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Residents' Magazine

Your Home

In this issue we will be focusing on all things to do with your home as there really is "no place like home."



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WELCOME

A MESSAGE FROM NICK SHEWARD DIRECTOR OF PROPERTY SERVICES

Welcome to the Autumn/Winter edition of the Residents' Magazine 2024.

My role as Director of Property Services is to oversee the team that looks after Tuath homes and I was delighted to be asked to give this edition's welcome message, as it gives me the opportunity to showcase what the great work that my colleagues in the Property Services team does. My role as Director of Property Services is to oversee teams that look after Tuath homes.

Tuath prides itself on continuously learning and reviewing the services that we provide to our residents and is working in partnership with residents to ensure their voices are at the centre. In early 2024 we carried out an evaluation survey with residents on our energy upgrade program. Since then, we have been working on improvements based on residents' feedback. This forms part of our 'You Said, We Did' promise where we actively work on making improvements that are inside our control.

In July this year the first Property Services Residents Feedback panel meeting was held. The panel is a group of fifteen residents, staff from Property Services and facilitated by our tenant engagement team and Supporting Communities. Our aim over the coming years is to look at all areas of Property Services and work with residents to improve the overall service for all Tuath residents.



As Bill Gates once famously said "We all need people who will give us feedback. That's how we improve", and we are excited to work with the Residents Panel to make important changes to how we deliver our property management services.

The theme of this edition is 'Your Home'. As we come into the colder months, we are all getting our homes winter ready. In November we are asking all residents to check their heating systems are working and at the most efficient temperature. Letting our teams know about repairs issues means that we act as quickly as we can to solve the problem. Providing access to Tuath staff and contractors also enables us to carry out the safety checks that we as landlord are required to do.

We are conscious that the cost-of-living crisis is a concern for residents. We ask that if you are struggling with household costs to contact your Housing Services Coordinator, there are also services at the back of Tuaths Resident Handbook where residents can find additional support contact information.

From all the staff in Tuath, we wish you and your loved ones a happy holiday and a wonderful new year.

Nick

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Following your feedback and to support the environment we are distributing this edition of the magazine in digital format. All issues of the Residents' Magazine can be viewed at www.tuathhousing.ie in the Tenant Engagement menu.

RESIDENT STORY

SETTLING INTO A TUATH FOREVER HOME

We recently caught up with Karen. Now happily living in her new apartment with her son, she shares her journey and first impressions of the place she's beginning to call home. It's clear that Karen is excited about her new home and settling into this new chapter of her life. We wish her and all our new residents moving into their new home many years of happiness.

Q: Tell us a little about yourself and your household.

A: It's just myself and my son, Jason. I've been on the housing list for 25 years, since my first daughter was born — she's now 26! It's been a long wait, but I'm grateful to finally have our forever home.

Q: How long have you been living in your new home?

A: It's been about three weeks now. We're getting there slowly but surely moving always takes time!

Q: What do you love most about your new home?

A: Everything! It's modern, it's new, and it suits both my son's and my needs perfectly.

Q: Were there any challenges during the move?

A: Oh yes, moving always takes longer than you expect. I didn't realise how much stuff I had accumulated over the years until I started packing. I had to get rid of a lot from the old place before moving, but it feels good to have a fresh start here.

Q: How helpful was Tuath Housing during your move?

A: I didn't have much contact with anyone during the move. I got my keys and handled most of it myself. There was a hiccup when I dropped my keys down the lift shaft, but the staff were great in helping me get them back a week later.

Q: Are there any services or amenities that would enhance your experience here?

A: It would be great to have yoga or meditation sessions. I think those kinds of activities could really benefit the residents.

Q: How important is it for you to be part of the community here?

A: I'd love to get to know my neighbours, but time is always a challenge. If I could make it to events, I'd definitely be happy to join in and meet people.



Q: Would you be interested in attending or contributing to resident meetings or events?

A: Yes, I would. I think it's important to be involved.

Q: Any suggestions on how we could improve the experience for new tenants?

A: (Laughs) Maybe help us pack up our old homes next time! It's a lot of work.

Q: Any advice for future Tuath residents moving into their new homes?

