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New Tourist Information Centre opens in Dún Laoghaire

The new Tourist Information Centre (TIC) for the County of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown was officially opened at the entrance to County Hall, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire on 11 June this year.

It provides visitors to the County with information on the area and offers a range of services including; accommodation referrals, a booking service for a variety of tours, outdoor and indoor activities, information on festivals, exhibitions and events, on dining out and on a wide variety of evening entertainment and much more. The staff of the TIC will help promote the area and local businesses with their primary aim being the enhancement of the visitor experience and to act as a hub of information for tourists and locals alike.

The licence to run the TIC was awarded to OYAM following a competitive tender process earlier this year. Current Dublin hurler Conal Keaney (pictured below with An Cathaoirleach

Cllr. Carrie Smyth) is managing the day-to-day operations.

The entrance to County Hall has been refurbished and adapted to provide a separate entrance that will allow for weekend opening of the TIC. The summer opening hours are 10 am - 5pm Monday to Sunday, with shorter opening hours planned for the winter.

We encourage all local businesses and groups to drop in, say hello and provide the TIC staff with promotional literature or other relevant information pertaining to your activities.

For further info contact: Tourist Information Centre / Tel: 01 2806964 / email: info@dlrtourism.ie





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Social Inclusion Week

dlr's annual Social Inclusion Week is taking place from 12 – 19 October. Over 70 local organisations are taking part by holding events and we hope you get an opportunity to attend some of them.

Social inclusion is about supporting members of our community to participate in all aspects of life, from education to political life, to recreation and community life. Social Inclusion Week provides an opportunity for us to meet each other, network, share information, plan future projects and most importantly highlight the work we are currently doing to promote inclusion, equality and integration within the County.

Our week is being launched at 11am on Monday, 30 September by John Lonergan (former Governor of Mountjoy Prison) at the Metals, Dún Laoghaire with the Dublin Community Circus group (pictured right) performing on the day.

Events will start on Saturday, 12 October with the dlr Community 5K kicking things off. Other events taking place during the week include the 'Strikes and Scabs' play by Carmona Services - a

short theatre piece about the events of the 1913 Lockout, the Women4Women Breakfast, Community Dance, Coffee Mornings and Neighbourhood Gatherings, Information Seminars, Community Education Awards and much more.

The programme of events will be available from mid-September and can be downloaded from www.dlrcoco.ie/socialinclusion. Hard copies will be available from your local library and Council Offices.

For further info contact: Rebekah Fozzard, dlr Social Inclusion Officer / email: rfozzard@dlrcoco.ie / tel: 2047924.



Deansgrange Library Reopens

dlr Libraries are pleased to announce that Deansgrange Library has reopened following refurbishment. Improvements to the library include:

- a bright, fresh, airy and more spacious interior
- enhanced public internet and selfservice facilities
- seminar room available to a wider variety of community groups
- colour photocopying

- new comfortable seating areas throughout the library
- revamped junior library to cater for all ages
- two accessible public toilets
- fresh landscaping with additional seating
- · more energy efficient building
- lovely additions to the collection of new books, cds & dvds

The staff of Deansgrange Library look forward to welcoming you back to your much improved local library.



Pay by phone for parking in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

A new 'Pay by Phone' service for on street car parking in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown was recently launched in Blackrock.

The Parking Tag system, which has operated in Dublin City since 2009, allows users to pay for parking by sending an SMS or calling an IVR system (Interactive Voice Response). The system will remind users that their time is almost up by sending a text message 10 minutes before their parking time expires. However, with another quick SMS or call you can extend your parking for an additional period of time meaning no more rushing out to refill the meter.

Speaking on the day of the launch, An Cathaoirleach Cllr. Carrie Smyth said: "I am delighted to be here today for the launch of the Parking Tag Service in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. The service offers a very quick and easy way to pay for parking and I am sure it will be appreciated by all who use their cars throughout the County."

With the same pay by phone service now being used in all 4 Dublin Local Authority areas, people registered for the service



can use this hassle free payment option wherever they are in the County of Dublin.

The various parking firms operating throughout Dublin (in DLR we have Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Parking Services - DLRPS) will use Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) to verify customers parking. Their scanners will read customers' registration plates to determine if their parking has been paid for.

Instructions on how to use the service can be seen on www.parkingtag.ie and zones are visible on parking signage. You can register online or by calling Payzone's dedicated Customer Support Team on 0818 300 161. Payment is taken from a registered credit or debit card and the service can be used on any mobile network. Once registered, customers can park immediately.

