



# Cllr. Claire O'Regan

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## Stoneybatter & North Strand 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:

### Question to the City Manager -

To ask the Manager if there are any plans to introduce a composting service and/or develop allotments in North Strand.

### CITY MANAGERS REPLY:

The Parks Division has currently no proposals to introduce a composting service and/or develop allotments in North Strand. Dublin City Council is currently rolling out the brown bin service in order to meet both EU and national requirements for the diversion of organic waste from landfill. New collection arrangements have been introduced in areas where the brown bin service is provided, with black and brown bins being collected on alternate weeks.

The only customers who are issued with brown bins were those where the whole collection route comprised wheeled bins only. It is not practical to issue brown bins where a mix of collection methods (bags/bins) is in operation, as is the case with the North Strand. This is because bagged areas have a continuing need for a weekly collection.

The mixed routes of North Strand/East Wall areas will be reviewed in September 2009 and suitable householders will be provided with wheeled bins.

### GRANGEGORMAN DEVELOPMENT

Please note that I received the following information from the communications officer of the Grangegorman Development Agency. The attachment referred to is lengthy so I have not included it with this circular, but as noted below, all information is available online. Alternatively, if you wish to contact me, I will forward the attachment to you.

**“Dear sir/madam,**

**I am writing to you in relation to the recent McCarthy Report on public spending. The report recommended the withdrawal of funding to the agency and the possibility of moving DIT out to Tallaght. Having met with the Taoiseach, the Minister for Education and senior officials in the Department of Education and Science, we are very confident that there is support for the project at these levels.**

**As a response to questions from the media the Agency released the following statement**

**“The Grangegorman Development Agency is aware of the publication of the report which has gone to Government on public service numbers and expenditure programmes. The report makes many recommendations on a vast array of issues for Government to consider. Like all bodies mentioned in the report we will await the outcome of this consideration, but remain committed to meeting our current**

If there are any other issues that you would like me to raise on your behalf, do not hesitate to contact me

Regards

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