

June 2014 Newsletter

MARLEY GRANGE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Summer Barbeque

On August 15th at 6.30pm, we will host a barbeque in the walled gardens of Marley Park. This was a wonderful event last year with over 100 people attending. Based on the positive feedback we got last year, we are again hosting one this year.

Tickets will be priced at €10 for MGRA members and €5 for children 6 years and over. For non-members, adults are €20 and children €10. Tickets are limited to 200 people and will be given on a first come, first served basis.

Similar to last year, the barbeque will be cooked by a catering company. Please bring your own drinks (beer / wine / soft drinks) with you. We have very limited seating so please be prepared to stand or if you do have sun chairs or blankets or anything else, please feel free to bring them along.

If you are interested in tickets, please contact one of the following people and we will be in contact for payment:

Ed Hayes, treasurer@marleygrange.ie, Marley Avenue
Tom Ryan, chair@marleygrange.ie, Marley Walk
John Sweeney, secretary@marleygrange.ie, Manor Close
Paul Gillard, info@marleygrange.ie, Marley Avenue

Summer Concerts

There are 6 different concerts being held in Marley Park over the summer.

Sunday 29th June: Arcade Fire with specials guests the Pixies
Wednesday 2nd July: Kanye West with special guest Pharell
Friday 4th of July: Kings of Leon with special guests Kodaline
Thursday 10th July: Macklemore & Ryan Lewis with specials guest Ellie Goulding
Saturday 12th July: Arctic Monkeys with special guest Miles Kane
Friday 18th to Sunday 20th of July: Longitude festival

Our residents committee normally receives a number of tickets to the concerts and will select members at random for pairs of tickets. Please ensure you have paid your MGRA fees to be in with a chance to win.

We have raised concerns over parking problems arising from the "concert season" with Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Co. Council, and have received an assurance that every effort will be made to minimise disruption. The main car park will not be closed for the duration from first to last concert as was originally feared, although there will be some restriction on the number of parking spaces over this four week period. This should significantly improve the parking situation over the non-concert days. We will be monitoring the car parking behaviour over this period and will expect support from DLRCC and An Garda Síochána if problems arise. On concert days themselves the car park will be closed, but we have been promised that parking on both Grange Road and in the estate will be strictly controlled on these dates. By now all residents should have received parking permits for their cars, we would encourage everyone to display them as requested to assist the concert security staff and Gardai to restrict traffic entering the estate.

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Tidy Districts Competition

We have entered the Tidy Districts competition for 2014. It is an honour for our estate that we have won the event a number of times and are proud to yet again put our estate forward for judging. The adjudicators usually pass through the estate in July and we would ask that along with keeping your own garden tidy, if you happen to be walking out on the estate and spot any litter that you pick it up.

Membership Fees 2014

Thank you to all those who paid their membership fees this summer. For those that have been missed, one the residents committee will contact you within the next two weeks. If you were not available and received a note from a member of the residents committee, please contact the appropriate person for payment.

Security

Recently a car was driven into our estate and set on fire. While we have little details on the incident, we are concerned about this and recent burglaries in neighbouring estates. We would ask you to be please be extra vigilant this summer and let a neighbour know if you are away on holidays. Ensure all alarms are activated when leaving the house even for short periods. If you haven't serviced your alarm in a while please do so to avoid unwanted false alarms and ensure your alarm works when needed.

Artist's Project

The April newsletter made reference to a collaboration with a young artist who is a former resident of Marley Grange. The aim is to "explore the estate through the memories of its residents". The scope of the project is developing well. It is hoped that the outcome will be a publication, in about 12 months' time, which will celebrate the 40+ years of Marley Grange's existence. This will be realised through a distillation of residents' memories, anecdotes and a photo archive. The first phase of the project involves data collection, which it is hoped will be achieved through a broad based survey of all residents in the coming couple of months. Survey forms will be distributed in July and we hope to allow either on line or paper based responses. As the project is trying to reflect the collective memory of the residents, its success will be related to the level of contribution and support from the residents. Consequently we will be encouraging as many people as possible to respond, either as individuals or as a family. Naturally all responses will be treated as confidential and it will only be the overall trends that will appear in any future publication.

In addition to hoping for a high level of response to the survey, we would be particularly interested in borrowing any photo material that residents might have that illustrates the history of the estate. If anyone would like further information, would like to clarify any issues, or indeed would like to become an active participant in the project please feel free to eMail marleygrangeproject@gmail.com

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Tree Programme

Marley Grange Estate:- Tree Care Programme June 2014 Upgrade

As mentioned in other newsletters DLRCC are carrying out a tree care programme (TCP) within our estate. The following was agreed during a survey of Trees by, DLRCC, Parks and MGRA in April 2014. The Streets proposed for the 2014 TCP are Marley Walk, Marley Grove, Marley Villas and Marley Close. It should also be noted that the Councils' strategy is to remove diseased, and unsuitable trees such as the large Sugar Maples,

The following removals and replacements are planned in 2014.

Marley Walk

Sugar Maple outside No 27	Remove	
Sugar Maple outside No. 29	Remove	Replacement outside No. 29/31
Sugar Maple outside No. 31	Remove	
Sugar Maple opposite No. 29	Remove	
Sugar Maple opposite No. 31	Remove	Replacement opposite No. 29/31
Sugar Maple opposite No. 33	Remove	

Trees on Marley Walk to be Crown Lifted as required.

Marley Villas

Sugar Maple outside No. 3	Remove	Replacement outside No 1
Sugar Maple outside No. 7	Remove	Replacement outside No 7

Trees on Villas to be Crown Lifted as required.

Marley Grove

The Red Chestnut Tree outside No 7 Marley Grove has to be checked by the Council for disease. The Council will then decide to leave or remove it. Trees on Marley Grove to be Crown Lifted as required

Marley Close

Sugar Maple outside No. 20	Remove	
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Overgrowth around tree outside No. 5 to be trimmed. Trees on Marley Close to be Crown Lifted as required.

Marley Avenue

Sugar Maple outside No. 47	Remove	Replacement outside No 47
Sugar Maple outside No. 51	Remove	

Summary for 2014

11 Trees as listed above are for removal. They are presently marked with a Red X with planned removal over the next 4 weeks. Earlier in 2014, 55 new trees were planted in Marley Grange. 5 replacement trees as listed above are also planned for planting Jan –April 2015.

If you have any feedback or concerns on the Tree Care Programme, please feel free to contact Gay Mc Grath. Email council@marleygrange.ie