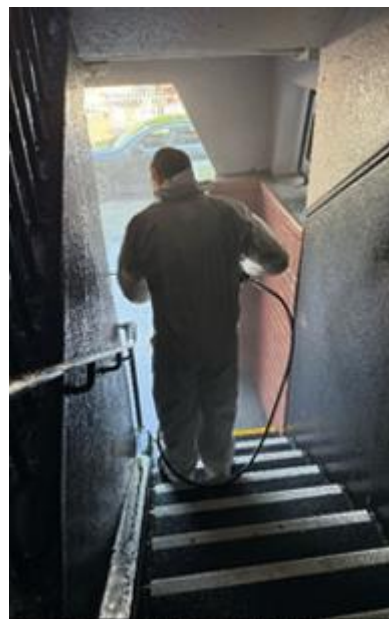
The Project Estate Officer holds a weekly clinic every Wednesday, in coordination with the Executive Housing Officer from Housing Rents.

### Choice Based Lettings

The Choice Based Lettings' competition was recently advertised, and nominations will be received by the Allocations team in due course.

### Cleaning the stairwells

Power washing of all stairwells is currently underway.



### Windows upgrade

Work is ongoing on site as part of the window replacement scheme. Residents who have had their windows installed have responded very positively.

### Mary Aikenhead House

The wall facing the Luas stop has been power washed. A contractor is scheduled to begin work on planting the garden area shortly.



### **Emmet Buildings**

Playground refurbishment is scheduled to begin within the next two weeks and will include the installation of new basketball rings and backboards.

### **Robert Emmet Walk / Close**

We are currently awaiting a confirmed start date from the contractor to commence works on the playground area. The project is expected to begin shortly.

### **Bonham Court**

SISK has successfully completed the inspection of the fire alarm systems, and all identified faults have been resolved.

### **Tyrone Place**

The installation of the new MUGA football pitch has been completed. The project includes two new goalposts, basketball hoops, and a new artificial grass surface.



Works at the site on Vincent Street West are ongoing, with steel hoarding now erected around the perimeter.



### **Dolphin House Clinic**

A weekly clinic is held every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Dolphin House Community Centre.

### **Meanwhile Use Project**

The *Different Days* Meanwhile Use project is nearing completion. It focuses on rejuvenating vacant ground at the old pitch in front of Dolphin Park Senior Citizens Complex and at the rear of Dolphin House Community Centre.



A special works and launch day is scheduled for 12th June, during which all contractors, DCC staff, and volunteers will be on site to complete the works and officially inaugurate the project.

### Landscaping works

Housing Maintenance has carried out special landscaping works at the green area in front of Blocks B, E, and G.



### Void Units

Address	Type of Unit	Vacant Possession Date	Status
Braithwaite Street	2 Bed Flat	26/01/2025	Awaiting keys
Bulfin Court	1 Bed Flat	13/05/2025	With Depot
Bulfin Court	1 Bed Flat	20/05/2025	With Depot
Bulfin House	2 Bed Apartment	23/12/2024	With Depot
Bonham Street	1 Bed Apartment	26/02/2025	Ready to Let
Ceannt Fort	3 Bed House	10/04/2025	With contractor
Dolphin House	2 Bed Flat	30/03/2025	With Depot
Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	03/11/2024	On hold as per Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	17/11/2024	On hold as per Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	16/12/2024	Ready to Let
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	28/04/2024	Ready to Let
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	15/05/2025	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	06/10/2024	Ready to Let
Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	11/08/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	3 Bed Flat	15/12/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	2 Bed Flat	29/10/2024	With Depot

Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	01/04/2025	With Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	12/01/2025	On hold as per Depot
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	04/09/2024	Ready to Let
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	Awaiting nomination
Dolphin House	1 Bed Flat	16/10/2024	With Depot
Dolphin House	2 Bed Flat	17/12/2023	Temporarily being used by another tenant
Echlin Street	1 Bed House	22/04/2024	Ready to Let
Emmet Buildings	0 Bed Flat	23/11/2023	Ready to Let
Emmet Crescent	2 Bed House	03/03/2025	Ready to Let
Emmet Crescent	3 Bed House	16/06/2024	Ready to Let
Emmet Crescent	2 Bed House	18/12/2024	Ready to Let
Grand Canal	2 Bed House	29/10/2024	Temporarily being used by another tenant
Grand Canal View	2 Bed Flat	24/11/2024	Ready to Let
Greenville Place	1 Bed Flat	11/04/2024	Ready to let
Islandbridge Court	0 Bed Flat	14/04/2024	Ready to Let
Islandbridge Court	0 Bed Flat		Ready to Let
Islandbridge Court	2 Bed Flat	16/02/2025	With Depot
Margaret Kennedy Court	1 Bed Apartment	25/01/2024	Ready to Let
Marrowbone Lane	2 Bed Flat	28/01/2025	With Contractor
Marrowbone Lane	2 Bed Flat	30/03/2025	With Depot
Mary Aikenhead House	1 Bed Flat	12/01/2025	Ready to Let
Maxwell Street	1 Bed House	12/07/2024	Under Offer
Meath Place	2 Bed Flat	12/11/2024	Ready to Let
Memorial Court	2 Bed Flat	04/05/2025	With Depot
Memorial Court	1 Bed Flat		Ready to Let
Metropolitan Apartments	2 Bed Apartment	03/12/2024	Ready to Let
Michael Mallin	2 Bed Flat	17/02/2025	Ready to Let
Michael Mallin	2 Bed Flat	24/11/2024	With Depot
Newmarket Street	3 Bed House	25/07/2024	Under Offer
Newport Street	1 Bed House	16/05/2025	With Depot
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	24/11/2024	With Contractor
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	07/02/2025	With Depot
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	25/08/2024	With Depot
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	13/04/2025	With Depot
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	07/07/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	12/12/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	27/02/2025	With Depot
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	02/07/2023	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	12/01/2025	With Depot
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	Ready to Let