A: Just enjoy it! Appreciate your new forever home and make the most of it.

TENANT SATISFACTION RESULTS – 2024

Tuath has implemented a quarterly tenant satisfaction survey carried out by an impartial third party which seeks to identify satisfaction levels associated with your home, your neighbourhood, Tuath's repairs service, communications, and tenant engagement. Thank you to everyone who took part in the survey.

81%
Overall
satisfaction

87%
Satisfaction
with the home
being safe
and secure

86%
Easy to deal
with

89%
Satisfaction
with customer
contact

100%
New residents
happy with
allocations
process

100%
New residents
feeling welcome
& respected

77%
Satisfied
with repairs
service

YOUR COMMUNITY

COFFEE MORNINGS ARE SO MUCH MORE THAN COFFEE

Here in Tuath, we try our best to get out and meet you. Communication is very important to us, so hearing what you have to say is crucial for us to improve the services you receive. A coffee morning or afternoon, in your local café or community centre is a starting point to meet your Housing Services Coordinator and Tenant Engagement Officer. If you would like this to happen in your area, please contact us at getinvolved@tuathhousing.ie or call your housing officer.



SUMMER EVENTS

Even though the weather has not been brilliant this year, this didn't stop residents and staff from getting out and celebrating different cultures and communities. Well done to all of you who organised local events. Tuath are delighted to be able to run so many community events and support residents' groups set up under our program to build vibrant communities where Tuath residents live.



TUATH SUMMER CAMPS

In July and August, Tuath hosted eight camps for younger residents around the country. We are dedicated to empowering residents of all ages by offering opportunities to build their confidence and develop their skills. Here is what some of the children and parents had to say:

"Very positive experience and great to meet other parents at the drop off each morning"

"I liked everything about the camp"

"My child looked forward to going every morning"



We worked together in Partnership with:

- Glow Camp
- Star Camp
- Healthy Ireland: Louth
- Let's Go Camp
- Little Fitness Camp
- Sports on the Green.

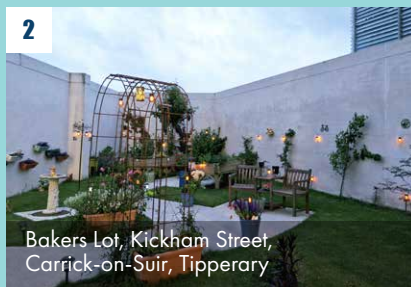


YOUR COMMUNITY CONTINUED

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY SPIRIT: TUATH HOUSING'S BEST KEPT ESTATE AWARDS 2024

The annual Tuath Housing Best Kept Estate Awards are back, and this year, we're thrilled to announce the ten overall winners for 2024! These awards recognise the outstanding contribution of communities across Ireland where Tuath Housing residents live, who come together to dedicate their time, energy, and resources to improve estates and foster community spirit. Ten overall winners were chosen. Congratulations to the outstanding estates:

OVERALL WINNERS



Each winning estate has demonstrated a real commitment to community engagement, cleanliness, and sustainability. The criteria for judging included collaborative efforts among residents, effective waste management, and the hosting of clean-up days, among others.

The awards are not just a celebration of the overall 'look and design' of an estate, but they reflect a deeper sense of community spirit. Many of the winners have organised community projects, fostering connections among residents and enhancing their neighbourhood's. For example, projects focusing on biodiversity — like planting trees and flowers in communal areas — highlight the innovative ways communities are coming together to create greener spaces.

As part of the recognition, each winning estate will receive a €500 Garden Centre Voucher to further enhance their communal areas.

Many congratulations to all ten winning estates and to everyone who participated in Tuath Housing Best Kept Estate Competition 2024.

YOUR COMMUNITY CONTINUED

HEALTHY FOOD MADE EASY

The Healthy Food Made Easy (HFME) Program is a nutrition and cookery course that helps people switch to a healthy diet, plan meals on a budget, and make easy-to-cook dishes. It follows the latest healthy eating guidelines from the Department of Health.

This course looked at:

- Planning meals on a budget
- Learning simple, healthy recipes
- Improving your diet

Tuath ran the six-week courses in several schemes, combining face-to-face and online sessions. Online participants received weekly ingredient deliveries to their homes.



