

## **Minutes Residents Meeting 4th April 2022**

Chairperson opened the meeting with an of attendance of 30 residents along with Garda Trish O'Riordan, Gary Mulcahy and Nóirín Breen UCC, Vicky O'Sullivan MTU and Cllr Colette Finn. Apologies received from Garda Sgt Mick O'Connell, Cllrs Thomas Moloney, Mick Finn & Paudie Dineen and Dan Collins MTU.

Garda Trish O'Riordan thanked residents for their condolences and sympathies on the recent death of her father RIP.

Garda Trish then went on to reassure residents that the recent incident in McCurtain Villas was an isolated incident and shouldn't be a cause of concern to residents. Gardai are aware of an increase in drug dealing and crime in the general area and have put on extra patrols. Gardai also issuing fines on illegal after-hours parking.

Gary Mulcahy UCC then updated the meeting on the upcoming UCC schedule for Easter and Exams etc. The Chairperson then asked if UCC had an update on their investigation to an antisocial behaviour incident on College Road. This was followed by a lengthy heated discussion between Gary and residents on his refusal to acknowledge that the incident was being investigated. The Chairperson thanked Gardai for their intervention and putting an end to the incident.

Residents were then given a brief outline by Nóirín Breen UCC of her new role and stated that the role will be to develop plans and policies which will involve engaging with residents and UCC including students on common issues that will benefit the community.

The Chairperson thanked Vicky O'Sullivan, MTU for her attendance and her commitment that MTU are putting policies and plans in place to ensure long term engagement with residents.

Cllr Collette Finn gave an outline of the recommendations of the Roads and Transportation section of City Council on the new parking regulations. This includes increased parking permit charges, a reduction in the number of permits per house, proof of rented properties being registered with the RTB and no permits for leases of less than six months.

Residents expressed disappointment at the lack of progress and commitment by City Council on safety issues, which Gardai have also highlighted, on exits to/from Coolgarten. This despite a recent report by a roads engineer who visited the area.

The Chairperson thanked residents who attended the very enjoyable Rebel Spirit Awards ceremony at the International Hotel.

The Chairperson thanked all involved in the very enjoyable and successful fruit tree planting event along the School Path. Residents along with girls and boys from Glasheen School took part and it was all done in collaboration with the Parks Dept, Cork City Council.

Iesa Elizabeth Mortell, UCC Masters Student, thanked the residents association for their contribution to her dissertation and wished everybody well.

Reminder of Spring Clean arranged for Sat 9th April.

The Chairperson thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.

**Next Meeting scheduled for Mon 9th May 7.30pm.**