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# HIGHLIGHTING LOCAL BUSINESS & ENTERPRISE NEWS

## SPUDS: €62.5M CONTRACT

### Country Crest and Tesco Ireland renew 20-year potato partnership

COUNTRY Crest, the south Co Dublin fourth generation agri-business led by Gabriel and Michael Hoey, will continue to grow and pack all Tesco own brand fresh potatoes, onions and sweet potatoes for Tesco Ireland. The agreement, until September 2022, will see Tesco source over 35,000 tonnes of fresh produce annually from Country Crest. Employing more than 100 people at its production, packing divisions and more directly from a further 20 farming families across Ireland, the agreement will see Country Crest supply:

- Almost 30,000 tonnes of potatoes sourced on a yearly basis including Beeties, Maria Pige, Queens, organic, baby varieties and signature Tesco Crest® varieties.
- Almost 5,000 tonnes of onions including varieties including brown, red and shallots.
- Over 1,000 tonnes of sweet potatoes concentrating on the Covington variety.
- Joe Manning, commercial director, Tesco Ireland, said: "We're delighted to continue our support for

Irish producers with this new contract with Country Crest which will give confidence to potato growers nationwide during what is a challenging time for the sector. We've walked with Gabriel and Michael and the team for over twenty years. They are well known for their passion for authentic, innovation and delivering the best quality produce for our customers.

While the Covid-19 pandemic has been challenging for everyone, the team at Country Crest have worked hard to meet to increase in demand for potatoes. They've weathered the late means that planting and sowing has gone well, and new season crops are on target. This should see us deliver consistent quality potatoes to stores and online by mid-late May. We look forward to delivering on this with the help of Country Crest," he concluded.

Commenting on the deal, Country Crest Director, Gabriel Hoey, said "We are delighted to be able to extend and further strengthen our supply partnership with Tesco Ireland. This offers



### Doggy distancing in the park

GOLDEN Retrievers Heidi aged 9 on the left, The Daxi and Sanny on the right aged 2 | His Sord checking out the freshly painted 2 metre distance signs in Marlay Park this week.

### Small Firms Association calls for greater supports to get small firms reboot ready

THE Small Firms Association (SFA) has today launched a new policy paper entitled, *Moving the Economy Forward After COVID-19* (below). The paper highlights the growing concern amongst small businesses that more needs to be done by Government to support small businesses as this is a significant loss of income – should be able to access COVID-19 cash flow and liquidity measures as quickly and efficiently as possible.

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## ACTION PLAN: FRAMEWORK FOR REOPENING

### Businesses call for 'burden sharing' as city reopens



Dublin Town has published a five-point action plan to support the reopening of the city centre in a phased, controlled and safe way.

The collective voice of Ireland's businesses wants a framework for phased reopening set out to ensure the safety of both customers and staff.

Its CEO Richard Guiney said: "As restrictions begin to lift and footfall increases, the health of people must be the first and foremost concern."

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## €250m grant scheme opens

THE new €250m Restart Grant scheme opens for applications this Friday 22 May through local authorities.

Grant is given in aid of between €2,000 and €10,000 is available to micro and small businesses to help them offset costs of reopening and reemploying workers followed by Covid-19 closures.

Businesses with a turnover of less than €10m and employing 50 employees or less, which were closed or impacted by at least a 25% reduction in turnover qualify.

The grants will be calculated based on commercial rates B10 from 2019. Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation, Heather Humphreys TD, said: "I am acutely aware of the difficulties facing small businesses during these challenging times."

"The Restart Grant is designed to help small businesses get back on their feet. The grant can be used to defray ongoing fixed costs for expenses needed to ensure employee and customer safety."

"These are small grants but they can make a big difference in terms of giving businesses an extra helping hand to open their doors again."

Further details from Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council, South Dublin County Council and Dun Laoghaire/Rathfarnham County Council.

## INSPECTORS: BUSINESS SUPPORT

### Covid compliance officers needed to support firms

THE Association of Compliance Officers (ACCO) has today urged the Government to support firms with compliance and Covid-related projects.

