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Place chicken pieces in a casserole dish with soup and onion and season with sea salt and pepper. Add apricot nectar and stir, alternatively if using can of apricots crush with potato masher before you mix with other ingredients. Cover and bake in 180° for 1 1/2 hrs.

## Caramel Ginger Tarts

Makes 12



- 12 ginger nut bickies
- 400g can condensed milk
- 1/2 cup (125ml) cream, whipped
- 1 banana

Place unopened tin of condensed milk into a large saucepan generously covering tin with water, boil for 2 1/2 hours to turn the milk into caramel, (check every 30 minutes to ensure tin is covered in water, top up when necessary so the tin doesn't burst). Meanwhile place cookies on the individual circles of a patty cake tin and bake in 150C oven for 10 minutes. Remove and gently mould the softened biscuits into patty cake shells. When cool, add enough cooled caramel to fill biscuit. Top with whipped cream and a slice or two of banana as garnish.

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The deadline for articles and advertisements for inclusion in the **OCTOBER 2010** magazine is **12th SEPTEMBER 2010**.

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"DLR Libraries has prepared a Draft Library Development Programme which sets out the objectives and actions of the Library Service for the next three years. The Draft Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Library Development Programme 2010-2013 is now on the Council Website for public consultation.

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*Carrie Smyth*

**AGE ACTION WEEK**

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**IN THE GREATER SHANKILL AREA**

# SIGNED PETITION HANDED INTO THE HSE IN PROTEST OVER THE SALE OF SHANKILL HEALTH CENTRE AND ADJOINING LANDS

The Labour Party is strongly opposed to the Health Service Executive (HSE) selling the Shankill Health Centre and adjoining lands.

The Labour Party Leader, Deputy Eamon Gilmore wrote to the HSE objecting in the strongest terms to the sale of the Health Centre and adjoining lands. Deputy Gilmore said "My principal concern is to ensure that the best possible Health Centre is located in Shankill and accessible to local people"

Labour Party Local Representative for the Shankill area, Councillor Denis O'Callaghan, who is Vice Chair and a member of the Dublin Mid Leinster Regional

Health Forum, tabled a Motion on the matter calling on the Chief Executive Officer not to proceed with the sale. (See Report below). Separately Councillor O'Callaghan and Councillor Carrie Smyth sought a meeting with the Local Area Manager, HSE, Mr Gerard McKiernan to discuss the matter.

Councillor O'Callaghan collected a Petition from the residents of Shankill in protest over the sale of the Health Centre and adjoining lands and he handed in the Petition to the HSE Offices in Bray on Tuesday July 27th at 11am. A sincere thank you to all the residents who signed the Petition and contacted the HSE.

Councillors O'Callaghan and Smyth said "The people in the area are shocked and appalled that their health services are under threat.

"We want the best possible health centre located in Shankill and so do the people who are contacting us on a daily basis".

Councillors O'Callaghan and Smyth met with the Local Area Manager HSE Mr Gerard McKiernan and the Assistant National Director HSE Estates, at their Offices in Bray on Thursday July 29th at 1pm.

During the course of the meeting Councillors O'Callaghan and Smyth stressed the fear and anxiety of the people of Shankill that they may lose their Health Centre. What the people want is for the HSE to upgrade the existing Health Centre to provide a modern health facility to cater for the needs of an expanding population into the future.



Feidhmeannas na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive

Councillor Denis O'Callaghan  
49 Rathfarnham Park,  
Shankill  
Co. Dublin

30 July 2010

Re: Shankill Health Centre and Lands

Dear Councillor O'Callaghan,

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 27<sup>th</sup> July 2010 together with signed petition from residents of the Shankill area. I also want to thank yourself and Councillor Carrie Smyth for attending the meeting with Mr Jim Curran, Assistant National Director, HSE Estates and myself on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2010. I hope that you both found the proceedings informative and constructive and I acknowledge your positive contributions on the day.

I fully understand the concerns expressed by yourselves on behalf of the residents of Shankill and as reflected in the twenty three pages of signatures. As stated at the meeting we will keep you advised of developments with regard to the Health Centre and lands.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime in respect of this or any other matters of concern to you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Gerard McKiernan  
Local Health Manager  
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CC: Councillor Carrie Smyth  
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## REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM DUBLIN-MID LEINSTER

Motion – Cllr Denis O'Callaghan

That the HSE report on all aspects of the proposed sale of HSE owned lands consisting of the site encompassing Shankill Health Centre and associated lands at Lower Road, Shankill, Co Dublin including a site map, and that this Health Forum expresses serious concern regarding the proposal to develop a new Health Centre through a Private Public Partnership.

### Reply

: I attach herewith brochure for the sale of the Shankill Health Centre and site map outlining the extent of HSE lands around the health centre.

It should be noted that the sale is conditional on the site being redeveloped for "Primary Care Health Use".

Shankill was one of the locations for which expressions of interest were sought for the provision of Primary Care infrastructure in July 2008. A number of submissions were received of which two submitted priced offers for the provision of Primary Care accommodation.

One of these offers was rejected because the price offered exceeded the level of rent that the HSE could pay. The second site was not selected because of its location on the periphery of the catchment area for the Primary Care Team.

In the meantime, a number of parties expressed an interest in developing the existing health centre site for Primary Care and because of this interest, the HSE has decided to offer the site for sale by public tender, on the condition that the site is developed for "Primary Care Health Use"

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## Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership Autumn/Winter Calendar 2010

September			
Date	Course/Event	Time	Venue
Saturday 11th September	Coaching Ireland's 10th All-Island Forum	TBC	Dublin Convention Centre (Spencer Dock)
Wednesday 15th September	Information Workshop on Club Development Grant	7.00pm - 8.00pm	County Hall, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire
Thursday 16th September	Code of Ethics (Child Protection) Basic Awareness Workshop	6.00pm - 10.30pm	Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's Dundrum Sub-Office
Friday 17th September	Sandyford Cycle Challenge	6.00pm - 9.00pm	Leopardstown Racecourse, Sandyford
Tuesday 28th September	Sports Forum Meeting	7.00pm - 9.00pm	TBC
October			
Date	Course/Event	Time	Venue
Sunday 3rd October	National Trails Day	Various	Various
Tuesday 5th October	Clubs Disability Awareness Workshop	7.00pm - 9.00pm	Stillorgan Park Hotel, Stillorgan
Saturday 9th October	Defibrillator and Sports First Aid Re-fresher training	10.00am - 5.00pm	TBC
Saturday 16th October	DLR Community 5K	2pm	Kilbogget Park
Tuesday 19th October	Code of Ethics (Child Protection) Basic Awareness Workshop	6.00pm - 10.30pm	Shankill Tennis Club, Shankill
Saturday 30th October	Code of Ethics (Child Protection) Children's Officer Course	9.00am - 4.00pm	Johnstown Parish Pastoral Centre, Churchview Road, Killiney
TBC	Swim Ireland's Swimming Helpers Course (Swimming for People with Disabilities)	9.00am - 4.30pm	dlr Leisure Services
TBC	SADS (Sudden Adult death Syndrome) Seminar	TBC	Health Sciences Centre, Belfield Campus, UCD

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# The magnitude of memories

By Florence Horsman-Hogan



I'd been watching her over the past few weeks and was becoming concerned that it was taking a long time for her to settle in. For anyone coming into long term care the move from either home or hospital to a Care of the Elderly facility is expected to be traumatic. Unfamiliar surroundings plus the loss of one's old lifestyle can be very hard to cope with.