Water Meter Survey

We wish to remind you that Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council staff are currently carrying out a survey of our water assets, in order to gather information to support the roll-out of water meters for domestic consumers.

The survey involves a visual examination of the service connection / stop-cock at each property on the public water network. This will determine, in advance, if your home is likely to be suitable for a meter and, if so, the degree of work required.

Surveyors will carry identification, including a phone number and if you are in doubt about the identity of a person claiming to be from the Council, you can contact the Council at 01 2054800 to verify the person's identity.

Things you might not know about Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

The Central Statistics Office recently published their second 'Regional Quality of Life in Ireland' Report which provides a comprehensive set of social indicators for the Country. If you haven't already read the report, here are some of the more interesting facts about Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

- dlr has a population of 206,300, up 6.3% on the previous Census figure
- dlr has the highest proportion of persons in the professional worker social class in the Country – 15%
- 82.9% of households in dlr own a PC. This is the second highest percentage in the Country behind Fingal
- 25,123 people living in dlr have a disability
- 12.4% of the people living in dlr are non-Irish Nationals
- There are 59 primary schools in the County but our average class size of 26 pupils is the third highest behind Kildare & Meath
- We have the 5th lowest percentage of population under the age of 14. The only areas with a lower percentage are Galway City, Dublin City, Limerick City and Cork City
- 50.8% of the household waste collected in dlr is recycled. 29.9% through the kerbside collections and 20.9% through Civic Amenity Centres and Bring Banks

From July 2013 you must use your brown bin for food waste or compost it at home.

The EU (Household Food Waste and Bio-Waste) Regulations 2013 came into effect on 1 July 2013. They require:

- Waste collectors to provide a separate bin and collection service for household food waste
- Householders to segregate food waste from other waste and either present it for collection by an authorised collector or compost it at home.

Householders must not put food waste in their general waste bin.

Only compostable bags **certified to EN 1342** (indicated on the packaging) should be used to line food waste bins (brown bin). Plastic bin liners/bags cannot be used as they contaminate the composting process.

There are many ways to reduce food waste and save money e.g. by carefully planning menus and sticking to a shopping list, using freezers wisely, using leftovers creatively and controlling portion sizes. Other ideas can be found at www.stopfoodwaste.ie.

The full text of the EU (Household Food Waste and Bio-Waste) Regulations 2013 can

be viewed on www.dlrcoco.ie.

For further information contact The Waste Enforcement Section on (o1) 2047 954, or via e-mail at wasteenforcement@ dlrcoco.ie



Correct use of Brown Bin

YES PLEASE

- Fruit and Vegetables (whole and peelings)
- ✓ Tea Bags and Coffee Grinds
- Meat, Fish and Poultry (raw and cooked)
- ✓ Leftover Plate Scrapings
- ✔ Bread, Cakes and Biscuits
- Eggs and Dairy Products
- ✓ Soups and Sauces
- Cereals, Pasta and Rice
- ✓ Paper Towels and Napkins
- Newspaper used to wrap food waste
- ✓ Cut Flowers, Plants and Weeds
- ✓ Grass Clippings and Leaves
- ✓ Plant Trimmings (Twig sized)

NO THANKS X

- X Ashes, Coal or Cinders
- Cooking Oils
- Plastic or Metal
- Glass or Crockery
- X Tin Foil
- Rocks, Gravel or Clay
- Sweet or Crisp Wrappers
- Clothes, Shoes or Rubber Gloves
- Nappies or Sanitary Items
- Medicines or Pesticides
- ✗ Toothpaste Tubes or Toiletries
- Light Bulbs, Batteries or Electrical Items
- Cat Litter or Other Pet Faeces

Architectural Award for Council Operations Centre

The Council's Architects Department and Bucholz McEvoy Architects received two awards for the Council's new Operations Centre in Ballyogan at the 2013 Irish Architecture Awards.

The categories in which awards were received were 'Best Public Building' and 'Best Sustainable Building'.

An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Carrie
Smyth was delighted by the news
of the awards and the formal
acknowledgement of the project.
She said: "The Ballyogan Operations
Centre is one of the most significant
investments made by the County
Council over recent years and is an
impressive facility. It will undoubtedly
strengthen the services the Council
delivers to our public over the coming
years".