ACCO says the workforce and business might struggle to navigate the new working landscape in the absence of social distancing will be the norm.

The professional body, which has over 1,000 members nationwide, believe that Covid Compliance Officers may well need to become commonplace – if only temporarily – to ensure business compliance with Government guidelines.

Michael Kavanagh, CEO of the ACCO, said: "While there have been rumblings that we may be ending closer to opening the country up for business again, it is widely accepted that rather than preparing for 'life after Covid' we will have to set ourselves up for 'life under Covid'."

"This means businesses will have to adapt and change according to what the relevant authorities advise. Organisations will have to adhere to strict rules to ensure we hold our ground in the fight against the spread of the disease."

"In order to do this, employees and management will need to know exactly what they have to do. Inevitably, one person, or even a team of people, depending on the size of the organisation, should be tasked with ensuring compliance in this regard."

It is thinking is in line with proposals issued at the weekend by Business Minister Heather Humphreys which call for a dedicated team of staff to oversee social distancing and other protocols.

"No 'knowing continuity' each workplace, someone will have to assess new employees and ensure they are compliant with the rules and regulations such as maintaining a two-metre distance from colleagues and other customers, and maintaining the level of face-to-face interaction."

"This will need to happen, preferably, before businesses reopen and employees return to work."

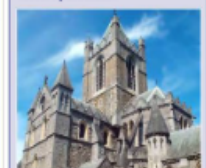
In the face of a vastly altered landscape, the ACCO says the primary challenge being encountered by businesses are increased data protection while working from home and cyber-crime.

Mr Kavanagh said: "Our members have already had to act quickly to ensure that new business models and organisational structures protect people and comply with the rules and regulations already in place."

The ACCO is advising businesses and organisations that are preparing to reopen and have concerns around compliance to consult with the National Standards Authority and the Health and Safety Authorities – both of which are providing guides and information to those who require it.

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### Christ Church Cathedral – Living History

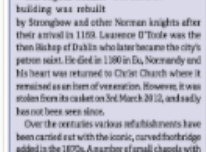
The old phrase about being "steeped in history" certainly applies to Christ Church Cathedral. Like no other building in Dublin, when you realise that its foundation took place less than twenty years before the birth of Christ, that it is over a thousand years of history. What is being?

The original wooden building was rebuilt by Strongbow and other Norman knights after their arrival in 1109. Laurence O'Toole was the first Bishop of Dublin who later became the city's patron saint. In 1309, St. Norbury and his heart was returned to Christ Church where it remained as a relic of veneration. However, it was stolen from its cabinet on 3rd March 2012, and today has not been seen since.

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### Irish Illustrator features

A piece from Dublin born illustrator's Shane Good News' series was featured on global news this morning. Against a backdrop of scary statistics and a seemingly endless stream of bad news, Dublin illustrator Shane Harrison started a 'Shane Good News' series from his home studio with the aim of looking the liffey to keep herself occupied and creative, and to spread positive stories during this time.

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### MANDATE: ALMOST 1,000 LOST THEIR JOBS

## Trade union calls for liquidators to prioritise Debenhams staff



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Following the decision to liquidate the department store chain, the union has urged liquidators to prioritise staff in the event of a company liquidation.

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**RBK**

“We are in close contact with the company and will remain so over the forthcoming process.”

## BRINGING THE STYLE

## FASHION

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## A GUIDE TO TEMPTING FOOD AND LOCATIONS

## TRAVEL

### Holidays with your own private pool



### Travel bubbles offer lifeline to crippled tourism industry



### Gavin James and the evolution of the concert



Last week, superstar Gavin James announced a series of live performances in the form of 'Series of' concerts. James is a huge name, perhaps more so than many in Ireland, and he's been playing the guitar since he was 12. The album has his own special character, and it's not just because he's a singer-songwriter, but because he's a musician who's always been there for his fans.

### "I wouldn't be a musician or a writer if it wasn't for The Liberties" - Imelda



JAMES HENDICOTT  
Gavin James and his new album 'The Liberties' is a love letter to the Liberties area of Dublin. It's a place that has shaped his life and his music. He talks about the area's history and how it has influenced his work as a musician and a writer.

