

TUDOR LAWNS

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TUDOR LAWNS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION AGM – 26th March 2013

Twenty seven people attended the AGM which was held in a meeting hall attached to Foxrock Catholic Church which was excellent given the very bad weather, the work cup qualifier match and the Easter school holidays. A small number of apologies were received prior to the meeting.

Residents Committee Members – Retirements & New Members

Two new members have joined the Committee – Karen Craig (No 48) and Tom Kelly (No 91) and we said goodbye to Mairead DeBuitleir and Eileen Moriarty.

The Committee, on behalf of all the residents, would like to thank most sincerely the two members who are resigning from the committee, Mairead DeBuitleir and Eileen Moriarty, for all their work and support. Eileen, who has served on the committee for many years and has excellent working relationships with our key contacts in DLRCoCo and David Rice, has very kindly agreed to continue to provide on-going support to the committee in a number of areas, including fee collections during the coming year. This is very much appreciated.

Sub Committee – ROAD CHANGES

Our thanks to the road changes sub-committee (David, Shay and Joachim) who did a huge amount of work in 2012 in relation to planned road changes. There is still further work to be done in relation to the planned changes and the following is planned for 2013!

- Continue to lobby our local councillors and TD's in relation to the safety issues for TL residents in the absence of traffic lights
- Have a further meeting of the sub-committee the consultant has agreed to attend a further meeting without charge
- Report all traffic incidents at the entrance to the Gardaí so that they are on record
- Two further safety audits will be undertaken by the CoCo so we need to input to these
- Undertake traffic surveys at peak and off-peak times and supply the results to the CoCo

COMMUTER PARKING ISSUES

We would appeal to everyone to put their cars out on the road outside their homes and along the two sides of the green in the spaces without double lines for the next few weeks to try to "break the commuter" habit. We would especially appeal to retired residents or those that do not have to go out early in the day to park their cars on the road especially between the hours of 7 am and 9.30 am. Thanks to everyone on the commuter parking sub-committee, Fiona, Felicity, Louisa, Laura for all their work during 2012.

HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY TAX

It is outside the remit of the committee to make any decisions or pronouncements in relation to the new property tax as this is a matter between each individual home owner and the revenue commissioners. There are a number of websites that can assist home owners in arriving at the current value of their properties. These include:

- Revenue Commissioners
- Daft.ie
- Myhome.ie
- Advertisements in Local Auctioneer's websites and Property Supplements
- If you had your home recently valued with a view to selling it

Please email <u>tudorlawns@gmail.com</u> if you wish to join any of the sub-committees listed above or talk to any of the main committee members.

Social Events Sub Committee- New Members Needed!

The main committee is looking for volunteers for a social events sub-committee especially parents of young children & teenagers. If you would like to volunteer to help out with planning and running these events please contact any of the main committee members. It is hoped to have at least 2 events in 2013.

Cleaning & Tidy Districts Sub – Committee - – New Members Needed & Annual Clean Up Week-end – 27th & 28th April

The Residents Committee intends to once again enter the DLRCoCo tidy districts competition. To ensure that Tudor Lawns remains clean and tidy throughout the year as well as having some further success in the Tidy Districts competition we need new members for a sub-committee to manage this very important activity. We plan significant on-going engagement with David & Trevor Rice during 2013.

In the past there has been almost no support for the annual "CLEAN UP" day so this year we are trying something different. We are asking small groups of neighbours to get together on the week-end of the 27th & 28th April to clean up the areas near their own homes. If your neighbours are unable to clean up their own area why not help them during this week-end or indeed during the year. This is your chance to show your pride in Tudor Lawns so please come out on those dates and spend time with your neighbours. We may get some good photos for our website/tidy districts application. The following items were listed by the CoCo in previous competitions as negatives in our applications:

- Litter
- Overhanging branches, ivy and briars etc. overhanging the boundary walls/pillars
- Debris including moss on the footpaths
- Overgrown and untidy front gardens
- Weeds/dead shrubs in gardens

The CoCo no longer removes green waste as part of the annual clean up but it is possible to bring a full car load of green waste to the Ballyogan re-cycling centre which is only 7 days a week for €7.

TREES

Despite very tight budgets in DLRCoCo we managed to get some emergency tree surgery completed in 2012. The Co Co has committed to meeting with the committee in 2013 to discuss a longer term management strategy for the trees.

Common Areas Maintenance & Improvements

- New closed bins have been purchased for the green area and they will be installed shortly. We managed to get a grant towards the cost of one of the bins from DLRCoCo in 2012 (€250) with a further grant of the same amount in 2013. This is the maximum grant available in any calendar year. The bins will be much more hygienic as they are closed on top.
- There were a number of meetings with David & Trevor Rice to ensure that the grounds, pathways and shrubberies were maintained to a high standard. Due to the exceptional rainfall the grass suffered significantly this year.
- Leopardstown racecourse committee have undertaken a lot of work to address the concerns of the
 residents in relation to the overhanging trees at the back of some of the houses. It has agreed to
 undertake further work in 2013 including repairs to the boundary wall. A very good working
 relationship has been established with the new management in Leopardstown.
- The bed adjacent to No 1 had some additional shrubs planted in it so as to provide all year round colour when the bulbs die back.
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Financial Report for 2012

The financial controller provided a detailed explanation on the financial report at the AGM. A copy of the financial report was provided to everyone in attendance and key areas of expenditure and accruals were discussed. Thirteen owners did not pay their fees in 2013 which was an improvement on 2011. Our sincere thanks to all who paid their fees in 2012. A copy of the financial report is on the website.

ESB Lights Not Working in parts of Tudor Lawns

A resident at the AGM advised that some ESB lights are not working. Any resident can contact the repair agents and advise them of broken lights. You will need the address and the pole number (each light pole has a number on it) when making the request. **The telephone number is: 1850372372**