Oliver Bond	0 Bed Flat	04/04/2023	Depot
Oliver Bond	0 Bed Flat	15/08/2022	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat		With Westside
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	30/04/2023	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	16/06/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	18/08/2024	Being used by engineers temporarily
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	08/09/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	25/02/2024	Ready to Let
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	09/10/2024	Under Offer
Oliver Bond	2 Bed Flat	02/02/2025	With Depot
Oliver Bond	1 Bed Flat	01/12/2024	With Contractor
Phoenix View	2 Bed Apartment	13/02/2024	With Depot
Pimlico Cottages	1 Bed Flat	09/05/2025	With Depot
Robert Emmet Close	1 Bed Flat	22/12/2024	Awaiting keys
Robert Street	1 Bed Flat	05/05/2024	Ready to Let
Sarah Place	Bedsit	28/05/2024	Ready to Let
School Street	2 Bed Flat	21/03/2023	Keys in Area Office
South Gate Apartments	1 Bed Apartment	10/11/2024	With Contractor
St. Anthony's Road	2 Bed House	17/01/2025	Ready to Let
St. Audeon's House	2 Bed Flat	28/01/2025	Ready to Let
St. Michaels Lane	2 Bed House	17/05/2020	Illegal Occupier
Summer Street South	2 Bed Flat	26/05/2024	On hold - Eviction/ASB issues
The Tannery	1 Bed Apartment	29/08/2024	With Depot
Thomas Court	2 Bed Flat	08/12/2024	Under Offer
Thomas Court Bawn	2 Bed Flat	01/12/2024	Surveying works being carried out
Thomas Court Bawn	2 Bed Flat	05/01/2025	With Depot
Tyrone Place	Bedsit	14/12/2023	With Depot
Tyrone Place	Bedsit	30/03/2025	With Depot
Tyrone Place	2 Bed Flat	10/11/2024	Ready to Let
Tyrone Place	2 Bed Flat	01/12/2024	With Depot
Tyrone Place	2 Bed Flat	12/01/2025	With Depot
Weavers Row	2 Bed Apartment	02/03/2025	With Depot
Weaver Square	2 Bed House	01/12/2024	With Contractor

## Community

### Dublin City Inclusion Week

We had an absolutely fantastic Dublin City Inclusion and Integration Week 2025 Campaign, with 17 events happening across the South West Inner City (SWIC) Area supported by the SWIC Community and Social Development Team.

The week was an amazing showcase of the positive efforts made by local groups, organisations and the Community team to promote Social Inclusion, Integration and diversity across the Dublin 8 area.

Below, we have highlighted some of the wonderful projects and events that took place across the week.



## Masamba Youth Drumming Session



We had an amazing time celebrating #DublinCityInclusion25 with local afterschool groups! Huge thanks to the young people who joined us at Bridgefoot Street Park for a vibrant and energetic drumming session with the Masamba Youth Project – a perfect afternoon of fun, rhythm and community spirit!

## Focus Ireland Emergency Accommodation Family Hub – Inclusive Children’s Art Project

A local family hub held a closed event for children living in emergency accommodation in the area to participate in an art activity as part of Inclusion and Integration week. Our team work closely with the Focus Ireland Child Support Worker to support her in delivering initiatives and events for the children experiencing homelessness.

Following the event, the team received an email from the Child Support Worker expressing her gratitude and acknowledging the impact engaging in Initiatives like Inclusion and Integration Week can have in the community.

*“...Thank you again for thinking of us for the inclusion and Integration fund. It went amazing yesterday and it was so special*

*to be able to do something that allowed the children to feel included and seen.*

*We did canvas' and the theme was 'create something that represents you'. It was so amazing to see the different creations the children came up with to represent themselves (Country Flags, pride flags, sunsets etc.)....”*



## One City, Many Voices – A celebration of Culture and Community in Dublin 8



A big thank you to Fatima Groups United Family Resource Centre for organising ‘One City, Many Voices’ – a beautiful celebration of culture and community in Dublin 8 as part of #DublinCityInclusion25. The event was a vibrant showcase of heritage, music, creativity and the rich connections between Ukrainian, African and Irish communities.

**Youth Led Community Barber Shop**  
Young people of Dublin 8 supported by Solas Project’s Liberate Youth Workers

opened their service doors offering free haircuts and self-care packages to boys and men from the Dublin 8 community. A fantastic project that will continue beyond Inclusion and Integration Week where young men of Solas Project will be upskilling and undertaking education and training in barbering.



### **Conradh na Gaeilge and *Inchicore for All* Event: Introduction to Irish Language and Culture**

In a wonderful collaboration two groups based in Inchicore, *Conradh na Gaeilge* and *Inchicore for All* hosted an engaging and lively event which brought us an evening of Irish music, culture, dancing and community with no Gaeilge necessary, just curiosity and a want to learn a cúpla focal. The event was a huge success with an array of community members in attendance, including our new community members taking part in the introduction to Irish language and culture. This was a truly special event and thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. Comhghairdeas le Craobh Inse Chór agus Inchicore for All.



