



Dear Neighbour,

The second Council of the Ballintotis area have come to the end of its first year. The monthly meetings were very well attended and all the members of the Council were involved in various activities and projects during the year.

A.G.M. -The AGM. of the Community Council will be held on **Monday 19th November at the Two Mile Inn**. This will be preceded by the AGM of the Community Alert at 7.45pm, which is a sub-committee of the Community Council. The general public from the Council area are cordially invited to attend this meeting as a full update of the workings of the Council will be aired. The Meeting will be addressed by Superintendent Flor Horan, Midleton Garda Station and a representative from Alertline, the company who are supplying the social alarms in the area .It is very important that each household who applied for an alarm be represented at the A.G.M..

Silver Surfers - A group of 11 people from the community area attended a Computer course at the Enterprise Centre in Knockgriffin, Midleton for eight weeks during May and June. The course was organised through ECAD and provided training in basic computer skills and surfing the net. Everyone of the group were delighted with the opportunity and are now attending a refresher course for four weeks.

Website - The website has been a huge success, with over 5000 hits coming from all over the world since it was put up on the World Wide Web in April. Lots of interesting photos appear after local events and news is updated regularly..

Fundraising – Local participation in the ‘Evening Echo Cork City Ladies’ Mini-Marathon in September was an outstanding Success. Each and everyone who ran, walked, collected sponsorship or dressed up and pretended to be ladies must all be congratulated for the effort they put into this event. Many thanks to all those who gave sponsorship to the participants as this was our main fundraiser this year.

Tuesday Club Afternoon Trip - Members of the Ballintotis Tuesday Club will be on their travels on Tuesday 20th November. when they will visit Griffins Garden Centre in Dripsey before dining at the Vienna Woods Hotel, Glanmire on their return journey. The cost of the package is €25 each and numbers are limited because of bus size so booking/payment is essential A.S.A.P.

Great Achievers - Congratulations to Margaret Walsh, Ballinascorthy on winning two gold medals at the Special Olympics recently in China and bringing such glory to the area. Congratulations also to John Cashman on finishing the Dublin City Marathon in 3hrs 34m and Allison Donnelly on being awarded the UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate National Business Journalist Award for Regional Business Reporting.

Community Christmas Social - The Community Christmas Social takes place in Midleton Park Hotel on Friday December 14th. This social is for all members of the community. Anyone interested in attending should get in touch with any member of the Community Council or any member of the Community Alert sub committee of the Council as tickets will be limited for this event.

Lake Project - A grant was made available recently to the Council from Fáilte Ireland Tourism Infrastructure Fund for the refurbishment and enhancement of the moorings at the lakeside. A sub-committee have been working tirelessly for the past couple of weeks to get this project off the ground as there was a very short time limit on the work been completed for the grant.

Ballintotis Soccer Club - The soccer team are continuing to enjoy a successful season in the AUL Division 1, holding the top of the table position at present. Their Table Quiz will be held on the 29th November in the Two Mile Inn. This is their annual fundraiser and a family night out for all to enjoy. All are welcome to enter a table of four on the night.

A.G.M. –

Community Council Monday 19th November Two Mile Inn 8.00pm.
Community Alert Monday 19th November TwoMile Inn 7.45
Come along and support the Council Member you elected.