## WHAT'S BIG IN MUSIC, CINEMA, TV AND BOOKS ENTERTAINMENT

### TV: MARIANNE IS A CHARACTER IN THE HIT SHOW

### Dublin vintage store dresses Normal People's Marianne



The owner of a vintage store on Dublin's Stoney Street has revealed why she has an added fan for watching the TV hit 'Normal People'. She says that the show's fashion is what drew her in, and she's been able to help recreate Marianne's look for the series.

## WHAT'S BIG IN MUSIC, CINEMA, TV AND BOOKS ENTERTAINMENT

### 8 affordable ways to stay busy during shutdown



With many people staying at home during the COVID-19 shutdown, it's important to find ways to stay busy and entertained. Here are eight affordable ideas to help you make the most of your time at home.



# WITH A COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITY



## Turning the urgent NEED for Covid-19 signage into a good DEED for Barnardos

ALAN Bannon set up AS Signs in 1997 but is now adapting to the new normal here in Ireland with fast, informative and cost-effective Covid-19 signage solutions through [www.covid19signageandcreens.com](http://www.covid19signageandcreens.com). He was moved by the plight of charities like Barnardos, and is donating a portion of his proceeds from construction signs to the children's charity.

**GALLERIES OF THE WEEK**

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The Jack & Jill Children's Foundation was set up in 1997 by Jonathan Irwin and his wife Mary Ann O'Brien, in memory of their son Jack who suffered a brain trauma shortly after birth that left him developmentally delayed and shattered the dreams and hopes of his parents.

The name Jack & Jill has its origins in the nursery rhyme Jack & Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of Water; Jack fell down and broke his crown and Jill came tumbling after. The reference to crown or head is synonymous with brain trauma or injury and Jack & Jill rolls off the tongue easily.

Who knew that a little boy called Jack would have such a big impact.

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- 80% of our Facebook audience are 35+



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- We use Twitter to promote individual stories, while directing people to the digital edition

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## DIGITAL EDITION

### Advertising Opportunities

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Visitors

46%



54%



Phone Users

41%



32%



# DUBLIN DIGITAL EDITION ADVERTISING FORMATS

## Ads

The first ad is for 'Priority Access for Over 60's' featuring a woman in a yellow shirt and a list of benefits. The second ad is for 'SuperValu' with the headline 'Margaret, 100, greets great grandson through window' and includes a photo of an elderly woman and a SuperValu store.

## Advertorials

The advertorial is titled 'Leaving them bee!' and features a large image of a bee on a purple flower. The text discusses beekeeping and includes several smaller images of bees and gardens.

## Competitions

The competition ad is for 'an post' and features a green background with the text 'an post' in white. It offers 'five €1000 One-Off gift cards to give away to five lucky readers.' and includes a 'CLICK HERE TO ENTER' button.

## Classifieds

The classifieds page is titled 'DUBLIN GAZETTE CLASSIFIED' and contains various small advertisements for services like 'Business's Welfare & Home Support Services' and 'Hiring'.

## Reader Offers

The reader offer page features two main offers: 'Dome Events Shelter' for €166.00 and 'Garden Kneeler' for €34.00. It includes images of the products and their descriptions.

## Car Advertising

The car advertisement is for the 'All-New ŠKODA KAMIQ An SUV For The Masses' and features a large image of the car and a woman's portrait. The text describes the car's features and includes a 'New Car!' badge.

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Half Page Advert	170x265mm or 643x1002px	€625 + VAT
25X4 Page Advert	250x150mm or 945 x 567px	€700 + VAT
Quarter Page Advert	170x112mm or 643x423px	€475 + VAT
Front Page Strip	80X265mm or 302x1002px	€700 + VAT
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At Woodie's, Thursdays have always been for our over 60s, and now is no different. For all other shoppers it may take a little longer than normal to gain access to our stores so please bear with us. We have all of the tools in place to ensure the safety of customers and we ask that you follow the direction of our colleagues at all times.