However, the facility I work in as a Ward Manager - Leopardstown Park Hospital in Foxrock - has a very proactive 'Multidisciplinary Team' ethos. Leopardstown Park isn't an institution someone is being 'put into'. It's a real 'home from home' that one comes to when they can no longer look after themselves. As we would with our own elderly family members - we do our level best to ensure personal independence and autonomy are encouraged and respected. The hospital caters for approximately 180 long term residents and 180 people avail of our Day Unit services.

Our Nursing Management Team (headed by Elaine Flanagan Acting Director of Nursing) is reputed to be amongst the most highly skilled in the country. The nurses and Health Care Assistants (HCA's) receive regular update training, and the hospital is very careful when taking on staff. Dr Joseph Yazbeck, our Hospital Chief Medical Officer is also a lecturer in UCD. We have Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy (O.T), a Dietician, Speech and Language Therapist, Medical Social Worker, onsite Pharmacist, and podiatrist. A visiting dentist and optician complete the team.

And yet, despite all of our combined knowledge and team effort, at seventy four, 'young Dymyna' just wasn't gelling. She was in a room with three others cos we were told she liked

company. She was disturbingly anorexic in her appetite and conversation.

Having been in hospital for quite a while she was very underweight and weak I got our dietician involved, with little success.

Because of being in bed for so long in the hospital her joints and muscles were a bit compromised, so I got our Physiotherapy involved. She still wasn't moving as much as she should have been.

Worried that her teeth, eyesight or feet might be bothering her I got the dentist, podiatrist and Optician involved. That still didn't solve the problem.

Thinking that we might have missed something religious I got our hospital chaplain involved.

And here we were, two months into her stay with us. Every avenue of our expertise exhausted - and for some bloody reason the woman wasn't responding. Having outruled every possible cause for bad health we could, I was getting really frustrated. She wasn't gaining weight; she wasn't talking to either staff or the other residents. What the hell was wrong with her?

Then it happened.

As anything magnitudinal that ever appears to happen in life it happened totally accidentally.

One of my HCA's was going on holidays and had no travel iron for ironing her clothes. Having an innate hatred of anything domestic - including ironing, my off spring love giving me unusual presents, one of the sons had bought me a travel iron dated to look like those used in the 1970's. I was totally happy to give my HCA my one. It was sitting on the desk at the nurse's station for her to collect.

Katie was being wheeled to the

Day Room and spotted it. For the first time since she came to the ward she instigated a conversation. 'That's not a great power watt iron, but it's got a good base. Do you find it good on steam?' On and on she chatted, discussing the merits of various irons etc.

It then dawned on me what she'd been missing - the tools of her trade as a housewife! This woman had come in to stay with us - as - perceivably her last home. We had done everything we could for her professionally. But what I didn't know was that she was very house proud. And she'd loved ironing. Since she'd come in to us she'd never seen a sweeping brush, a Hoover or an iron!

Our O.T department makes great use of 'reminiscence' groups, where they have the old ceramic hot water bottles, glass milk bottles and even an old bike. These are used as 'memory prompters' for conversation.

And this leads up to the appeal I'm now going to make. The HSE funds us for the most basic provisions, beds, nursing care etc, etc. But there's no allowance for any 'extras' like nice curtains, duvets, TV's etc. . . . If any of you have items from the 40's to the 70's - give me a shout. I'd like to set up a 'memory corner' on my ward for our residents to enjoy and discuss amongst themselves.

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# SHANKILL TENNIS CLUB



## JUNIOR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010

The annual Junior Open Championships took place on the week of the 31st July to 7th August. This year we were able to offer entrants four newly laid "Tiger Turf" courts which were very well received. This major event in our club's year attracts young players of the highest calibre from all counties in Ireland. This year we had over 323 players totalling 587 entries playing in 37 events. In logistical terms this means that 446 matches were played, comprising of 7,699 games in 903 sets, taking a total time of 32,935 minutes on court, played over 8 days using 13 courts! As always the tournament was run smoothly and efficiently by Gill Owen, the Tournament Referee and a team of supervisors easily recognised by their yellow tops; Joan O'Shea, Sarah Murtagh, Helen Murphy, Ann Maher, Sharon Cole, Peter Owen, Paul Roche, Marion Caufield, Trish O'Neill and Sean Cassidy. The extra courts needed were kindly made available by Co. Wicklow Lawn Tennis Club and Greystones Lawn Tennis Club over the course of the week. The 'Café' for the week was run by Sharon Roche and Mary A Devine who made sure that all were well

looked after with hot food, cakes, coffee & tea.

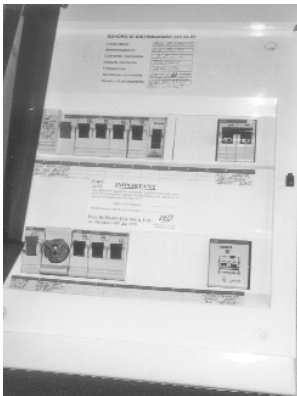
Chairman Mark Orr welcomed Minister for Tourism, Culture & Sport Mary Hanafin to finals day and she praised the achievements of the club and tennis as a sport. Leas Cathaoirleach, Councillor Lettie McCarthy spoke at the prize-giving ceremony on how the skills that the children learn in tennis will stand to them in all sorts of ways in their lives. We were delighted to have the President of Tennis Ireland, Letty Lucas as our guest for some excellent games of tennis during the day and to present prizes and the juniors were encouraged by her words. The Club appreciated the attendance of Councillors Donal Marren, Denis O'Callaghan and Carrie Smyth to this event and wish to thank them for their continued support of Shankill Tennis Club.

Congratulations to all the winners especially club members Cólín MacNamara winner of the Boys Under 14 Singles, Aoife Morgan winner of the Girls Under 12 plate and Niall Toner runner up in the Boys Under 14 plate. A large number of our junior members took part and for some it was their first experience of playing in an

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open tournament and they thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

An event of this scale is only made possible by people giving generously of their time and resources and the Junior Open Committee and the Club itself would like to thank everyone involved for their input:

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Martyn Evans Sports who supplied the Dunlop balls used in the tournament and donated raffle prizes.

Guy de Renzy of McGowans Print Innovation for producing the high quality brochure.

Special thanks also to other local businesses for catering supplies.

