

# DUNMURRY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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## OPENING TIMES

Monday  
Wednesday  
Friday

10.00 am – 1.00 pm

It has been such a long, long time since our last newsletter was published, but at last here we are! We are trying to resume normal service following the covid-19 pandemic.

We have a new committee and are pleased to welcome some new members. Our website has also had a revamp, please take a look at [www.dunmurryca.com](http://www.dunmurryca.com)

We have a few successful events behind us now and we would like to share this with you all.

We are always looking for stories that we can publish in our next edition, so if you have anything that you would like to contribute, please get in touch at [dunmurryca@gmail.com](mailto:dunmurryca@gmail.com)

Dunmurry Community Association

## VOLUNTEERS WE NEED YOU

DO YOU HAVE SPARE TIME?  
Play a role in the heart of your community and give something back.

We wish to build up our list of volunteers who could help out at various community events. We hold events throughout the year at Halloween, Christmas, St Patrick's Day, Easter, July and August.

Please email [dunmurryca@gmail.com](mailto:dunmurryca@gmail.com) if you would like to register

## Fullerton Park Pavilion Building Refurbishment

### 2022-23

In this financial year we are pleased to advise that Belfast City Council have confirmed some refurbishment work for our building due to be completed before 31 March 2023.

- Replace rainwater gutters - completed
- Supply and install new vinyl flooring to kitchen and hall
- Internal and external decoration of the facility
- Supply and install a new kitchen

We hope that the local community will enjoy the updated facilities.

### 2023-24

Additional plans for next year include;

- Upgrade of heating system
- Upgrade of internal lighting
- Change the direction of the wheelchair access slope
- Upgrade of the external shutters

## PREVIOUS EVENTS

## Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Our first event since the covid-19 pandemic was a great success. We provided an Afternoon Tea for our local pensioners, a Big Family Picnic and a Youth Event. Thanks to funding from Belfast City Council and The Community Foundation. The event included music and entertainment from Dunmurry Protestant Boys, Lambeg Drums and Kerala Beats, a great day for all in the community, celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the accession of Queen Elizabeth II on 6<sup>th</sup> February 1952.



## July Family Fun Day

We had a community family fun day on 8<sup>th</sup> July. It was fun, engaging and inclusive. Activities included an Amazon Jungle Show, Belfast Playbus, Face Painting, Henna Art, Inflatables, candy floss, popcorn and slush puppies for the children.

We would like to thank the whole community for coming together and coming out to make this event a huge success. Thank you so much.

This event would not have been possible without the support of our Good Relations Officer, Amanda Ashe, NIHE. We really appreciate your support and commitment to our community.



## Mini Mela

We are delighted that Apex Housing chose to hold their Mini Mela event at Fullerton Park. This event featured dancers and food tasting from around the world. Children also enjoyed making arts and crafts. It was a great success and it was wonderful to see so many from the local community enjoying the festivities.



## Upcoming Events

- Youth Hub Halloween Disco – Fully Booked
- Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch (Reservation required)
- Youth Hub Christmas Party (funding pending)

## Events Planned for 2023

### *\*funding permitting*

- \*St Patricks Community Fun Day
- \*Easter Fun Day
- \*July Fun Day
- \*Summer Scheme
- \*Youth Hub Halloween Disco
- \*Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch
- \*Youth Hub Christmas Party

MONDAY	10.00 am – 1.00 pm	DCA Office
MONDAY	7.00 pm – 9.00 pm	Dunmurry Protestant Boys Flute Band
TUESDAY	6.30 pm – 7.30 pm	Kerala Beats (Indian Drumming Band)
WEDNESDAY	10.00 am – 12.00 pm	Ladies Craft Group
WEDNESDAY	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	1-2-3 Club
FRIDAY	10.00 am – 1.00 pm	DCA Office
FRIDAY	6.30 pm – 7.30 pm	Dunmurry Youth Hub (Junior Group)
FRIDAY	7.30 pm – 9.30 pm	Dunmurry Youth Hub (Senior Group)



## The 'YOUNG' Ones



The DCA (Youth Hub) is held every Friday in Fullerton Park as follows:

### JUNIORS

Age 5 yrs to 10 yrs  
Times 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm

### SENIORS

Age 11 yrs to 17 yrs  
Times 8.00 pm to 9.30 pm

### WHO WE ARE AND THINGS WE DO:

We are a voluntary run youth club that relies on funding from Dunmurry Community Association, fundraising, and all we ask is that you pay an entry fee of £1 and this help to provide a tuck shop which then generates more income, so that we can provide activities, trips out, training and guest speakers for the children and volunteers who attend youth hub.

