



Estate Entrance

We hope you like the planters that have been placed at the Church Road entrance to our estate. If these planters prove successful (are not stolen, and watered regularly) we hope to purchase more for next summer. We are delighted with how they create more colour and enhance the entrance of the estate.



Parking on Green Spaces

With the good weather upon us and residents making use of all our green spaces we would like to remind residents that parking on our greens is not acceptable for a number of reasons. Firstly, it is dangerous for road users as it blocks visibility of children and dogs playing on greens. Secondly, it causes ongoing difficulties when the grass is being cut - often leaving car shaped spaces on our greens as the tractors cannot cut under the cars. We believe there is ample parking throughout the estate, so parking on green spaces is not necessary!

Rodents

Unfortunately due to the ongoing building works on Church Road, residents on both Watson Road and Drive are experiencing problems with rats. If this problem is affecting you, please consider contacting Pest Control in the Environmental Health Office (HSE) on ph:6206057 for advice and support, or see the following link for further information:

http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/EnvironmentalHealth/Rodent_Control_for_Householders.pdf



Water Safety

With summer weather upon us the Residents Association would like to remind all residents about the importance of water safety both in the home and especially on beaches including Killiney Beach. *Irish Water Safety* have produced a number of leaflets that are worth a read on topics including 'Swimming Safety', 'Home Safety', 'Beach Safety' and 'Holiday Safety'.

Please see <http://www.iws.ie/advice/posters-and-leaflets.521.html> for further information.

Updates

1. Watson Avenue Road Name Sign

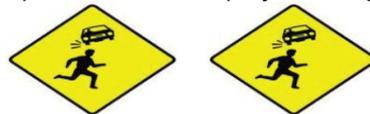
Following months of successful lobbying with DLRCoCo, our request for a new road name sign on Watson Avenue (at the junction of Watson Road) has been facilitated. The new road sign now reads 'Ascaill Watson, Watson Avenue' not 'Céide Watson, Watson Avenue'.

2. Children at Play Signs

The 'Children at Play' sign at the Churchview Road junction of Watson Avenue has now been moved to in front of the tree, as opposed to behind it. We were conscious that when leaves grow on the tree the sign was completely blocked. We requested the move to ensure the sign would be clearly visible to all - regardless of the season.

We continue to wait (since September 2015) on a response from DLRCoCo regarding our request for 'Children at Play' signs for Granville Close, Auburn Close and the junction of Watson Drive / Ralahine.

Following suggestion at our AGM we have also requested 'Children at Play' signs for the greens on Watson Drive, Park and Brackenbush Road as a reminder to traffic to watch their speed as children play on the greens.



DLRCoCo Grass Cutting

This year DLRCoCo has outsourced their grass cutting to a company named Redlough. Similar to last year, Redlough will have responsibility for cutting the greens at Churchview Rd/Pk/Ave, Auburn (in front of the church) and Brackenbush (beside Tesco). We continue to be in regular contact with DLRCoCo regarding the timing of grass cuttings, and quality of cutting. We hope that you remain happy with the service offered. If you have any comments please do not hesitate to contact us, or DLRCoCo!



Our Grass Cutting & Landscaping

Every year the Residents Association spends a lot of our budget on grass cutting and landscaping throughout our estate. We cover the maintenance of some of the larger verges and all the islands on Churchview Road. We also purchase the flowers for every road name sign. Every year we shop around landscaping companies to ensure we always get value for money.

Waste Collectors

On behalf of the Environment Enforcement Unit. It has been brought to the Council's attention that promotional literature advertising waste collection services has recently been circulated in the DLR catchment area. The Council wishes to bring to your attention that a number of these waste collectors are **not** licensed to operate such a service in the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council area. It is important to note that while it is in breach of the Waste Management legislation to collect waste in the absence of a valid waste collection permit, it is similarly an offence to hand over control of your waste to anyone other than a permitted waste collector and if found guilty of an offence you will be prosecuted. If in doubt about the validity of a waste collector's authorisation please contact the Waste Enforcement Office on 01-2047954 or email wasteenforcement@dlrcoco.ie and they will be happy to provide advice and clarification. Alternatively the National Waste Collection Permit Office (NWCPPO) has a full list of registered waste collectors and can be found at: www.nwcpo.ie/permitsearch.aspx

Proposed Development on Church

Road exiting onto Watson Road

As it stands the Residents Association are waiting on the decision of An Bord Pleanála to the objections regarding this development.

Their decision is now due on the 16th of August. We will update you on the website and Facebook as soon as we have a response.



Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch is now two years established in the estate. To date we have approx 250 members. We would like to remind residents of the following:

1. **Membership involves you submitting an application form**
2. **A volunteer coordinator will call to your home, give you a Neighbourhood Watch pack and sticker**
3. **You will then begin to receive Alert Text Messages**

Application is easy. Simply fill out the application form online and email it back to us, or print it out and leave it in any of our letterboxes.

We would encourage everyone to join, it is better to be involved than left out!



Wildlife Project 2016

With the grant awarded by DLRCoCo the residents association has been hard at work in recent months researching the best locations for the new 'Insect Hotel' and Bird Boxes. 8 Insect Hotels have been placed at various locations throughout the estate - have you noticed them yet?? We have also donated 2 to Johnstown National Schools to assist with their ongoing promotion of nature and wildlife with students. We have also purchased 15 Bird Boxes, and are working with DLRCoCo and Birdwatch Ireland re: the best locations for them. 6 of the bird boxes were also raffled at our AGM along with window feeders to promote wildlife in the estate.



Please see www.birdwatchireland.ie for information on local and native birds.

DLRCoCo 'Summer of Heritage'

From the 27th of June – the 4th of September DLRCoCo has put together a 'Summer of Heritage Event Guide'. Please see <http://events.dlrcoco.ie/event/summer-heritage-2016> if you are interested in attending any of the free events ranging from tours of Cabinteely House, Monkstown Castle, The Metals, Deansgrange Cemetery 1916, Seapoint Martello and lots more...

Stop Food Waste Challenge programme

Are you interested in taking part in a Stop Food Waste Challenge funded by the Department of the Environment? Participants attend 4 x 60 minute workshops during September and October in the Samuel Beckett Centre, Ballyogan or Shanganagh House Shankill. DLRCoCo are offering 2 places to local residents in Watsons and the committee are hoping to take up the challenge by helping to identify willing participants. Previous participants achieved a 50% reduction in food waste (on average), thereby realising a saving on shopping bills and a reduction in waste charges. Participating groups will receive Stop Food Waste calendars to distribute to their local communities. The calendars will be packed full of tips to help families reduce their own food waste. What's more the tips will come from the workshop participants. If you are interested please contact any of the committee members or email watsonkilliney@gmail.com

Remember - This is YOUR Association

There are many ways to get involved: newsletter distribution, committee membership, subscription collection, contributing articles for our newsletter. Please get in touch - phone any of us or send us an email: watsonkilliney@gmail.com.

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