

Fairview/Marino Update – Winter 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 Ríordáin TD over the past few months and may be of interest to you.

- CY Building Update
- Condition of Fairview Park Playground
- Plum apples on Brian Avenue and around the 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 Christmas

Cllr Jane Horgan-Jones

Condition of Fairview Park Playground

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
18th November 2013**

Q.100 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following matter with urgency:

Fairview Park playground, which is a fantastic amenity for the Fairview and Marino communities, has become consistently dirty and often a totally inhospitable environment for children. In particular, one of the "den areas" is completely filthy and filled with cans, glass and food refuse. This is a typical scene after weekends.

Can the Manager arrange an urgent clean up of the playground and ensure a regular maintenance programme into the future to at least ensure that the area is reasonably clean. It should not be allowed to become an unsafe environment for children to play in.

Reply:

The playground at this park will be cleaned daily and the photograph supplied is after a recent fire incident of which there are many. There are no "den areas" intended in the design of equipment supplied however there are areas which provide cover to some extent and are locations where some damage has taken place. Parks and Landscape Services removes from use any equipment which is considered at any time to have become unsafe for use arising from overuse or from abuse of the equipment. Such play items are returned to use when repairs have been carried out in accordance with manufacturers/ suppliers instructions.

**Dave Dinnigan
Area Manager**

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CY Building Update/Street cleaning

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NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
18th November 2013

Q.108 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

- “To ask the Area Manager the following question in relation to **Fairview/Marino**
- **For an up to date position relating to the CY building and the city council. Is the City Council aware of any planning application in relation to the building and what is the position relating to enforcement proceedings?**
 - **Can the manager arrange for a clear up of the leaves/plum apples on Brian Avenue and generally in the Marino area?**

Reply:

There is no current or recent planning application for the property concerned. Investigation has shown that there is a long history of different commercial uses within the building. The current use is being examined to determine whether it constitutes a material difference to previous uses.

In respect of the CY Building and the Council lands adjoining thereto the Property Management Section advise that following a meeting of the Ward Councillors on 30th September 2013 the Law Department was instructed to seek Counsel's advice in respect of the transfer of the Council's lease to a third party.

Counsel recommends that further information be sought from the Solicitors acting on behalf of the current owners setting out the full chain of title including Club resolutions authorising any transfers. A letter has issued from the Council's Law Department to the Solicitors on the other side requesting same and the Council is currently awaiting a response.

Waste Management Services operate a leaves removal programme during the autumn and winter months. Priority is given to tree-lined streets with heavy pedestrian use and areas particularly prone to flooding. We will ensure that **Brian Avenue** and the **Marino** area are included as often as possible during the course of this programme. **Brian Avenue** was cleaned on the 11th November 2013.

Dave Dinnigan
Area Manager

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