Thanks are extended to the staff that supervised the office and maintained the facilities. Thanks to all the club members who supervised outside courts, umpired matches, maintained the courts, baked and assisted with the catering. A big "thank you" to all the junior tennis players who continue to enter our competition and to their parents for getting them there on time on a tight schedule!

Congratulations to the Junior Open Committee on such a successful tournament and we look forward to next year when Shankill Junior Open will celebrate its 20th anniversary.

It was with great sadness to learn that Kevin Byrne passed away on Sunday night, the day after prize giving. We so enjoyed his magic as he produced bicycles, T.V.'s & i-pods out of the cupboard to give to the winning juniors on Saturday evening. The club are so grateful to Kevin for his contribution to tennis, to the juniors and to the club over many years and he will be missed by everyone.

### SHREDDIE'S PARKS TENNIS 2010

For the month of July courts 1-4 were awash with colour and enthusiasm as 180 children participated in the Parks Shreddie's Tennis programme. The camp in Shankill is reputed to be the best run programme in Dunlaoghaire Rathdown area and that is attributed to Coach Mark Leonard and his team Barry Malone, Deirbhile Deane, Aodhán Deane and Donal Roche.

For any of the children who had their first go at tennis at Parks and would like to keep going, junior group coaching is available in the club recommencing in September and is open to non-members – please enquire for details 2825400.

### CAPTAINS' DAY

Captains' Day hosted by Ladies' Captain Trish O'Neill and Men's Captain, Diarmuid McAree, took place at the clubhouse on Sunday 25th July. Eight teams of eight players participated in this all-day tennis extravaganza in glorious sunshine. The competition was won by Team C; Ronan Coburn; Diarmuid McAree; Susan Wilson; Mary Kelly; Kevin Byrne; Freda Birmingham; Johanna King-Hall and Karen Killilea. The day finished with a sumptuous buffet dinner and award ceremony. Each member of the winning team was presented with a specially commissioned Dublin Crystal trophy. The highest scoring duo was Gavin and Janice Roche who were presented with a special award by Kevin Byrne. Thank you to all who helped make the day a truly memorable occasion.

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**Wednesday September 15th — At 8 p.m.** Ms. Pamela O'Connor will present her lecture 'Marley House & Demesne' to the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome.

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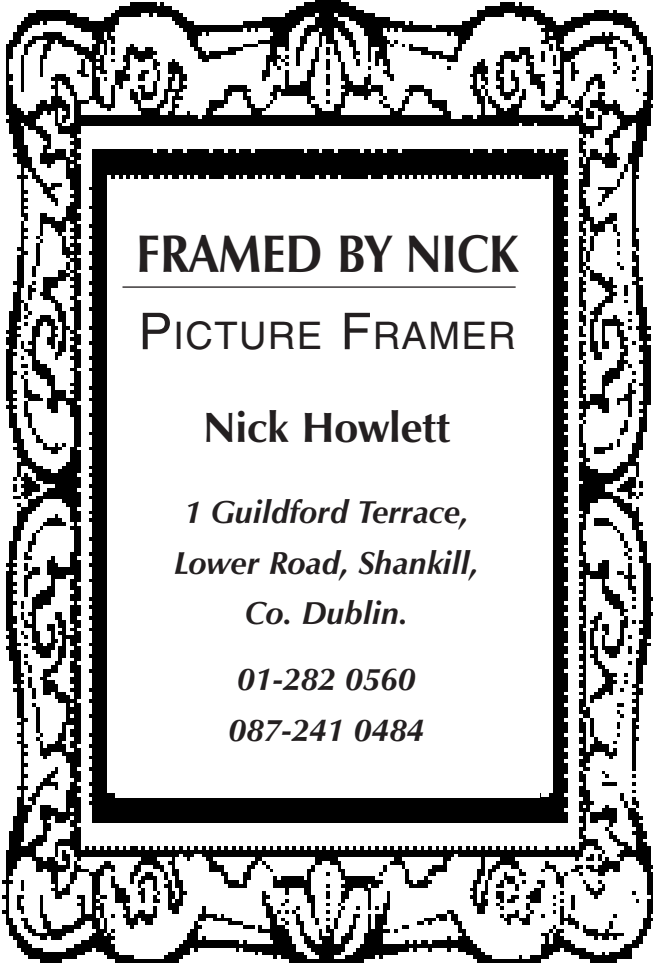
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## COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

### Councillor Denis O'Callaghan

#### COUNCIL APPROVES €124,000 IN GRANTS FOR LOCAL BUSINESS GROUPS ACROSS DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN

Grants to the total of €124,250 were awarded to the eleven successful applicants to the Council's new Business Support Grants.

The approved grants will support projects such as the development of a Christmas Festival and street entertainment in Shankill; marketing of a new animated film competition to be showcased in Blackrock; a new website for Sandyford Business Estate retailers; a new garden area in Dundrum for outdoor, community-based activities; enhanced public spaces in Dalkey to facilitate markets and street performance; and a marketing campaign to attract cruise operators to Dún Laoghaire Harbour and Town.

The Fund totals €300,000 with each of the six electoral areas of the County eligible for up to 50,000 in support, and the Council will advertise a second round of funding early in August. A total of fifteen applications were received.

**Applicant:** The Shankill Tidy Towns Traders Group/Shankill Traders Association

**Project Description:** Creation of a "starting point" for Shankill Village at the bus stop opposite St Anne's Church through a range of area improvement measures.

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**Project Description:** Shankill Village Christmas Festival and Shankill "End of Summer" street entertainment.

#### CONCERNS OVER SALE OF SHANKILL HEALTH CENTRE LANDS

Local Shankill Labour Councillor and Vice Chairman of the Dublin-Mid Leinster Regional Health Forum Denis O'Callaghan has expressed serious concerns at a proposal by the HSE to offer for sale by public tender lands which encompass Shankill Health Centre. The overall size of the site including the Health Centre is 0.19ha (0.48 acres). It is due to be sold by public tender on the 29th of July 2010.

Councillor O'Callaghan said he is opposed to a public private partnership in this instance. He was speaking on a motion tabled by him at the monthly meeting of the Dublin-Mid Leinster regional Health Forum in Tullamore on Tuesday last.

"While accepting that Shankill Health Centre is in need of upgrading a public private partnership was not the best way of achieving this. The current health centre and sites are 100% owned by the HSE. To involve a private partnership will leave the HSE long into the future paying an excessively high rent."

"A condition of the proposed sale will be to redevelop a new Medical Centre. One must assume that the new owners of the lands could in the future, through the courts, seek to have the condition removed. The lands in question are zoned residential and are in a prime location.

"I believe the HSE are giving a hostage to fortune in this case. The long term effect will be that the HSE will be paying high rents for a building that they presently own. The logical thing to do would be for the HSE to upgrade the current health centre out of its own funds."

"I have asked the Health Service Executive not to proceed with the sale of the lands at present given the poor value for property in the present economic climate and until a more comprehensive examination of the proposed sale takes place."

