

Monthly Notes from Malahide Community Forum March 2013

1. **Appointment of Officers for the year 2013:**

The following were elected:

David Greene (Chairman), Hazel Bolton (Vice Chairman), Irene Dehaene (Hon. Treasurer), Margaret Cure (Hon. Secretary)

2. **Finance:** It was agreed that subscriptions remain at same level as last year.

3. **Planning and Development:**

Therapie Clinic, The Mall: A warning letter has been issued by FCC re unauthorised totem sign.

Site by St. Sylvester's GAA/R124 (F12A/0242): Permission granted for development of 74 dwellings. The Forum will forward an appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

Public Realm Strategy for Malahide: Meeting held on 6 March was well organised and well attended. Forum will continue to be represented and will participate actively in proposed working groups.

4. **Transport:** We will contact FCC regarding the unfinished road at the top of Seamount. The new coach parking spaces on James Terrace outside the Scout Den have been incorrectly located. They have been cordoned off until they are moved nearer to the tennis courts.

5. **Environment:** It was noted that the tree stump outside AXA has been removed. FCC is planning to stage 3 concerts in the Demesne on the weekend of 25th May with a maximum attendance of 3,500. No acts have yet been confirmed. The plans by FCC to widen the Demesne entrance opposite Yellow Walls Road to facilitate equipment for the One Day International cricket match do not necessitate the removal of mature trees. Broadcasting vehicles will park on the tennis courts from Sunday to Tuesday and we will seek clarification that courts will be fully rectified afterwards.

6. **Neighbourhood Watch:** There were 7 arrests for 7 robberies in the village last month and 2 people were arrested for the theft of bicycles from the train station.

7. **Public Relations:** It was agreed that RAs will encourage residents to sign up on our website to receive an email alert when a new post is put up. Information such as water disruption, local roadworks etc is displayed for residents' convenience. Some RAs have set up email and webtext alerts to their members and these are greatly increasing involvement.

8. **Other Matters:** Auburn Grove residents would like to thank FCC for their prompt response to a request that shrubs and bushes were cut back. A free exercise session arranged by FCC and the Institute of Technology Blanchardstown will be held in Malahide Demesne on Tuesday 23 April at 10am. This aerobic and resistance exercise session is aimed towards ages 55 and over with all fitness levels and body types welcome. Further information is on our website www.malahideforum.ie THE BASKIN SINGERS, a mixed adult choir are looking for new members. No audition is necessary so if you can hold a tune and want to join a fun choir, go along to their rehearsals. Wednesday nights from 8-10pm in Kealy's Pub (Dublin Airport Roundabout). Email: newchoir@mail.com or call Emma on 0877851429 for more information.