CoCo Markets

In July this year, our Environment Department launched its third Co Co Market in the grounds of the historic Cabinteely Park.

Having successfully operated similar Co Co Markets in Marlay Park and the People's Park in Dún Laoghaire for over 10 years, the newest market will help meet the increasing demand from local vendors for an opportunity to sell their wide selection of goods.

Our Co Co Markets serve as a springboard for emerging businesses, provide a forum for the local food movement and offer a focal point for vibrant community gatherings. Their picturesque settings in the County's most beautiful parks gives them a unique feel and helps ensure they are more than just farmers' markets.

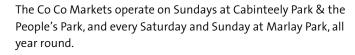
On the east side of the County visitors and locals enjoy the People's Park Co Co Market. The People's Park has been open to the public since 1890 and the market here is proving to be very popular attracting large crowds every weekend. Over 50 vendors trade each Sunday, selling a wide range of products including hot and artisan foods, baked goods, art and crafts and seasonal produce.

To the west, we have the Marlay Park Co Co Market, which is overlooked by the historic 18th Century Marlay House that lies within the grounds of the 247 acre park. The park is home to a playground, a par-3 golf course, running and walking trails and

various sports facilities. With over 40 market vendors on Saturdays and 15 on Sundays selling quality foods and crafts, a trip to Marlay Park is the perfect family day out.

By visiting the Co Co markets you will be supporting the creativity and livelihoods of our vendors as well as taking some time out to enjoy the beautiful

surrounds of the markets' park locations.



For more info see: www.dlrcoco.ie/markets



Green Dog Walkers Initiative

Pictured recently at the launch of the Green Dog Walkers Initiative for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown in the 'off leash' area of Cabinteely Park were An Cathaoirleach Cllr. Carrie Smyth and Cllr. Lettie McCarthy.

This initiative is a non-confrontational, friendly way to change attitudes about dog fouling and has been rolled out in a number of other Local Authorities with great success to date. It is a regional project jointly undertaken by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, South Dublin County Council, Fingal County Council, Meath County Council and Wicklow County Council.



Purchase of the 'Presentation Field' Glasthule

The Council is delighted to confirm the purchase of the 'Presentation Field' in Glasthule.

The site is a rectangular shaped sports field of c.1.75ha (4.5 acres), which had been used by the Presentation College for many years prior to the school's closure in 2007. Following the closure, the Presentation Order disposed of their leasehold interest in the site to Ben Dunne in 2008.

With playing pitches in this part of the County in relatively short supply, the Council decided to approach Mr. Dunne with a view to acquiring his leasehold interest in the site. The Council also approached the Longford and DeVesci Estate with a view to acquiring their interest. Following negotiations, a deal was agreed to purchase both the freehold and leasehold interests in the site.

Any development of the site will be subject to a Part 8 planning process and will require the approval of the Elected Members. However, the Council's intention is that the site will be developed for active recreation (playing pitch/pitches) and also to provide a passive recreation opportunity for the local community.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Cycle Network Map Launched

The Council's Transportation Department recently published its first Cycle Network Map.

The map is the first of its kind in Ireland and is an important element in the development of our cycle network and in promoting cycling as a viable travel mode. It brings cohesion to the cycle network and will help cyclists determine the most direct, safest and most efficient route for their journey.

The map is just one element of our County Cycle Network Assessment project, which aims to develop and enhance cycle routes in the County. The project reflects the Council's commitment to providing high quality facilities for cyclists, thereby increasing the number of people cycling in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

We are currently in the process of getting the maps printed and we hope to have them available FREE of charge towards the end of 2013. The map is available to download on the Council's website, www.dlrcoco.ie.



Red Squirrel Project Update

As it is almost a year since we released fifteen Red Squirrels into Killiney Hill Park, we thought we would check back in to see how things are progressing.

It seems that over the last twelve months there has been mixed fortunes for our fifteen furry friends. Five of them have remained within the boundary of the park with two of the females currently lactating. This indicates that they may currently be pregnant or have recently given birth. While there has been no confirmed litter at this stage it is hoped that more information will be available in the next month. As the natural regeneration of the Red Squirrel population is fundamental to the long term prospects of the project any litters this year would be a landmark event.

Four of the reds have unfortunately died in the last year. One was hit by a car with predatory animals probably being responsible for the others.