### **Maryland Integration and Intergeneration Planter Workshop**

Fantastic work by the Maryland Residents Association this week with their integrational and intergenerational planting initiative! A beautiful example of community spirit in action during #DublinCityInclusion2025 #TogetherWeGrow





### Wonder Senses: A Journey of Discovery!

School Street Family Resource Centre held interactive, play-based sessions designed to stimulate children's senses and support emotional development. These Inclusion and Integration Week sessions were aimed at young children, including those with sensory processing needs or neurodivergence, promoting inclusion through safe and engaging exploration.



### Community Climate Action Fund Information Session



Dean Eaton, Community Climate Action Officer joined the Community and Social Development team along with local community groups and services on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the current funding opportunity available - the Community Climate Action Funding. This programme aims to support projects and initiatives, which relate to the challenge of addressing climate change. To express an interest click here [Community Climate Action Fund | Dublin City Council](#)

**Community Corporate Giveback Initiative - Dublin City Council South Central Area Office** the Community and Social Development Team welcome a new collaboration between Diageo's Corporate Relations in the Community Project Manager and the South Central Area Office. The Community Team have bridged this collaboration with the Public Domain Team in Eblana House and we are supporting volunteers from Diageo staff to get out and about and clean across the Liberties Area once a month. The volunteers will cover 1 of 2 routes a month.





### **The Celebrations Continue for William 'Billy' Mooney:**

William 'Billy' Mooney celebrated his 95th birthday Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June in the Aloft Hotel, The Tenters, Dublin 8.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin joined him to mark this special occasion.

Billy Dubliner and Tenters resident worked for Dublin Corporation for 40 years photographing Dublin City's places, faces and an array of historically important events, capturing the memories of the city's past, some of which was highlighted in the recent photographic exhibition during Culture Date with Dublin 8.



The South West Inner-City Community and Social Development Team were delighted to join Billy and his wonderful family in marking this momentous occasion.

#community #heritage

### **5<sup>th</sup> Edition of the O'Czytani Literary Festival – Festival Launch and Sunday Programme**

The South West Inner City Community and Social Development Team supported the Polish Biblary based in the CIE Sports and Social Club with part of their festival O'Czytani Literary Festival, which took place in the Sports and Social Club.



Their festival included an official launch during Integration and Inclusion week on 26<sup>th</sup> May honoured guest included the Polish Ambassador to Ireland Artur Michalski and Lord Mayor Representative Councillor Michael Pigeon.



On 8th June 2025, the main event of the festival was open to the wider community and boasted over 150 attended the programme included -  
*Book Fair* (17:00–20:00) – showcased Polish-Irish authors and publishers.  
*Author Talk with Mariusz Szczygieł* (17:00–19:00) – a prominent Polish journalist and writer.  
*Tango Performance* (19:00–19:15) – performed by Dublin Portenos Tango. *The Voice of Polonia Concert* (from 19:15) – featured competition finalists from Ireland and special guest saxophonist Cezariusz Gadzina from Brussels.



Other events during the 3 day festival which took place outside the SWIC included creative writing workshop with Trinity College and Smartphone Photography & Literary Landscapes: Capturing Dublin's Stories through the Lens" in Dun Laoghaire.

The festival created a vibrant platform for cultural exchange, live multilingual literary events and artistic experiences connecting the Polish and wider Dublin community.



### Summer Project Funding Award

The South West Inner City is pleased to announce that a total of €17,300 has been awarded to 18 local community service-led summer projects.

Each organisation will receive their allocated funding in the coming weeks. Funding was distributed based on the duration of each project, taking into account the number of weeks and days the initiatives will operate.

We look forward to seeing the positive impact these projects will have on our community over the summer months.

Funding available to Voluntary Summer project will be finalised with the Dublin City Council Community Teams and Crosscare in the coming month. These projects in SWIC will be notified when the funding award is finalised.

### Community and Informal Education Funding Award

The Dublin City Community Grant and Informal Education Scheme is managed by the Community Central Office and is designed to support non-profit,

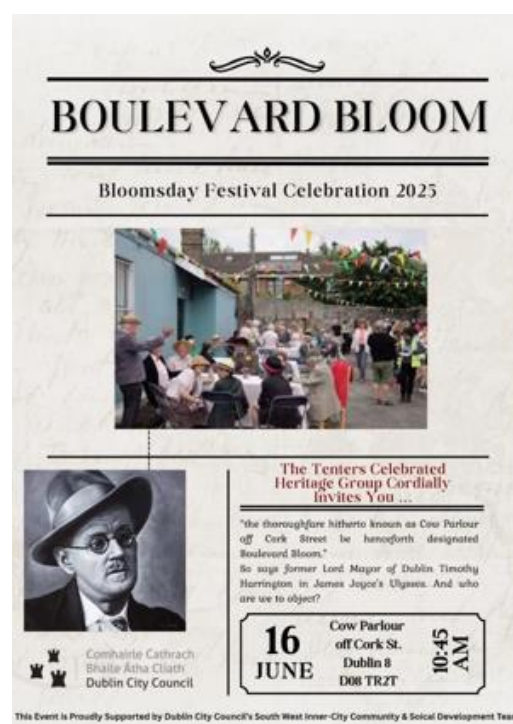
community-based and/or voluntary organisations within the Dublin city area.

The Community Grant scheme provides €30,000 to the local Area Office to help fund local initiatives that benefit the community. Projects must align with key priority areas and themes. Community groups and organisations can apply for grants of up to a maximum of €1,500.

The Information Education Grant provides €8,600 to the local area office to support informal adult education opportunities in the community. Costs covered included tutors, instructors and course material. Community groups and organisations can apply for amounts from €200 to €800.

The local area office assists in processing the Community Grant Scheme by reviewing applications and recommending both the group and the amount to be awarded to the local area councillor's committee. In May, the South West Inner City Community and Social Development Team received and processed 87 grant applications for the area committee on the 18<sup>th</sup> May.

