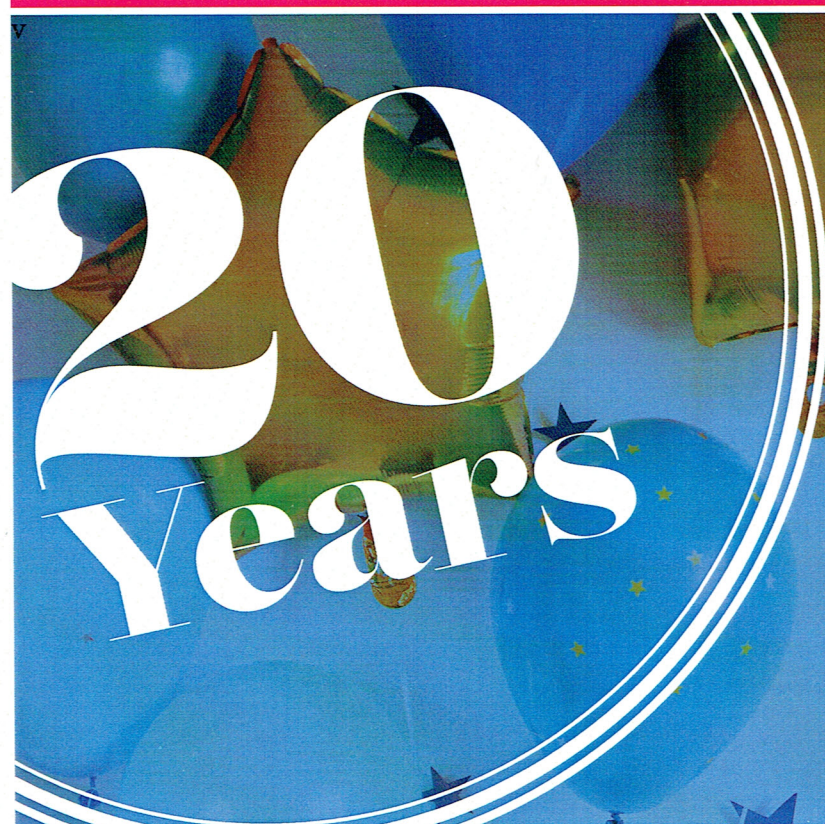


Residents Association Newsletter

Summer 2017



Dear Resident,

This newsletter is a celebration of the Woodstown Community spirit over the last 20 years. It's recognition to the countless members of our community who have given thousands of hours of their free time to make Woodstown the fantastic area it is. Huge thanks goes to who have contributed in the past and those who continue to contribute today. Here is to another incredible 20 years of the Woodstown Community.

Happy Reading,

*Neil Reid
WVRA Chairperson.*

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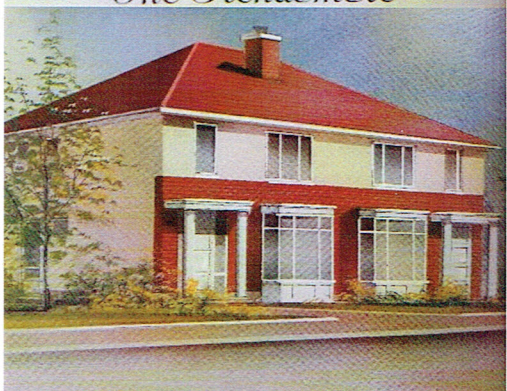




