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### Broughan demands modern infrastructure for New North East

Labour Deputy Tommy Broughan has urged significant new investment in the health, education and transport infrastructure of Dublin North East. Deputy Broughan commented, "With the massive development now taking place in the North Fringe district in Dublin North East and other significant new housing developments across our community, it is vital that essential services in health, childcare, education and transport are in place for all



Tommy Broughan TD

residents of Dublin North East. That is why I have put forward the following four proposals to ensure that critical services will be available as our community expands and develops:

- 1st & 2nd Level Schools in North Fringe Planning for the education needs of the new North Fringe estates is deplorable. In Dail Eireann I have repeatedly called for the Minister for Education to take a proactive role in planning a new network of schools across the North Fringe.
- New Northside 3rd Level Institution We need a new 3rd level Institute or university (like IT Tallaght or Blanchardstown) to ensure that more of our young people get the opportunity to go on to further education and achieve a greater level of skills and training to equip them for the modern world.
- New General Hospital Given that a new city is being built in Dublin North East it is essential that there is a new general hospital in the district so that the all the health care needs and requirements of local residents (including children) are adequately met. Beaumont Hospital is regularly at more than 120% capacity, according to hard-pressed hospital staff.
- Metro East The East Route that runs from Stephens' Green through Clonshaugh/Belcamp and Coolock to the airport should be the preferred option for the new Dublin Metro North line. The East Route is the shortest and most direct route to the airport and Swords and would serve the huge new developments being built at Clonshaugh, Belcamp, Santry Woods and Nevinstown.



The North Fringe.



Pictured on the steps of Leinster House from left to right (at back): Joan Burton TD, Linda Jose, Antoinette Keegan, Jimmy Dunne, Lorraine Keegan, Senator Derek McDowell. At the front: Christine Keegan, Siobhan Kearney,

# Stardust campaign for justice

2006 marks the 25th anniversary of the horrific Stardust inferno, which claimed the lives of 48 young people from Coolock, Artane, Raheny and surrounding districts. Tommy Broughan was the first public representative in Dail Eireann to call for a comprehensive review of the Stardust Tribunal Report to ensure that full justice is done for the memory of the 48 victims and for the survivors of this tragedy.

Tommy was also delighted recently to welcome a delegation of the Stardust Victims' Committee to meet Labour Leader Pat Rabbitte, Senator Derek McDowell, and Joan Burton TD in Dail Eireann. The Stardust delegation included Antoinette and Christine Keegan and Jimmy Dunne, Siobhan Kearney, Linda Jose and Lorraine Keegan. The Stardust Committee was assured that Tommy Broughan and the Labour Party would continue to pursue the matter with Taoiseach

## Carter's anti-graffiti campaign gets results

Following Cllr. Anne Carter's ongoing campaign to address the near epidemic of graffiti across our community she is delighted that the North Central Area management team has put a new antigraffiti team in place and has provided a special vehicle for their use. Cllr. Carter believes that the present spate of graffiti is one of the worst such eruptions ever and is extremely unpleasant for residents who are always endeavoring to maintain and enhance their estates. Cllr. Carter said, "I am delighted however, that Managers Wallace and Mulvenny are now providing paint and equipment to community and residents' leaders who are anxious to remove this offensive graffiti themselves from their estates. I would advise interested residents' groups and neighbours to contact Mr. Brian Kennedy, Assistant Area Manager, Civic Offices, Bunratty Road, Dublin 17 at 8166720 or Area Manager Declan Wallace at 816 6718."



Cllr. Anne Carter and community leader Mr. John Connolly removing graffiti in Aryfield.

### **NEWS FROM AROUND NORTH EAST**

- Deputy Broughan and Cllr. Carter have warmly congratulated Howth residents
  and business people for achieving "litter free status" for their community in a
  survey carried out by the Irish Business Against Litter (IBAL) organisation.
  IBAL promotes a clean, litter-free environment and each year all towns of
  population 6,000 and over are monitored independently by An Taisce.
- Deputy Tommy Broughan has been informed that the replacement of railings on **Strand Road**, **Sutton** is being undertaken on a phased basis over a number of years and the works which commenced in late 2003 are set to continue this year in the Area General Maintenance programme.
- Deputy Broughan continues to work on behalf of Sutton Park and Lawns
   Residents Association with regard to the final repair of the damaged
   pipeline at Bayside DART Station and the operation of the Iarnrod Eireann
   substation at the same location.
- The CARE Group, supported by the majority of residents in Castlerosse and Admiral Park estates, Baldoyle continues to campaign to ensure that both estates remain cul-de-sac'd. Labour Cllr. Peter Coyle has placed a Part XI motion to retain and strengthen the Admiral Park/Castlerosse boundary before Fingal Co Co.
- Deputy Tommy Broughan attended the meetings with Whyteleaf and Greenwood estate residents and Area Deputy Manager Elaine Mulvenny to advance the proposal for a new strengthened decorative plinth wall and railings at the problem boundary between the two estates. Cllr. Carter requested and obtained funding for the repainting of the Foxhill Park railings of Streamville Park in early Summer 2006.
- Deputy Tommy Broughan and Cllr. Anne Carter have strongly represented
  the Kilbarrack Community Development Project in their request for a
  disablility adventure playground, the provision of a community amenity
  building and facilities for Kilmount Boys F.C. They are opposed to a waste
  management centre at the amenity green space on Mount Olive Road.
- Tommy Broughan T.D. continues to battle for a full Garda investigation and the removal of dangerous waste at the illegal superdump on the I.D.A. lands at Clonshaugh/Belcamp. Deputy Broughan is the only public representative to have consistently demanded that Dublin City Council and Fingal County Council ensure that this waste site is rendered safe and inert and that the dangerous 40,000 tonnes of waste is removed from Clonshaugh.