### Boulevard Bloom 2025



This event celebrated and highlighted the Tenters Community's connection to the historical cultural literature of James Joyce's *Ulysses*.

The project aimed to introduce the community members involved, as well as those in attendance, to the arts and local historical culture. It began with a brief introduction to the history of Cow Parlour, followed by a local actor performing a passage from the famous James Joyce publication *Ulysses*, which described Cow Parlour, Dolphin's Barn, and the local area through a vivid outline of a journey on foot that Joyce had taken through Dublin City.

Community members shared in the celebration and socialised with music, dancing, tea and the wearing of hats and bonnets to honour the cultural significance.

The event was designed to be intergenerational in nature and introduced the historical significance of the area to 6<sup>th</sup> class groups from four local schools who partnered in the project.

The 6<sup>th</sup> class students and their teachers attended the event, socialised with older local residents and fully participated and enjoyed the festivities.

Prior to the event, the class groups took part in a descriptive writing exercise as part of the local project. This exercise saw all the children participating, reflecting and writing about one journey they had made in the area (like in *Ulysses*)—whether to the local shop, to school, etc. The focus of their writing was creative and descriptive and they were asked to consider their senses and what sensations were evoked on their particular journey—noting places, sights, sounds and even smells along the route.

The writings, which pupils read during the event, are to be collated and digitised for the schools' collection in the Folklore Department at UCD. A hard copy will be presented to the Lord Mayor.

**Community Climate Friendly Planting Initiative 2025** The Community and Social Development Office invited community groups in Dublin 8 to express their interest in taking part in a Community Climate-Friendly Planting Initiative. As part of this initiative, groups have the opportunity to receive climate-friendly plants to replant neglected community planters and existing planted areas that have not been maintained. Priority was given to groups participating in the City Neighbourhoods Awards 2025.



Information and applications for this initiative were shared with local environmental groups and promoted online through the DCC South Central Area social media pages.

Groups that qualify to receive plants will be assigned a collection point in Dublin 8 in the coming weeks.

**The Rialto Community Arts Festival 2025** The Community and Social Development team are delighted to be supporting the 2<sup>nd</sup> ever Rialto Community Arts Festival. Taking place June 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, the RACF will be jammed packed with events, workshops and festivities. This festival is a fantastic collaboration of community groups, organisations and volunteers from Rialto, Fatima and



Dolphin's Barn coming together to showcase how truly welcoming, community orientated, vibrant and talented Rialto is.



The team wishes the organisers the very best of look in what will no doubt be a tremendous festival and encourage community members from across Dublin 8 and the south west inner city and surrounds will join in the fun and immerse themselves in the festival. #RACF #Community #Festival – For full details of the festival see

[www.rialtocommunityarts.com](http://www.rialtocommunityarts.com)

**Public Consultation for South Circular Road / Brookfield Junction Upgrade**  
**June 5<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>** The South Circular Road / Brookfield Road Junction Upgrade (part of the South City Loop Active Travel Scheme) is now open to public consultation. Click here to have your say on the scheme proposals  
 #ActiveTravelNetwork #HaveYourSay  
<https://engage.dublincity.ie/en-IE/>

The Community and Social Development Team have also arranged for the drawings to be made available to view in St. Andrew's Community Centre, 468 South Circular Road, Rialto, D08 H51F and in the F2 Centre, 3 Reuben Plaza, Rialto, D08 PV0H for the duration of the Consultation period. A thank you to both organisations for hosting the plans to make them accessible to the community.

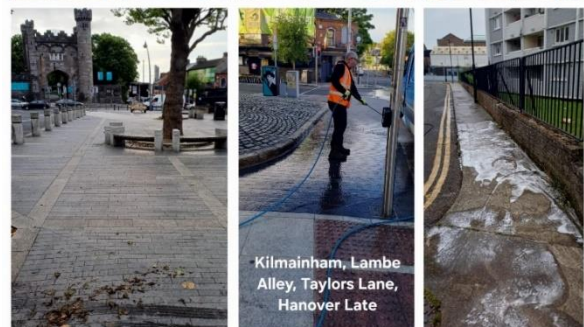
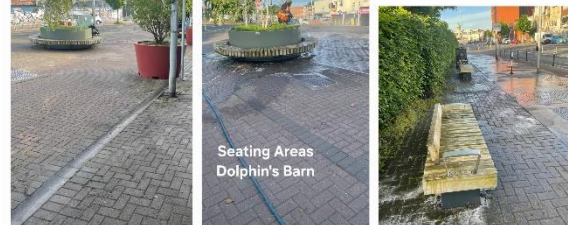
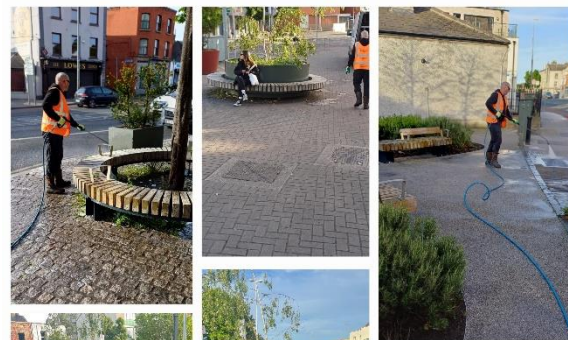
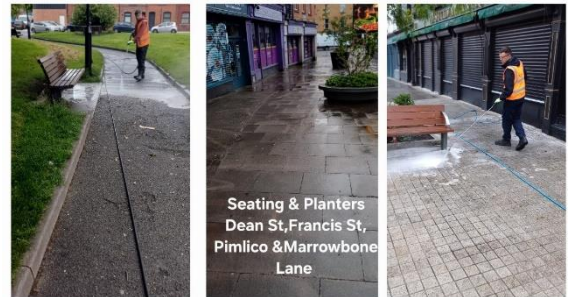


