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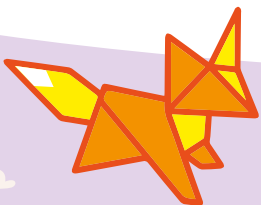
Winter Newsletter 2024



Santa Claus Is Coming To Town!

**Sunday 8th December at 3.30pm
Beckett Green, Foxrock Village**

Come early or stay late and enjoy the music, facepainters, refreshments and the wide variety of restaurants, cafés and shops.



Check out the new Foxrock website on
www.foxrock.ie

showing details of upcoming events, contact information for all village businesses and much much more!





Tullow Parish, Brighton Road




Christmas with the Sounds Ensemble band




Get in the Christmas spirit with the Sounds Ensemble! Join us for a lively performance by this 35-piece band, bringing festive tunes that will put a pep in your step. Don't miss out on this joyful celebration of the season on Sunday 30th November at 8.00pm.

This talented ensemble will be performing a delightful selection of traditional Christmas carols and enchanting melodies. You can expect to be serenaded by beautiful harmonies and heartwarming tunes that will surely put you in the Christmas spirit.

This event is in aid of the Irish Heart Foundation and all proceeds (excl. booking fee) go to the IHF to help with their lifesaving work. Tickets €20, book now on [Eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)

OTHER DATES:

15th December: 7.00pm Carols by Candlelight.
 Christmas Eve: 10.30am Carols Around the Crib – for little ones but big people welcome also.

See www.tullow.dublin.anglican.org or Tullow Parish on Facebook for weekly streamed services.



Have You Lost a Loved One?

Join us for an
 Ecumenical Service of Remembrance
 Sunday 24th November
 5pm

Have you lost someone whose memory you would like to commemorate? A family member or friend?

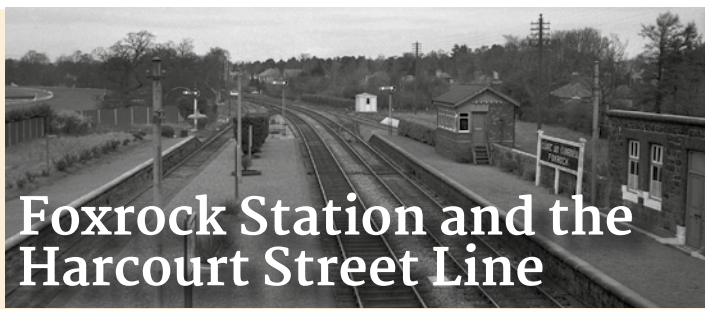
This ecumenical service is for all in the community who have lost loved ones over the years. Names of the deceased will be recorded before the start of the service and candles will be lit in their memory.

All are welcome no matter which church (or none) they would normally attend or denomination with which they would identify.



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Foxrock Station and the Harcourt Street Line

Foxrock Golf Club, Golf Lane, Torquay Road on Monday 11th November at 7.30pm

The Harcourt Street Line, which ran from Dublin City Centre to Bray, was the catalyst for the development of Foxrock. The line opened in 1854, Foxrock station in 1861, and by 1862 sites for 'mansions and pretty villas' were being advertised in the *Irish Times*. Foxrock station was regarded as one of the most important on the line which ran through what is now the village car park. This is a repeat of the talk given in August by Cathy Scuffil, Dublin City Council's Historian in Residence. Thanks to public demand, Cathy will repeat her talk for anyone who missed it. This talk is to complement the permanent photographic exhibition which is in Foxrock Village car park.

Booking essential at facefoxrock@gmail.com
€5 payable at the door.

The exhibition in the car park is a FACE/Foxrock Local History Club project co-funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council & Leopardstown Racecourse.



Foxrock Church Pastoral Centre on Monday 25th November at 7.30pm

The Beatles changed the face of music in the 1960s. This talk will cover the young Beatles growing up, the early days of the band, their development

as musicians, the significance of their music and their final breakup. Needless to say, their music will be an important part of the talk.

The speaker, William Hennigan, has had a lifelong passion for the music of the Beatles. He's a retired chartered accountant with a particular interest in classical music and choral singing. William is an engaging, experienced speaker and this, the first event organised by the Foxrock Arts Group (see below), will be a very enjoyable evening.

