

Collinswood Update – September 2013

Dear Resident,

Over the past number of weeks I have received several complaints from residents in Collinswood in relation to the condition of some rental properties. I raised this issue at our recent City Council meeting on your behalf and received the below response. As you can see the Council has some powers in this area and complaints can be made directly to them via the Customer Services Centre.

I have also enclosed some updates overleaf which may be of assistance to you.

As always please let me know if there is anything I can assist with.

Kind regards,

Cllr Jane Horgan-Jones

Rented Properties

Question to City Manager

City Council Meeting 02/09/2013

Q67 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES

To ask the City Manager the following question:

Collinswood.

There is a problem with the condition of some of the rented properties. Some gardens are overgrown, house fronts are not painted and in some cases walls/pillars that have fallen down are not being repaired. Does the Council have any powers in relation to these issues?

CITY MANAGER'S REPLY:

The Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2008, as amended, apply to all private rented properties. This legislation is enforced by the Environmental Health Section. Complaints in relation to individual private rented properties can be made through the Customer Services Centre at 2222222.

The Local Litter Warden regularly checks and visits any property that has bags or bins overflowing in their front gardens and has the power to issue a warning letter or a fine if he deems necessary.

**Contact: Colm Smyth, Principal Environmental Health Officer - 223738
Richard Cleary, Environmental Liaison Officer – 228866.**

Some other snippets.....

Dumped Rubbish? Graffiti? Derelict property? Report it to Dublin City Council Self Service Portal

You can report any issues to Dublin City Council using their online web portal, which is on the homepage of www.dublincity.ie

Dublin is now a Wifi City!

Dublin Free WiFi launched on Thursday 31st January. This new service will offer both Dubliners and visitors to the city access to free WiFi, 24hours, 7 days a week, at key locations around the city. The rollout of free public WiFi contributes to the Digital infrastructure in the city. To celebrate the launch of this initiative, Dublin Free WiFi will be upgraded from 512Kbps to 1Mbps for 2 months from 31st January. Please visit www.dublingowexfreewifi.ie for more information

Want to know when your street is due to be swept?

Cleaning the streets is a core function of a local authority. Many people get frustrated when they feel their street has been ignored. You can now check out the street cleaning schedule for your street online. Just log onto www.dublincity.ie/StreetSweeping to find out when your street is due to be swept.