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GRA Newsletter

Enhancing Community Spirit

Welcome

In the 12th edition of the GRA Newsletter read about the Local Property Tax and how you can value your property accurately.

Find out how you can get involved in our Summer Clean-up event and how you can be part of the 2013 Pride of Place Environmental Competition.

Also in this edition, concerns raised by residents are addressed and find out how you can stay informed with MapAlerter.com

Plus, don't forget to visit www.greenfieldswaterford.com to stay up to date and informed with what is going on around Greenfields this Summer. Or maybe send us a Tweet!

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Local Property Tax

Local Property Tax Returns are due to be completed and submitted to Revenue over the coming weeks. Working out how much you should pay can be a daunting task. All properties in Greenfields have been valued in Band 2 i.e. €100,000 to €150,000. As a property owner you now have the difficult task of self-assess the actual value of your property and entering the appropriate valuation band in your Return. The Greenfields Residents Association recently assessed property prices within the estate in order to assist residents to make an informed decision. According to the Irish Property Register the last three houses sold in Greenfields sold for a value under €100,000, therefore placing these properties in Band 1. All of these properties were three bedroom properties. It is important to note that in Greenfields many different types of properties exist. Therefore, when assessing the value of your property, you will need to take account of the size of the property, its location, the number of bedrooms and general condition. For more information visit www.revenue.ie. LPT in 2013 is payable on July 1st.

Estate Clean-Up

The Greenfields Residents Association supported by Waterford City Council will hold an estate Clean-up Evening on **Wednesday 8th May from 6.30pm - 7.30pm**. This Clean-Up Evening will mark the start of Greenfields entry in the 2013 Pride of Place Environmental Competition.

Residents are encouraged to come out and lend a hand to ensure our estate is well maintained and presented. Residents and Committee Members will be meeting at 1 Beech Court (near the entrance of the estate) at 6.30pm so please come along. Bags, pickers and gloves will be provided on the day. All motorists are asked to pay particular attention and reduce speed on the evening to ensure we have a safe Clean-up Day for all those involved. Our estate will be assessed by a panel of judges a number of times over the Summer months so please maintain the immediate area in front of your property throughout the coming months.

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Contact Us

Got a news item or something you want the Residents Association to look into for you? Then let us know today. You can e-mail us at: greenfieldswaterford@live.com or alternatively you can use the contact us form on the website.

New Members

New members are always welcome to come and join the Residents Association. If you are interested in coming along to our next meeting then keep a look out on the website for the next meeting date or contact a member of the Residents Association.

Connect

Stay up to date with what's going on in Greenfields. Join us on Facebook and Twitter @GreenfieldsLive



Correspondence Received

The Greenfields Residents Association has over the past few months received a number of emails, text messages and letters from residents outlining various concerns and issues. Residents are asked to keep the below in mind.

- Please refrain from parking on footpaths as the cobble stones cannot support the weight of a vehicle. A number of footpaths have begun to sink and become uneven as a result. Please park your vehicle in a parking space and instruct visitors to use 'V' spaces.
- Refuse bins should be kept secure at all times. Please refrain from leaving bins at the front of properties. Bins should be stored securely in rear gardens or at the side of properties.
- Dogs barking has once again been reported by a number of residents. Please ensure your pets do not cause noise pollution and disruption to your neighbours especially at night time.

MapAlerter.com

Brian Power, Greenfields Neighbourhood Watch Area Coordinator, recently attended and represented Greenfields at the Waterford Neighbourhood Watch AGM hosted by An Garda Síochána. The Sacred Heart district was noted as being generally safe with an average number of reported crimes. At the meeting, MapAlerter.com, a tool used by the Gardai and the City Council to inform residents of incidents was promoted. By signing up to MapAlerter.com you can receive alerts directly from the Gardai and Council as soon as they are issued through MapAlerter.com free of charge. Alerts are provided for the following categories:

- Water Service Alerts
- Crime / Neighbourhood Watch Alerts
- Scheduled Major Road Works and Road Closures
- Major Road Accidents and Incidents / Bridge Lifts

Registration requires that you supply your mobile number and email address so that MapAlerter.com can deliver alerts to you. So sign up today at **MapAlerter.com**

Community Notices

RESPONSIBLE CAT OWNERS

It's that time of year again!... Residents are encouraged to neuter their cats and not to feed wild cats.

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