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### EXPECTING: LYNCH ADDRESSED THE AUDIENCE

## Dublin's WWE star delivers live announcement



**FAST News**  
**Ballymun loan approved**  
Dublin city councillors have approved €2.8 million in borrowing to fund the construction of a facility in Ballymun for outdoor staff and equipment, following a COVID response in the cost of the project.

**Calls for adequate transport**  
LABOUR CLP James Murphy says is calling for plans to ensure sufficient and reliable public transportation to service the outer suburbs in the post-lockdown phase.

**WWE star Becky Lynch announced that she is pregnant during an episode of Monday Night Raw broadcast live in the States earlier this week.**

Having been absent from the ring for the past month, the Dubliner explained to viewers that the reason she has been laying low is because she is expecting her first child with fellow wrestler Seth Rollins.

Speaking in an empty arena due to the COVID-19 crisis, the 35-year-old from Bayville unpublished her now-famous 'I'm pregnant' announcement in a live broadcast on the WWE network in Dublin.

Becky told the camera: "I walked through these doors in 2013 and I didn't know anybody here, and I didn't know if I was good enough to be here."

"Somewhere along the line I learned that [Becky] did use and sound much like that they put me on their shoulders and put me into history. Through injury and through it was the fans who stood up for me and had my back. That is why the fans and you at home deserve to hear this from me first—that I have to go away for a while."

Becky said she is pregnant with her second child, a son, and that she is excited to be a mother. An emotional Becky then said "I love you guys" to the camera as she made her way backstage.

Nicknamed 'The Man', the flame-haired fighter has become a massive star across the Atlantic and is now up there with the biggest names on the WWE roster. She and Rollins announced their engagement in August of last year, but four months after she was the former all-female headline match at WWE Greatest, in which she defeated Bianca Belair and Charlotte Flair in a Triple Threat best.

### Dublin City Council COVID-19 Community Call Helpline

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## Reopening Business Getting Ireland Back to Work—Safely

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted our communities and our businesses, but now - thanks to your patience and sacrifice - we're looking ahead to a careful, phased reopening of our country. National and local government, State agencies and representatives of employers and employees have worked together so that businesses can resume, safely and effectively.

There are four pathways to help get your business back on its feet:

- 1 Phased Return to Business**  
There is a guidance roadmap in place for general business reopening. In five phases - beginning on 18th May, with different starting dates for different business sectors and almost entirely by choice based on health advice at the time.
- 2 Staying Safe, Staying Healthy**  
Employers and Employees - create a business version of the full advice contained in Return to Work Safely Protocol available at Gov.ie  
As an Employer there are 10 key areas that must be covered, for example:  
- Provide training on new work practices and hygiene  
- Make sure you are getting your own health and safety training from the workplace a better time, with support of COVID-19  
- Make sure your customers are safe  
- As an Employee there are 10 things you can do to help yourself and your colleagues stay safe and healthy  
- Monitor your own wellbeing  
- Report any changes in your condition, develop at work
- 3 Financial Supports**  
There is a wide range of financial supports available through Local Enterprise Office, Enterprise Ireland, MicroFinance Ireland and other agencies to help with cashflow, payroll, working capital and long term investment - for example:  
- COVID-19 Trading Online Grants up to €5,000  
- Supporting Overall Fund  
- COVID-19 Business Financial Planning Grants  
- Restart grants up to €10,000  
- Three month commercial rates waiver  
- Winding-up of tax liabilities  
- Phase 2 JobSolutions  
- Loan Business Continuity grants  
- COVID-19 low cost Business Loans  
- COVID-19 Online Retail Scheme  
- Leases  
- COVID-19 Working Capital Loans through the banking sector
- 4 Advice & Guidance**  
If your business model needs to change, the national network of 31 Local Enterprise Offices and other relevant State agencies can help through:  
- Mentoring to help businesses (and EIS) immediate challenges and solutions. Mentors are business owners or managers providing practical, useful advice and guidance.  
- Online training to develop the skills to start your business through the Challenge Sites.

**Remember** - the best way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 is to use proper hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette, and practice social distancing.

