

TERENURE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION : ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes.....24th May.2018

The AGM of the Terenure Residents Assoc. was held in St. Joseph's Hall Terenure on the 24th May 2018. with Fionnuala Blake in the chair. There was a large attendance which included committee members, three Public Reps....Mary Freehill (Labour)...Ruairi McGinley (Ind) and Anne Feeney (FG).....apologies were received from Claire O'Connor,(FF)...Paddy Smyth (FG)....also in attendance was Sgt.Brendan Kelly, An Garda Siochana, and Rob Chester (Dublin City Council).

1. Welcome

Fionnuala Blake welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance.

2. Minutes of the AGM 2017.

The minutes of last year's AGM were taken as read and signed.

3.Chairperson's Report 2017-2018.

The Chairperson's report was distributed (see attached)

4.Garda Representative.

The AGM was attended by Sgt. Brendan Kelly who gave a brief run down on crime figures for the area during the past year.....notably that burglaries are slightly down but a big increase in car break-ins with key-fishing from hall tables on the increase...Also it was noted a significant increase in bogus callers especially so called handy men targeting elderly people in particular, Bike thefts....especially around Aldi and Lidl. Bushy Park...increase in foot patrolsa number of arrests for anti-social behaviour. Key Advice.....be vigilant at all times and report anything suspicious no matter how insignificant it may seem.

5.Rob Chester....DCC

Rob gave a brief summary of some of the key community projects and groups which they support in the Terenure area, most notably.....I Love Terenure, Evergreen Club, St. Joseph's Hall, Terenure Men's Shed, Terenure Tidy Towns, Terenure Parent and Toddler Group.

Terenure Traders Association, Residents Associations, Dance for Life classes, Men on the Move, numerous events, Dog Shows, Street Feast Days, Bloomsday celebrations, Family Festival Days, Tea Dances, Christmas Celebrations, and a range of weekly Walk and Talk Activities.....and all these events are FREE.....

6. Public Representatives..

All three Public Reps. expressed their continued support for the work of the committee and pledged their assistance in resolving any issues or concerns that residents may have with the various local authorities....

Cllr. Freehill spoke of her efforts to have the bus routes to St. Stephen's Green reinstated by Dublin Bus as a matter of urgency, and that she was sending round a petition to be signed by as many residents as possible to support her case, she also spoke of the problem that most early morning buses passing through Terenure are already full....

Cllr. Feeney also noted the traffic concerns and that she has been working and supporting Ben Costello on traffic issues in the area, also on the increasing traffic and parking problems around Bushy Park due to the number of sporting and other events taking place there.

Cllr. McGinley also noted the traffic and bus problems and of his continued support of the committee in their endeavors to alleviate same. He also spoke of his efforts in increasing the service efficiencies in the council services, to have the Local Property Tax reduced by 15%, and increase in supply of social housing.

7. Roads and Traffic.

Ben Costello presented the Roads & Traffic report in which he highlighted some of the achievements of the past year, including an extensive programme of road and footpath repairs in the area.....also the pending installation of signal controlled pedestrian crossings at Terenure Rd. E. (at Doyles auctioneers).....at Rathfarnham Rd. (at Hidden Hearing)....and at the West end of Bushy Pk. Rd. (at Rathfarnham Rd.).... all to be completed by the end of 2018/19.

Two comprehensive traffic surveys were carried out in Rathdown in Aug. and Oct. 2017. The results of these studies are still under consideration by DCC, we continue to press them for a solution on the matters raised...and on all the other related traffic and parking issues in the area..

8. Planning Report.

Our planning officer, Jim Dowling gave a run down on the major planning applications and decisions over the past year..... The level of planning applications was about the same as in previous years. There are no new major projects proposed.....

Work continues on the **Presentation convent** site.Terenure Rd.W. **85 Templeogue Rd**, no work has yet taken place, however on foot of a Govt. recommendation permission was granted for an increased number of Apts. from 27 to 37 within the same footprint of building....**Riversdale Ave**..an earlier proposal for 3 very large houses incl. the rebuilding of the old house, **The Barn**, was altered to 3 smaller houses and later the redevelopment of the old house. Permission was granted for the 3 houses but has been appealed. No decision yet on the Barn. **38 and 40 Rathdown Park**.. permission was refused for an application to build a house in the back garden," it would seriously injure the visual character and architectural coherence of the residential conservation area"

There has been no developments on Dublin City Council's proposals for tea rooms in Bushy Park, or an all weather pitch on the CDETb grounds on Templeogue Rd.

9.Treasurer's Report..

The Treasurer's report (attached) was distributed and passed. No major expenses were incurred during year.

10.Election of Officers..

The following were re-elected to the committee having been duly proposed and seconded...

Chairperson....Fionnuala Blake; **Vice-Chairperson**... Birgit Buckley; Secretary... Patrick O'Hagan; Planning Officer... Jim Dowling; Roads and Traffic... Ben Costello; Treasurer...John Grant

Committee...Barbara Atkinson, Leila Byrne, Frank Harrison, Rioch McElinn, Margaret O'Shea, Birgit Buckley, Ann Whelan.

10. Election of Honorary Auditors...

Niall Byrne & Co. were proposed and seconded as honorary auditors for the coming year.

There being no other business the meeting was concluded and refreshments served...