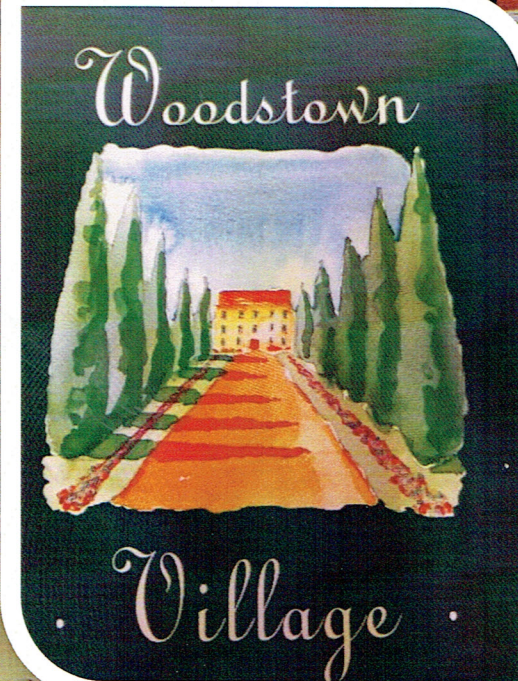
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Slow Down, Save Lives...

Woodstown Village has implemented a new 30km speed limit. The 30km/h limit will be made visible by the use of 'Slow zone' signage that will be placed at the entrance points to all residential and school areas across South County Dublin. The objective of this approach is to improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists, older people and children, and is in keeping with SDCC recently launched Road Safety initiative.



Bin the Poo!

Responsible Pet Ownership covers many aspects of pet care and people not cleaning up after their dogs is the number one complaint that many residents have. We are continuing to promote this message through the various signs erected throughout the estate. Ballyboden St. Enda's GAA have also come on board and will support our endeavours by ensuring the club house area is kept a litter and dog poo free zone!



Woodstown Abbey Path - Update

The committee, along with residents of Woodstown Abbey have discussed the need to create a formal & safe pedestrian access point between the Abbey and Stocking Road. Currently residents have had to climb over the boundary fence to get to the bus stop on the other side. By creating a gateway, it will now also allow access for the elderly, wheelchair users and buggies. The work would also include the realignment of the pathway along the fence and the inclusion of appropriate lighting. Plans have been drawn up and submitted to SDCC for consideration.



Annual Residents Day & Dog Show Save the Date!

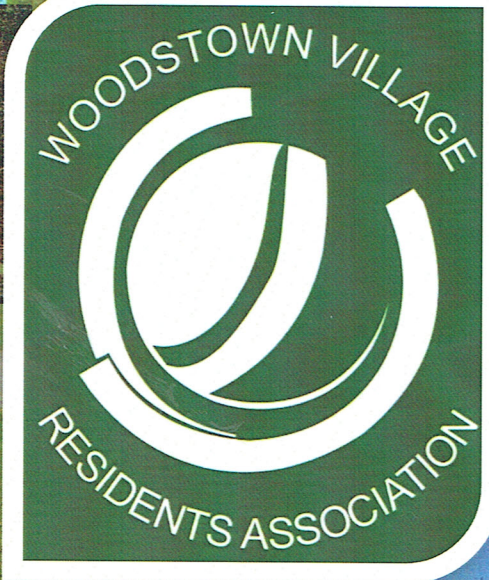
On Saturday, September 2nd we will host our annual Woodstown Family Day. Please put the date in your diary and come and join us for what is sure to be a fantastic day of fun filled activities for all the family. The fun starts at 10am with our very own Scruffs Dog Show, and to make this year a special one, we would love as many dogs (young and old) to make an appearance!

The main event will begin at 2pm and is open to all Woodstown Residents. As always we will be looking for volunteers on the day, so please, if you can spare a few hours on the day, it would be very much appreciated! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for details of what's planned.

Annual Subscriptions 2017

Just a small reminder that the annual subscription for 2017 is €35. Thank you to those who have already paid their subscriptions. Your contribution has helped towards the upkeep of our estate, including painting, cleaning of brick work, maintenance of equipment, and the planting of many trees and shrubs. Payment can be made at any time, given to one of the many volunteers who may call to your home or at the annual Residents Day, Christmas and Easter Events. Should you wish to pay by bank transfer, please send us an email and we will contact you with our bank account details.





SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition 2017

We are delighted to be taking part in this national competition for the fourth year in a row and are hoping to improve our score again as we have in the previous three years. Our Tidy Towns team have spent a lot of time since our AGM in March preparing our entry submission, the deadline for which was May 25th. Judging takes place during June and July. The lion's share of the work has to be completed before we can even cross the 'start line' and so is often invisible as residents only see the results of our landscaping, litter control and social endeavours etc. The entry submission seeks to paint a picture for the judges of all our activities, to identify the results and to outline our plans for the future.

As part of our submission, we highlighted our regular estate-wide clean-ups and a first for this year - a 'local area' clean-up organised in Woodstown Rise, Place, Vale and Way. - A big thanks to all involved.

Regular grass cutting, hedge trimming, weeding, edging, litter removal and all the other 'boring', but extremely important, work continue to keep us occupied.

Social and community events such as Santa's visit and Christmas tree, Easter egg hunt and the highlight of the year in our estate - the annual 'Residents Day' continue to go from success to success - a success only achieved through the heroic efforts of those involved in the organisation.

Our Biodiversity group continue to raise awareness and understanding of the natural amenities in our area by organised nature walks, planting, both in the estate

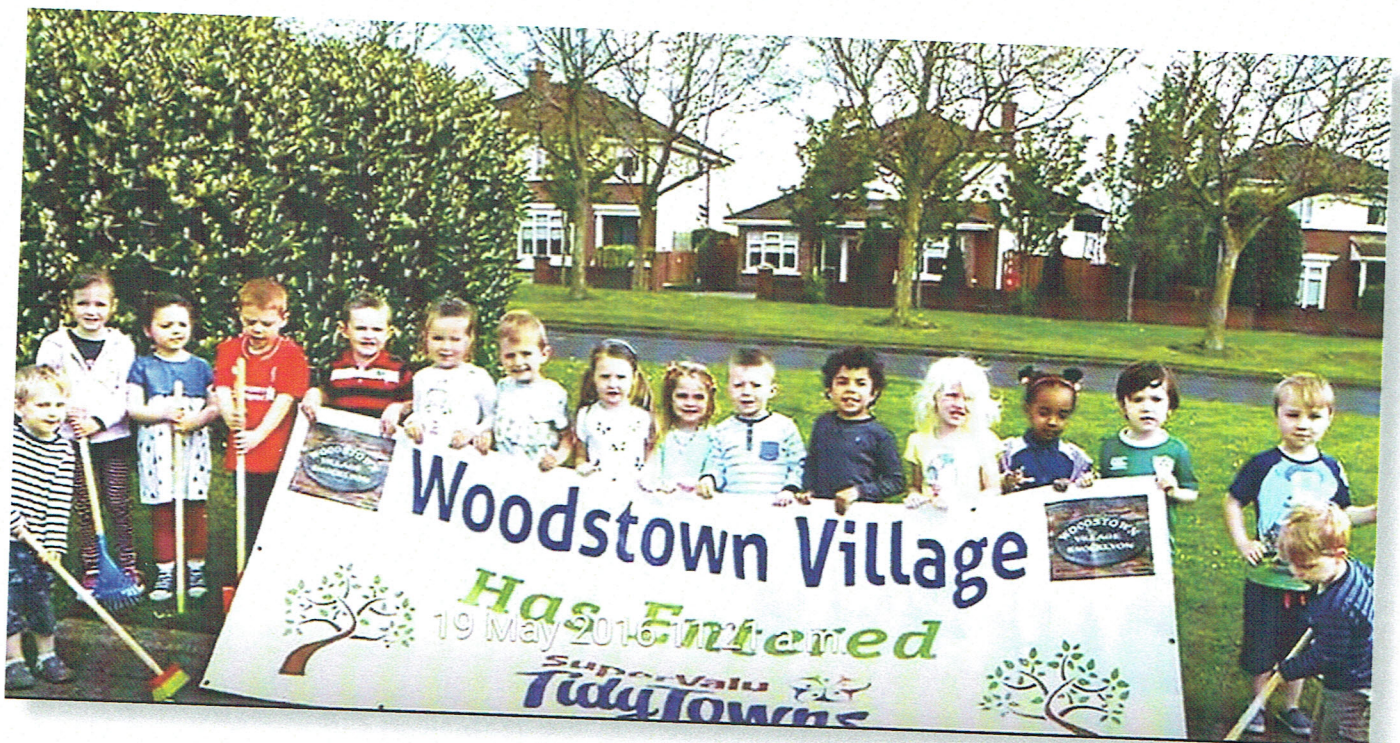
(Bulbs for bees etc) and in Knocklyon Park (Wildflower meadow etc.) and through the dedicated Facebook page WoodstownvillageWildlife.