"Shankill has been devastated over recent times by the loss of its only shopping centre. It would be disastrous if the community were also to lose their Health Centre because of a decision by the HSE in accordance with Government policy of blindly pursuing public private partnerships.



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### COUNCILLOR DENIS O'CALLAGHAN

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# New Community Policing Forum Established

## Are you concerned about Community Safety issues in Loughlinstown, Shankill and Ballybrack?

The RAPID programme in conjunction with Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, An Garda Síochána and The local Drugs Task Force have established a new "Local Policing Forum"

One of the main aims of "Local Policing Forum" is to improve communication and relationships between the local community and relevant authorities including the sharing and exchanging of relevant and appropriate information.

An equally important aim is to ensure that all residents



have an opportunity to participate in determining policing priorities for Shankill, Loughlinstown and Ballybrack in order to help tackle the issue of community safety, crime and anti social behaviour in their communities.

This is your chance to have your say on community safety issues!

For further information please contact Dave Lawless, RAPID Co-ordinator on 2047297 or E-mail [dlawless@dlrcoco.ie](mailto:dlawless@dlrcoco.ie)

**We are holding two open public meetings:**

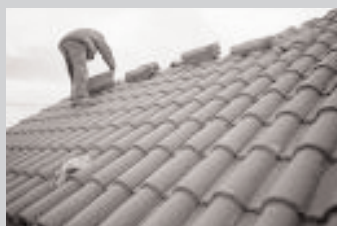
**September 29th in Shanganagh Park House**

and

**September 30th in the Loughlinstown Community Rooms.**

The purpose of these meetings is for residents to meet the members of this new forum and help identify priority issues to be addressed by the forum.

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## COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

### Councillor Carrie Smyth

#### EXTENSION OF RAILING/HANDGRIP – QUINNS ROAD

The following 4 items of work were required to improve the access to the Beach at Quinn's Road:

- Strengthen the ramp as it was undermined by the elements. This was deemed priority as if the ramp failed it could lead to serious injury and no access to the Beach for a considerable period of time.
- Remove the water flowing down the ramp as this lead to a slippery surface on the ramp.
- Extend the ramp to the Beach, as the jumping or climbing of the platform to gain access to the Beach involved a drop of over 0.5 meters in places.
- Provide a handrail at the existing steps at the top of the access

The first three of these works were undertaken in April and May this year, using up the available budget for work at this location. Estimates of the fourth item have been prepared and the cost is not substantial. If the money is available towards the end of the year, this work will be undertaken; if the money is not available this work will be added to the proposed works for 2011.

*Note:* On the 10th August Dara Mc Gowan informed the Council hope to appoint a contractor to install the railing in the next week or two to the complete the works. The work hopefully will be completed by the end of August.

#### SHANGANAGH WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKS

The contract for the design, construction and operation of the upgrade of the Shanganagh Wastewater Treatment Works was awarded to SDD Shanganagh (Water Treatment) Ltd in September 2008 and works commenced on 20th October 2008.

The contract construction period is 30 months at a construction tender cost of €72.7m.

Work is progressing well on site. Phase 1, the construction of the new Pre-treatment building, is substantially complete and Phase 2, the diversion of flows to this new building and the demolition of the old inlet works has commenced. Following this, Phase 3 will commence later this summer which involves the remaining construction of the treatment processes and commissioning of the works. Currently the contract is on schedule for completion by this time next year.

Associated with the upgrade of the treatment works is a separate contract (SBMDS Contract 2 - Transfer Pipeline) which includes for the construction of the pipeline from Bray Pumping Station to Shanganagh, along with the stormwater storage tank at the old Bray Golf course. Approval to go to tender has been received from the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Tenders are due by early September and it is anticipated that the contractor will start works on site in early 2011 (14 month construction period).

**AERTEL PAGE 630** — Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council have organised an Aertel page for residents to find out useful and up to date information.

The Aertel page 630 contains information on DLR emergency updates Council news, water of notice, traffic, DLR events and contact details.

#### UP DATE - REMOVAL OF HOG WEED

The contractor engaged by the Parks Department is currently using control measures against Hogweed in areas under our control in Loughlinstown.

However we are aware that there is also Hogweed growth along the Shanganagh River in private lands (Cherrywood), where we are not in a position to undertake control measures.

We will continue to monitor the position.

#### DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN (DLR) - EVENTS

DLR events continues with more great events such as Dad's Day Off on Sunday September 26th and Halloween delights with Samhain, keeping the fun outdoors even as the days get dark on Sunday October 24th. Check out [www.dlrevents.ie](http://www.dlrevents.ie) or aertel page 630 for more information.

## Councillor Carrie Smyth

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Thank you to all those who came to our 10th Anniversary Book Sale, held in the Day Centre in early June. Macel and her sister Jennifer made sure it was a really special occasion by presenting 10 book tokens, lots of hand-made colourful book marks and pens, not to mention a plentiful supply of coffee or tea and delicious buns. The results of the book token draw are as follows:

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| L. Kavanagh, Blackrock  | David Doody, Shankill  |
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| Dun Laoghaire           | Shankill               |
| Bert Van Embden,        | John Cullen, Shankill  |
| Ballybrack              |                        |

Macel and Jennifer were thanked for their tireless work in building the Book Sale during the 10 years since the Millennium to its present high standard. Macel was given a presentation of flowers and a well-deserved ovation.



Macel and Jennifer McKell at Book Sale

For our annual July outing this year, we went north of the Liffey for a change of scenery! We had a delicious lunch in the Grand Hotel, Malahide, with excellent service. Some of our members were glad to relax after the good meal while others were energetic and walked into Malahide village. Our return route was lovely, as we took the coast road through Portmarnock, then a tour round Howth and through Clontarf. We were very interested to see Bray Head and the Sugar Loaf from a different side of the bay! Peter, our driver from Alpine Coaches, kept up a running commentary, pointing out landmarks before finally bringing us safely home to



Presentation of cheque to SOFA from Shankill, Ballybrack Credit Union.

Shankill. Thanks to all the staff for their help and to Jim Swan, for transport to and from the Centre. Our Club will close now on Wednesday afternoons until 8th Sept., but the Day Centre continues to function on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, while Meals-on-Wheels are cooked on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We thank Shankill, Ballybrack & District Credit Union for their very generous donation which will pay for the extension to the Book Store. This will make a great difference to Macel when she sorts and stores the many books we are glad to receive from the good people of Shankill and district. The roof light in the new extension will give extra light and fresh air and improve working conditions. The Book Sales are our main fund-raising source so we are most appreciative of this very kind gift from the Credit Union.



## “Dublin’s Fighting Story 1916-1921 – Told By The Men Who Made It”

Published by the Mercier Press

Review by James Scannell

This remarkable and fascinating book was first published in 1948 as part of a series of 4 books dealing with the War of Independence published between 1947 – 1948 based on the very popular ‘Fighting Stories’ series of articles published in The Kerryman newspaper has now been re-published by the Mercier Press with a new 2009 Introduction. A unique feature of this book is that it predates the depositions later collected by the Bureau of Military History which were released into the public domain a few years and used by the authors of a number of recent books.

