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If you see anything that you are concerned about on the building sites, outside of working hours, please contact Ballymun Gardaí at 01 666 4400



Dublin City
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Vincent Jackson, Lord Mayor of Dublin, Christy Moore and the Fairtrade Steering Committee celebrate Ballymun's achievement of Fairtrade status.

NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGEMENT OF BRL

It's the New Year - that time when we look back on our accomplishments in the year gone by and forward to what we hope to achieve in the coming year. 2006 saw us meeting some of our most important milestones yet; the opening of two new parks and two new hotels along with other businesses, the granting of planning permission to Ikea, the announcement that the Metro will pass through Ballymun, the moving of the 1000th resident into their new home, the achievement of three awards in the Tidy Towns competition and the achievement of Fairtrade status for Ballymun, to name but a few.

In 2007, we can expect to see even more progress. There will be more demolitions; Clarke Tower, Connolly Tower and two blocks on Balcurris Road, at the very least - making way for two major sites on the Main Street which will then be available for a design-led competition to develop these sites into attractive, employment-generating businesses.

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Progress on the New Shopping Centre should gather momentum and we hope that the developer will start on site towards the end of the year, by which time we expect the Garda Station/Social Welfare Building beside the Civic Centre to be almost complete.

IKEA faces an Oral Hearing in March/April to address the 9 objections that were lodged against it, we hope to have a decision by the summer. Because IKEA will be the first development on the M50 Lands, all of the necessary infrastructure work such as roads (including the St Margaret's Rd re-alignment) is expected to take place in tandem with this.

Within the first three months of 2007, the RPA (Railway Procurement Agency) will decide what construction method to use for the METRO route through Ballymun. BRL are advocating the 'Cut and Cover' option because it will allow the track to run underneath the road surface, thereby eliminating negative effects on road traffic in the area.

Smaller-scale development is also set to continue, such as the opening of Shangan Neighbourhood Centre and the re-developed Poppintree Community Centre; Phase 1 of

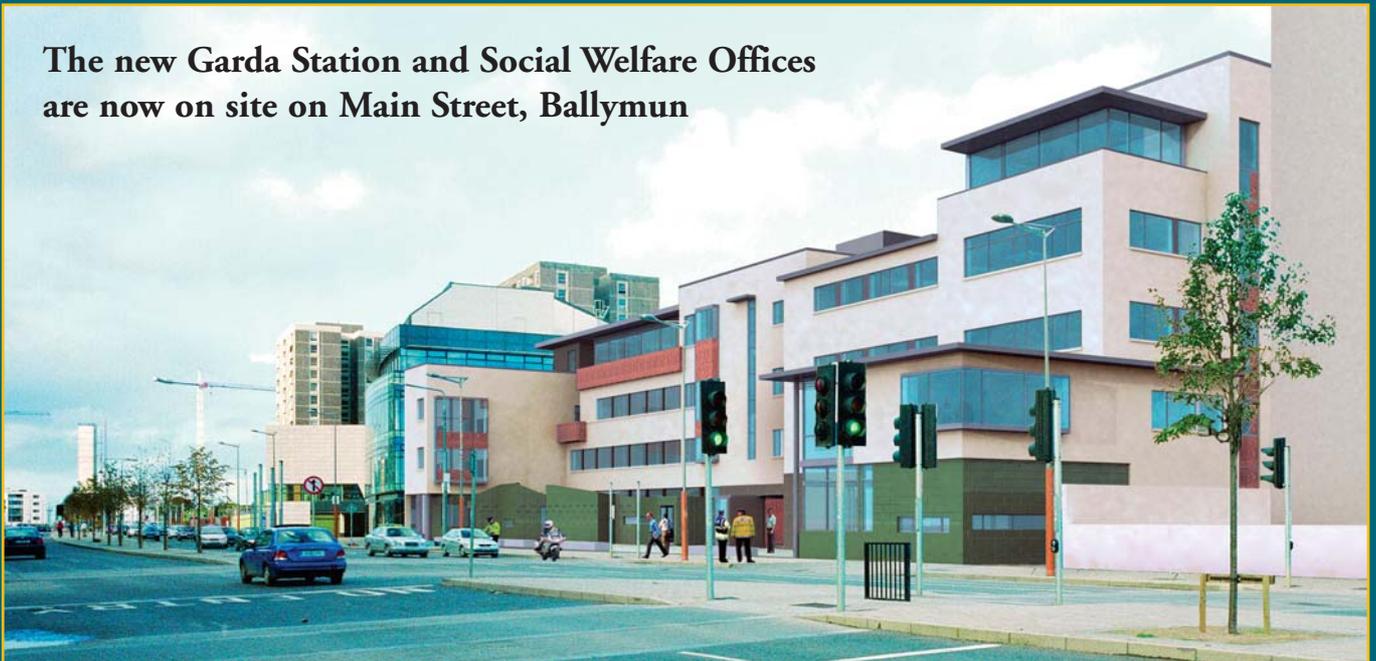
the re-development of Poppintree Park; the opening of Whiteacre Park; the completion of various housing schemes in Sillogue, Poppintree, Shangan, and Coultrey and several more starting on site - the list goes on!

