

Notes re Public Meeting 23rd April, 2014

Garda Feedback - Concentrating on Wellview and Parnell (statistics available from Philip)

In general there is an increase in crime in the Parnell estate, multiple cars broken into in one night, bikes stolen, house/shed break-ins, a neighbour watch scheme is to be developed.

Not everyone reports incidents as Gardaí are only aware of 10 incidents not 25, most important to report even the minor incidents.

Need to see if there is a spike, description of individual appears to be the same however not certain, can be identified (looking at CCTV).

Alarm is a deterrent must be turned on (92% don't have alarms).

You said we listened Feedback:

Issue No. 01 Ladyswell Park (Fencing)

You said...residents requested that the railings at Ladyswell Park be extended as the gap is encouraging anti social behaviour, it is also used as an escape route.

We said...Clarification required as per Liam Burke (FCC)

Issue No. 02 Mulhuddart Priority Task Group

You said...Residents unfamiliar with Mulhuddart Priority Task Group and the consultation process, therefore they

have requested a presentation from MPTG at next public meeting.

We said... Philip to give a short presentation on the group and the website.

SESSION 2

Presentation by Philip in relation to Cyber Bullying ...
Respond & Prevent

Internet and social media are excellent tools if used correctly. Children can make contact with other people via phones, laptops, gaming devices etc. Talk and interact with your children, monitor what they are putting online.

* Bullying can occur through technology; rumours, gossip, posting photos without consent, stealing passwords etc., resulting in information acceleration.

* Take a screen shot of hurtful posts, don't reply and report incidents to Gardaí or schools.

* It is very easy to become an online bully, there are consequences as a result of cyber bullying, can be a criminal offence, in extreme cases it has resulted in taking of own life.

* Numbers of friends is a huge concern to young people/children.

* There are security settings in place if you are not up to date with technology there are plenty of people who can advise you.

- * Check privacy settings, are they giving away too much information (look ahead to the future, won't always be 16yrs old).
- * In relation to sexting one out of four girls experience consequences, also if under age this is considered child porn.
- * Teach children to be smart about what they are posting. Paedophiles/predators are not necessarily an older person, children with a history are more likely to engage.
- * Grooming signs may include: a lot of time spent on calls or online; turning away from family. Institute for Security, Privacy and Information Assurance (ISPIA) is a useful tool in relation to internet safety, there is also antivirus software and filtering programs available.
- * It is important to communicate, monitor (inappropriate information) and report.
- * Geo tagging gives GPS locations (global positioning), this can be switched off. Facebook places give individuals location.

Mulhuddart Priority Task Group

This is a multi-agency group which works in a more collaborative and task orientated way, identifying and progressing issues that have the potential to contribute and make a positive impact on the area. Its membership consists of both community and agency representation e.g. FCC, BAP, HSE, Gardaí, Local Drugs Task Force, Local Schools, Community Centre, Barnardos, Youth Services etc. The work of the group is area specific. Consultation with residents took place at a public meeting

held on 4th October, 2012 the residents scored and prioritised the following ten issues, issues with the highest combined score will be prioritised by MPTG:

- * Lack of activities/supports/services for U10's and parents/guardians. (166)
- * Very few residents actively engaged/involved in community. (100)
- * Traffic safety concerns - speeding, crossings, ramps etc. (98)
- * Ladyswell Park needs to improve appearance, feels unsafe, not being fully utilised. (96)
- * Services for young people in the area continue to meet increasing demand. (83)
- * Residents feeling under informed about issues/events/updates in their area. (63)
- * Divisions, lack of trust/integration between new and old estates, tenancy type (FCC, other) diversity (Travellers, ethnic minorities, etc). (61)
- * A small number of people persistently involved in anti-social activities. (59)
- * High numbers of unemployed especially long-term and young. (59)
- * High levels of harassment and intimidation. (31)

A new website is to be up and running in one month's time see; www.saferblanchardstown.com

New Issues:

1. The Nurseries

You said...

- * Signage for lampposts “Football Prohibited” - people will be advised that games may be played on the green areas only.
- * Railings for top of walls at No. 14A and No. 19 to prevent area being used as a shortcut into Ladyswell Park.
- * Query re untaxed/no NCT cars parked in and around area - to be removed or notice given to keep on private land/gardens.

2. Traveller Accommodation (behind Parslickstown Hse)

You said...

- * Issue re dumping.

3. Ladyswell Park

You said...

- * Have surveillance cameras been installed, two gangs now drinking in park due to improved weather conditions - check with Ruairi.
- * Access blocked off at top of park, was used by seniors to access the graveyard, also another incident were a

resident felt intimidated/unsafe while walking in park and had no quick exit from park.

* Increase in number of bikes in park.

4. Damastown/Clonee

You said...

* Old Navan Road issue re dumping (reported on three occasions).

5. Parslickstown

You said...

* Footpaths at bungalows a danger for seniors.

6. Dromheath

You said...

* First two ramps at entrance to estate too high.

7. Parnell

You said...

* Additional speed ramps required for the estate, around playground area (linked to finances).

* General increase in crime 25 cars broken into in one night (only 10 reported to Gardai), houses & sheds broken into, bikes stolen.

8. Castlecurragh

You said...

- * Tree/shrubbery on footpaths a danger to children and seniors - Castlecurragh Vale (Duplex).
- * Traveller family, issue re rubbish - Castlecurragh Vale.
- * Drug dealing and quad bikes being used by both adults and children (other children unable to play out) - Castlecurragh Vale (houses facing main road).

9. Corduff

You said...

- * Stones being thrown at buses No 38 & 38A - youths from football club.

10. Wellview

You said...

- * Signage vandalised - can it be put back on walls.
- * Rubbish (fires also being lit) a huge issue re vacant 4 bed corner house.

We said...As requested all the above points/issues raised by the residents to be forwarded to Liam Burke (FCC) via email (09/05/14).

A.O.B.:

- * Motocross Club - in relation to noise reduction there was a delay re planting due to adverse weather conditions, however this is now complete. There is an issue in relation to insurance not sure how far along this issue is. The track can also be used as a BMX course. Once the

club is up and running individuals can sign up but must adhere to the rules. Some plants have died off may need to be redone. There is a huge drive to improve the area, will work with individuals linking in with the residents group. In relation to children using other areas not designated for such activity e.g. the park try to find out where they are from, if the family is in council tenancy this can be discussed/addressed with a parent.

- * Wellview is next for window and door replacements.

- * Attendees encouraged to look out for/invest in their own particular community, this will also be promoted through the local newsletter.

- * Annual Community Day - a planning meeting will take place in two weeks. This event is organised by the residents (civic responsibility) and supported by all agencies (as inclusive as is possible). It will incorporate a memorial football tournament with the final taking place that afternoon.