

Notes from Malahide Community Forum January 2013

1. Planning/Development:

Therapie Clinic, The Mall: A large and apparently unapproved totem sign has been brought to the attention of FCC Planning Department and a Warning Letter has been issued.

2. Transport: The Forum will write to Irish Rail about the deterioration of the wooden shelter on the North-bound platform.

The new timetable for Dart and main line trains came into operation on Monday 21 January. There is a large pothole in the road outside St. Andrew's School and also in Townyard Lane which we will report to FCC.

3. Environment: We met with Gemma Carr of FCC who advised that the issue of trees in Malahide is under review but there will be no action for some time. If a decision is made to remove some trees FCC will engage with all local groups first.

There was concern at the waste and rubbish appearing at the side of the Castle Courtyard along the new visitors' route. Also concern over chewing gum on new pathways. We will write to FCC.

We have spoken to Station Master re disrepair of Talbot Gate. He will report this to Irish Rail. At our request a local Councillor is raising question at Area Committee re installation of traffic lights at Millview Rd/Swords Rd junction.

An ad hoc committee is being formed by local groups to decide on points of interest for an historical trail walk around Malahide.

There is concern at flooding, in particular at The Bawn, Yellow Walls and Townyard Lane. It was agreed to write to FCC to ask if a maintenance plan is in operation whilst awaiting the new Malahide foul drainage scheme.

4. Public Relations: The next edition of the Malahide Guardian is due for issue at the beginning of February and this will carry notice of the AGM on Monday 25 February in the Grand Hotel.

5. Other Matters: A Foróige club has been running in Malahide for the past 3 years and was established to provide a safe social outlet for young people to meet and get involved in a wide range of activities and participate in events. The club meets on Thursdays from 8-9.30pm in Malahide Tennis Club. Additional volunteers are needed to get involved in the club to ensure it can continue to operate. Volunteers should have an interest in working with young. If you can spare an hour and would be interested in getting involved please contact Bryan Gavin at 086 8519639 or email bryan.gavin@foroige.ie