HAIR TOGETHER

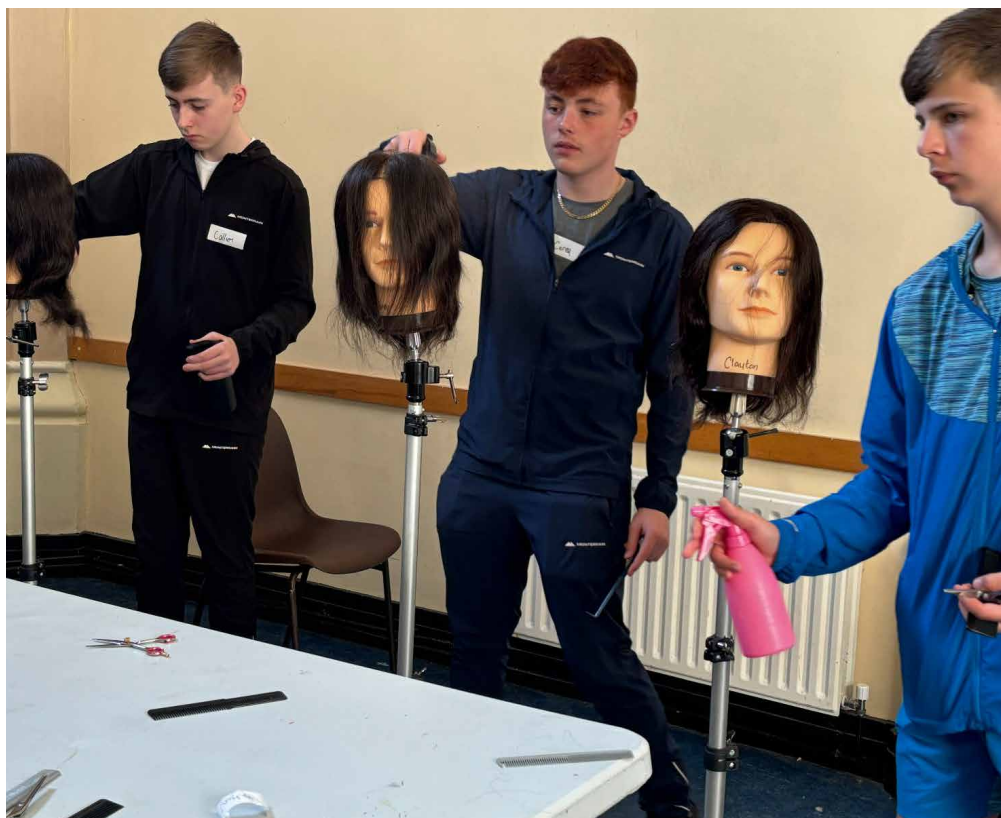
Hair Together an Irish social enterprise, runs programs that combine hairdressing and wellness education for young adults facing barriers to employment. With the support of community partners like Tuath Housing, which recently received a €20,000 grant from the Housing Finance Agency (HFA), Hair Together aims to empower participants by providing both technical and personal development skills. Through structured courses in hairdressing, barbering, and mental wellness, the program fosters confidence, practical skills, and pathways to further education or employment.

The hope for participants is that they gain not only skills but also a sense of belonging, increased self-esteem, and resilience. The program's supportive environment helps them build connections, develop social skills, and prepare for real-world opportunities. A recent success story highlights one participant who, after completing the course, secured an apprenticeship with House of Colour,

underscoring the program's impact in bridging the gap between training and meaningful career opportunities.

For many, the experience is transformative. Caitlin, a recent

participant, shared that the course helped her meet new people, step out of her comfort zone, and ultimately inspired her to pursue an apprenticeship, marking the start of an exciting new chapter in her life.



YOUR COMMUNITY CONTINUED

NEW HORIZON EDUCATION BURSARY – NAOMI'S STORY

Why she applied and how the bursary has impacted her life.

