

Welcome

Once again I would like to thank all the members of the Greenfields Residents Association for their hard work and time over the past few months.

In this edition of the GRA Newsletter read about the recently launched Neighbourhood Watch Programme for Greenfields in association with An Garda Siochana, the Estate Clean-up Day on June 28th, and a full update regarding the Old Tramore Road and what your Councilors have to say.

As we enter the Summer holidays for the kids of the estate, I would like to ask all residents to reduce speed while driving in the estate and to pay particular attention to young children playing in public areas. Have a lovely Summer!

John Power
GRA Chairperson



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Neighbourhood Watch Programme



For the past number of months the members of the Greenfields Residents Association have actively been trying to establish a Neighbourhood Watch Programme for our estate. We are now pleased to announce and launch our Neighbourhood Watch Programme and actively encourage vigilance in our estate.

The Greenfields Neighbourhood Watch is a crime prevention programme aimed at getting all residents actively involved in observing and reporting suspicious activities. The programme involves a partnership between An Garda Siochana and the residents of Greenfields, and is designed to; improve community safety and prevent crime, develop Garda and community links, increase public confidence in An Garda Siochana, foster a caring environment for older and vulnerable people and to reduce anti-social behaviour, including graffiti and harassment.

Signage will be erected in the estate over the coming weeks and a limited number of Neighbourhood Watch window stickers are available by contacting your Street Coordinator. Should you notice anything suspicious or be a victim of crime please inform your Street Coordinator who will liaise with our Area Coordinator Brian Power*. Alternatively you may contact Sharon Dempsey Community Liaison Garda directly on 051 305300. Please take note of your Street Coordinator(s):

Brian Power*	Greenfields Area Coordinator	1 Beech Grove
Ellie Lynch	Beech Groove Street Coordinator	1 Beech Groove
Maria Aylward	Beech Court Street Coordinator	39 Beech Court
Bridgid Aylward	Beech Court Street Coordinator	40 Beech Court
Aileen Moriarty	Beech Court Street Coordinator	1 Beech Court
Linda Donnelly	Beech Drive Street Coordinator	48 Beech Drive
Trevor Skelton	Beech Drive Street Coordinator	48 Beech Drive
John Power	Beech Park Street Coordinator	9 Beech Park



Contact Us

Got a news item or something you want the Residents Association to look into for you? Then let us know today. You can e-mail us at: greenfieldswaterford@live.com or alternatively you can use the contact us form on the website.

New Members

New members are always welcome to come and join the Residents Association. If you are interested in coming along to our next meeting then keep a look out on the website for the next meeting date or contact a member of the Residents Association for more information.

Date for Your Diary: Estate Clean-up Day June 28th

The Greenfields Residents Association along with Waterford City Council have organised a Clean-up Day for our estate on **Sunday June 28th from 12 - 2pm**. To support this initiative bags, gloves and other supplies are kindly being sponsored by Waterford City Council.

To encourage as much participation from the kids of the estate the Greenfields Residents Association will be providing drinks and sweets to all kids who take part. If you or your child are interested in lending a hand then please send an e-mail to greenfieldswaterford@live.com or submit your interest by using the contact us form on the GRA website.

Estate Maintenance

You may have noticed this week some activity in the estate. The GRA were in contact with Noel Frisby in relation to overall maintenance of the estate. Noel has kindly agreed to complete a list of maintenance issues this week including a complete site clean-up of the area opposite Beech Grove / Court, weeding of flower beds, infill of the site entrance, and the erection of a boundary fence between Greenfields and Avondale.

Noel has agreed to replace dead / broken trees but has noted that this is not planting season so it will be later in the year before this is complete. If you have any further maintenance issues you would like addressed please e-mail them to greenfieldswaterford@live.com.

Old Tramore Road

As you may be well aware the current condition of the Old Tramore Road from Avondale to its junction with the Outer Ring Road is far from acceptable to both motorists and pedestrians. The Greenfields Residents Association (GRA) have been in regular contact with Waterford City Council stressing the need to upgrade and realign this stretch of road. In early 2009, the GRA were pleased to be notified that the Old Tramore Road would be realigned with the felling of trees opposite Greenfields, marked the commencement of the programme of work with road works due to begin in late May / early June.

Since then, correspondence from Waterford City Council has stated that indeed the tree felling was stage one of the work, but the remainder of the work was now to be reviewed in light of recent Government spending cuts for capital investment projects.

In early May the GRA contact the City Manager, Mayor, Director of Corporate Affairs & Transportation and all Waterford South Councillors to express our disbelief that this stretch of road could remain in its current condition. It was outlined to all parties that there is currently no pedestrian access / footpaths or streetlighting in either direction on the Old Tramore Road which is a major safety concern with possible fatal consequences if not addressed.

Of all the parties contacted only Councillors Seamus Ryan, Mary O'Halloran, David Cullinane and Laurence "Cha" O'Neil replied, agreeing that this is a major concern and something they will actively follow up with the City Council on our behalf.

This is encouraging news and something all residents should keep in mind in light of the local elections later this week.