Shopping Centre traders to meet Mr. Donald on their proposal to re-open a Post Office in Priorswood.

Operations, Mr. Larry Donald, on the matter and arranged for Priorswood

- Deputy Tommy Broughan and Cllr. Anne Carter have welcomed the reinstatement of the Raheny postbox in Raheny Village and new directional signs into Raheny after their recent campaigns on behalf of Raheny residents and Raheny Business Association.
- Deputy Broughan and Cllr. Carter are vigourously pursuing the implementation of the full Clonshaugh Road Improvement Scheme. They contacted City Manager John Fitzgerald over the City Council's failure to start Phase 1 (from Clonshaugh Avenue) and the new traffic lights at the N32 junction as agreed in April last.
- Deputy Broughan and Cllr. Anne Carter have obtained agreement from Area Manager Declan Wallace to install new 110 volt street lighting for the residents of Newtown Court at Belcamp Lane.
- Contract 5.1 (Phase 1) of the **Dublin Bay Project** will collect and divert effluent currently discharging off the Nose of Howth to the Sutton Pump Station. Construction of the new sewer along Harbour Road/Howth Road from Howth Village to Church Road was expected to start in early Summer. Fingal County manager John Tierney has promised that "traffic management arrangements will be put in place to minimise disruption to traffic."



Chairperson of Dublin North Central Committee, Cllr. Anne

• Deputy Broughan raised the closure of **Priorswood Post Office** with

## **Greener & Warmer Homes Programme**

In these energy conscious times, and as householders face ever increasing gas and electricity bills, there are some financial supports available for homeowners who want to install small-scale renewable energy heating systems for their homes. A household renewable energy system has many advantages including reducing the amount of energy a family will have to purchase from the ESB, Bord Gais or a local oil supplier, increasing the energy self-sufficiency of the household and contributing to environmental protection by reducing the level of harmful greenhouse gas emissions.

#### **RESIDENTIAL GRANTS**

Solar Thermal Space and or Hot Water heating	€300 per m² (to max. 12m²)
Heat Pump – Horizontal ground collector	€4,300
Heat Pump – Vertical ground collector	€6,500
Heat Pump – Water (well) to water	€4,300
Heat Pump – Air source	€4,000
Wood Chip or Pellet Stove	€1,100
Wood Chip or Pellet Stove with integral boiler	€1,800
Wood Chip or Pellet Boiler	€4,200

Source: Sustainable Energy Ireland

The Warmer Homes programme aims to improve energy efficiency and comfort conditions of homes, especially older homes and low-income households. Increasing the energy efficiency of a household will decrease the energy costs for the household. Measures catered for under this scheme include attic insulation, draught proofing, lagging jackets, energy efficient lighting, cavity wall insulation and energy advice.

For more information on both the Greener Homes and the Warmer Homes programmes contact www.sei.ie or phone 8369080

If you are interested in energy issues you can read Labour's Energy Policy, prepared by Tommy, at www.tommybroughan.com.



Deputy Broughan addressing Raheny Crime & Policing meeting.

## Crime & Policing meeting

Deputy Tommy Broughan and Cllr. Anne Carter recently facilitiated a public meeting on crime, justice and policing on behalf of the Labour Party in the Old Shieling Hotel, Raheny. The meeting was well attended and was addressed by Labour's Dublin North East Deputy Tommy Broughan, Cllr. Anne Carter, senior Gardai from the J and R districts and Dublin North Central Area Management. There were also contributions from a variety of community leaders and organisations. It was a very successful evening and a constructive discussion took place on the critical issues of crime, justice and policing in our community.

All those attending were also asked to complete a brief questionnaire on their attitudes to crime prevention as part of the Labour Party's wider campaign to listen to the experiences of people on the streets and neighbourhoods across Dublin. Labour recently presented new findings as part of a comprehensive and city-wide anti-social behaviour survey. The survey results highlighted the importance of Labour's proposals in the anti-social behaviour policy "Taking Back The Neighbourhood", available at www.labour.ie.

### **NORTH EAST PLANNING FILE**

#### **DONAGHMEDE SHOPPING CENTRE**

Deputy Tommy Broughan and Cllr. Anne Carter have strongly supported Donaghmede Estate Residents Association submissions to Dublin City Council on the proposals for Donaghmede Shopping Centre. They also strongly opposed the plans for an additional off-licence at the Centre. When the off-licence proposal was approved by Dublin City Council, Deputy Broughan and Cllr. Carter appealed the decision to An Bord Pleanala.