## Public Domain

190M graffiti treated in the South West Inner City Area between May and June  
Locations: Newmarket, Hanover Arch & Lane, John Dillon St., Basin View, Back Lane



## Waste Management Power Washing





	Open Cases	Closed Cases	Grand Total
Abandoned Vehicle	5	13	18
Bulky Household Waste Collection	8	28	36
Community Clean Up Collection	1	54	55
Illegal Dumping	8	328	336
Litter Offence	7	85	92
Public Bin Maintenance	5	49	54
Report a Dead Animal	0	5	5
Report Graffiti	2	23	25
Street Cleaning Sweep Your Street	2	51	53
Grand Total	38	642	680

**NEWMARKET SQ.** Specialist Cleaning The old weigh station was cleaned and invasive weeds removed. The project was completed to enhance the interim public realm scheme Newmarket Sq.



The team inspected all Sheffield bike stands and a number of them were identified for weeding and cleaning this project is expected to be completed over the coming weeks.

### Public Domain Environmental Projects

Floral Displays SWIC, Rialto Roundabout maintenance, Emerald Terrace, Schoolhouse Lane & Brandon Terrace.



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Weeding & cleaning of Clarke's Terrace landscaped area and tree pits is underway and will be completed June/July.





*The Polish Community Biblary Group at the launch of O'Czytani Festival on Monday 26th May* **Venue** - The Inchicore Sports and Social Club - supported by SWIC Team as a Social Inclusion Week Event. The Festival 6th-8<sup>th</sup> June 2025 is a celebration of Polish literature

### **The City Neighbourhoods Competition**

Judging of Area Competition is in progress. Please send any supporting documentation or photos to [southwestinnercity@dublincity.ie](mailto:southwestinnercity@dublincity.ie) Winning entries will be invited to the City Awards Ceremony TBC. We look forward to seeing you at the South Central Awards Ceremony TBC

**Community Clean Ups** South West Inner City Public Domain is delighted to support Groups/Individuals in the area who wish to improve their area and are environmentally conscious. We offer guidance, equipment and collection of Materials all year round, as well as linking into larger environmental initiatives. We can be contacted on [SouthWestInnercity@dublincity.ie](mailto:SouthWestInnercity@dublincity.ie) for more information.

### **Dolphin's Barn Canal Biodiversity & Clean-Up Group**



### **Rialto Environmental Group**



### **Inchicore Environmental Group**



***June 2025 Report of Activities, Historian in Residence Project Cathy Scuffil, Historian in Residence (HIR) Dublin City Council (DCC) South Central Area (SCA)***  
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HIR continues working with DCCs Social and Community Development (SACD) Team, Dublin City Libraries, and existing local history, heritage and cultural groups in the wider area. History talks have been held in the Ballyfermot library as well as Warrenmount and Tyrone Place Family Resource Centre, which was kindly arranged by SACD. A workshop on The Liberties was held for students from the University of Minnesota in Timberyard in conjunction with The Liberties Weavers.

The Future Historians showcase with students from Rosary College Crumlin, Loreto Crumlin and Clogher Road Community College was a great success. HIR projects for ***Culture Date with Dublin 8*** included talks in The Worth Library and Tailor's Hall. The latter, at which 100 attended, was held in conjunction with The Liberties Weavers exhibition which saw record attendees over the two days. HIR also supported the Billy Mooney photographic exhibition in The Bank, Thomas Street and attended a plaque unveiling in Walkinstown celebrating local artist Jonathan Wade.

Sincere thanks to DCC for the opportunity as always. *Cathy Scuffil* 09.06.25

## BALLYFERMOT DRIMNAGH ELECTORAL AREA

### Housing

#### Stonemount

Tenant training for the new tenants recently took place in the Civic Centre, 62 new tenants took part in it. The new tenants have been receiving their keys for their home over the last 2 weeks.

#### Springvale Grove

Springvale Grove has being shortlisted for the award by the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland (RIAI) and is on the

Public Choice Award list as well for the public to vote for. It is great to see DCC's social housing architecture getting this recognition. This is after the Judges visit to the complex and into some tenants' apartments. The judges also spoke to the tenants about the complex. Springvale Grove was also visited by delegates from all over Europe as part of the International Social Housing Festival.

#### Cherry Orchard

There has been 2 house fires in recent weeks in the area. DCC are engaging with the tenants involved

