

Terenure Residents Association Committee 2018-19

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We would like to welcome Laura Muldowney, Healthfield Road to the committee.

Two members of the committee resigned during the year due to other commitments and we have received no new applicants for the coming year so if you can give 1-2 hours of your time, once a month we would be very glad of your help during the coming years. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month excluding January, July and August.

We would very much welcome members from areas not already served especially Olney, Terenure Rd. West, Rathdown Park, and Avenue.... Contact any of the above members for more details.

Terenure Residents Assoc...AGM. 24th May 2018

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

Most of the focus was on the ever increasing traffic problems in the area, recent repairs to roads and footpaths especially in the Rathdown area and Terenure Rd. West, buses passing through Terenure in the mornings already full. Cclr Mary Freehill has organised a canvass of local residents to see if there is a demand for the restoration of the bus route to St. Stephens Green.

Sgt. Kelly gave an update on crime figures in the area, 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 large increase in bogus callers, especially so called handy men.....under no circumstances let any stranger into your house.....

Rob Chester gave a brief summary of some of the key community projects and groups which they support in the Terenure area, most notably,

Evergreen Hall...Men's shed, Terenure Parent & Toddler Group, Tea Dances, various classes etc.
 I Love Terenure 2030, Terenure Tidy Towns, Terenure Traders Assoc, Terenure/Rathgar Dog Show in Bushy Park, Bloomsday celebrations in the village, Terenure Family Festival Day in Bushy Park, various weekly walk and talk activities, Bumper Christmas Market and Tree Lighting Ceremony, and many more.

All these community events are free.....
also he intimated that the removal of the unsightly bottle bank bins at the carpark was under review.

Roads and Traffic Issues

After a lot of hard work, phone calls and volumes of emails we finally secured a meeting with Dublin CEO Owen Keegan and Senior Traffic Engineer Andy Walsh on the 29th June 2017..... the following was agreed.

Roads and Footpath Repairs.

An extensive programme of road and footpath repairs was carried out by a private contractor between September 2017 and April 2018 covering the areas of Rathdown, Templeogue Road, Lakelands Park, Wasdale Grove and Park, and Greenmount Road. Some repairs remain to be addressed in a future phase of this work. To address the patchwork appearance of the repairs in Rathdown, DCC have agreed (subject to funding availability) to fully surface in tarmacadham Rathdown Drive (2019), Rathdown Crescent (2020) and to resurface Rathdown Park – the two older roads only - in 2021.

Road markings in Rathdown have been restored after the recent road and path repairs.

Traffic Issues

It was agreed that signal controlled pedestrian crossings would be installed at Terenure Road East (at Doyles Auctioneers), at Rathfarnham Road (at Hidden Hearing), and at the west end of Bushy Park Road (at the Rathfarnham Road). All to be done during works programmes in 2018.

Two comprehensive traffic surveys were carried out by DCC in August and October 2017 on rat running traffic in Rathdown with a view to the possible introduction of a right turn ban for inbound traffic at the Rathdown Avenue / Templeogue Road junction, from 7am to 10 am during weekday mornings. This measure and the results of the traffic surveys are still under consideration by DCC. In this connection also the removal of the right turn ban at Springfield Avenue / Templeogue Road junction, is to be considered in conjunction with SDCC traffic engineers.. We continue to ask, on a monthly basis, whether there is any outcome on these issues.

Following representations the timing of the full traffic cycle at the Rathdown Park / Rathfarnham Road junction has been shortened. This allows a shorter wait between Rathdown Park exit sequences at this junction – but with a similar total exit time as heretofore – approximately 12 seconds every two minutes or 10% of the total cycle time.

Following representations an extra pay and display machine has been installed at the end of Rathdown Avenue (near the junction with the Crescent).

Garda Liaison and Security

At our recent **AGM** Sgt. Brendan Kelly gave an overview of the latest crime figures for the area.

Burglaries.....slightly down on this time last year..

12 break-ins.....10 private dwellings, 2 commercial premises...most burglaries occur between 3-9pm, especially 7-8pm..be aware if just popping out for a few minutes to lock up securely.

Car break-ins.....on the increase, especially due to residents leaving car keys on hall tables....key fishing on the increase.

Bike thefts.....especially around Aldi and Lidl.

Bogus Tradesmen.....7-9 incidents already this year..do not allow strangers into your home under any circumstances.....they can be very persuasive and persistent in convincing you that you need certain repairs or jobs done.

If you see people going door to door in your area offering these type of services, then please contact **Terenure Garda Station in an emergency – 999.**

If necessary phone Age Action local care and repair group - **Martin Laffan, 01-4059819**

Report anything suspicious to Terenure Garda Stn – **01-6666400.** or in an **emergency – 999**

See our TRA website for updates and more info.

