



# Cllr. Claire O'Regan

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## East Wall Update

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Dear Resident

First of all, I am writing to thank you for your support in the recent election which returned me as your new local Labour Party councillor.

To be elected by the people is a humbling experience, and I am determined to repay the trust that has been placed in me with hard work and responsible, positive politics. If there is anything you feel I can help you with, please do not hesitate to contact me. I would be happy to help, and promise to do my best to make us proud, not just of where we live, but of our capital city.

You can contact me by phone or email, and from September onwards, I will be holding a clinic in the Larkin centre, North Strand Road, on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 6pm.

In the meantime, I have been active on Dublin City Council regarding local issues, and below please find some information raised at City Council meetings that relates to your area:

### **Motion in the name of Councillor Claire O'Regan**

1. To ask the Parks Division and the Derelict Sites Section for an update on the three derelict buildings at the top of Church Road, East Wall (Cahills print factory, the building adjacent to it and the building across the road from that, previously raised in Area Committee questions), and to ask the Parks Division for an update on planting trees in East Wall. This greening was promised in the 2004 Area Development Plan and never delivered.

### **Reply: Cahills Print Factory, 119 – 122 Church Road**

The Derelict Sites Section have written to the owners of Cahills Print Factory requesting them to carry out certain works to prevent the site from becoming derelict and allowing them a certain length of time to do the works. The Site is due for reinspection at the end of July where formal action maybe considered under the Derelict Sites Act if there is no improvement in the site.

### **118 Church Road**

Following completion of improvement works at 118 Church Road, the site was removed from the Derelict Sites Register in 2008. The Derelict Sites Section will now arrange to inspect the site and report directly to the councillor.

### **130 Church Road**

This site was inspected on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009. The works requested by the Derelict Sites Section has been completed by the owner and no further action was required under the Derelict Sites Act 1990 at that time. The Derelict Sites Section will however carry out another inspection of the site and report directly to the councillor.

The Parks and Landscape Services Division are currently surveying locations in the Central Area that may be suitable for planting in the 2009/10 Street Tree Planting Programme of Works and the East Wall area is included in the survey. When the survey is complete this Division shall notify the Council members by way of report, listing both the locations and type of tree

2. Councillor Claire O'Regan To ask the Manager if a shore can be put in the keyhole part of **Shelmalier Road**, East Wall, Dublin 3 to assist with drainage.

**Reply:**

Road Maintenance inspected the above location and noted that there is no sewer near the keyhole, making the addition of a gully too costly. However, we will monitor the location in rainy conditions to see if removing a section of footpath will prove effective.

**3. Question to the City Manager – Fairview Park**

Q148: Can Dublin City Council give a complete update regarding the restoration of the playground in Fairview Park, including facts, figures, plans etc?...The playground should be restored as a matter of urgency.

**Reply:**

The Parks and Landscape Services Division has proposals for the placement of permanent playground at Fairview Park. Discussions are still ongoing between Dublin City Council and the National Roads Authority regarding the amount and timing of any compensation from that authority to the Parks and Landscape Services Division associated with the impacts of the Dublin Port Tunnel Project Works on Fairview Park. Therefore, this Division is currently not in a position to advise of a date when the permanent playground development will commence. In the meantime, the Parks and Landscape Services Division will continue to maintain the two temporary playgrounds that have been in place since the commencement of the Dublin Port Tunnel works in Fairview Park **project deadlines”- Gerry Murphy (CEO, Grangegorman Development Agency).**

**We realise that many of you have already received queries on the subject and therefore we have put together this update on the project which focuses on the suitability of the Grangegorman site for this project and looks at the funding for it. The update also outlines some of the socio-economic aspects to the project.**

**All up to date information on the Grangegorman project can be seen at [www.ggda.ie](http://www.ggda.ie) or [www.dit.ie](http://www.dit.ie).”**