#### NEW STAPOLIN DEVELOPMENT, BALDOYLE

Deputy Broughan supported the concerns of Abbey Park and District Residents Association, Baldoyle about the height and density of a recent application by Menolly Homes at the new Stapolin Village, Baldoyle. The application was withdrawn.

#### **NEWTOWN MICROWAVE MAST**

Deputy Broughan and Cllr. Anne Carter have strongly opposed the application for the retention of the massive 20 metre microwave transmission mast at Golden Bake in Newtown Industrial Estate, Malahide Road, Dublin 17, which towers over surrounding homes. Tommy Broughan commented, "This hundred metres of each other. On planning, environmental and health grounds, the proposal is wrong and unfair to my constituents."

#### **DUBLIN AIRPORT MASTERPLAN**

Deputy Broughan made a submission on behalf of constituents to the consultation process on the Dublin Airport Masterplan. He also made a submission to Fingal County Council and An Bord Pleanala on the proposed new 3,110 metre X 75 metre runway sought by the Dublin Airport Authority.

#### SUPPORTING RAHENY RESIDENTS

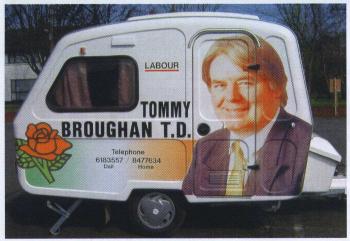
Cllr. Anne Carter and Deputy Tommy Broughan have vigorously represented Raheny residents in opposing a series of high density and inappropriate developments in the pleasant residential estates around Raheny village. These proposals included a 3-story apartment / commercial development at St. Assam's Park; the demolition of 6 Foxfield Road and its replacement by a 3-storey block of 10 apartments; 53 (mostly apartments) housing units at Watermill Road; and the proposed replacement of 642 Howth Road with 6 apartments (which



Tommy Broughan with Philip O'Neill and John Lynch of Howth at the National Fishermens' Protest.

### Keep developers' hands off Greendale School campus

Tommy Broughan has demanded that the campus and facilities of Greendale Community School continue as an educational and community resource for the whole of Kilbarrack and district after the school's planned closure in June 2007. In a special Dail debate on the closure of Greendale Community School, Deputy Broughan described the closure of this outstanding school as a bodyblow to the local community. He added that in light of the present government's refusal to permit the second level school at Greendale to remain open, it is absolutely critical that the educational and community uses of this great facility are now secured.



#### Always There — Always Helpful!

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## Broughan Stands by Our Fishermen

During the recent passage of controversial new fisheries legislation through Dail Eireann, Labour's Marine Spokesperson Tommy Broughan stood by Irish fishermen in their battle to stop the government's plans to criminalise fishing communities throughout Ireland. Deputy Broughan said, "This was an extremely badly thought-out and mismanaged piece of legislation. For almost 33 years Fianna Fail has repeatedly betrayed Irish fishermen and has failed to address the blatant illegal overfishing by EU fleets in Irish waters." Deputy Broughan attempted to insert a new regime to conserve Irish fisheries and make the government give a Sustainability Impact Assessment on Ireland's marine resources to Dail Eireann each year.

Deputy Tommy Broughan was very disappointed that local FF TDs Michael Woods and Martin Brady failed to support our fishermen and voted more than five times in favour of the savage attack on the Irish fishing sector.

### **Defending Aer Lingus**

Tommy Broughan T.D. recently attended a mass meeting of Aer Lingus workers at the ALSA Sports Club in Dublin Airport to support the campaign against the privatisation of Aer Lingus. Deputy Broughan strongly criticised the FF/PD government's plans to sell off Aer Lingus and said it will be detrimental for Ireland's long-term strategic interests. Not one Fianna Fail T.D. attended this meeting.

#### **5 WAYS TO CONTACT TOMMY**

Write to Tommy's Office at Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Phone 618 3557 or 847 7634.

Email thomas p broughan@oireachtas.ie

Visit www.tommybroughan.com

**Meet** Tommy at his regular information clinics all around Dublin North East (no appointment needed):

**Every Monday** 

10.30 a.m. BESC Offices, Darndale

2nd / 4th Friday

7.00 p.m. Concorde, Edenmore Shopping Centre

7.45 p.m. Foxhound Inn, Greendale Shopping Centre

8.30 p.m. Marine Hotel, Sutton

9.15 p.m. Pier House, Howth

**Every Saturday** 

10.00 a.m. Clonshaugh Shopping Centre 11.30 a.m. Donaghmede Shopping Centre

1.00 p.m. Madigan's, Kilcarrack Shopping Centre

1st / 3rd Saturday

2.15 p.m. Bayside Shopping Centre

3.00 p.m. Grainger's, Baldoyle House / Racecourse Inn,

Racecourse Shopping Centre

2nd / 4th Saturday

2.30 p.m. Walkabout in one of the 14 parishes of Dublin

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