In a new preface to this unique book, series Editor Dr. Brian Ó Conchubhair provides the reader with the background and history of this book and those of the 3 companion volumes - *Kerry’s Fighting Story*, *Rebel Cork’s Fighting Story*, *Limerick’s Fighting Story* – revealing that in the late 1940’s plans to published a fifth title, *Tipperary’s Fighting Story*, never materialised even through appeals for recollections and photographs were made at that time. Dr. Ó Conchubhair closes his introduction by reminding the reader that as we approach the centenaries of 1916 Rising, the War of Independence, the Anglo-Irish Treaty and Civil War, it is appropriate that these texts again become part of the wider public debate and discussion on these key events.

In a special Introduction to this 2009 edition, Professor Diarmaid Ferriter provides an overview of the key events in Ireland between 1913 and 1921 for the benefit of those who are not familiar with this period of our history and is then followed by the key sections covering -

- How the Fight Began
- The Great Dublin Strike and Lockout, 1913
- The 1916 Rising
- The Executed Leaders
- The War of Independence beginning with Frongoch University and the key events in the War of Independence 1919 – 1921 events after those who were imprisoned after the Rising were released from internment.

The are accounts of Bloody Sunday, the Battle of Brunswick Street, the Burning of the Customs House, Escape from Mountjoy, the role of I.R.A. Intelligence and how it operated, the role of women in addition to accounts of various events, engagements, actions and incidents in and around Dublin City and County with a several pages dealing with events and incidents in and around Shankill which contains several unique revelations that many people may not be aware of.

The book, which contains first hand accounts by participants of the events listed in the Contents, provides the reader with hands on accounts of what it was like to take part in these events and recent other books

published by Mercier Press on various aspects the War of Independence in the Dublin Area, provide excellent scope for further readings.

All in all the re-publication by Mercier Press of *Dublin’s Fighting Story* is to be welcomed as it contains a first hand account of this period in our history and details of events and people which are not mentioned or referred to in other books.

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# A Cherrywood Luas to Shankill Walkway and Cycle Way

As the crow flies, Cherrywood Luas Station is 1200 metres (that is three quarters of a mile and a brisk 10 minute walk) from St. Anne's National School in Shankill. However if you were to walk it the only way possible it would be over three kilometres. This is illustrated in Figure 1.



Figure 1 – Luas Terminus Proximity to Population

Not only this, but a major accident and emergency hospital, Saint Columcille's in Loughlinstown is a mere 600 metres as the crow flies, from the terminus. That is a six minute walk – but again the long way around is over three times that.

The problem is, of course, that the Shanganagh river valley is in the way and the only way to get to the other side, assuming you are not a crow, is via Wyattville bridge. You may well wonder how we managed to build an expensive piece of transport infrastructure all the way to the edge of a cliff, without at least considering the possibility of making it a bit more accessible to a major hospital such as Loughlinstown, and a major population centre, such as Shankill. However, while you are wondering this, I suggest you also ponder how we managed to build the same Luas to within 600 metres of a Quality Bus corridor without going the extra six tenths of a mile to connect them up. (You may even conclude that what is missing is Joined Up Thinking.)

But anyway. Enough bemoaning where we are at and on with a rather elegant solution. The Shanganagh Valley Viaduct, built many years ago for the Harcourt Street line, is still intact, and elegantly bridges the Shanganagh River Valley. So why not create a busway, cycleway and walkway, from the Luas terminus over the viaduct as far as the hospital and then create a walkway and cycleway along the alignment of the old Harcourt Street Line all the way to Shankill village – or at least Stonebridge Road. This last part will require a new footbridge over the M11. All of this is illustrated in Figure 3.

So what are the objections. I must say that I find it hard to see many, but there is one that is worth considering and that I will propose an innovative solution for.



Figure 2 - Shanganagh Viaduct

That objection is the view that may be taken that a walkway and cycleway such as that proposed may result in anti-social behaviour. The proposed walkway and cycleway will indeed pass by the rear gardens of a number of



Figure 3 – Proposed Busway and Walkway and Cycleway

houses. However, speaking as someone who lives near a similar walkway, that at the back of Shankill Dart between Corbawn Lane and Shanganagh Cliffs, incidents of anti social behaviour are quite rare. In any case, I would suggest the following approach to essentially eliminate any chance of this.

A part of this plan, encourage the development of mews houses in the gardens of those houses with back gardens backing onto the proposed walkway and cycleway. In order to do this, the walkway and cycleway would also be a cul-de-sac road to facilitate vehicular access. In this way objections from landowners will be minimised if not eliminated as they are unlikely to object to a plan that gives them a site at the end of their gardens. If you look at Google Earth, you will see that most of the gardens are fairly substantial and have plenty of room for a mews house at the end. I must say also, that the houses in question have all had their value adversely impacted by the criss crossing of two motorways in the vicinity, so a bit of good luck on the planning permission front by the owners would probably be appreciated.

In any case, the Dun Laoghaire County Development Plan calls for the development of Mews Roads to be encouraged, as indeed for the general densification of development in the county. Densification is particularly encouraged near to good public transport.

My own view of allowing Mews developments on the walkway, is that it is likely to make the walkway and cycleway more pleasant and indeed safer and I think it is to be encouraged.

So to a little more detail on the busway. I would suggest that Bus Trams be used. A bustram is basically a Luas on rubber wheels with similar carrying capacity. If you are interested in reading more about bus trams, I suggest you go to wikipedia and search for articles on Curitiba, the Brazilian city where the concept was pioneered.

I can envisage a bus tram running from the Luas terminus, over the viaduct and into the hospital, and from there via the Loughlinstown roundabout and Commons Road to Shankill Dart station. Thereby joining up two very expensive pieces of transport infrastructure. Other buses could run to other points in Shankill, Bray, Greystones and beyond. This would of course give us a Joined Up transport system and indeed – joined up thinking.

So what to do next. Well I suggest the simplest thing to do is to go to my blog at [www.shanehayes.info](http://www.shanehayes.info) and leave a comment of support, and of course, petition your TDs and Councillors.

Depending on the reaction I might organise a public meeting or some such.

— Shane Hayes

# Shankill Bowling Club

The Club has had a busy programme with the Ladies championships (L.B.L.I) ; Ladies League Div 1; Mens Championships (B.L.I.); Mens Div 2 and Div 4 Leagues; the men's vet leagues 1 and 2 plus our own domestic competitions which are going well at this time. also we celebrated our Captains Day on August 8th.



Our Ladies reached the semi-final of the Rhona Eager Trophy (Senior Triples). Shankill were represented by N.Shortt; K.Tighe; M.Ryan. They also reached the semi-finals of the Robinson Cup (senior fours) with the addition of A. Wainwright. The games were held at C.Y.M. 10/11 Aug and they acquitted themselves well in these championships.