<b><u>Void Units</u></b>					
<b>Type</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Bedrooms</b>	<b>Vacant possession date</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Estimated Completion date/Status</b>
House	CHERRY ORCHARD GREEN	2	N/A	Awaiting vacant possession	N/A
House	CROFTWOOD GARDENS	3	N/A	Awaiting Vacant Possession	N/A
House	CROFTWOOD PARK	3	N/A	Awaiting Vacant Possession	N/A
House	LA TOUCHE DRIVE	2	N/A	Awaiting Vacant Possession	N/A
Apartment	BERNARD CURTIS HOUSE	1	17/10/2024	AGS Checks underway	Ready
Senior Citizens	BLACKDITCH COURT	1	27/08/2024	ASG Checks Underway	Ready
House	CHERRY ORCHARD AVENUE	3	04/06/2024	Tenant selected	20/06/2025
Senior Citizens	CLADDAGH COURT	1	14/07/2024	2nd offer refused estate management checks being carried out	Ready
House	CROMMWELLSFORT ROAD	3	23/11/2024	Tenant selected	30/06/2025
House	CROMMWELLSFORT ROAD	3	24/11/2024	Tenant selected	30/06/2025
House	CROFTWOOD DRIVE	3		With framework	11/06/2025
House	CROFTWOOD GARDENS	2	N/A	Tenant selected	1/08/2025
House	CROFTWOOD PARK	4	12/04/2023	Tenant selected.	15/6/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	07/07/2024	With contractor	17/06/2025
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	19/10/2022	AGS Checks underway	Ready
Apartment	DAVITT HOUSE	0	02/06/2024	With contractor	17/06/2025
House	ELMDALE DRIVE	3	21/11/2024	Tenant selected	24/06/2025
Senior Citizens	Fr KITT COURT	1	31/01/2025	With contractor	20/06/2025
Senior Citizens	KILNAMANAGH COURT	1	31/01/2025	With contractor	10/07/2025
House	LANDEN ROAD	2	25/07/2024	Tenant selected	Ready (awaiting ESB works )



House	LISSADELL GREEN	3	29/11/2024	Tenant selected	Ready
Maisonette	LISSADEL ROAD	2	03/12/2024	AGS Checks underway	21/06/2025
Maisonette	LISSADEL ROAD	2	05/07/2024	AGS Checks underway	21/06/2025
House	MOYCULLEN ROAD	3	03/11/2024	Tenant selected	24/05/2025
House	MUSKERRY ROAD	2	13/01/2024	AGS Checks Underway	28/06/2025
House	O'DWYER ROAD	3	25/05/2022	Tenant selected	Law Dept
House	O'MOORE ROAD	3	09/12/2024	Tenant selected	16/6/2025
Apartment	PHOENIX VIEW	2	18/12/2024	Tenant Selected	Ready
Senior Citizens	RIVERVIEW COURT	1	03/11/2024	Tenant to view & sign	Ready
Senior Citizens	ROSSAVAL COURT	1	03/12/2023	With contractor	TBC
House	ROSSMORE ROAD	2	N/A	Tenant selected	Ready
House	SLIEVEMORE ROAD	3	17/11/2024	With framework	31/06/2025
Apartment	THE STEEPLES	1	05/12/2024	Tenant selected	Ready
House	THOMOND ROAD	2	22/12/2024	ASG Checks underway	Ready
Maisonette	Rafters Lane	2	2/3/2025	For Framework	
Senior Citizens	Cornamona Court	1	N/A	For Framework	
Senior Citizens	Cornamona Court	1	8/02/2025	With Framework	25/06/2025
House	Blackditch Road	4	9/3/2025	With framework	5/9/2025
House	Cherry Orchard Green	3	1/12/2025	For Framework	
House	Croftwood Green	2	N/A	With Framework	22/07/2025
Apartment	Grand Canal View	2	13/02/2025	Tenant Selected	Ready
House	Carrow Road	3	7/02/2025	ASG Checks underway	31/06/2025
Senior Citizens	Fr.Kitt Court	1	28/04/2025	For Framework	
Senior Citizens	Fr Kitt Court	1	28/04/2025	For Framework	
Senior Citizens	Fr. Lemass Court	1	28/04/2025	For Framework	
House	Raheen Park	3	6/5/2025	For Framework	
House	Lissadel Green	2	1/5/2025	For Framework	
Apartment	Davitt House	2	13/4/2025	For Framework	
Senior Citizen	Blackditch Court	1	20/02/2025	With framework	20/06/2025
House	Cherry Orchard Avenue	3	23/05/2025	For Framework	
Senior Citizens	Claddagh Court	1	N/A	Tenant Selected	Ready



### Infrastructure

The Infrastructure Pillar hosted a workshop with the community and community leaders, alongside the Liffey Partnership and ACT, a social enterprise consultant group.

The purpose of the workshop was to inform the community and gather ideas on what a social enterprise approach would look like in relation to developments in Cherry Orchard.

### Youth Work Services

The Youth Work Services Pillar are analysing the results of the survey in relation to insecure roles in youth services in Cherry Orchard which will form a business case to be presented to the COIB and Department of Justice.

## Education

The Education sub group continues to work on their Business Analysis document.

The narrowed focus of the Education Subgroup will include:

- The establishment of a Multidisciplinary Team in and for Cherry Orchard
- The creation of an Attendance Support Worker for Early Years services in Cherry Orchard.

## Community Safety

The Cherry Orchard Community Awards took place in City Hall on the 9<sup>th</sup> May.



The event celebrated the Cherry Orchard Community and the services that support the community. Members of the COIB were in attendance to support the event.

## Lifelong Learning

A pilot pre apprenticeship skill sampling programme, supported by the COIB, has been met with positive feedback. A second programme is currently underway with a 3<sup>rd</sup> programme to be started over the summer.

An update was presented on Community Wealth Building and how it would work for the Cherry Orchard.



## Family Health and Wellbeing

A presentation was given on the results of the survey to obtain a baseline of trauma informed services for organisations working with children and families in Cherry Orchard. Training was the most popular response to what is needed for the trauma informed journey. It was also noted that that 2 out of 4 meetings of the Child and Family Support Networks have now been dedicated to Trauma informed practice.

## Community

### Community grants

The team have been busy assessing and evaluating the many applications received for community grants. The next steps in the process will now take place.

This is to ensure the funds reach the applicants so these important initiatives and activities can continue to thrive and flourish across the South Central area.