I am currently in my third year of pursuing a BSc (Hons) degree in Integrative Counselling and Psychotherapy at IICP in Tallaght, a path that is deeply personal to me. My own experiences with therapy have shown me just how transformative it can be. It's more than just a way to cope with difficult times; it can truly open doors to deeper self-awareness, growth, and ultimately a more fulfilled and joyful life. I know how much psychotherapy can offer someone, this is what has drawn me so strongly to the field – knowing how much it can help others, just as it has helped me.

Choosing this course was more than an academic decision; it felt like a calling, something I needed to do. I wanted to offer others the same guidance and support that made such a difference in my life. The training I've been through so far has been nothing short of life changing, it has shown me new ways to see the world and the people in it, teaching me how to connect with others in a more empathic and understanding way. I've grown in ways I hadn't expected both as a person and as a future therapist, and it's been incredibly rewarding to witness my own transformation as I learn how to better help others grow too.

I'm now in the process of beginning my work as a student therapist with my local family resource centre, a position that arose thanks to the strong connections between Tuath housing and the resource centre. This opportunity fills my heart because it allows me to give back into my own community while working toward my long-term goal of becoming a fully accredited psychotherapist. Being able to contribute my time and energy to a community-focused organisation speaks deeply to my altruistic nature. I'm excited to begin this hands-on experience, knowing that it will help shape me into the therapist I aspire to be.

For anyone thinking about going back to education, I would encourage you to take that step, I honestly can't recommend it enough. I also can't speak highly enough of the New Horizons Education Bursary from Tuath Housing. Their support has been instrumental in allowing me to focus on my studies and my future, by reducing some of that constant worry of financial pressure. But it is more than just financial support – it's a real investment in people and their potential. Tuath's commitment to



education and personal growth is truly remarkable, and I feel incredibly fortunate to be part of it. If you are considering applying, I would wholeheartedly say: Go for it! It's an opportunity that can truly transform your life, just as it is transforming mine.

The Education Bursary will be opened again in January 2025 so please keep an eye on Tuath's social media platforms and website.

GUEST CONTRIBUTOR: FRANK FROM ALONE



YOU'RE NOT ALONE



Can you tell us a bit about your own role with ALONE, and about the organisation itself and what it does?

ALONE was founded in 1977, but is a vastly different organisation today, with national coverage. We are a non-profit that supports older people age safely and well at home. Our goal as an organisation is to create an Ireland where older people can age happily and securely at home and be strongly connected to their communities. I'm Head of Communications and Fundraising.

When you talk about that goal, what sort of challenges are we facing to meet that goal as a society in the years ahead?

Well, the population of people over the age of 65 in Ireland rose by 40% between 2013 and 2023. That's an enormous change to the structure of our society, but it's only the beginning. In less than 15 years 5 out of 8 of us will be over 65+ and that is a rapid change that needs to be planned and resourced for.

That's a huge change.

It's a huge change, but in many ways it's also a huge positive. It means that we're increasingly living far longer as individuals and as a society. But that comes with huge challenges, and we need to be prepared to face up to them.

So what is ALONE doing to face up to them?

We've developed an integrated services model which offers co-ordinated support to older people ageing at home.

The principle is one point of contact for everything an older person might need. Support and befriending is probably the piece people are familiar with — that's our nationwide team of Volunteers who visit older people, call them, help them out with issues from housing to utilities and everything in between.

And how many older people are we talking about here, how many do you reach?

Well, in 2023, we supported over 38,000 older people and had over 26,000 calls to our National Support and Referral Line, 0818 222 024. That's obviously a huge number, but with an ageing population, it's only going to increase in years to come.

If we can move on specifically to housing — what does the housing situation look like for older people in Ireland today, and what is ALONE doing in that field?

Housing needs are a key support that is requested of us, in terms of our advocacy work, but also through our housing provision for older people. On a broader scale, the typical assumptions about older people owning their own homes are beginning to break down; the number of private renters aged 65+ was up 83% in the last census.

One of the ways we're looking to address housing issues is through projects like our Housing with Support demonstrator model, which we're undertaking in partnership with the HSE, government and Circle VHA. The initial site at Richmond Place will ultimately see up to 70 older people accommodated in a development with 24/7 non-medical on-site services and supports with assistive technology throughout. The plan is to then scale and share that model throughout the country to provide a housing solution that sits between the home and a nursing home.