Please stay the course—help make the return to work safe and effective—and please pay close attention to the health guidelines. For more information go to [gov.ie/business](http://gov.ie/business)

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**COLLABORATION: TRANS-ATLANTIC TEAM UP**

## Dublin encounter leads to memoir by authors living 6,000 miles apart

TWO authors living on different continents have said how they formed an unlikely collaboration after meeting at a conference in Dublin.

British writer Vicki FitzGerald and acclaimed US author MG Cristel joined forces to create an inspirational, bi-annual memoir journal entitled Still Standing.

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Still Standing follows Vicki's childhood and adulthood through poignant moments of romance, marriage, divorce, grief, depression, betrayal, loss, multiple suicide attempts, and a near-fatal infection.

"Call it fate or the luck of the Irish," said Cristel, "when Vicki and I first met in Dublin, I discovered behind Vicki's cheery mask sat a world of self-doubt wrapped in a fragile, mile-center-life."

"I suggested her story, told correctly, could touch people's hearts, perhaps even offer some life lessons without being preachy."

At the time the memoirs of two women were being pitched to publishers, "I was reluctant to share my darkest moments with the world on a mental illness isn't something that is openly discussed, much less with strangers."

"But for some reason my return from near-death, could be described as a book of secrets and revelations."

Vicki was 28 when her most world-crushed. Her marital compass - her beloved grandfather-died suddenly, leaving Vicki

disposed and in mourning. Despite a series of poor choices in men and life, by 24, Vicki had built a career as a noted crime reporter, wife, and mother.

But a successful disaster and her life descended into bitter family upheaval, leading to multiple suicide attempts. In Still Standing, Vicki lays her heart bare and shares the pivotal moments of her life - depression, grief, heartache, trauma, dragging, and suicide.

According to the co-authors, they discovered the joys of connecting Vicki's life into a purposeful literary work required a successful negotiation, an unbelievable willingness to collaborate, endless rewrites, and unrelenting.

The International Review of Books called Still Standing "inspirational, candid, a towering read, filled with bitter-sweet lessons learned."

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### MARY LOU: CORONAVIRUS TEST

## Sinn Fein leader tests positive for Covid-19

SINN Féin President Mary Lou McDonald confirmed on Tuesday that she'd tested positive for Covid-19, but was no longer infectious.

In a statement the Dublin TD thanked everyone who has sent their good wishes over the past number of weeks and said she will be back at work next Monday.

She said: "Yesterday afternoon, (Monday) I received a positive diagnosis for Covid-19 having been tested on Saturday, 28 March.

"The public health doctor informs me that I am no longer infectious and this is a great relief after weeks of being very unwell."

"I had a setback in my recovery at the weekend and developed post-viral phlegm in my right hand. I am on medication and



Mary Lou McDonald

responding very well, and I fully expect to be back at work next Monday.

"My thoughts and solidarity are with everyone who is sick at this time, and my gratitude is with our doctors, nurses, GPs and everyone who looks after us."

"My sympathy is with every bereaved family I am brokenhearted for you."



## Novi surprises Mater Hospital staff with Easter egg delivery

STUDENT nurse Health & Life, Mater Circles Day Unit, with Karen O'Connell, sales and services coordinator manager at Novi, and Mark Byrne, Novi, when the team of Novi staff delivered the eggs to the staff at the Mater Hospital, Dublin, as a show of gratitude for their continued efforts in tackling the outbreak of COVID-19 in Ireland. Novi, which provides IT support services to the Mater Hospital, delivered the eggs to help the hospital's busy nurses, doctors and other healthcare staff who may find it difficult to visit shops and celebrate the Easter holidays with family this year.

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### HISTORICAL: COUNCIL ACT FAST TO SECURE SITE

## Skeletal remains found in popular Swords park

FINGALS County Council has acted quickly to secure the site where historical skeletal remains were discovered in a Swords park last week.

Locals out walking in Blue Valley were alerted to see the exposed remains on the banks of the Wood River, known locally as the Lick.