### Cornamona Court

The team have had the pleasure of meeting with some of the residents of Cornamona Court last month.

There has been fantastic enthusiasm surrounding the formation of a residents committee.

A follow up meeting is due to take place next week which will see the introduction of Liffey Partnership who have been so helpful as to offer their services in committee formation workshops.

Before any skills workshops take place we will hold a consultation with residents to better facilitate the focus of this new committee.

The team are placing a huge emphasis on consultation and the resident's ownership in the hope that this will result in a more sustainable committee.



## Social Inclusion and Integration Week

We have been facilitating a number of different events in the run up to social inclusion and integration week.

The key events have focused on supporting our aging community, individuals who suffer with dementia and their families and young people in the area.

Events have included afternoon teas, dementia choirs and sporting events. The week was a great success and all who took part enjoyed it.

The Awakening Memories Café run by Linda Dunne in Ballyfermot Library was a huge success and was attended by local nursing home residents in the area and many other members of the public who have been touched by Dementia.

The amazing musical talent and songs from the past brought people on a trip down memory lane and had everyone singing along.



The team would also like to thank the Bluebell Youth Service for allowing us to support their amazing soccer tournament.

The soccer tournament involving young people and adults from Bluebell, Rialto and Inchicore was a huge success and showed the importance of bringing youth from different areas together to build relationships and connections.



### **Ballyfermot Rainbow Ball**

The team have been supporting Ballyfermot Youth Service in the planning and facilitation of a Rainbow Ball Pride Event.

This family friendly day will be an inclusive celebration led by young people of the LGBTQI+ community.

The day promises to be a fantastic celebration in the area and our team is delighted to be involved.

### **Age Friendly Recognition and Achievement Awards**

The team have been working closely with different community groups in the area to nominate for the Age Friendly Recognition and Achievement Awards.

It has been an excellent opportunity in highlighting all the incredible work done for the aging community.

Much time and effort has gone into these nominations and we all hope to have at least one applicant shortlisted.

### **Dublin City Age Friendly Strategy Roundtable**

The team supported a number of residents in our area to attend the Dublin City Age Friendly Strategy Roundtable Discussions.

The attendees reported that the event was very informative and interesting, and all are very interested in being part of the Older People's Council OPC in our area when it is established.

### **Healthy Age Friendly Homes**

The team met with Naomi Dixon Local Coordinator for Healthy Age Friendly Homes. Naomi updated us in relation to the free service they offer to residents in our area over 65 years of age.

Naomi informed they can assist and advice on grants, services and resources that will help support people to remain in their own homes with independence, for as long as possible.

The team hope to collaborate closely with Naomi in the future

### **Age Friendly Program**

We continue to get a great turn out at our Age friendly events taking place in the Ballyfermot Civic Centre and look forward to Historian Cathy Scuffil joining our program.

Cathy, in conjunction with Libraries in the Community will present 'The Missing bicycle and other stories' tales from the 1916 rising on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June.

Libraries in the Community will also be there to inform people about their array of services and to sign people up for library cards.



***The Missing Bicycle and other Stories***  
***Tales from 1916***

**Ballyfermot Civic Centre**  
**June 17th - 2:00pm**

This free history talk, by one of Dublin's most engaging historians, Cathy Scuffil, takes it's starting point from insurance claims made in the Chapelizod and rural Ballyfermot area in the aftermath of the 1916 Rising

Cathy Scuffil is Historian in Residence for Dublin South Central. She is author of *By the Sign of the Dolphin* (1993), *The South Circular Road, Dublin, on the Eve of the First World War* (2013), and *1916 in the South Dublin Union* (2016 editorial committee).

Comhairle Cathrach  
Shráid Árda Cluain  
Dublin City Council

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**Join us for a  
Bike Safety  
Day**

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**1.30pm - 4.00pm**  
**The Orchard Centre, Cherry Orchard**

- Trishaw Rides
- Goodies for your bike
- Push bike & scooter engraving

**ALL AGES WELCOME!**

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# Age Friendly Summer events 2025

<b>06 MAY 2.00PM</b>	<b>MASAMBA DRUMMING WORKSHOP</b>	<b>03 JUNE 2.00PM</b>	<b>BINGO</b> Join fab Vinny for fun, laughter and great prizes
<b>08 MAY 11.45AM</b>	<b>TOGETHER FM FILM CLUB PRESENTS DIRTY DANCING</b>	<b>10 JUNE</b>	<b>LINE DANCING</b> JOIN BERNIE, CATHERINE AND THE GANG FOR SOME DANCE MOVES
<b>13 MAY 2.00PM</b>	<b>LINE DANCING</b> JOIN BERNIE, CATHERINE AND THE GANG FOR SOME DANCE MOVES	<b>JUNE</b>	<b>TOGETHER FM FILM CLUB PRESENTS STAND BY ME</b>
<b>20 MAY 2.00PM</b>	<b>TEA DANCE</b> TICKETED EVENT	<b>17 JUNE 2.00PM</b>	<b>TALES FROM 1916</b> LIBRARIES IN THE COMMUNITY PRESENTS 'THE MISSING BICYCLE AND OTHER STORIES'

**ALL EVENTS ARE FREE**      **REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**

**LOCATION: BALLYFERMOT CIVIC CENTRE**

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Implementation Board who invited members of the Cherry Orchard to discuss the possible new future developments which are been planned & proposed for Cherry Orchard.

Coinciding with the month of May planning has also now begun for preparation surrounding Men's health awareness week in June as well as the Ballyfermot/ Cherry Orchard arts festival in July.

