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What's Happening on the Site

BAM do not expect the site to be back to full complement of staff (1200) until after the New Year if at all. Currently there are 700 workers on site and this includes 120 office staff.

At the end of September the North Road entrance (the footpath through the hospital) should be in operation, this gate is planned to accommodate 600 workers a day entering and leaving in staggered shifts to minimise danger. Heat detectors are also installed at all entrance points to the site and the site will operate as two separate sites with limited cross over.

In terms of building progress, the covid crisis obviously has had an impact of completion targets , work continues.

The Rialto entrance to the children's Hospital will be finished by December of this year and

much to the relief of residents at the current entrance points, Gate 3 will be replaced by this new gate which will be deeper in site thereby reducing the disturbances experienced by residents adjacent to the this entrance. The majority of lorries entering and exiting the site have moved through this gate contrary to the original plan.

All the windows are in the "fingers" along the southern and western side of the hospitals, overlooking SCR and James Walk .

The roof garden level is due to be completed by Christmas along with the external cladding of the "fingers " and scaffolding is due to be removed by year end.

Live Calendar of Work Notices

Check the RAG website for all BAM published work notices

[Calendar of Work Notices](#)

Linear Park

The Linear Park consultation process continues with the publication of a draft plan incorporating people's suggestions and concerns.



The findings of the report can be viewed and full report downloaded from [here](#)



Figure 1 Looking towards Basin Lane

Some concern has been expressed at the Council undermining the process by commencing Phase 1, the entrance to the MISA Hospital at the Fatima Luas Stop before coming back to the full group. This has been particularly the case for residents at that end of the park who had expressed views and concerns that they are not sure have been heard.

DCC have agreed to come back with specific feedback on the consultation phase within the next two weeks.

We have been informed that Phase 1 can commence because DCC has a budget for it as it was part of the cost of building MISA, the entrance. However there does not appear to be any budget set aside by DCC for the Linear Park in spite of over 8 million being paid to DCC by the hospital as part of the Development Contribution Scheme .

Contribution Levy Scheme

The Linear Park experience does raise the question about the DCC Development Contribution Scheme particularly in the light of the planned development that is due to take place in the area.

Currently the monies go into a central pot and DCC decides what gets spent where. There is a however a case to be made that when monies are raised on development in particular areas that some of the monies raised should remain in the that area to specifically mitigate the

impact of that development on the community surrounding it.

RAG are seeking a meeting with local public representatives to discuss this issue and to see if the current practice can be amended .

Parking

After the quietness of the lock down the residents in areas surrounding the hospital were once again finding themselves overrun by cars and vans servicing the site parking in the “free zones” many of the vehicles arriving from 5:30 in the morning with workers sitting in cars waiting for the site to open.

The Rialto Residents along with the 4 Terraces Residents group are engaged with DCC to introduce Pay and Display schemes in their areas as one measure to address the parking situation.

The behaviour of people parking many of whom are workers on the site is also an issue, most of the houses in the area don't have gardens and therefore cars are parked right up against people homes.

Gate Five

Gate 5 on Mount Brown has continued to be a source of residents concerns about the health and safety practice at the gate.



The picture above was taken on the 15th of September and it shows a lorry reversing onto the road with no road marshals present.

It was pointed out by BAM that this lorry should not have been there, it was a supplier trying to gain access and could not because they were not expected.

BAM at the last RMC meeting detailed the gate 5 operations.

“All deliveries for NCH must go to Davitt Rd initially. Contact will be made with the Gateman at Gate 5, they will give the instruction to security at Davitt Rd to proceed and send on the delivery if the area is clear. Gate 5 must be kept closed and opened as required, a minimum of 24 hours notice is required if traffic marshals are required to assist with a large delivery vehicle. There is a gateman in place to monitor vehicle movements, he will not deal with traffic. There are in place to respond to requests to open the gate. There is a contact name and mobile number on all delivery dockets. Standard construction traffic can enter site at Gate 5 using a right turn giving way to normal traffic and traffic can exit at Gate 5 by yielding at Gate 5 and turning left and joining traffic flow, this traffic movement does not require attendance by Traffic Marshals. You can only exit left leaving Gate 5.”

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Community Awards

As part of the Community Benefit Fund established by BAM, a specific annual €50,000 Community Grants scheme was also set up.

The scheme is open to all groups operating in the catchment area of the hospital and the

closing date for this year's awards was at the end of March 2020.

In all 75 groups and organisations applied for a grant and 22 of these were selected to receive grants varying in size from € 200 to €7000.

The groups and organisations comprised of a national organisation, local schools sports group groups and community services.

A full list of the grants are available [here](#)

Questions and Answers

If you have any questions or issues you want raised with the NCH or the contractors in relation to the build please forward them to the e-mail address below and we will raise them at the next [Residents Monitoring Committee](#) meeting on the 22nd of October.



Residents Monitoring Committee

Thanks to Criona Ní Dhálaigh who served as councillor rep on the RMC since it started and was always an active voice for the community.

Feedback

If you are unhappy or concerned by something you see or experience as part of the construction site, please do contact the 24/7 helpline, this can relate to noise, dirt, traffic, out of hours works etc.....” **If you inform, they will reform”**



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