On the advocacy side, we've been pushing hard for an expansion of the Housing Adaptation Grant, and to remove some of the obstacles to claiming that grant. We were pleased to see our advocacy have some effect in the most recent budget announced by the Minister for Finance, which incorporated a lot of our proposals in this area.

And just finally, if people want to get in touch, to refer an older person who might need a bit of support, where do they go?

The easiest thing is to call us on 0818 222 024 or go on our website, www.alone.ie, click Make a Referral and work from there. We'll look after the rest.



YOUR HOME

NEW PROPERTY SERVICES FEEDBACK PANEL

In July, residents and staff sat down together and formed a panel that would look at Property Services and Repairs, to reflect on what works and what might need to change.

As you the resident are the experts as you receive tenancy service from Tuath. Your feedback is invaluable to us so that we can improve. To date there have been two in person meetings and one online meeting is planned for November. All changes made by this panel will be shared with you. Thank you to our panel, this has been a great experience for us to learn and improve.



YOU SAID, WE DID

ENERGY UPGRADES

In early 2024, Tuath Housing launched online workshops to enhance their Energy Upgrade services, actively involving residents in the process. Feedback gathered from these sessions led to significant initiatives designed to improve communication and service understanding.

1. Tuath has created user-friendly instruction manuals for various heating systems, making energy management more straightforward for residents.
2. We now hold coffee mornings before upgrade projects, giving residents a chance to learn about upcoming improvements, meet with installers, and address any questions.
3. Another outcome is the creation of a Property Services Panel, which includes resident representatives. This panel will ensure that ongoing issues are discussed with resident input, giving tenants a voice in future decisions.

These initiatives underscore Tuath Housing's commitment to engaging residents in meaningful ways while enhancing home energy efficiency.

GET YOUR HOME WINTER READY

As we approach the Autumn and Winter seasons, here are some useful seasonal repair tips and tricks below to keep everything in check in your home, ahead of time.

Pipes and Plumbing Cold weather can freeze pipes. Putting the heating on, even at low temperatures and regularly running water through your taps can help prevent frozen pipes.

If you are away from home, it's a good idea to let your central heating come on for regular, short intervals.

If you have a burst pipe, turn the water off and contact us.

Do you know where your stop tap is? A stop tap is designed to control the flow of mains cold water into your home. When you turn it in a clockwise direction the water supply will shut off. Stop taps are usually found in kitchens, below the sink unit or in the bathroom. It's important that you know where your stop tap is in case of burst water pipes or leaks — don't leave it until you have an emergency.

We aim to respond and attend to all emergency repairs within 24 hours. During the winter months we see an increase in emergency call outs. An emergency repair is classed as something that is a threat to life or property and includes the following:

- A complete loss of water supply.
- Major leaks which cannot be contained.
- A blocked toilet where there is only one toilet in your home.
- A complete power failure.
- An unsecured home, for example, external doors or windows broken or damage to the actual structure of the house.
- A complete loss of heating from 1 November until 1 April.



Emergency repairs can be reported 24/7, 365 days of the year by calling your local Tuath Housing office and dial Option 1.

YOUR HOME CONTINUED

TIPS ON KEEPING WARM AND SAVING ENERGY AROUND THE HOME

- Recommended temperature for sitting rooms and bathrooms is 18-21 °C.
- Lowering your thermostat by one degree can reduce your heating bill.
- Avoid blocking radiators with large furniture to ensure heat distribution.
- Use thermostatic radiator valves in occupied rooms and turn them off in unused ones.
- Heat all rooms occasionally to prevent condensation and mould.
- Close curtains and blinds when it gets dark to retain heat.
- Draught excluders at doors help keep rooms warm.
- Unplug devices to save energy as they consume power on standby.

ARE YOU COVERED?

What would you do if you lost everything because of a fire or flood in your home?

As your landlord, we are responsible for ensuring the building you reside in. However, buildings insurance does not protect your personal items. It is your duty to obtain home contents insurance to safeguard your possessions against accidental damage, fire, flooding, and theft. Despite being cautious, accidents may occur, posing a risk to your belongings like carpets, furniture, curtains, and valuable electronics, which could require replacement.