Some of the things we have done are: Irish History storytelling, 'GodModex' gaming bus, which allowed the children to play with computer consoles such as Xbox, Nintendo Wii etc.

Trips we have done: Culture Night, 10-pin bowling, to see the Belfast Giants, and Christmas Pantomimes

### OUR VOLUNTEERS:

Emma Armstrong, Senior Volunteer Youth Leader

Simon Magee, Deputy Volunteer Youth Leader

Louise Cullen, Senior Volunteer

Nathan Boyle-Hughes, Senior Volunteer

Leah McCallum, Senior Volunteer

Travis McGregor, Senior Volunteer

Ciara Parker, Senior Volunteer

Cathan O'heireamhoin, Senior Volunteer

And we often rely on our parents also, who we would like to thank for all their help and continued support.

**If you would like to join our Youth Hub please come along on a Friday night and register.**

## Drug Awareness

Illegal drugs have become a serious problem in Dunmurry Village and surrounding areas i.e. Fullerton Park, Dunmurry Brae, Jubilee Park and other community facilities.

We will be in consultation with residents from Seymour Hill, Colin and Milltown areas, along with representatives from the community PSNI to tackle the issues of illegal drugs.

## NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE (NIHE)

You can now get online with the My Housing Executive digital tenant portal. It allows Housing Executive tenants to access information about your tenancy and to contact them securely 24 hours a day.

When you register and sign up to the for the new My Housing Executive portal, you will be able to:

- Check your rent balance and account statements
- Make a payment
- Order a new payment card
- Update your contact and personal details
- Request services like a transfer, an adaptation to your property, or a self-help repair
- Request and track a repair

Register online at <https://myaccount.nihe.gov.uk/nihe/www/dashboard>

### NIHE CONTACT NUMBERS

**Patch Managers – responsible for your areas**

#### **FINAGHY/BEATTIE PARK**

Manager: Julie McKeown  
Telephone: 028 9598 4871

#### **TAUGHMONAGH / UPPER DUNMURRY LANE**

Manager: Freddy Reilly  
Telephone: 028 9598 2524

#### **OTHER CONTACTS**

Team Leader: Anne McCartney  
Telephone: 028 9598 3038

**Thanks to all our sponsors so far this year;**

**All Seasons Florist  
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Dunmurry Sports  
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James Brown & Sons Funeral Directors  
Nicky's Bistro & Deli**

**We value your support and contribution.**

## Community Needs Survey

A community needs survey will soon be circulated in your area. We have created this survey to gather information on what Dunmurry residents want to see in the area.

We would greatly appreciate if you could please complete the form and return to our office in Fullerton Park or take a photo of your completed form and email it to [dunmurryca@gmail.com](mailto:dunmurryca@gmail.com)

Alternatively, you can complete this survey online at <https://form.jotform.com/220453453311343>



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We are now a registered member of the Foodbank situated at the top shops in Suffolk.

If you would like to avail of their support all you need to do is contact DCA, get a signed referral form, take to the food bank and they will supply you with a food hamper.

If you have no transport, please let us know and we can organise to pick-up food hampers on your behalf.

**Welcome**

**Warm welcome**  
When you arrive at the foodbank, everyone is offered a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits while a volunteer discusses the details of your food package with you.


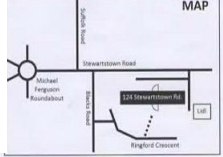
While your food is being packed in our warehouse room, our volunteer can also signpost you to other organisations which may be able to help you further, if you like. (All details of your visit will be confidential.)

**Neighbour helping neighbour**  
We all need help from others at different times in our lives. Foodbanks enable local people to generously donate food to help in our time of need. We look forward to seeing you.

**Weekly opening times**  
Tuesdays 1:00 - 2:30, Thursdays 10:45 - 12:15

**Location**  
The foodbank is located at 124 Stewartstown Road (beside Lidl). Enter either from the Stewartstown Road entrance (the door beside the Coffee House café) or from Ringford Crescent and go to the first floor.

[www.southwestbelfast.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.southwestbelfast.foodbank.org.uk)



1st floor, above Costcutter

**South West Belfast foodbank**

If you wish to find out about upcoming activities and events, please contact [dunmurryca@gmail.com](mailto:dunmurryca@gmail.com) to join our mailing list. Alternatively you can ring our office on 02890 629054.