The remaining six Red Squirrels have dispersed from the confines of the park. While we are not surprised by their dispersal given the ample opportunities they have to move to other suitable locations in the area, it is something that we will be monitoring.

Our attempts to control the greys have continued and we believe Killiney Hill Park has remained free from grey squirrels. However, a lack of knowledge about the location of the main grey populations in the south Dublin area means that a focused approach to the control of greys has not been possible. Due to the highly mobile nature of these species the control of greys needs to expand to a wider area to stop the infiltration of greys back into the area in and around the park.

While there was initially a great response to our call for sightings of either Reds or Greys this has fallen away in recent times. We are now asking the public to once again help us by informing us of any sightings of Reds or Greys in the south Dublin Area. This information continues to be invaluable and it cannot be compiled without the public's help. Anyone who sees a Grey or a Red can log on to the Red Squirrel Conservation Project survey at www.dlrcoco.ie/parks. All help on this matter is greatly appreciated.

dlr Community 5K

Want to take part in a fun event for all the family and get a little exercise? If so, why not take part in the dlr Community 5K, taking place on Saturday 12 October at 2pm in Kilbogget Park, Ballybrack.

Now in its 5th year, this family fun event brings together the whole community: people of all ages and abilities. Once again kicking off Social Inclusion Week, all fitness levels are welcome where you can walk, jog, run, wheel or push a buggy.

The 5-kilometre route will take participants around the picturesque Kilbogget Park. With an entry fee of just €5 for adults and where children go free, this is the perfect opportunity for the whole family to get out and have fun together. Participants will receive a t-shirt, medal and goodie bag as well as refreshments to keep energy levels up.

This annual event is organised by DLR Sports Partnership and its partners Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, dlr Leisure Services, the HSE, Cabinteely Athletic and Football Clubs and Sallynoggin College.



Places are limited so it's important to book yours today. Register online at www.dlrsportspartnership.ie or return a completed registration form available by calling 01-2719502. See you at the start line.

Roads - News

The 'Pottery Road Improvement Scheme' will provide a new two lane road alignment from its junction with Johnstown Road to its junction with Rochestown Avenue, with new footpaths and cycleways. There will be a new signalised junction at the main entrance to 'Amgen' and a signalised pedestrian crossing close to the entrance road to 'Lidl' supermarket. Tenders have been received and it is hoped to commence work in September with an anticipated construction period of 12 to 15 months.

Road Projects for the Sandyford Business District

The road scheme proposed by the Council to provide a significant upgrade to the Leopardstown Roundabout in Sandyford was approved by An Bord Pleanála in February 2013. Construction work on this project is now anticipated to commence in 2014. Meanwhile construction work on the

extension of Burton Hall Road to the Leopardstown Road commenced last April and is expected to be completed by the end of 2013.

The primary objectives of these road schemes are: -

- to better manage traffic volumes at the existing roundabout junction of Brewery Road, Leopardstown Road and Burton Hall Road
- to enhance access to the Sandyford Business District and South County Business Park
- to improve facilities for pedestrians, cyclists and the mobility impaired
- to cater for anticipated increases in traffic flow resulting from future development within the Sandyford Business District

Launch of new County Heritage Plan

On June 25 in a packed Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Carrie Smyth and Michael Starret, Chief Executive of the Heritage Council launched the 2013-2019 dlr Heritage Plan.

The plan, which is entitled 'Contributing Towards Quality of Life' will guide the management of the County's heritage resource over the next six years. Speaking on the night, Michael Starret outlined the importance of such plans particularly in Counties such as Dún Laoghaire-

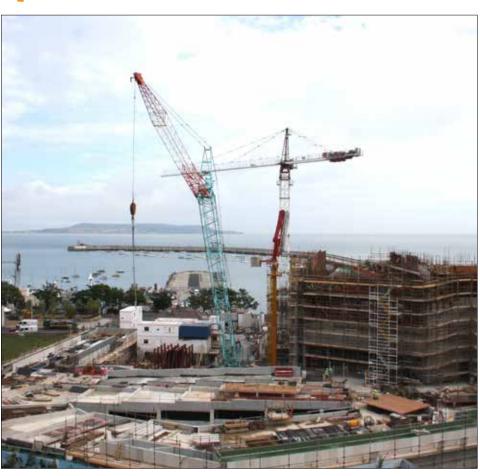
fair share of heritage sites. He said: "Our heritage makes a significant contribution to our quality of life and I have no doubt that the heritage of this County contributes greatly to the view that Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown is a very desirable place to live in, do business in and visit. Just imagine waking up one morning in a County

that is very different from the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown of today. Where there was no heritage – no wonderful architecture, no Dalkey Castle, no Metals, no Martello Towers, no Dublin Mountains, no literary heritage, no beautiful coast, no archaeology, no wildlife. Who would want to live, work or indeed visit such a place?"

