

Welcome to our second news brief in January.

Environmental Pillar Meeting on 23rd January Cancelled

Please note: The environmental pillar meeting scheduled for the 23rd January in the Woodquay Venue has been cancelled.

Dublin Community Environmental Network

A new network of people wishing to take positive environmental action in Dublin City is being developed. Those interested to help develop this network are invited a meeting on the evening of the **24th January 2017**. The meeting hopes to collate actions and issues that members wish to address through the network, to establish a participative structure to operate the network; and to develop some sort of action plan to proceed with. If you wish to come, please bring the following things with you: ideas, enthusiasm and a positive attitude!

Location: Trinity College Dublin, Aras an Phiarsigh, Room 0.09

Date: 24th January 2016:

Time: 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Contact email: DCEN@gmail.com

Proposed Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Route

The proposed works shall comprise of the construction of circa 2.5km of high quality cycle facilities, improved footpaths and landscaping from Clontarf Road / Alfie Byrne Road, via Clontarf Road, Marino Mart, Fairview, Annesley Bridge Road, North Strand Road and Amiens Street.

The scheme will also include provision of a portion of the Tolka Valley Greenway linking Alfie Byrne Road with Annesley Bridge Road. The route shall traverse underneath Clontarf Road Railway Bridge, North Strand Road Railway Bridge and Amiens Street Railway Bridge (Protected Structures) and over Annesley Bridge at the Tolka River and Newcomen Bridge at the Royal Canal (Protected Structures).

New Toucan (pedestrian and cycle) crossings shall be provided and existing pedestrian crossings shall be upgraded to Toucan crossings. In addition, the proposed works shall include extensive landscaping, removal and replanting of trees, a "greenway" along the front of Fairview Park; improved public lighting and CCTV; cycle parking in Fairview Park; relocation of some bus shelters; removal and relocation of car parking spaces; relocation of road side retaining wall on the east side of North Strand Road, north of Ossory Road; alteration to boundary wall of Iarnród Éireann Head Office, Connolly Station, Amiens Street (Protected Structure) and other ancillary services along the route.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development may be inspected until **Thursday, 23rd February 2017** at the following places:

- Offices of Dublin City Council, Planning and Property Development Department, Block 4, Ground Floor, Civic Offices
- Central Area Office, 51-53 Sean Mac Dermott Street, Dublin 1
- North Central Area Office, Bunratty Road, Coolock, Dublin 17
- Charleville Mall Library, North Strand, Dublin 1
- Marino Library, 14 - 200 Marino Mart, Fairview, Dublin 3.

Dublin City Council welcomes any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

Email: traffic@dublincity.ie

Post: The Executive Manager, Planning Department, Dublin City Council, Block 4, Floor 3, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8

National Sustainability Summit **Securing Ireland's Future**

This year the National Sustainability Summit will be held at the City West Hotel on **Tuesday the 31st of January**.

The speaker line up is drawn from senior management from the largest and most influential Irish and international companies who have delivered quantifiable eco results.

Key Topics will include:

Water Management, Energy Efficiency, Sustainable Energy, Recycling,

Waste Reduction, Sustainable Construction & Buildings, Sustainable Food, Sustainable Manufacturing, Sustainable IT, Sustainable Technology, Consumer Engagement, Sustainable Packaging, Sustainable Logistics and Supply chain, Regulations and Policy, Sustainable Investment, Tax and Legal issues, Sustainable Transport, And Much More ...

Register for the event at [http://www.sustainabilitysummit.ie/ website](http://www.sustainabilitysummit.ie/)

Dublin Community Growers

Dublin Community Growers AGM will take place on **Saturday 21st January** 11am- 2.30pm at WALK in the Walkinstown Green Social Enterprises building, Walkinstown.

Importantly, we would encourage anybody who may be interested in getting involved in community gardening or on the actual committee of Dublin Community Growers to come along, ALL are welcome from novices to fully fledged green thumbs. We hope the world cafe will provide a relaxing atmosphere for thoughts on improving Dublin Community Growers as well as giving community gardeners an opportunity to catch up and network and perhaps even inspire some new ideas!!

Any nominations for committee positions should be, if possible, submitted prior to the AGM. These should be sent by email to dubcommgrowerssecretary@gmail.com by Thursday 19th January 5pm.

Reminder - College Green Consultation

The new Luas operations will commence in late 2017 and major traffic management changes will be necessary at College Green. These traffic management changes will also present an opportunity to develop a new Civic Plaza at College Green.

Share your views and ideas on the proposed new Civic Plaza by completing the online survey at: <http://bit.ly/CollegeGreenPlaza>

Closing Date for Submissions is: **26th January 2017**

For further information please contact: 01-2225124 or email collegegreen@dublincity.ie

Fuel Poverty & Climate Action Conference

The Fuel Poverty and Climate Action Conference will be held in Croke Park Conference Centre, Dublin on **Monday 6th March 2017** from 9am-5.30pm.

Cost: €60(early bird) - €90 standard. Student:€10.

The Conference will include a Workshop on "Local Authorities Approach to Retrofit", which will be of particular interest to all those involved in Community and the Environment.

For further details please log on to <http://energyaction.ie/wp/fuel-poverty-conferences/>

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