The men have regained their form and obtained good results in the last few outings notable against St. James Gate on Aug 14th. when they got 5 pts. away. They have moved up the table ahead of Clontarf; C.Y.M. (B) and Skerries.

A note of appreciation to Pat O'Toole and Martin Kelly for standing in for Div .2 as well as turning out for the Div 4 on a regular basis.

The Captains Day, Christy Shortt, Ann Wainwright, Paddy Pegman, was a great success with plenty of sport; a barbecue; and a party with wine followed by a sing-song accompanied by Michael on guitar. The "spider" games were won by Liam Saurin and Jack Hickey. The raffle proved very popular, while the B.B.Q. was organised by Tom Twomey and Christy and it must be said that the food was delicious with all the trimmings added.



A few new members have joined recently, in particular ladies, which is good, and we would like to see more newcomers with experience or none, both men and women. To join just call clubhouse @ 2814885 for an application form.  
*Paddy Hughes P.R.O.*



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# Cho's Taekwon-Do Shankill 2000 - 2010

This autumn Cho's Taekwon-Do school, under the direction of Chief Instructor, Miriam Fahey 4th degree Black Belt, will celebrate its 10th birthday. Running in St. Anne's National School hall every Wednesday since October 2000 the school has seen many, many students pass through. We currently have a membership of 40 students. Some pupils who started as Panthers (3-5 year olds) are now settled, as Black Belts, in Secondary School, young teens who started with us are now college graduates and a few parents who also joined are, like their instructor, maturing nicely.

Taekwon-Do is a Korean martial art which has no age limit, children, teens and adults can participate, learn and enjoy. To date we have promoted 18 students to Black Belt, three of whom hope to test for their 3rd degree black belt in December. A further 6 students hope to pass their 1st Degree Black Belt test this coming December too. It takes 10 exams to reach 1st degree Black Belt, after each successful exam the students are promoted to their next colour belt. The highlight each year has always been the colour belt testings where students, parents, relatives and friends come along to watch and support their loved ones. Students train and



study hard to move forward to their next colour belt, the curriculum is tough and to a very high international standard.

Included in



our trophy cabinet are World Championship Titles, Provincial and National Titles too. We enter as many competitions as we can, from sparring to traditional championships. Competitions are open to children from 5 years upwards and most competitions have a veterans category for those over 40.

Our most recent additions to our Hall of Fame are All Ireland Gold Medal Champions in One-

Step Sparring (self-defence techniques) Callum O'Riordan and Brandon Flynn both aged 6. At the same

championships, David O'Riordan aged 11 won the Silver Medal All Ireland Pattern Title.

Its not all about competitions. Classes vary each week from learning traditional Taekwon-Do moves, to self-defence, to cardio workouts and to sparring. The emphasis is on discipline and learning but we never lose our sense of fun.

Over the past 10 years we have represented Shankill throughout Ireland, England, Scotland, Jersey, and the USA. We are proud to be from Shankill and will endeavour to continue representing Shankill and placing it firmly on the worldwide map.



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# Shanganagh Summer Project 2010

Planning began for this year's project in September 2009 in conjunction with Shanganagh CDP. As plans progressed the summer project committee became a stand alone group with the good wishes of the CDP and the full support of Shanganagh Park House Management. Throughout the year many fundraising events were held including a sponsored walk and a cake sale. With the fundraising monies, a grant from the Council and a lot of hard work, two weeks of activities and trips were put in place for 54 children.

On the 12th July, during the first week of the project, volunteers from 'Serve the City' travelled over from Arizona to help out and Joni, Andrea, Rob and Mellissa must be thanked for all their enthusiasm, helpfulness and kindness. The week's programme included a trip to Knocksink Wood for a treasure hunt, fun and games in the Peoples Park Dun Laoghaire, a Hip Hop dance class with Ethan Higgins and Sports with equipment lent by the Sports Development Office of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Co. Council.

**Friday's trip was to Greenan Farm and Maze. As the Dublin Bus double decker driven by David Rolland made its way along small country roads a farmer standing at his doorway stared in wonder at 54 children and 17 helpers waving at him. Greenan Farm made the group very welcome and after games, including wellie throwing! all the children got lost in the maze. From the crow's nest lookout they were directed out again and everyone clambered onto the bus to make their way home after a wonderful week of entertainment. Community Garda Sarah Carroll worked as a volunteer with the group this week and Thomas Sinnot, with his First Aid expertise, was also a valuable member of the team.**

The 2nd week started with canoeing at Seapoint provided by Dun Laoghaire Youth Service with



*UCD AFC members Eoghan O'Malley, Paul O'Connor, Philip Bourke and Stephen Roche at the Project.*

instructors Rob Tierney and Mim McSharry of the Irish Canoe Union. A group of 12 children donned wetsuits, lifejackets and helmets and set forth in three large canoes. As they made their way out far from the shore one of the instructors jumped out of the canoe and landed in ankle deep water! Although safety was of the highest priority, those looking on from the boat slip were doubly assured when they saw the depth of the water. The Sports Development Office of DLRCC helped out again this week with Soccer and Tag Rugby with Rory and Stephen. On Wednesday 21st July a Sports Day was planned including a football workshop with members of the first team of UCD AFC who are currently playing in the Airtricity League. At Loughlinstown Leisure Centre a soccer coaching clinic was facilitated by Philip Bourke, Eoghan O'Malley, Paul O'Connor and Stephen Roche. UCD goodie bags were presented to all the children together with medals contributed by Shankill Garda Station. This week's trip was to Fort Lucan with its water slides, Play zone and climbing frames. Community Garda Frank Hayes helped out as a volunteer for the week. As everyone made their way home that day the feedback from the children, parents and helpers was that they had really enjoyed their two weeks.

To celebrate the end of the project a 'Community Family Fun Day' was hosted by Shanganagh Summer Project Committee and Shanganagh Park House. The Garda Band played many favourite tunes and Garda Frank Hayes sang songs. There were bouncy castles, Go Carting and Football fun with Rory O'Hare of the FAI. The Talent Show rounded off the day. Michelle Buckley, Chairman of the summer project thanked the many people who gave their time to help make such a wonderful summer camp for the children. She acknowledged the invaluable help of Caroline McDermott and all staff of Shanganagh Park House.



*Whole Project Group*

# SCOIL MHUIRE NEWS

Scoil Mhuire has had a wonderful 2009/2010 school year and in June there were all the usual seasonal events.... including...Junior and Senior Sports Days, Graduation Mass and Ceremony for 6th Class, "Reach for the Stars" Concert, Annual Bar-B-Q and Basketball match between teachers and 6th class.