Central Library and Cultural Centre

Since the construction of the Central Library and Cultural Centre commenced in April 2012, we have been documenting progress from numerous angles. From Peter Barrow's dramatic aerial shots taken in December 2012 and April 2013 to Sean Downes' weekly diary and the regular updates from engineers on site, we have amassed quite an archive of material providing a stunning portrait of a project in progress.

If you haven't already done so, do have a look at our YouTube film, time lapse and collage – available at http://www.dlrcoco.ie/library/dev_updates.html. Included in the mix are a number of architects' drawings courtesy of Carr, Cotter & Naessens, helping us to visualise what lies ahead with this landmark building. We will have further updates as the project progresses with an estimated completion date of summer 2014.



dlr Leisure Services Meadowbrook:

dlr Leisure Services Meadowbrook is delighted to announce the completion of the renovation and extension of its gymnasium, studio areas and associated changing rooms.

The work which was carried out over an 8 week period enhances the customer experience. The feedback to date has been positive with most people commenting on

the layout, new equipment and the bright, airy atmosphere.

Operated on a 'Pay as You Use' basis, it is definitely worth a visit. Qualified Leisure Instructors are available to provide your personalized fitness programme.

For more info contact: tel: 01 2995610 / email: meadowbrook@ dlrleisureservices.ie



dlr Library Voices 2013

The 2013 series of dlr Library Voices continues with a terrific line-up for the Autumn/ Winter months, kicking off with the superb Nordic thriller author, Jo Nesbo who will be appearing in the Pavilion Theatre on Monday 16 September at 8.00pm. Nesbo is a musician, songwriter, economist and internationally acclaimed author. *Police* is his tenth novel in the Harry Hole series which has been described by one critic as "exuberantly, ingeniously gruesome".

dlr Library Voices also includes an eagerly-awaited First Fictions event on Thursday 10 October at 7.30pm in the Assembly Hall, County Hall, featuring Rachael English, Anne-Marie Casey and Michèle Forbes. Tickets for both events can be purchased via the Pavilion Theatre www.paviliontheatre.ie or phone 231 2929.

We are also very excited to announce that the series will include two other superb writers - Donna Tartt and Helen Fielding. Full details regarding venues and dates will be announced shortly.

Bay 10K

This year's dlr Bay 10k took place on bank holiday Monday, 5 August. Thankfully there was no rain and there was a good turnout with 1,035 people completing the race. Amazingly, the race winner - Freddy Situk (pictured with an Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Carrie Smyth) somehow completed the course in 32 minutes 28 seconds. Feedback from the event has been hugely positive and we hope more of you will join us next year for what will be the fourth year of the event.



Summer of Heritage Lecture Series – Cabinteely House

There was a great turn out for the Summer of Heritage Lecture Series that was held in Cabinteely House on 16, 17 and 18 July this year. This free event which linked into the Summer of Heritage Programme gave members of the public the opportunity to hear professional speakers from a variety of institutions such as the National Gallery, the National Museum and the Chester Beatty Museum.

Also taking part in the programme were individual speakers such as Dr. Sighle Bhreathnach who spoke about the hidden gem in Dún Laoghaire that is the Oratory and Dr Nicola Gordon Bowe who spoke on the fascinating subject of Ireland's Arts and Craft Movement and the works of Harry Clarke.

To highlight the connection between Cabinteely House and Garden with the Izumo district of Tokyo in Japan we were entertained by the wonderful music of Phillip Horan on Japanese Flute and his colleague Junshi on Japanese Harp on the final evening of the series. Such was the demand for tickets for this event we have been asked to run it again later this year.



Cathaoirleach & Leas-Chathaoirleach nua tofa ar an gComhairle

Toghadh An Comhairleoir Carrie Smyth ina Cathaoirleach ag Cruinniú Cinn Bhliana na Comhairle ar an 10 Meitheamh 2013. Is ball de Pháirtí an Lucht Oibre í An Comhairleoir Smyth atá tofa do cheantar an Bhaile Bhric ón mbliain 2004.