ENERGY SAVING TIP

Generally, it's advisable to switch energy providers every 12-18 months or whenever your current fixed tariff deal ends. If you don't actively choose a new deal after a fixed tariff ends, you are likely to be moved to your supplier's standard variable tariff, which is usually their costliest option. To avoid these higher charges, mark your calendar and ensure you know when you're eligible to switch to a new plan based on the terms of your current one. There are advisors that can assist such as **bonkers.ie** and **Switcher.ie**.

KEEPING YOU AND YOUR HOME SAFE

Ensuring the safety of you and your family is our utmost priority. Allowing us to enter your home for safety checks and essential work is crucial to ensure the well-being of you, your family, and your neighbours. To achieve this, we are legally required to carry out various safety and compliance inspections both in your home and shared areas. While not all checks may apply to your situation, some examples include

- Asbestos surveys and condition inspections
- Electrical testing
- Fire safety
- Legionella risk assessment and monitoring
- Lift servicing (where applicable)
- Radon risk assessment and monitoring
- Heat Pump, Gas, oil and solid fuel system servicing
- MVHR Servicing
- Smoke and carbon monoxide detector inspection and testing
- Statutory or health and safety inspections
- Stock Condition Surveys



Remember, don't allow anyone in your home without the proper identification.

YOUR HOME CONTINUED



AUTUMN TIME IN THE GARDEN

Tidying the garden in autumn keeps it looking neat in winter and means that you'll get a head start next spring. Here are the areas to tackle:

1. Tidy your borders: Remove dying leaves, collapsed stems and weeds, then spread compost.
2. Collect autumn leaves: Remove leaves from your lawn, paths (which can be slippery) and borders.
3. Clean out nest boxes and bird feeders.
4. Leave your grass looking trim by cutting and edging it.

KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN COST RENTAL HOUSING? READ BELOW TO FIND OUT MORE

What is Cost Rental?

Cost Rental is a long-term, secure and affordable rental option for middle income households. The rent is based only on the cost of the building, managing and maintaining the homes. The rent for Cost Rental homes is at least 25% below regular market rents in the area, meaning you are guaranteed long term security of tenure at affordable prices.

Who is eligible?

If your household income is below €66,000 in Dublin, or €59,000 or below in the rest of the country, and you are not in receipt of social housing support such as HAP (Housing Assistance Payments), then you are eligible to apply. To apply, simply go to the Cost Rental section of the Tuath Housing website, and click the link of the property that suits your needs and fill out the online application form. Once the application process closes, your application will be entered into the online lottery system, where eligible applicants will be selected at random and assessed.

What are the benefits of Cost Rental?

Cost rental offers you a long-term, secure tenancy that is more affordable. We've managed to achieve rents that start at 25% below the average local area rent. Cost rental is a long-term rental option. This long-term security of tenure means that if your circumstances change, for example, if your household income increases above the income limit after you have moved in, then you won't have to move out.

If you would like more information on cost rental, please go to <https://tuathhousing.ie/cost-rental/>



Contact information

Have you changed your mobile phone number or your email address recently? Please do let us know as we want to make sure we have up-to-date contact information. Email info@tuathhousing.ie with any changes.

TENANT ENGAGEMENT

Settling into Springville House: A Resident's Story of Finding Community and Belonging



I moved into Springville House in Cork City in June 2023, so it's been a year and four months of settling in. Springville is home to 35 'age-friendly' apartments and houses, and while moving was hard work — just like any move with the endless decisions around decor and furniture—I'm thrilled to say I love living here. It's been a wonderful experience and, truly, a great move for me.

Finding My Place in the Community

A small number of us moved in around the same time, and that helped me make initial connections. Shortly after, I made a decision to get involved in the Resident Group, which has been a big part of settling in. Coming from 17 years in a detached house, I wasn't used to living closely with others. My brother, who lives in an apartment and is active in his own Resident Association, encouraged me to get involved. He thought I'd be a good voice of reason! So, a bit reluctantly, I gave it a go — and now I'm the treasurer of the Springville Residents Group.