**JUNIOR SPORTS DAY – HURDLES**



**TEACHERS PLAYING BASKETBALL MATCH WITH 6th CLASS**



**SENIOR SPORTS DAY – SACK RACE**



**BAR-B-Q DAY, PRINCIPAL PATRICIA SLAVIN WITH LAUREN TEMPLE O'CONNOR, ALVA ROWE, ZOE KELLY, AMY PENDER. BACKGROUND: AMY BRENNAN LIVINGSTONE.**



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## THE SHANKILL/RATHMICHAEL PARISH SCHOOLS' CUP

Friday, June 18th saw the first annual staging of The Shankill/Rathmichael Parish Schools' Cup. Scoil Mhuire, St. Anne's and Rathmichael all entered a girls and boys team to make up a wonderful afternoon of competition.

In the boys' competition, St. Anne's ran out winners after impressive victories. Rathmichael and Scoil Mhuire provided stubborn resistance but St.



**PARENTS COOKING AT BAR-B-Q**



**REACH FOR THE STARS!!!**

Anne's always had that little bit extra in their locker. The cup was presented to St. Anne's Captain, Dean Mahon, who also picked up player of the tournament.

The girls' competition provided a tense and nailbiting affair. Both games ended in stalemate, with the girls of Scoil Mhuire showing nerves of steel, to triumph in penalty shootouts over first Rathmichael, and then St. Anne's. Goalkeeper, Janelle Pendioday made the crucial saves with Tiegan Barnaville smashing home the decisive penalty! Player of the Tournament was awarded to Scoil Mhuire's Chelsea Rigley.

The afternoon's action proved a huge success and thanks are due to all school principals, Patricia Slavin, Caroline Senior and Ritchie Cotter, Fr. John O'Connor, Canon Fred Appelbe and organiser Pat Neenan. Here's looking forward to another action packed day in 2011.

The tournament was the brain-child of Scoil Mhuire class teacher, Mr. Pat Neenan. Rev. Fr. John O'Connor, S.A.C., P.P., and Canon Fred Appelbe, were very happy to sponsor the trophies.



**GRADUATION MASS AND CEREMONY IN SCOIL MHUIRE**



**REV. FR. JOHN O'CONNOR, P.P. WITH REV. CANON FRED APPELBE WATCHING CHELSEA RIGLEY RECEIVE HER "PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT AWARD" FROM THE REFEREE.**

**RATHMICHAEL v SCOIL MHUIRE BASKETBALL MATCH**

It was Rathmichael's turn to win on the day of the Basketball match held in Scoil Mhuire's grounds and organised by Caroline Cronin.... but everyone enjoyed the day.



**PRINCIPAL PATRICIA SLAVIN WITH MR. STEPHEN SHERIDAN, TEACHER, WITH STUDENTS FROM HIS 5th CLASS.**



**SENIOR SPORTS DAY — SACK RACE**



**THE GIRLS' FOOTBALL TEAM FROM SCOIL MHUIRE WITH JANELLE HOLDING THE CUP AND CHELSEA HOLDING THE "PLAYER OF THE MATCH" TROPHY**

Under The Agri Aware Programme, Teacher Stephen Sheridan, planted and harvested potatoes with his class. They had great fun cooking them and eating them in school!

*We look forward to another great school year and hope that everyone has returned refreshed from a happy summer!*

## Sheeba's Gone – May She Woof in Peace

It took almost a year of family arguments, children's accusations of us wanting to commit 'murder', and Sheeba, our much loved and of late much resented 'granny' falling down the garden stairs, walking into furniture and senile barking before we finally took what many would call the right step. This morning we took her to the vet and had her put to sleep. Were we right in making the decision over life and death?. Or did we leave it too long, had we prolonged our gentle best friends suffering in our procrastination hoping that she'd do the decent thing herself and just keel over and die?.



The five of us went into the vets surgery acutely aware that only four of us would be coming out. Sheeba, unable to walk because of severe arthritis was being carried by David, our sixteen year old son, and Sheeba's closest family member. He'd known her all his life. Being blind and deaf, Sheeba just hung limply in his arms - she trusted him implicitly.

Once the vet had examined her and told us she had kidney failure, heart failure and was severely malnourished due to her decreased appetite I started to feel a little better about what was about to happen. She was placed on the surgery table and as her family surrounded her, holding her paw, rubbing her back and for me - balefully watching the veterinary nurse hold her head (if she made one wrong move - she was cat meat!), the vet loaded up the syringe of anaesthetic he was to inject.

I stopped him before he started to administer. 'Will she feel anything, will she gasp for air, will there be any suffering, will she...?'. He answered the questions well and introduced the needle into the paw I was holding. As I watched the plunger depress, emptying its lethal contents into the most loyal and undemanding friend I've ever known my heart was racing. Hubby, Katie and David were crying and the nurse in me took over. I watched her closely for any signs of struggle as she lay there breathing quietly, there was nothing, one second she was breathing, the next gone.

It felt so peaceful, and after all the guilt and recriminations - so right. We had repaid our pals years of loyalty by giving her the gift of release from all her suffering and a dignified death. As I sit here alone by my computer, where she and I have always kept each other company the tears are falling. Towards the end, because

she had started annoying the hell out of me by barking non stop to be picked up and carried to her water bowl, and had ruined many a carpet because of her onset of incontinence I had started deeply resenting her. My campaign to get her put down now rose questions as to my real motives. Was it to put her out of her suffering - or to get rid of the nuisance she'd

become in her infirmity? In the end - the vets assurances that she was suffering and that we were right to do what we were doing assuaged the guilt. But I still can't help wondering.

I get up from the computer because it's time to refill Sheeba's water bowl. She gets so thirsty with her heavy panting lately, she's always thirsty. As I go to pour the water automatically from the glass to the bowl I stop in confusion. It's still full from this morning. And then I remember.

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D10A/0319 SEEKING PERMISSION  
11/6/10

**Claire Gibbons, Rear of 31,  
Shrewsbury Road, Shankill.**

Detached bungalow with new vehicular access on site at rear.  
PERMISSION REFUSED 5/9/10

D10B/0269 SEEKING PERMISSION  
16/6/10

**Matti Viio, Lisnalgur, Corbawn  
Lane, Shankill.**

Conversion and extension of existing 30sqm single storey sauna and shower room block into a 48sqm single storey kitchen and dining room including associated works to front and rear elevations and patio.

PERMISSION GRANTED 6/8/10

D10A/0245 APPLICATION  
DECLARED INVALID (SITE  
NOTICE) 14/6/10

**Mr Martin Shankland, Barbeque  
Centre, Dublin Road, Shankill.**

Change of use from warehouse to Ladies and Gents Hair Salon and Nail Bar. New opening in elevation wall, fit new window, replace existing window. Fit 2 entrance doors and replace existing toilet at front with 2 new toilets at rear.

D10A/0392 SEEKING PERMISSION  
(as above) 15/7/10

D10A/0165 APPEAL AGAINST  
REFUSAL OF PERMISSION  
15/6/10

**Site adjacent to Kildarick, Old**

**Rathmichael, Shankill.**

New 4 bedroom 2 storey dwelling with on site waste water treatment system etc., new vehicular entrance, landscaping etc.