Tá curtha roimpi ag an gCathaoirleach, le linn a bliain in oifig, seilbh a fháil don stát ar Chaisleán Sheangánaí; plean caomhnaithe d'Oileán Dheilginse a leagan amach; treisiú ar na hiarrachtaí le Folcadáin Dhún Laoghaire a fhorbairt agus Mol Spóirt a thógáil i bPáirc Mharlaí.

Ag an gcruinniú céanna toghadh An Comhairleoir Barry Saul (FG) ina Leas-Chathaoirleach. Tá sé ina bhall den Chomhairle ón mbliain 2009 agus is ionadaí é do cheantar Stigh Lorgan.



Sa ghrianghraf tá an Dr. Michael Purser arbh é Mallet a shin-sin-seanuncail.

Robert Mallet FRS (1810-1881)

Le gairid nocht Comhairle Contae Dhún Laoghaire-Ráth an Dúin plaic ar thrá Chill Iníon Léinín i gcuimhne ar an Eolaí Robert Mallet, an té a chuir tús leis an eolaíocht ar a dtugtar an tseismeolaíocht.

D'úsáid Mallet pléascáin ar an trá seo agus ar Oileán Dheilginse in 1849 chun a léiriú go n-athraíonn luas na fuaime i ngaineamh agus i gcarraigeacha éagsúla. Bhí na torthaí mar bhunús leis an staidéár eolaíoch ar chreathanna talún.

Oibreacha Athchóirithe agus Feabhsúcháin ar Pháirc an Phobail 2013-2014

Páirc Victeoiriach í Páirc an Phobail a osclaíodh sa bhliain 1890 agus foirgnimh agus déanmhais bhreátha éagsúla inti lena n-áirítear pailliún, lóiste, ardán ceolbhuíne, agus fuaráin. Tá Comhairle Contae Dhún Laoghaire-Ráth an Dúin i mbun oibreacha athchóirithe ar an bpáirc faoi láthair féachaint lena leagan amach arís mar a bhí i dtús báire ach féachaint freisin le gnéithe íogaire comhaimseartha a bheith inti ionas go sásóidh an Pháirc riachtanais an 21ú Céad.

An Pailliún agus an Lóiste Victeoiriach.

Táthar i mbun oibreacha caomhnaithe le go seasfaidh na foirgnimh níos faide agus le go bhféadfar níos mó úsáide a bhaint astu ach le go mbeidh áiseanna níos fearr a theastaíonn go géar iontu san am céanna. Ó tharla an talamh a bheith fágtha garbh de bharr go raibh an pháirc in úsáid mar chairéal roimhe seo níor shocraigh ceachtar den dá fhoirgneamh síos díreach mar a chéile, rud a d'fhág go ndearnadh damáiste go leor don dá dhéanmhas. Tá oibreacha á ndéanamh chun na déanmhais a chobhsú agus chun an chreatlach stairiúil a dheisiú agus úsáidfear ábhair agus teicnící iomchuí chuige sin.

Foscadán ab ea An Pailliún nuair a tógadh ar dtús é, ach rinneadh seomraí tae de ina dhiaidh sin. Ligfear méadú leis ó dheas agus beidh struchtúr éadrom gloine ag gabháil leis a ligfidh isteach an ghrian agus ina mbeidh neart spáis itheacháin. Cuirfear cistin nua, beár agus leithris isteach ann freisin. Méadófar an lochtán cloiche le go bhféadfar béilí a ithe taobh amuigh, agus beidh bealach suas go lochtán an dín arís ar na staighrí miotail a bhí ann riamh.

I dtús báire, ba é An Lóiste an teach a bhíodh ag an bhfreastalaí páirce agus ag a chlann. Áit chónaithe nuaaimseartha a bheidh ann tar éis an athchóirithe agus beidh deic crochta den díon agus í ag breathnú amach os cionn na Páirce. Beidh bealach faoi leith isteach go dtí an seomra pobail ar an urlár íochtarach. Leagfar na foirgnimh taobh thiar agus tógfar áiseanna nua páirce, lena n-áirítear leithris phoiblí nua agus áiseanna friothála ar naíonáin.

Cuireadh tús leis na hoibreacha athchóirithe agus uasghrádaithe i Márta 2013 agus beartaítear iad a bheith críochnaithe taobh istigh de 12 mí. Beidh an príomhgheata atá ag an acomhal idir Bóthar na Páirce agus Sráid Sheoirse Uachtarach dúnta fad is a bheidh na hoibreacha tógála ar bun.