Being part of the Resident Group isn't as taxing as I initially feared. For the most part, we're delivering good news, like getting funding, adding new benches,

or organising resident lunches. These events and little improvements really help us feel like more than just neighbours passing by in the hallway; they make us a community.

A Community of Support and Connection

It's been lovely to get to know everyone here, each at our own level, and to feel so supported. Neighbours look after my dog from time to time, and we check in on each other. I feel very much a part of Springville: I live independently but within a supportive community, which feels like the best of both worlds.

As we get older, staying connected is so important. Aging can sometimes mean we're more at home, particularly if we're not feeling well, and it can get isolating. But in Springville, we're able to look out for each other, and that's a great comfort. Living here has shown me just how much a strong, caring community can mean.

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TENANT ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED

Community rooms openings



Lovett House

On the 29th of September, residents and staff celebrated the opening of Lovett House Community Room. This new community space will now serve as a vibrant hub for residents of the 38 apartments in this new development to hold cultural events, workshops and educational programmes.

Thank you to the **Department of Rural and Community Development, Dublin City Council** Local Community Development Committees with funds from the Local Community Enhancement Fund and **Pearse Street Library** who provided donations of books and made this exciting initiative possible.

We look forward to partnering with residents and continuing to build a sustainable community at this new development using this new space.

Metges Road

On Tuesday 29th October, we launched a newly refurbished Community Room at Metges Road Estate in Johnstown, Navan for use by the local community at Knightsbrook, Dunville and Metges Road estates.

The Community room is fitted out to the highest standards, with overhead projectors, flat screen TVs, a play space for children and a large adjustable seating and workspace which fits 40 people comfortably, in addition to a kitchenette and bathroom. Mayor of Navan, Cllr. Eddie Fennessy officially opened the Community space at Metges Road, alongside Tuath Housing, Housing Manager Niall Duffy.

Cllr Fennessy noted the space 'is a much-needed amenity for a large and growing number of residents in the Johnstown area'. Navan Community Gardaí were also in attendance to speak to residents on the day, as was Fiona Smyth, Community Education and Training Coordinator with Louth Meath Education and Training Board. Special mention was given at the event to Developers Grandbrind, who gifted this space to Tuath, for use by the local community.

Many residents throughout the Dunville and Metges Road Estates attended on the day with much fun had by children in the area who celebrated with a Halloween Party Extravaganza, complete with children's entertainer, balloon maker, face painting and a host of other children's dance and play activities.

Tuath would like to invite the wider community at all three estates in the Dunville, Metges Road and Knightsbrook areas, alongside interested community, state and voluntary/charitable agencies operating in the Meath area, to contact the Tenant Engagement Team at Tuath's Dundalk Office with any queries they may have, on using the Community Room at Metges Road.



TENANT ENGAGEMENT

Positive Ageing Week October 1st-7th, 2024

Positive Ageing Week (PAW) is an initiative by Age Action to celebrate the contributions of older people and to promote their agency. The event emphasises the positive aspects of aging and the significant roles older individuals play in our communities and families. The week-long event happens yearly, with a new theme, and aims to challenge stereotypes and misconceptions about aging and to highlight the positivity and vitality of older age. Each year Tuath's tenant engagement and housing teams celebrate Age Actions Positive Ageing Week <https://positiveageingweek.com/>. We want to promote the contributions of the older people in our communities. We had a host of events take place this year. From remembrance services to Defib training, our communities really make a massive difference in their area.



Secondhand September

As part of 'Sustainable September' Tuath held a clothes exchange in De Verdon Place, on the Malahide Road in Dublin. Tuath staff and residents came together to give a new lease of life to pre-loved clothes by exchanging clothing items and creating a new sustainable wardrobe. Initiatives like this reduce our carbon footprint by sustainable use of clothes.

Christmas Card Competition

Calling all Tuath residents aged 12 and under. Would you like to design the front cover of this year's Christmas Card for Tuath Housing?