D09A/0714 REFUSAL OF  
PERMISSION UPHeld ON  
APPEAL 11/6/10

**Rosedale House, Quinn's Road,  
Shankill.**

Retention of excavation of 91 sqm of rear garden to basement level and erection of single storey conservatory at rear or south side at basement level, erection of glass roofed wooden canopy at entrance to said conservatory covering steps up to rear garden level.

D10A/0335 SEEKING PERMISSION  
21/6/10

**Anne Maye, Barry Meagher & Joe  
O'Reilly, Eaton Brae House, Eaton  
Brae, Shankill.**

Construction of 14 houses comprising 6 x 2 storey 3 bed terrace houses, 6 x 2 storey 4 bed terrace houses, 1 x 2 storey 3 bed detached house and 1 single storey 3 bed house.

Conversion of Eaton Brae House into 2 units – 1 x 2 bed apartment at basement level and 1 x 3 bed apartment at ground and first floor levels. Demolition of 1970s rear extension. Demolition of free standing buildings, improvements to entrance junction, new entrance gates etc. 31 car parking spaces.

D10A/0336 PERMISSION FOR  
RETENTION 21/6/10

**Michael Duncan, The Quarries,  
Quarry Road, Rathmichael.**

Retention of bio-cycle septic tank installed on the property, creation of 2 window opes in the stone building, installation of 3 Velux roof windows and replacement of galvanized roofing with natural slate.

D10A/0348 SEEKING  
PERMISSION 24/6/10

**Bray Vet, Veterinary Clinic, Old  
Connaught Avenue, Bray.**

Construction of new 2 storey veterinary hospital with external footprint of 277sq.m, with veterinary and staff facilities over a full ground floor (255sq.m) and partial first floor (130sq.m). Low pitched, hipped roof linked to existing single storey premises. Existing premises is retained and used for storage, offices, clinical and ancillary facilities. Existing access and car parking area is retained with 13 car parking spaces together with disabled parking bay.

DECLARED INVALID 29/6/10

D10B/0196 PERMISSION  
GRANTED 22/6/10

**Mr Patrick Faull, 29 Seaview Park,  
Shankill.**

Rear first floor extension and dormer windows extension of 19.2sq.m to existing one and a half

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D10A/0366 SEEKING PERMISSION  
1/7/10

**Robinson Stone. Barbeque Centre, Dublin Road, Shankill**

Change of use of office building to stone products showroom.

D09A/0817 REFUSAL OF PERMISSION UPHELD ON APPEAL  
14/7/10

**Little Orchard, & The Starlings, Shanganagh Road, Shankill.**

Demolition of 2 existing dwellings and construction of 4 blocks each being 3 storeys consisting of 23 units. 2 existing entrances to be closed and access relocated from Shanganagh Road. 40 surface parking spaces.

D10A/0372 SEEKING PERMISSION  
2/7/10

**Lekalia Ltd, Little Orchard & The Starlings, Shanganagh Road, Shankill.**

Demolition of 2 existing dwellings and construction of 24 dwellings in 5 X 3 storey blocks. Closure of 2 existing vehicular entrances to existing dwellings and provision of 1 new centrally located vehicular entrance off Shanganagh Road, realignment of the Shanganagh Road to front of site, provision of 43 surface car-parking spaces.

D10B/0295 SEEKING PERMISSION  
28/6/10

**Joan Cullen, Killetchen, Falls Road, Rathmichael**

Extension of 9.6sq.m to ground floor.

D10A/0273 PERMISSION PART GRANTED & PART REFUSED  
9/7/10

**Paul Dalton, 218 Shanganagh Cliffs, Shankill.**

Demolition of existing store and construction of new front porch and extension of existing dormer window to incorporate new bay window.

D09A/0696 PERMISSION UPHELD ON APPEAL 1/7/10

**Vodafone, Bray Emmet's GAA Club,**

**Old Connaught Avenue, Bray.**

Installation of telecommunications equipment consisting of 1 multi-user monopole, 3 antennas, 1 dish and 3 cabinets within palisade fence compound.

D10A/0393 SEEKING PERMISSION  
15/7/10

**Hillary Murray, 62 & 64 Dorney Court, Shankill**

Land at rear of 62 & 64. Retain existing 2 x 2 storey dwellings. Demolition of existing walls, erection of 4 x 2 and a half storey (including attic accommodation) detached 4 bedroom dwellings each comprising 130 sq.m living accommodation, with vehicular access from Dorney Court and off street parking for 12 cars, boundary walls etc.

D10A/0394 SEEKING PERMISSION  
15/7/10

**Discoveries Creche & Montessori School, Olcovar, Dublin Road, Shankill.**

Erection of advertising signage for a crèche facility located in Block J.

D10B/0315 SEEKING PERMISSION  
14/7/10

**Robert & Joy Gallagher, 15 Rathmichael Woods, Shankill.**

Attic conversion with removal of hip roof and replacement with gable wall. Existing side window to be lowered & provision of new identical window with frosted glass on gable wall including dormer roof window to rear etc.

D09A/0887 REFUSAL OF PERMISSION UPHELD ON APPEAL 16/7/10

**Feasible Property Ltd, Abingdon, Shanganagh Road, Shankill**

Construction of Nursing Home comprising in Block 1 - 90 bedrooms in a part 3 and part 4 over basement block. Block 2 comprises renovation and change of use of existing 2 storey dwelling house to Administration block. 23 car parking spaces and covered 18 space

bicycle rack. Demolish front boundary wall, fell trees and set back front boundary and associated works at Shanganagh Road to facilitate road improvement objective. New front boundary wall, railings and piers at improved access to Shanganagh Road. Landscaping, and demolition of outbuildings at rear of existing house, which is a proposed protected structure.

D10A/0420 SEEKING PERMISSION  
26/7/10

**Kathleen Myers, 65 Quinns Road, Shankill.**

Alterations and modifications to existing detached dormer bungalow dwelling to include replacement of flat roof to side with new pitched roof, alterations to elevations, to include modifications to windows and doors, new porch and canopy, new roof-lights, new pedestrian entrance to side of site etc.

D10A/0431 SEEKING PERMISSION  
30/7/10

**Michael & Rosemary Fitzpatrick, 8A Ferndale Glen, Rathmichael.**

Annexation of 0.126ha site from existing site for a 2 bedroom, 2 story, passively heated dwelling with bio-cycle waste treatment plant to serve it.

D10A/0025 PERMISSION GRANTED 27/7/10

**Malcolm & Susan Stuart, Pale Farm, Pucks Castle Farm, Ballycorus, Rathmichael.**

New 1 and 2 storey farmhouse in north west corner of farm, waste water treatment plant and demolition of a habitable house.

D09A/0725 GRANT OF PERMISSION UPHELD ON APPEAL 21/7/10

**Riverside Service Station, Shanganagh Road, Shankill.**

Demolition of existing forecourt shop and construction of a new one to include toilets, offices, store area, off-licence and ATM cash facility.

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