## Public Domain

### Illegal depositing of material on a Public Road

The Public Domain Office has completed its follow up inspection/survey of illegally deposited materials on our public roads, after the 28 days' notice period had lapsed.

This initiative has been hugely successful, with potentially **73% compliance rate**, which is quite staggering considering some of these offending materials have been in place for over 20 years.

The improvement to both the visual character of the area and the more importantly the safety of the road usage is quite noticeable, especially on the narrow roads in the area. Plus, Waste Management Road Sweepers can now

**Criunniu na NÓg** is a nationwide day of creativity for young people with family friendly events taking place all across the country.

The community team is delighted to support Familibase in this year's creation of "Unsung Youth" which will see an outdoor concert return once again to the people's park in Ballyfermot.

Not only will we see young people showcase their talents on the stage but behind the scenes too with the young people involved taking the lead on the stage management, graphic design and videography of the event.

### Cherry Orchard

As we entered May, we were delighted to be able to host a Bike safety day in collaboration with An Garda Síochána & Liffey Partnership.

A big special thank you, also to Alan from The Orchard Community Centre who supported and Participated in Africa day,

Furthermore in the month of May, we were delighted to be able to support The Liffey Partnership & The Cherry Orchard

properly sweep these streets reducing the weed build up etc.

The following is a breakdown of the **453** Warning Notices/letters issued to households in the area.

**13** Warning Notices/letters were issued incorrectly/wrongly addressed, plus an additional **47** illegal deposits were noted during the re-inspection of the area. These **60** householders have been subsequently issued with a Warning Notices/letter and will be inspected after a 28-day notice period.

Of the remaining **440** Warning Notices/letters issued **282** householders or **64%** removed the illegal deposit themselves.



**158** or **36%** had not been removed by the time of re-inspection. However, **40** or **25%** of those householders had responded to the Warning Notices/letter issued, to indicate that they had either started the

process, be it, acquiring an affidavit or had paid the required fee to Roads Maintenance for the footpath to be dished. Or had provided evidence that the illegal deposit in front of their home was in situ before they took up occupancy of the property, and hence not responsible for depositing same.

Those **40** households equate to **9%** of the Warning Notices/letters issued, potentially raising the compliance rate to **73%**.

Of the remaining **118** cases of illegal deposits, **60** or approximately **50%** would be classed as easily removable non fixed materials i.e. planks of wood or concrete cills, or plastic ramps.

While the other **58** or approximately **50%** are more permanent, in the form of poured concrete or tarmacadam.



As previously stated, these illegal deposits are not only affecting the character and amenity of the streetscapes, and detracting from the visual character of the area, they are also a very serious Public



Safety hazard for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

The remaining **158** cases of illegal deposits, plus any additional non-compliant households from the subsequent **60** Warning Notices/letter issued, will be forwarded to Roads Department requesting their immediate removal from the Public Realm.

**Summer Planting of our 3 tier public planters across the Ballyfermot Drimnagh Area** The contractor engaged by the Public Domain Office for floral displays in the area has recently removed the winter bedding from the 26, 3 tier planters and 8 bridge planters across the Ballyfermot Drimnagh Area and replanted them with summer bedding flowers, adding some vibrancy and colour to our public realm.

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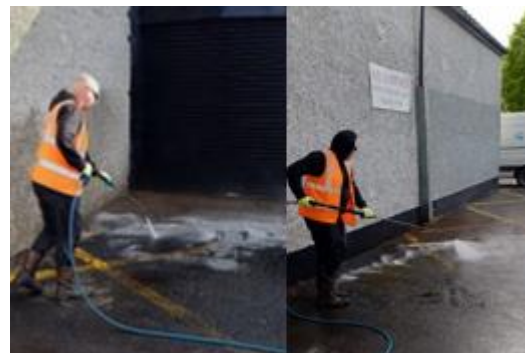


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### **Illegal Dumping, litter, unlicensed items and Graffiti etc. removed**

**Street washing Crew – Church Car Park in Crumlin Village** Following a request from a local business which backs onto the Church Car Park in Crumlin Village the Public Domain Unit arranged for Waste Management crews to address broken glass in the carpark and to power wash an area of the carpark following a complaint of a smell of urine emanating from a particular section.

I would like to thank the crews for their quick response, attending site early the very next morning and coordinating their actions by removing the broken glass etc. before the power washing took place.



**The Grotto – Tyrconnell Road – Section 20 notice issued** The Public Domain Office requested a Section 20 notice be served on the owners of the Grotto site on Tyrconnell Road after several failed attempts to actively engage with the owners to have the graffiti removed.

The Litter Prevention Office served a Section 20 notice, the notice required the owners to remove the defacement, which is visible from a public place, the owners failed to comply with the notice, and hence Dublin City Council engaged a contractor to carry out these works.

It is hoped that the Waste Management Department will exercise their

enforcement powers and seek the full costs incurred by the City Council for removing same.



**Blackhorse Pub** targeted once again with graffiti, Public Domain continue to engage with the owners who have, to date, been very responsive to arranging for the graffiti removal in a timely manner.



**Cherry Orchard Court:** Runners removed from Public Lighting overhead wiring



**Croftwood Park** illegal dumping removed





**Jamestown Road, Inchicore offensive  
Graffiti removed**



**Drimnagh, illegal street furniture  
removed from the public footpath**

Public Domain Unit arranged for a Warning notice to be issued to a householder who placed unlicensed planters on the public footpath outside their home, following a complaint.



**Boundary wall fallen on Le Fanu Road**  
Fallen section of wall outside *More 4 Less*, on Le Fanu Road, removed after a section of same had fallen onto public footpath causing an obstruction and potentially trip/fall issue for members of the public

