

Housing Agency to hold outreach meeting in Maynooth

by Andrew Smullen

THE Housing Agency will host an outreach meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on Tuesday, 22nd November, starting at 7pm.

Stakeholders in multi-

unit developments and apartments, can hear about resources available and Housing Agency staff will be in attendance to answer queries.

The Housing Agency is a government organisation working with voluntary housing bodies and local authorities.

And it can help stakeholders in multi-unit developments, including directors of an owners management company

(OMC). Residents in a multi-unit development, volunteering as directors of an OMC that is responsible for

maintaining shared facilities such as gardens, amenity spaces, halls, parking etc, may benefit from this meeting.

Registration to attend the meeting is required and there is no charge for attendance. To register online: <https://www.housingagency.ie/news-events/outreach-events-stakeholders-multi-unit-developments> or via MUD@housingagency.ie.

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Donna Moran: 2022 Netwatch Kildare Family Carer of the Year.

'Carer's love for her son shines through'

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MAYNOOTH woman Donna Moran has this week been announced as the 2022 Netwatch Kildare Family Carer of the Year.

Donna cares for her son Evan who is aged 15. He was diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy in 2011 and is a wheelchair user.

Very involved in Evan's care, Donna is always advocating for what is best for him and other children and parents in similar situations. Her love for her son shines through whenever she talks about him.

She says that she takes every day as it comes, deals with a difficult situation with dignity and strength and tries to have fun along the way too.

Evan is an avid gamer, loves movies and Lego, and both he and his mum adore Evan's nine-year-old assistance dog Glen provided by the charity Dogs for the Disabled.

Sarah Houlihan, Family Carers Ireland' Community Support Manager for Kildare & Wicklow, said that family carers must be recognised for what they do.

"Caring for a loved one at home can be rewarding but it can also be challenging, particularly in the absence of vital supports and services including respite," said Ms Houlihan.

"This can take a toll on a person's physical, mental, financial and social wellbeing.

"Often, a person can find themselves taking on the role of a family carer with little or no warning.

"These are mums, dads, sons, daughters, siblings, relatives, friends and colleagues who sometimes don't even see themselves as family carers.

"They are doing extraordinary work that is too often unseen and undervalued."

Recognition

This is the value of the Netwatch Family Carer-of-the-Year Awards which are now in their 15th year.

"These awards are an important event in our calendar every year as we seek to provide some small recognition to all of those who care at home for loved ones with additional needs and to ensure their stories are heard, said Ms Houlihan, who lives in Clane.

"As a charity, we want family carers to know that they are not alone and that we are here to help them no matter where they find themselves on their caring journey.

"As a society, we must ensure that family carers are not only recognised for their immense contribution, but truly supported to care safely at home."



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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED) – PART XI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (AS AMENDED) - PART 8

Site Location: 352 Old Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, W23 T3Y1 and Fitzgerald Close, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Proposed Development: Pursuant to the requirements of the above, notice is hereby given by Kildare County Council of a proposed social housing development at 352 Old Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, W23 T3Y1 and Fitzgerald Close, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

The proposed development comprises the construction of 65 no. dwellings consisting of:

- 26 houses, 28 apartments and 11 duplex apartment units.
 - 1 no. one-bedroom single storey house.
 - 7 no. two-bedroom two storey houses.
 - 16 no. three-bedroom two storey houses.
 - 1 no. four-bedroom single storey house.
 - 1 no. four-bedroom two storey house.
 - 22 no. one-bedroom apartments.
 - 6 no. two-bedroom apartments.
 - 11 no. two-bedroom duplex apartment units.
- Demolition of the existing single storey house at 352 Old Greenfield, Maynooth.
- Associated site development works including landscaping, drainage, new paths and hard landscaping, public lighting, new boundary walls, ancillary site services and site development works above and below ground.

The proposal has also undergone **Appropriate Assessment Screening** under the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the European Communities (Bird and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 – 2015. Kildare County Council has determined that an Appropriate Assessment is not required. The proposed development will not have a significant effect on a European Site.

In addition, the proposal has also undergone screening for **Environmental Impact Assessment** under the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU, (and the relevant provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended) and Kildare County Council has determined that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and that an Environmental Impact Assessment is not required.

In accordance with Article 120 of the planning and development Regulations 2001 (as amended), any person may, at any time before the expiration of 4 weeks beginning on the date of this notice, apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the proposed development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development (Part 8 Ref No. P82022.10) will be available for inspection or purchase for a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of **Kildare County Council, at the address below** (Public Display Area, Level 1) during its public opening hours during the period from **Monday, 21 November 2022 until Sunday, 18 December 2022** (both dates inclusive). Please note that an appointment may be necessary to access the building. Bookings can be made online at <http://kildare.ie/countyCouncil/OnlineBookingSystem/>

Plans and particulars of the proposed development maybe inspected at the following office: **Maynooth Library, Main Street Maynooth, Co. Kildare. W23 ND79.**

Plans and particulars of the proposed development will also be available to view during that period on Kildare County Council's website at <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/browse> and <https://kildarecoco.ie/AllServices/Planning/Part8Schemes/> and www.gov.ie/en/consultations/

Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development and dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, may be made in writing before **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 10 January 2023 to:**

Fiona Byrne, Housing Department, Level 5, Kildare County Council, at the address below or Online:
<https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/browse>

All submissions and observations should be headed **"Part 8: Proposed Social Housing Development, Site at 352 Old Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare W23 T3Y1 and Fitzgerald Close, Maynooth, Co. Kildare Ref No. P82022.10"**.

All comments, including names of those making comments, submitted to the Council regarding this scheme will form part of the statutorily required report to be presented at a meeting of the elected members. Accordingly, they will also be included in the minutes of that meeting and may appear in the public domain.

Please note that the data collected from this consultation will be shared by Kildare County Council with their consultants.

Any information which you submit via Kildare County Council's websites will be treated with the highest standards of security and confidentiality, strictly in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018.

Please refer to the Privacy Statement included with the plans and particulars of the proposed development and to the Kildare County Council Public Consultation Portal Privacy Policy.

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