

Naomh Padraig Estate Residents' Association

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Hello, and for those new to our Estate, **Welcome!!!**

The Residents' Association has recently elected the latest officers, who are willing to act on your behalf with any questions, queries, comments or concerns. One of the best ways to service the Naomh Padraig Estate is with a newsletter. Naturally we encourage you to attend our Res.Assoc.Meetings when they arise, but if you can't this bulletin will inform you on different matters that have cropped up.

In the meanwhile we wish you a very happy and healthy summer!

STONES, STONES, STONES

There are a lot of stones in Naomh Padraig, and they have become a real pain. We are asking the County Council to please pave the edges of the back green to eliminate this problem.

The trouble is two-fold: it is difficult to cut the grass with these stones all over the place. It's dangerous for the workers and it ruins the blades on the machines. The reason the stones get on the green is because people have been parking on the stoney path and when the cars leave the stones fly everywhere. We would ask all residents and their guests to

STOP PARKING ON THE STONEY PATH. Please remember that there is plenty of parking around the green and in front of the Estate.

The second problem is the anti-social behaviour of throwing stones at people's houses and windows.

THIS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

If you see this happening please contact us ASAP. We will contact the gardai.

The County Council Res. Assoc. Grants

Leitrim County Council awards annual grants of €600.00 to estates for the insurance, maintenance and towards whatever we see fit. Currently we are waiting for the 2012 grant to arrive. Once that happens we will have to pay some debts - as you know, FAS provides us with workers to cut the lawns, but we have to pay for the petrol for their machines. Also we have to pay the Public Liability Insurance.

We will have a bit of money left over, plus whatever is collected with the garden equipment rentals. We can do with this money as we see fit and we'd be delighted to take suggestions.

A Big Thank You to our FAS Workers for their Trojan work and Co-operation.

Our Gardening Gear

As you know, our garden shed was relocated last year. Power equipment is available for rental by the residents: lawnmower, strimmer and power washer. But unfortunately they have all been out of action for a while now.

The mower was in a bad way, but the good news is that it's now ready for use again after a much-needed service.

We hope the strimmer will also be back in use soon.

Many thanks to Gary for all the great work.

We will also be purchasing some safety equipment which must accompany the use of the machines in future.

Rental of the machines remains at €2.00 per item.

This summer we would like to erect a trellis with climbing plants at the side of the shed to brighten it up, and act as a pleasant deterrent to vandalism. We also hope to add a small ramp to make accessing the mower a bit easier.

There has been a terrific suggestion that in August we organize a

Naomh Padraig Family Fun Day Barbeque & Picnic

This will be a lovely way to say hello to our neighbours, have a bit of craic, possibly a raffle and enjoy our great estate. A suggestion was made that we include a bit of a market or a swap shop and of course there'll be games for all the children (and the adults!). Naturally we all have different dietary considerations which must be honoured and then there's the weather (hahaha) so

On Tuesday 17th July we'll meet at the Enterprise Centre to discuss it further, but let's talk about it amongst ourselves and see how we can get this going. (If you know anyone who can lend us a marquee or two, talk to them now!!)



Leitrim Residents' Associations Network

Several residents of Naomh Padraig regularly attend monthly meetings of the Leitrim Residents' Association Network, which are held round the county. The Network discusses issues of relevance to all the estates, and will take problems to the Council on residents' behalf. Jim Penders from Dromahair is the Chairperson, and Bernie Donoghue from Leitrim Development Co. is the Secretary.

The next meeting is in Mohill, on Thursday 12th July at 8 pm.

Anyone from Naomh Padraig is welcome to attend

New Residents' Association Officers:

Eileen O'Toole was elected Chairperson
Helen Witts was elected Treasurer.

The Office of Secretary still needs to be filled.
It is understood that the Secretary can be divided between two people.

We hope we will have some volunteers by our next meeting!
Please let us know if you are interested in the position.

Contact Numbers for the Naomh Padraig Residents' Association & enquiries about the Garden Power Tools

Eileen: 086-1565447
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Thanks to all who attended the Naomh Padraig AGM

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All Welcome!

A Big THANK YOU
to Bernie Donoghue
from Leitrim
Development Co. for all
your help.

And thank you to all of
the past officers who did
their best on behalf on
the Naomh Padraig Res.
Assoc.