Disability Sports Inclusion Training:

DLR Sports Partnership has a number of places available on 2 upcoming workshops scheduled for Autumn / Winter 2013. The workshops are:

- Basic Disability Awareness
 Workshop suitable for all club
 volunteers
- 6-hour Coaching Ireland Disability Inclusion Training Course – suitable for Sports Coaches, Instructors, Sports Leaders, Teachers, SNAs, Parents, Volunteers and anyone interested or involved in the provision of Sport and Physical Activity for people with disabilities. The workshop will include both theory and practical

elements and has been designed for a range of audiences including National Governing Bodies, Coaches, Sports Development Officers and Sports Volunteers. On completion of the course all participants will receive a Coaching Ireland/CARA APA Centre Award and a course resource pack. Early bird rate available online at http://www.caraapacentre.ie/hyundai-dit-course-in-dun-laoghaire-rathdown/

For further info contact: Phena O'Connor, Sports Inclusion Disability Officer, tel. 01 271 9506 / email poconnor@dlrcoco.ie

Local Elections 2014

Please be aware that the Register of Electors currently being compiled is for the period 15 February 2014 to 14 February 2015. This is the Register which will be in effect for the European and Local Elections to be held in the summer of 2014. If you are not on this Register, you will not be allowed to vote in these elections

For Further info contact: Franchise Section, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Dundrum Office, Dundrum Office Park, Off Main Street, Dundrum, Dublin 14. Tel: 01 205 4880 / e-mail: registerofelectors@dlrcoco.ie

Clean Air - it's your move

European Mobility Week 2013 takes place between 16 and 22 September. This year's European Mobility Week slogan, "Clean air - it's your move!" reflects the power that citizens have to clean up air quality through their mobility and travel choices. It is a reminder that we all have a part to play and that even small changes such as commuting by bicycle rather than taking the car, opting for public transport or choosing to walk, can enhance our quality of life.

A number of public events are planned by the Council for the week including a Walk in Dún Laoghaire, a Schools' Art Competition and a Public Bike Clinic. Full details will be placed on www.dlrcoco.ie closer to the week, while further information on this year's theme can be found on www.mobiltyweek.eu.

Celebration for our newest citizens in the County of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

As part of our Social Inclusion Week programme (12 – 19 October) and to mark the European Year of Citizens, we would like to invite anyone who has recently been granted Irish citizenship to celebrate this momentous occasion with An Cathaoirleach Cllr. Carrie Smyth, local TDs and Councillors. We are delighted that you have chosen to live among us here in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and would like to welcome you to the County.

If you are one of our newest citizens living in our County, who has recently been granted Irish citizenship and would like to attend this evening celebration with your family, please register your interest with dlr's Social Inclusion Unit by Friday 20 September 2013. Invitations will follow.

For further info contact: Rebekah Fozzard / Joe Connor, dlr Social Inclusion Unit / email: rfozzard@dlrcoco.ie / tel: 01-2047924 / 2047269

Children's Book Festival 2013

The Children's Book Festival is held nationwide every year during the month of October. Each library will stock the latest programme of Children's Books Ireland's Recommended Reads. This publication is full of exciting new titles for all age groups and dlr Libraries will stock these new books. Authors appearing at this year's festival include Jean Flitcroft, Debbie Thomas, Kieran Mark Crowley, Carmel Ní Cheallaigh and Fintan Taite. Full details are available at all dlr Libraries and on www.dlrcoco.ie/library.

New Regulations for the Control of Dogs

The Control of Dogs (Amendment) Regulations 2013 which came into effect on 1 June 2013 provide for an increase in the fine for not having a current valid dog licence from €30 to €100.

The fine for a dog not wearing a collar bearing the name and address of the owner and for not being under effectual control has also been increased to €100.

In addition, the new regulations provide for the issuing of "on the spot" fines of €100 for the following list of restricted breeds of dogs not being muzzled, not on a leash in a public place or being led by a person under 16 years of age.

- American Pit Bull Terrier
- Bull Mastiff
- Doberman Pinscher
- English Bull Terrier
- German Shepherd (Alsatian)
- Japanese Akita
- Japanese Tosa
- Rhodesian Ridgeback
- Rottweiler
- Staffordshire Bull Terrier
- Every dog of the type commonly known as a Ban Dog
- Every other strain or cross of every breed or type of dog described above.

