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NEWSLETTER

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Garda Liaison and Security

With the advent of the long dark evenings home and personal security becomes a major priority. The Gardai have advised of an increase in house break-ins and car thefts in the past few months. The Gardai welcome all calls, no matter how trivial they may seem to you.

If you notice or witness anything suspicious, report it: ie. antisocial behaviour, graffiti, people loitering or acting suspiciously. Be aware of unusual activity on your street and in your neighbourhood..

Phone 999 or Terenure Garda Station at 01-6666400. The Community Garda in our area is Tom Kennedy.

Security Tips

- Do not open your door to people you are not expecting or do not know.
- Do not allow strange workmen or callers to do work on or in your home. If you need jobs done call Age Action.local care and repair group.Martin Laffan.01-4059819.
- Do not leave house or car keys on hall tables as thieves are able to retrieve them using magnets attached to rods inserted through letter boxes etc.
- Most burglaries occur during the day-time so while in your house keep windows and doors locked and your alarm set; close your curtains at night.

Irish Water

The TRA Committee wrote to the Minister for the Environment with our observations on and concerns about the impending water charges. The letter was acknowledged.

Irish Water has asked us to pass on the following information relating to security matters.

Irish Water staff or agents will not:

- call to your house to collect forms or gather data from you
- send an email to you unless you have already made contact with them and have agreed to this in advance
- make a phone call to your home asking for personal information.

The company advises that if you are at all suspicious or unsure of any person claiming to be from or acting on behalf of Irish Water not to answer the door or end the telephone call. You should also advise the Gardaí.

Inheritance Tax

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Following the dramatic increase in house prices the Committee has written to Senator Mary White and Lucinda Creighton, TD regarding the low level of the inheritance tax threshold. We await their response.

Planning

Planning permission was extended for a development of 15 apartments and 32 town houses at the Presentation Convent site.

Permission was granted for the following:

- Terenure College Rugby Club for an all-weather pitch and a fence between their grounds and the lake in the college grounds. The club has appealed against conditions imposed in relation to access through the fence.
- reversion of Argus House, Terenure Road East to a single dwelling
- domestic extensions at
 - 83 and 145 Templeogue Road.
 - 94 Bushy Park Road
 - 62 Rathdown Park,
 - 1 Rathdown Villas
 - 24 Olney Crescent
 - 18 Healthfield Road

Permission was refused for the following:

- a two-storey extension at the rear of 5 Cormac Terrace
- 3 houses on the site of the derelict cottage at 64- 66 Terenure Road West

The public consultation process in relation to the proposed padel court, and refurbishment of the tennis pavilion and some tennis courts at Bushy Park has been completed.

Permission has been sought for a restaurant/café and a first-floor extension for a medical clinic at the former Falks site on Terenure Road East.

Construction of the Aldi Store on Terenure Road East is well advanced. The new building will retain the profile of the former tram sheds and will reuse some of the stone from them.

New Clergy Welcomed

The Association extends a very warm welcome to two new members of the clergy. Fr Philip Bradley has taken up duty at St Joseph's Church on the retirement of Fr. Francis Mc Donnell. Fr Philip studied for the priesthood at Clonliffe College. The Rev Adrienne Galligan has been appointed rector of Rathfarnham Parish Church. She will be

instituted by Archbishop Michael Jackson on 16th January 2015.

Irish Jewish Community.

This year, starting 16th Dec. Jews around the world will be celebrating Chanukah. Jewish Festival of Light. In the spirit of this cheerful season we would like to welcome Fr. P. Bradley and Rev. Adrienne Galligan. Wish them Shalom u'vracha-peace and blessings.

Farewell to Sisters of St Louis

The Sisters of St Louis (SSL) bought a house in the early 1970s on Bushy Park Road to house novices and as a formation house. Since then the Sisters have ministered in teaching at primary, secondary and tertiary schools and colleges, in counselling, psychology, social work, adult education and faith development.

The sisters are now packing their bags and leaving with great sadness, and the house is up for sale. We wish them health and long life in their retirement and thank them for their unselfish dedication to so many causes over the years and so many lives they have enriched by their presence.

Leaf Clean Up

Residents of Lakelands Park were out in force on 1st November to clear leaves from the road. 140 sacks were filled and later removed by Dublin City Council. This was a very worthwhile community effort. You too can get involved. We urge people to sweep up leaves outside their premises in order to prevent accidents and drains getting blocked. DCC will supply bags and collect them when full.

See contact details on our website:

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There is lots of other useful information and contact details on the site and we encourage you to use it.

Graffiti

Earlier this year our area was plagued with graffiti, particularly on items such as utility boxes. We compiled a list of these and sent it to Dublin City Council who have removed most of the graffiti.

I Love Terenure/Terenure Village Network

Congratulations to the ILT committee for their very professional Winter Newsletter which was recently delivered to all households in our area. It is packed full of news, views and upcoming events from the Christmas tea dance in the Evergreen Hall on the 5th December to Santa's arrival in the Terenure Inn on Sunday 14th.

All the traders in Terenure are to be warmly congratulated on how well they have decorated their premises this year. The village looks magical with all the beautiful and decorative Christmas lights.

Please support the local traders this Christmas as they are the lifeblood of the village.

For the new year, please think of what you can do to improve the appearance and quality of life in Terenure. Visit the I Love Terenure website to see how you can get involved.

Let's make Terenure the jewel in the crown of the Rathmines, Rathgar and Ranelagh area.

New Retail Outlets

- Phoenix Interior Design, 114 Terenure Road North
- Home Boutique, Templeogue Road on the former Rathdown Motors site
- Matt Britton Carpets, 13-15 Rathfarnham Road
- Discount Pet Store at the rear of Oasis Florists, Terenure Road North/Eaton Road

Terenure Enterprise Centre are looking for new start-ups.

NCT Test Reminder

NCT will not advise you when your test is due. You need to contact them yourself and arrange your test. From December 2014 driving without a valid NCT will incur 3 penalty points.

Feral Cats

If you have a problem with wild or feral cats you can contact the DSPCA for information on how to manage such animals.

Phone 01-4994700 or call to the DSPCA at Mount Venus Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 16.

Tidy Towns Competition

Terenure Residents Association was awarded a Special Merit in the Residential (over 300 dwellings) category of the South-East Area City Neighbourhoods Competition in 2014. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our success.

Roads and Traffic

The Committee has been advised by Dublin City Council that there will be no more work on roads and footpaths in the area until next year. The Council is reluctant to remove some of the signs in Rathdown but may be able to reduce height of the chevrons.

We await a response to our letter about the timing of the lights at the junction of Rathfarnham Road and Rathdown Park..

We wish all residents a happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