The council has issued a notice to members of the public to adhere to Government guidelines after concerns were raised about a lack of social distancing in the vicinity of the find.

Christine Baker said: "The site where the remains were found is a recorded monument and archaeologists from the National Museum to further excavate the skeletons therein 1990."

"These were medieval Irish and Norman burials which caused archaeological excavations to be required. These remains and the site have the potential to provide valuable insights for archaeologists and historians when a full study can be done."

Due to Covid-19 concerns the site cannot be excavated and has been secured until such time as this is possible. The

archaeological site of interest.

She has also directed community archaeology excavations at Boreale Castle, Boreale Castle, and the Drogheda Promenade Park.

The site has been secured by Fingal County Council Operations team.



Swords site where skeletal remains found closed for excavation

**Sheep farmer becomes overnight internet star**

AN online video of hill farmer Doris Anderson skilfully cutting his hair using only a pair of traditional sheep shears has gone viral on social media. Footage captures Doris shearing his ewe's wool that he's talking to his two sheepdogs, Bob and Jess, after he was forced to replace a clip to the barbers with a DIT job in the farmyard.

Affectionately referred to as "the dog whisperer", Doris is a hill farmer in the Dublin Mountains, just a stone's throw from the capital city. Raising and farming on the open hills of Glenside, he is renowned for his passion and his associated with traditional sheep farming, something he was recognised for in 2019 when he was included in a notable practice to the much-coveted National Inventory of the Public Cultural Heritage.

Video Link: <https://www.facebook.com/doris.anderson.videos/297388896127818/>

Doris and his Sheepdogs

Doris shears his hair

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We are inviting you to review our current plans which are available on our website [www.coillte.ie](http://www.coillte.ie) and submit your views and recommendations during Phase 1. This public consultation period runs from Monday 23rd March 2020 until Friday 29th May 2020 (10 weeks). Submissions may be sent by email to [consultation@coillte.ie](mailto:consultation@coillte.ie) or by post to:-

Mt Sharon Byrne, Coillte, First Floor, Block B, Marlinstown Office Park, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath.

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Baby Daniel with his parents and great granny Margaret

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## Design Innovation in Plastics 2020 finalists await results

### Two Dublin students among final six

Six student finalists including two from TU Dublin have presented their newly created products on the shores of Dublin Bay to a panel of judges at the finals of the Design Innovation in Plastics (DIP) competition, 2020.

The judges had previously whittled down the original submitted entry of over 100 to a final six, and given each student a chance to refine their product before making their final presentation.

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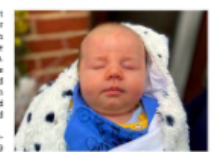
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### NINE-STORY: RESIDENTS' GROUP BATTLING PLANS

## Challenge to apartments at St Anne's Park permitted

A RESIDENTS' group has challenged an early development at St Anne's Park in Raheny have been given the go-ahead to challenge the decision.

An Bord Pleanála gave the green light in February for a complex of 677 units on park land after plans were submitted via the fast-track Strategic Housing system last October.

But a week-long campaign opposed to the scheme was successful in their High Court action, which they described as "a little gemstone" in the law.

The group - Clontarf Residents' Association, 1 Lower St Anne's Lane, Enniscorthy - said it lodged court papers.

The court determined that An Bord Pleanála failed to "conduct an appropriate assessment" in accordance with the Habitats Directive for the development on the St Paul's playing fields.

Following the decision, 124 one-bed units and 50 three-bed units were allowed to be built on the site.



St Anne's park

### McDonald's announce more reopenings

McDonald's has announced further reopenings that will happen in the six already up and running in Dublin.

These include Donaghadee Shopping Centre, Avonbeg Road Park, Swords, Millfield Shopping Centre, Balbriggan, and Ballynascally.

New procedures to enable safe working and social distancing means things may take a little longer - and high demand is anticipated.

### Lord Mayor thanks people of China for donating 20,000 face masks

Lord Mayor Thomas Bewley of China for donating 20,000 face masks.

"The Lord Mayor of Dublin Tom Bewley has accepted a donation of 20,000 face masks on behalf of the people of Dublin from the Chinese Ambassador to Ireland He Kangkang.