Calendar of Events

Date	Event Name	Venue	Telephone	E-Mail	Website
Throughout the year Saturdays and Sundays	CoCo Markets	Marlay Park	087 9573647	market@dlrcoco.ie	www.dlrcoco.ie
Throughout the year Sundays	CoCo Markets	Peoples Park	087 2837633	market@dlrcoco.ie	www.dlrcoco.ie
Throughout the year Sundays	CoCo Markets	Cabinteely Park	01 2047024	market@dlrcoco.ie	www.dlrcoco.ie
Throughout the year Saturdays	Marlay parkrun	Marlay Park		marlayoffice@parkrun.com	www.dlrcoco.ie
Ongoing	The Shackleton Endurance Exhibition	Ferry Terminal Building, Dún Laoghaire	01 2360544	info@shackletonexhibition.com	www.shackletonexhibition.com
Ongoing	Actovation - Family Fitness Pilot Project	Monkstown, Loughlinstown, Meadowbrook	M'town 01 2301458 L'town 01 2823344 M'brook 01 2995610	bquinn@dlrleirsureservices.ie eoconnor@dlrleisureservices.ie gmoran@dlreisureservices.ie	www.dlrleisureservices.ie
September					
3-8 September	Mountains to Sea Book Festival	Various	01 2312929		www.mountainstosea.ie
5-19 September	Exhibition of Contemporary Print				
6-Sep	An Evening Bat Walk	Cabinteely Park	086 3849967	dublinbatgroup@gmail.com	
14-Sep	Butterflies, Moths and Other Flying Bugs	Cabinteely Park	087 3299936	info@owls.ie	
14-Sep	Dublin Mountains Nature Walk	Ticknock Car Park			www.dlrevents.ie
15-Sep	Cabinteely Carnival	Cabinteely Park Pavilion Theatre			www.dlrevents.ie
16-Sep	dlr Library Voices - Jo Nesbo JFK Series - The Warren Report Commission on the				www.paviliontheatre.ie
19-Sep	assassination of John. F. Kennedy-fact or fiction?	Dalkey Library	01 2855277		www.dlrcoco.ie/library
29-Sep	Trees and Games	Ballawley Park	087 3299936	info@owls.ie	
30-Sep	Launch of Social Inclusion Week	The Civic Square, The Metals, Dún Laoghaire		rfozzard@dlrcoco.ie	
October		,			
6-0ct	Autumn Harvest	Shanganagh Park	087 3299936	info@owls.ie	
6 October	Booterstown Winter Bird Walk	Booterstown	00. 3277730	eg evilenc	www.dlrevents.ie
10 October	First Fictions	County Hall			www.paviliontheatre.ie
12 October	dlr Community 5k	Kilbogget Park	01-2719502		www.dlrsportspartnership.ie
13 October	Coderdojo Workshop	Stillorgan Library			
13 October	Canvas Youth Arts 'Rocktober'	dlr Youth Arts Facility, Grainstore, Cabinteely		canvasyoutharts@gmail.com	
14 October	Thinking of Involving Volunteers	County Hall	01 2090630	karen@volunteerdlr.ie	www.volunteerdlr.ie
16 October	Health Awareness Talk	County Hall	01 2719502		www.braycancersupport.ie
16 October	Dublin Community Circus Open Session	dlr Youth Arts Facility, Grainstore, Cabinteely		canvasyoutharts@gmail.com	
17 October	Garda Older Persons Association Seminar on Safety of Older Persons	County Hall		2bredan@eircom.net	
26 October	Witches and Wizards	Marlay Park	087 3299936	info@owls.ie	
27-0ct	Samhain	Marlay Park			www.dlrevents.ie
November					
9-Nov	Make a Bird Feeder	Shanganagh Park	087 3299936	info@owls.ie	
11-Nov	Rediscovery Workshops on Biodiversity	Cabinteely Library	01 2855363		
14-Nov	JFK Series - Music, Riots & War - The Kennedys in the 60s	Dalkey Library	01 2855277		www.dlrcoco.ie/library
14-Nov	Rediscovery Workshops on Energy and Open Circuits	Deansgrange Library			
24-Nov	Staying Warm	FitzSimon's Wood	087 3299936	info@owls.ie	
	Keep clicking on www.dlrevents.ie for future updates				