Ballymun today is a town of new opportunities and possibilities. We are now entering our 10th year of the regeneration and it is sometimes hard to believe how far we've all come since 1997. This is largely thanks to the spirit of Ballymunners - to be able to get on with life while a vast building site exists around you is far from easy.

There have been trying times for all concerned but the vast majority of disagreements have been resolved through discussion, consultation and understanding. As we progress further with the project there will be more hurdles to overcome, but we firmly believe that by working together for the good of Ballymun, we will succeed.

All that is left for us to say now is that on behalf of all the staff of Ballymun Regeneration Limited, we wish you and your family a Happy New Year and we look forward to working with you in 2007.

The new Garda Station and Social Welfare Offices are now on site on Main Street, Ballymun



Regular Updates/Comments

If you would like to receive a detailed monthly update by email from BRL, including a progress report on all construction projects, please send an email with the word 'subscribe' to the BRL Communications Team on brl.comms@dublincity.ie

Also, if you have any queries/comments that you would like to have passed onto the relevant person within BRL, please drop an email to brl.comms@dublincity.ie

The Communications Team can also be contacted by phone on 01 222 7387, by mail at the Civic Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 9 or drop up to Floor Three in the Civic Centre Monday to Friday during office hours.

Shangan Court

Shangan Neighbourhood Centre Apartments

Due for completion 2007
Price range from €190,000



Special Features

- Bright & spacious accommodation throughout
- Juliette balcony doors to living area
- Timber-framed windows
- High standard fitted kitchen
- Plumbing for either dishwasher or washing machine provided
- Shared launderette directly underneath
- Fully tiled bathroom
- Secure parking
- Electric storage heating

- Only available for purchase by owner occupiers
- Ideal for first-time buyers on shared ownership
- Great opportunity to buy a reasonably priced home starting from €190,000
- Mixed residential/retail scheme less than 6km from Dublin City centre and close to Dublin Airport and the M50



So be quick!

To register your interest please contact
Lisney on (01) 884 0700 or
BRL Property Unit on (01) 222 5719

Christmas events 2006



Christmas Harvest Market in the Civic Centre atrium



Children's Christmas party in axis



Members of St Pappin's Ladies' Club enjoy their 40th anniversary celebrations

First beauty salon opens in Poppintree

In our continued look at new local businesses, this month features *Pop in Beauty* in Poppintree Neighbourhood Centre.



Emma Murphy and Lisa Whelan of Pop in Beauty

On the 4th December 2006 Poppintree's first Beauty Salon, *Pop in Beauty*, opened its doors and was greeted

with a tremendous response from locals. Beauty Therapists Lisa Whelan and Emma Murphy were delighted by the response they received. "We could not have hoped for a better start", said Lisa, "business has been non-stop since we opened".

After searching for premises in various locations, including the city centre, Lisa and Emma decided to open their Salon in Poppintree, where they found a major opportunity for this type of business.

This fabulous amenity located in the Poppintree Neighbourhood Centre boasts four treatment rooms and caters for both men and women. Numerous treatments are available at the salon including facials, waxing, nail care, foot care and massage. Various tanning treatments are also available including a turbo sunbed and two different types of spray on tan.

To thank people for the great reception they have received *Pop in Beauty* have kindly offered us a fifty euro voucher which can be used for any of the treatments they have available. **See competition for details.**

More recognition for Rediscovery Centre

The Rediscovery Centre Furniture Recycling Project has yet again been turning heads outside of Ballymun in recognition for its innovative environmental and employment initiative. The project was recently awarded a €4000 grant from the Vodafone and Conservation Volunteers Ireland Nature Fund. The Nature Fund is aimed at encouraging the appreciation and protection of Ireland's natural environment by supporting locally-based environmental projects and initiatives. This national award comes hot on the heels of the Dublin City Neighbourhoods Competition where the project received 1st prize in the Best Environmental Business Initiative category. Resource recovery programmes, where waste goods and materials destined for landfill are given a new lease of life, are a



vital part of the Rediscovery Centre's overall approach to integrated waste management.



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