

Fairview/Marino Update – Summer 2013

Dear Resident,

Please find below some updates on a number of local issues that I have been working on with my colleague Aodhán Ó Riordáin TD over the past few months which may be of interest to you.

- CY Building Update – Owners have put it up for sale.
- New pedestrian crossing for Fairview
- Campaign for a “Dog Park” in Fairview Park
- Repairs to speed ramps/replacement of bins/painting of railings in Marino area

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you have a query about these or any other issues.

Wishing you and your family a safe and happy summer,

Cllr Jane Horgan-Jones

CY Update

- I attended each of the three public meetings about the proposal to install a full Bar in the CY building in May and spoke with many of you there. I share the concerns of residents about the impact such a development might have had on the amenity of the area.
- It is essential that the building be used positively and for community purposes into the future, and I asked that the owners engage with residents to come up with a shared vision of how this might be achieved.
- I also recognise the wishes of those involved in the Pitch and Putt that this resource should be supported as an asset enjoyed by the entire community.
- **Ultimately the owners withdrew their application for a bar license, and the building has been put up for sale. I will inform residents of any new developments as soon as they arise.**

New Pedestrian Crossing in Fairview

- I have received many representations from residents in Fairview and Marino requesting a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Richmond Road and Fairview Strand.
- Last October I requested this work be undertaken at our Area Committee Meeting.
- The response from the Traffic Department below indicates that the pedestrian crossing has now been approved and should be complete before the end of the year.

Re: Reps for Pedestrian Crossing at the junction of Fairview Strand/Richmond Road, Dublin 3.

Dear Councillor,

I wish to inform you that the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 21st February, 2013, reported that this location is to be upgraded as part of the Sustainable Transport Measures Grants just announced

by the National Transport Authority. It is expected that construction work, including the pedestrian crossing, should be finished by the end of the year.

A “Dog Park” for Fairview Park?

- Many of you will have already visited the new “Dog Park” in St. Anne’s Park. This is an enclosed area which allows dogs to be exercised off-leash at all times of the day and has been a great success.
- I would like to see a similar initiative brought into Fairview Park. As you can see from the reply to my question below this is subject to funding becoming available and I will be working hard to secure this in the next City Budget.

Question to City Manager

City Council Meeting 10/06/2013

Q104. COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES

*To ask the Manager to **examine whether a “dog park” could be installed in Fairview Park, similar to the dog park recently opened in St. Anne’s Park which is a fantastic initiative.***

CITY MANAGER’S REPLY:

Dublin City Council currently has 1 formal dog park, the facility recently opened at St. Anne’s Park in late February 2013. It is proposed to provide opportunity for training here, to encourage responsible dog owner behaviour in all public open spaces throughout the city. As previously indicated an assessment will be made of the facility over 2013 with a view to the rolling out similar facilities at other appropriate locations throughout the city should it be considered to meeting the requirement. At this time resources are not available to provide additional facilities of this type at the park referred to above.

Repairs, Weeds and Bins!

1. The Marino/Fairview area was weed sprayed from the 6th to the 17th May but due to inclement weather some of the weed killer did not take effect and a second weed spraying programme will commence in the 3rd week of July.
2. The Probation Service are currently painting classrooms in local schools but it is hoped to have the **railings in Marino** painted when they are available.
3. The bin at the bus stop (no 1495) on Croydon Park Avenue will be replaced at my request in the coming weeks.
4. The following ramps are being repaired by a Dublin City Council contractor this summer in Marino.
 - A) Croydon Park Avenue at the D-Wall Section
 - B) Croydon Gardens- Croydon Park Avenue Junction
 - C) Croydon Park Avenue-Marino Park Junction
 - D) Marino Park-St. Aiden’s Park Road