

The Drimnagh Residents Association

Working together to help each other.

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Office: PLEASE NOTE OFFICE IS CLOSED DUE TO COVID19 HEALTH RESTRICTIONS- hope to reopen in August

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Dear Member,

As we begin the Annual Subscription Collection we hope we find you well. For the 13th consecutive year, membership costs just €20, and with the 'work done' allowance of €35, is really good value.

FIRSTLY, please note our Website and email addresses plus phone contact hours above, and don't hesitate to use them. Also, we now offer the facility to pay your subscription online through our website and this facility is becoming more popular but we will continue to call to the door to those who prefer not to use the internet.

Throughout the year, your Committee has continued to work on your behalf liaising with City Council, Gardaí, various Government Departments, HSE and other bodies. Many requests for help are of a personal nature so we get things done quietly giving due respect to privacy at all times.



(Our Plaque on the wall at the junction of Errigal Rd / Drimnagh Rd put there to commemorate our 80th Birthday in 2016)

DRA OFFICE

Our Office, in Our Lady's Hall, is working well and I'm sure you have had some communication with either Sophie (former Administrator) or Mary (current Administrator) by now, by email or text.



(Mary, our current Administrator hard at work in the DRA Office in Our Lady's Hall)

We urge you to please give your e-mail or mobile phone number to Mary (445-4581) or to info@drimnaghresidents.ie and we guarantee we will not be passing it on to any other organisation. Your details will be used only to pass information quickly between the Committee and yourself.

If you don't have an email address or mobile phone, perhaps a member of your family, wouldn't mind passing messages on to you. If so, please pass this detail on to us, with their permission of course.

The Association has always been outward-looking, representing Drimnagh at Dublin City Council development meetings, Drimnagh Task Force, and with other organisations such as the D12 Policing Forum and Our Lady's Hall Mgmt Cttee. Manpower is stretched to breaking point so we are appealing to you to come forward and volunteer to participate. We look forward to hearing from you by using the contact points listed above. Remember, we are all in this together, as our motto says:

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PRIMARY CARE CENTRE

You will be aware we were all informed our long sought after Primary Care Centre has been guaranteed and some preparatory work will be carried out this year with building works to begin in 2021.



(This is an Artists impression of what the Primary Care Centre, originally to be built in 2016 a was supposed to look like).

This Health Care facility is badly needed in Drimnagh and we in DRA have been working hard to make sure it happens. Our thanks to the TD's, who helped us along the way.

We look forward to the completion of the project in 2021.

DRIMNAGH LIBRARY

As members, you will be aware we have been fighting for a Library for over 50 years and there were many false dawns. However, last year came the good news, finally, that the development of the Árd Scoil Éanna site will include the long sought after Library. In case you missed it at the time, this was the announcement by DCC:

[DRIMNAGH LIBRARY – important breaking news:](#)

Brendan Teeling, who is the head of the Library service in the City, has just announced at the DCC meeting that a portion of the Árd Scoil Éanna site WILL be used for a Library.

Obviously it will still be some time before this comes to fruition, but it is good news even if we had to wait for 50 years to get it.

In recent times there has been a lot of support for this from various groups in Drimnagh as well as from Local Councillors and we thank everybody who made the effort to help.

ROAD REPS / COLLECTORS

Because the term 'collector' is too restrictive and because the people concerned do far more than just collect annual subscriptions, we have decided to change the title from Collector to ROAD REP as this is a much more appropriate term to describe the valuable work these volunteers do on behalf of the Association, which of course means on your behalf.

For a number of reasons

- Retirement
- Increase in membership
- Some being over-worked

we find ourselves in need of some additional Road Reps in order to operate efficiently. We are inviting you now to consider taking on this role for a period of time.

This is a voluntary position but backed up with a 15% Commission which is both 'an incentive' and 'a thank you' for giving voluntarily of your time. In an ideal world you could end up with a commission of up to €70+.

The 'job' is straight forward. You will be supplied with a notebook containing a list of members' names from whom you will seek to obtain the annual subscription of €20. Each member will receive a membership card which you will be familiar with which has a list of tradespeople and other information. You decide yourself when to carry out the collection (weather permitting, usually between Mid-March and September). If you have any questions, call Peter on [087-236 6997](tel:087-2366997) or email him chair@drimnaghresidents.ie.

If you think you'd be in a position to help in this or any other way, please contact us.

We thank you for your continued support through membership of the Association. If you are paying subscription on-line, we thank you in advance, otherwise we will thank you at your front door.