Dublin City Council collected the masks from the Chinese Embassy in Dublin on Tuesday morning.

"I want to thank Ambassador He and the people of China for their generous donation," said the Lord Mayor.

"Very few parts of the world have been left untouched by Covid-19 and it's important that we all support each other where possible. More than 18,000 people have been infected in Dublin and many of those people live in Dublin."

The masks were donated by Changsha, the capital city of Hunan Province in China.

"We are delighted to see that both of our countries have made significant achievements in the battle against the Covid-19 pandemic," said Ambassador He Kangkang. He added, "Nevertheless, more efforts are needed to win the final victory in the battle. The further away Dublin's fight the Chinese Embassy would like to donate 20,000 masks to the city of Dublin. Dublin City Council has not yet decided how best to use the masks."

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### Dell continue Barnardos partnership

Dell Technologies has committed to extending its partnership with Barnardos for two more years helping the organisation to continue its vital work to support vulnerable children and families in Ireland. Over the past three years it support has led to the provision of 33,000 hours of family support, 540,000 meals for children, and support for 1,800 children in Barnardos programmes.

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### ATM: SERIES OF STEALTH ATTACKS

## Jailed for ATM frauds

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**“The bank account is not debited because the thieves ‘trick’ the ATM”**

A man who has committed thefts in eight European cities has been jailed for a series of stealth attacks on cash machines which caused nearly €12,000 in damage.

Keanan James Jones (34) was part of a group of men who targeted ATMs using “stealth” devices known as “cash skimmers”, which occur when someone inserts a card into the machine and the thief uses an instrument to remove the card, arranging and shutting down the ATM.

The bank account is not debited because the thieves “trick” the ATM into deciding the customer has withdrawn.

The attacks involved two stages, the first using a lightweight “chip and pin” card to make a small cash withdrawal. When the cash drawer opens to give out the cash, the thief puts an implement like a clip into the shutter of the cash flow.



At this stage the thief quickly swishes the card for a dummy card, making the machine think the card is valid. The customer has withdrawn off without their card, the court heard.

The machine accordingly does not debit the bank account of the customer and attempts to recover the cash from the perpetrator. The clip placed into the shutter prevents this from happening and the thief uses a second tool to break into the drawer and take the cash.

Since June 2016 previous convictions for similar offending. These offences took place in London, Copenhagen, Madrid, Paris, Barcelona as well as in cities in Italy, the Czech Republic and Romania.

He was given 18 months in prison through CCTV footage and sentenced to three years in jail.

### FALLING

## Property sales hit bottom

The spring of 2020 has seen the lowest property sales in three years with sales in Dublin falling by over seven per cent.

A report by a study reveals that a total of 15,341 properties were sold nationwide from January to April this year, down 6.6% from 2019 when 16,302 were sold. However, it is the lowest figure recorded in the January to April period since 2011 when 15,025 units were sold.

Dublin has seen a fall in activity with the number of sales in the capital decreasing by 7.2% in comparison to last year. Managing Director of MyHome.ie, Eoin Keegan said that Dublin uncertainty had an impact on property sales last year and that this has been compounded by the pandemic this year.

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## Tea in Every Home



ATE was born in 1990 and since then we have been helping to support people with dementia and their family carers and have been in Every Home with their friends and loved ones on the phone or online to mark the first anniversary of the first day which takes place across Ireland on Thursday, 29 May, Alzheimer's Tea Day. The ATE's support and services have been in place for 30 years since every year this year, but the traditional event has now been cancelled because of Covid-19 and the need to keep people safe and apart - leaving around 430,000 of public generosity.

The ATE has listened to concerns of people with dementia and family carers who have been feeling isolated in their own homes and many people have contacted The ATE about Tea Day - and thanks to the wisdom of modern technology we are delighted that a Virtual Tea Day can take place.

The ATE wants people to raise some together virtually to celebrate, remember and show solidarity with people with dementia. Our carers and the 500,000 people who are impacted by dementia in Ireland.

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