Please submit your enter via:

Text: WhatsApp – 087 1898 714

Post: Tuath Regional Office

Email: Getinvolved@tuathhousing.ie

Closing date Friday 22nd November

GET INVOLVED

If you feel any of the events or programs would work in your area, please do reach out to your housing service coordinator or your tenant engagement officer. We would be delighted to hear your suggestions. Email us at getinvolved@tuathhousing.ie



CHRISTMAS CARD

COMPETITION 2024

****Calling All Young Artists!****

Tuath Housing needs your creativity to design our 2024 Christmas card! Let your imagination sparkle this holiday season. 🌟 Whether you love to paint, draw, or doodle, we want to see your festive flair!

Think you've got what it takes? Show us your holiday magic! 🎨🎅



WHERE TO SEND YOUR PICTURES:

Text/WhatsApp Donna on 0871898714 or email : d.cullen@tuathhousing.ie



Submission Deadline : FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Winner Announcement : €50 SMYTHS VOUCHER FOR THE WINNING PICTURE

NEW DEVELOPMENTS



**Kilmartin Grove, Hollystown,
Dublin 15 – Fingal County Council**

Tuath has now delivered 26 Cost Rental and 9 social homes at Kilmartin Grove in Hollystown, Dublin 15, located close to the M50. Upon completion, Tuath will manage 495 homes in the development, including some 250 Cost Rental and 245 social homes. The Cost Rental homes are being delivered through the Housing Agency's Cost Rental Equity Loan and funding from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Housing Finance Agency. With monthly rents at €1,126 for one-bedroom triplexes, €1,390 for two-bedroom houses and €1,620 for three-bedroom homes, new residents will see rents below local area average market rates.



**Tristan Square,
Chapelizod**

Tuath now manages 181 homes for over 300 residents at Tristan Square, Chapelizod in Dublin 20. The development consists of one, two and three-bedroom apartments and contains amenities such as a children's outdoor play area. Delivered in partnership with Dublin City Council, Tristan Square adds to the over 3,600 homes managed by Tuath in the Dublin City Council local authority area.



**Daniel O'Brien Terrace Buttevant,
Co. Cork**

In Buttevant, Co. Cork, Tuath will deliver and manage seven two-bedroom homes at Daniel O'Brien Terrace. These former soldiers' houses have been refurbished and regenerated through the Capital Assistance Scheme, which funds Approved Housing Bodies like Tuath to provide social housing for specific categories of housing need like age friendly housing, persons with a disability or people experiencing homelessness.



**Mount Neil, Carrickpherish,
Co. Waterford**

Mount Neil is a brand-new development located in Waterford City featuring 'A' rated, energy efficient new homes with high quality design and excellent finishes throughout. The development is ideally situated in Carrickpherish near a variety of services and amenities, including the South East Technological University Waterford, the popular Waterford Greenway, and the WIT Arena, offering state-of-the-art fitness and sporting facilities. The development will consist of 2 two-bedroom and 47 three-bedroom houses. Mount Neil represents the first-ever delivery of cost rental housing by an Approved Housing Body in Co. Waterford.



**Whitehaven, Northwood,
Santry, Dublin 9**

At Whitehaven, Tuath will deliver 255 Cost Rental and social homes. These homes are being delivered through forward funding, where Tuath becomes involved in the construction and delivery of homes towards the beginning of a project with a developer. Further, this development is being built to a sustainable passive house standard where homes have ultra-low energy demands. In partnership with Fingal County Council, Tuath has delivered over 1,100 homes to date in Fingal, including some 71 this year, such as Kilhedge Gardens in Lusk, Co. Dublin.



**Friary Place, Mill Lane, Drogheda
– Louth County Council**

Progress continues in the delivery of 49 homes at Friary Place, located on the River Boyne in Drogheda, Co. Louth. Situated on Mill Lane, near Drogheda's Bridge of Peace, the 11-storey building will contain a mix of 27 one-bed and 22 two-bed apartments to be delivered in one phase. The development includes a ground-floor level undercroft car park alongside communal facilities. Friary Place is being delivered by Tuath, in partnership with Louth County Council, with funding via the Department of Housing and private finance from the Housing Finance Agency.

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS 2024

Thanks to everyone who has got involved in all the weird and wonderful events over the past few months. Your Halloween events were very spooky! We love being a part of them and can't wait for the winter festivities to begin.



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