Sustainable waste and resource management (SWARM) has become a significant element of the Tidy Towns Competition in recent years and we are pleased to report that we completed our first WEEE collection in conjunction with RecycleIT in 2016. We are carrying out a survey of solar panel usage in the estate and would ask any resident who has had solar panels installed to please contact us at woodstownvillage@gmail.com or via any committee member to share your experience.

We would like to acknowledge the contribution made by our 'Junior Committee' to all of our activities and in particular to clean-up days and 'Slow-down' and 'Bin the Poo' campaigns.

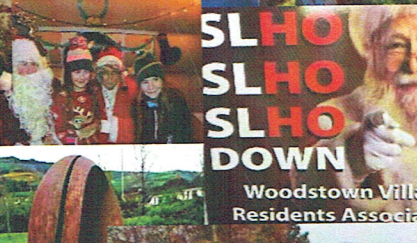
This year, following years of lobbying, residential areas including Woodstown Village have been designated 'slow zones' with speed limits of 30Kph - it only remains to ensure that there is adequate enforcement of the new speed limit. To this end we are in close liaison with An Garda Síochána and will continue to mount periodic 'Go Slow' campaigns. Our SLHO HO campaign over Christmas period 2016 featured on both the RSA and Garda websites.

So - the above gives a taster of some of the efforts and achievements in Tidy Towns to date but what of this year? As we enter the judging period (June and July) could we please ask all residents to keep an eye out for that stray bottle or can, for the odd weed that escaped notice or for anything else that is 'out of place' in our otherwise 'pristine' estate.- your intervention at the right time could make all the difference!! Thank you.





A group of five children are sitting in a large pile of autumn leaves. Above them is a sign that reads "YSTOWN DRIVE JUNIOR COMMITTEE" and "RULES OK". The children are dressed in casual clothing, including jackets and a baseball cap. The background is a brick wall.



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Tidy Towns/ Landscaping

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Tony McGaley, Mark O'Brien, Gina O'Brien, Marc Dalton, Claire Hamilton

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Senior Residents:

May Lynott, Billy Farrell, Tony McGaley, Gary Deegan.

ROAD REPRESENTATIVES:

Woodstown Park: Peter McGrath

Woodstown Heath: May Lynott

Woodstown Meadow: Paula Donnelly

Woodstown Close: Mandy McCabe

Woodstown Dale: Michelle Byrne

Woodstown Heights: Jackie French & Brian Field

Woodstown Road: Zena Fitzpatrick

Woodstown Rise: Jacinta Donnelly

Woodstown Vale: Nysha Griffin

Woodstown Way: Susan Byrne

Woodstown Place: Flo McSweeney

Woodstown Abbey: Richard Goulden

Woodstown Lane: Tara Barry

Woodstown Green: Jean Bradshaw

Woodstown Walk: Philip O'Shaughnessy

Woodstown Gardens: Tara O'Brien

Woodstown Parade: Neil Reid

Woodstown Court: Mel Leonard

Woodstown Hill: Ruth Kennally

Woodstown Crescent: Ross Carrick

Woodstown Lawn: John O'Doherty

Woodstown Drive: Elaine Larkin

And Finally...