## Community News

### GLEN RIVER CLEAN & LITTER PICK

We organised a river clean of the Glen River and a litter pick along The Brae on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August which was a great success. Special thanks to Bill Marsden, Trevor Ogburn and Jackson Greene who were in the water clearing the debris thoughtlessly dumped. Thanks also to everyone else who turned up on the day to help clear the litter along the paths. Special mention to young Jack who was so enthusiastic and helpful on the day. We also wish to thank Radius Housing for providing us with some Litter & Waste Management Kits which were much appreciated. Massive thanks to Stephanie our Treasurer who organised some refreshments on the day courtesy of Catch My Pal Snooker Club for our volunteers.

A second river clean took place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October to clear another section of the river. Only 2 volunteers along with our Chairman Billy Thompson turned up that day despite it being a beautiful October morning. Jackson and Stephanie Greene were in the water again clearing as much of the debris as possible. Cathal Murphy Environmental Educational Outreach Officer at BCC was most helpful supplying bags, litter pickers and organising collection of waste etc. Thanks also to Danny Magill at Dunmurry Young Men FC who had offered to supply the refreshments but due to the lack of numbers on the day we were unable to avail of his hospitality – hope we can use you again Danny!!!

We are planning to arrange a large scale river clean on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April and plan to get other agencies board. We will keep you updated on our progress.

### DOG FOULING

Dog Fouling is an area on concern within the local community especially at Fullerton Park. We are working closely with Belfast City Council to try to address the issue.



# HELP!!

## Dunmurry Community Association

to provide a comprehensive and informative quarterly newsletter by providing the following:

- stories of local interest (recent or past events)
- upcoming events that you wish to advertise
- advertise your business and any special offers
- anti-social behaviour
- road and footpath repairs
- any other comments/concerns



### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
12.00 noon – 3.00 pm  
Fullerton Park

**You are warmly invited to come along and celebrate with us at our Seniors Christmas Event**

There will be entertainment and a 2 course lunch



We look forward to seeing you then!

**Places are limited to a maximum of 30**

Please register your place by contacting our Secretary on 0785 7146941 or email [dunmurryca@gmail.com](mailto:dunmurryca@gmail.com)

**Housing**Executive

## YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you a friendly, patient and understanding person who likes to have lots of fun?

If so, we would love to hear from you!

We need Volunteers to help with our youth club for Juniors (P1-P7) which meets on a Friday evening between 6.00pm – 9.30pm

Please email us for more information at [dunmurryca@gmail.com](mailto:dunmurryca@gmail.com)





## Our Photos

### Queens's Platinum Jubilee



### July Fun Day



### Summer Scheme Fun





Halloween Disco





# Members of Belfast City Council

## Balmoral

(Belvoir, Finaghy, Malone, Musgrave and Upper Malone)

Councillor Sarah Bunting	DUP	07823 668783
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Councillor Micky Murray	APNI	07721 165067
Councillor Gareth Spratt	DUP	07823 668786

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Councillor Ronan McLaughlin	SF	07823 536140

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Councillor Caoimhín McCann	SF	07979 534149
Councillor Séanna Walsh	SF	028 9032 0202

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Councillor Christina Black	SF	028 9032 0202
Lord Mayor	SF	07717 361621
Councillor Claire Canavan	SF	07717 361621
Councillor Billy Hutchinson	PUP	07515 715563
Alderman Frank McCoubrey	DUP	028 9032 0202
Councillor Naomi Thompson	DUP	07795 926785
Councillor Nicola Verner	DUP	07823 664888

## Lisnasharragh

(Cregagh, Hillfoot, Merok, Orangefield, Ravenhill and Rosetta)

Councillor Sammy Douglas	DUP	07795 926732
Councillor Séamas de Faoite	SDLP	07469 943401
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Councillor Brian Smyth	GPNI	07823 668431

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Councillor Nichola Bradley	SF	07741 380991
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## Titanic

(Ballymacarrett, Beersbridge, Bloomfield, Connswater, Sydenham and Woodstock)

Alderman Sonia Copeland	UUP	07833 223215
Alderman George Dorrian	DUP	07342 064928
Councillor Carole Howard	UUP	07876 800913
Councillor Michelle Kelly		
Deputy Lord Mayor	APNI	07823 668437
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Councillor Adam Newton	DUP	028 9032 0202

## Party Abbreviations

APNI	Alliance Party of Northern Ireland
DUP	Democratic Unionist Party
GPNI	Green Party Northern Ireland
PBPA	People Before Profit Alliance
PUP	Progressive Unionist Party
SDLP	Social, Democratic and Labour Party
SF	Sinn Féin
UUP	Ulster Unionist Party



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# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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