Dog Fouling

To report fouling....**phone 1800-251500.**

Dates for your diary.

27th Irish Classic & Vintage Motor Show.

Sun. 01 July.'18. Terenure College.

supported charity this year is ' Help Emma Beat It'.....

The event is open to the public from 11.00am to 6.00pm.
Free car parking is available within the grounds and tickets may be bought at the gate or online.

Terenure Family Festival Day...Sat. 08th Sept. 1-5pm in Bushy Park.

Irelands First Inflatable Zip Line, also Bouncy Castles, Face Painting, Live Music, Magic Show, village market & lots more for young and old.

Local Traders

Please support our local traders so that they can continue to provide excellent goods & services.

To find out how you can support other developments visit Terenure 2030 website for more information. **www.terenure2030.com**

Our Website

The TRA website is proving a great success for people in our area. For access just Google.

Terenure Residents Association.ie items of local interest such as planning and environmental issues, crime and security and the latest updates on any upcoming events. You can also find contact details for Dublin City Council and elected public representatives.

Planning Matters

Permission was granted, but appealed, for three houses at the **Barn, Riversdale Avenue.** An application to part demolish and rebuild the old house has been granted.

No decision yet on Dublin City Council's proposal for **tea rooms at Bushy Park** (overlooking the band stand).

A refusal for an infill house in the back gardens of **38 and 40 Rathdown Park** was appealed but the decision was upheld.

The application for a creche at Terenure Business Park was withdrawn.

A decision to grant permission for an infill house at **9 Rathdown Villas** has been appealed.

Healthfield Road....The request for a yellow box at the end of Healthfield Rd has been refused on appeal.

Permission was granted for domestic extensions at:

- 7 Cormac Terrace (rebuild section)
- 63 Rathfarnham Road.
- 14 Healthfield Road (partial permission)
- 153 Templeogue Road,
- 19 Glenayr Road
- 133 Templeogue Road (entrance widening)
- 42 Rathdown Park
- 2 Rathdown Crescent
- 83 Bushy Park Road

Some applications awaiting decision.

Alterations and pitched roof on existing extension at **20 Rathdown Crescent**

Alterations and extensions at **22 Rathdown Avenue.**
Extension at **2 Rathdown Villas.**

Environment

The Terenure Residents' Association believes that it can help the residents of the area and the relevant authorities to combat environmental problems and criminal activity by bringing such problems to the attention of Dublin City Council and the Gardai.

Problems such as graffiti, litter, broken pavements, inconsiderate parking, traffic, and anti-social behaviour generally can be dealt with by the Association liaising with the appropriate organisation.

The Association also makes representations to the City Council, on behalf of residents, on issues such as pedestrian safety, bus lanes, cycle lanes, quality bus corridors, etc. We are also keen advocates of the national Tidy Towns and Dublin City Neighbourhoods Competitions.

Should you have any concerns about any aspect of the environment in Terenure, please contact us. The matter will then be taken up with the relevant section of the City Council or local gardai as appropriate.

Bushy Park

Bushy Park is currently undergoing major refurbishments in areas that ultimately will improve and add to the enjoyment of visitors to the park..

Childrens Playground.

Major refurbishment of the children's playground is now complete, including complete new surface, new activities, new drainage system and landscaping and seating.

Tennis Courts..have been completely upgraded to a very high standard and are now in full use from 10am to 10pm... professional coaching and classes now available.

Padel Courts...now open and are proving very popular. Why not try out this new sport, it is a combination of tennis & squash.

Tea Rooms....new tea rooms and seating areas overlooking the bandstand ,also public toilets are in the pipeline.....

While any upgrade to the park is warmly welcomed we would hope that consideration would be given to local residents regarding access and parking.

Evergreen Club

Is a voluntary run social club for older people in Terenure & surrounding areas. new members always welcome..

The Men's shed are looking for new members, they also run a very successful sing along once a month in the Terenure Sports Club bar. please contact Tommy 0872350166 for further details.

Planters and Flower boxes..

The many planters & flower boxes dotted around the village have recently been replanted and are looking great..Could we ask that residents living nearby water and maintain them as best they can, over the coming summer months.

Also we would like to commend one of our newer residents on Rathdown Park for planting some spring flowers which greatly enhanced the appearance of the major roundabout in Rathdown.

We wish all our residents a safe and enjoyable summer.

More information about the Association is available on our website.

www.terenure2030.com

TRA subscriptions for 2018-2019 are now due. A designated committee member will call soon to collect the 5 euro sub.