Our Woodstown Village Junior Committee presented a €50 Voucher they won from SuperValu TidyTowns to friends Avalily and Danny O'Brien from Woodstown Gardens to go towards their brother Cain's foundation. Cain was just 15 years old when he lost his battle with cancer. The Cian Durkin Trust Foundation was set up shortly after Cian's passing to help support children living with cancer. For more information on this wonderful cause, please search on facebook...

Cian Durkin Trust Foundation



Woodstown Telecommunications Mast -Planning Information

Planning application for Mobile Phone Mast in Knocklyon Park.

Members of WVRA committee have received a lot of queries about a recently submitted planning application for 21 metre high telecoms mast in Knocklyon Park. The residents committee have been working to try to establish the details of the application so we can inform everyone in our community about it.

The details of the planning application as per the planning file are as follows;

Application Ref. SD17A/0168

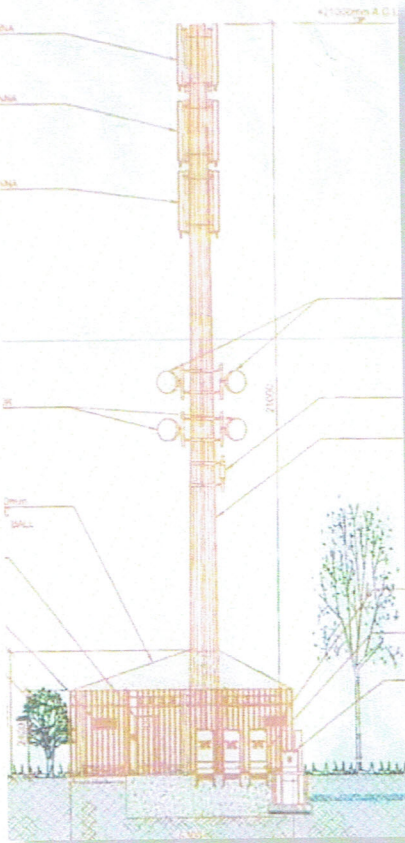
Applicant Shared Access Ltd.

Date received by Council 29/5/2017

Proposed Development: 21 metre high multi-user free standing structure carrying telecommunications equipment and CCTV camera, together with associated exchange cabinets and fencing. The development will carry telecommunications apparatus that will form part of Three Ireland's Ltd 2G voice, 3G and 4G network.

Final date for submissions Monday 3rd July 2017.

Location The proposed mast is close to the pedestrian entrance to the estate from St Colmcille's Way and is on lands leased by Ballyboden St Endas GAA Club from South Dublin County Council.



- Ballyboden St Endas have given written consent to Shared Access Ltd., a private company, to make the planning application for the mast on the land leased by the club from South Dublin County Council.
- Shared Access Ltd. could not make this application without such consent.

- The proposed mast is 21 metres high. As a reference point please note that the timber posts, that secure the 'ball stop' netting behind the goal posts, are 16 metres high.
- In the current development plan for South Dublin County Council this location is Zoned – "Objective OS - To preserve and provide for open space and recreational amenities".
- Planning permission has recently been granted for a new telecoms mast at 'Green Acres', close to the junction of Stocking Lane & Stocking Way.

If you wish to make a Submission / Observation in relation to this planning application you should do so in writing to South Dublin County Council before the 3rd of July 2017.

Any person or body may make a submission/ observation, but they must be accompanied by a fee of €20.00, which can be payable by cheque or postal order. Submissions should state the name of the person or body making the submission/observation, indicate the address to which any correspondence relating to the application may be sent and include the reference number of the planning application (SD17A/0168).

If you make a submission / observation you will be informed of the final decision by the local authority within 3 days of them making a decision. Any person who has made a valid submission may ultimately appeal against the Council's decision to An Bord Pleanala. You will not be able to make an appeal if you have not made an observation / submission at this stage. You should retain the acknowledgement of your submission, which will be issued to you by South Dublin County Council, as you will require this in the event that you wish to make a subsequent appeal to An Bord Pleanala.