No need to book, €5 payable at the door.

NEW! Foxrock Arts Group

Following a very successful Bloomsday event in The Gables in June, a Foxrock Arts Group has been set up. The first event is the talk on the Beatles (see above) and the organisers are currently arranging a second event for January. The aim is to cover a broad spectrum of arts-related topics and to have gallery and other relevant visits.

If you would like to know more, please email Eamon Boylan at eamongboylan@gmail.com



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dlr TIDY DISTRICTS RESULTS



Great news! Foxrock Tidy Towns retained the Best Town/Village (population category 0-3,000) title in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Tidy Districts Competition, having won it for the first time in 2023.

Pictured above in the photograph at the presentation ceremony on 3rd October in County Hall are Gillian Kelly, Sheila Moore and Ann Ashe of Foxrock Tidy Towns with An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Jim O'Leary. The award was accompanied by a prize of €600.



Community Climate Action Programme (CCAP)

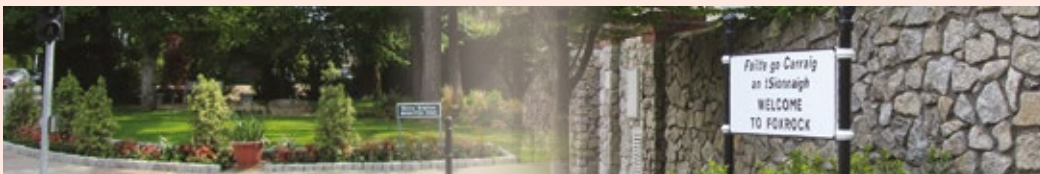


FACE successfully applied for funding for the following four projects under the above programme, supported by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council:

- ✓ Leaf mould cages (see details below)
- ✓ Community orchards
- ✓ Bicycle repair station
- ✓ Re-usable drink cups to replace single-use plastic cups

Pictured above (left to right) are Sheila Moore, Catherine Carmody, An Cathaoirleach Cllr Jim O'Leary and Ann Ashe.

SUPERVALU TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 2024



The results of the National SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition were announced on 1st November and Foxrock Tidy Towns was awarded 362 marks, up a massive 14 points on the previous year and only 24 points behind the overall winner, Ballincollig. The Adjudicator's Report included the following comments:

- 'You are all very fortunate to live in such a lovely place and residents take great pride in their area
- On the day I visited, Foxrock was litter free - try as I did to find some!
- 'Love your Lanes' project is an exciting project and the work carried out by the Muscle Team this year on Nelson's Lane was herculean

• *Concluding Remarks: I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to Foxrock and learned many new things regarding its history. Keep up the good work as you are making excellent progress in the competition'*

THANK YOU.....

To the wonderful group of Foxrock Tidy Towns volunteers, including the amazing 'Muscle Team' who undertook the clearance of Nelson's Lane and, more recently, Mart Lane.

In addition to key projects, they work tirelessly all year round to keep the area litter/weed free, cutting back overgrown hedges, grass verges, planting new shrubs etc. etc. to ensure we all live in an attractive and well-maintained environment.

Leaf Mould Cages



The installation of leaf mould cages by Foxrock Tidy Towns, the first of the four CCAP projects (see above), has already been completed on The Thicket, Joyce Avenue and the village car park. The cages have a base underneath to ensure that nothing can grow/get into them and only fallen leaves are put in which must be very wet.

They are sealed with lids and, as the cages only contain leaves with no nutrients, they do not attract rodents etc. It takes approximately two years for the leaves to compost on their own to produce a lovely weed-free mulch. Sincere thanks to residents who have supported the installation of these cages.

AGE-FRIENDLY BUSINESS ACCREDITATION

FACE is delighted to announce that the majority of businesses in the village have successfully achieved 'Age-Friendly Business Accreditation'. This follows a process which involved participating in a workshop, developing four special actions to ensure their business is welcoming to older people, and completing these steps which are reviewed by a 'secret shopper'.

The businesses will receive their certificates at a special presentation in The Gables on 25th November by An Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Jim O'Leary and the Chief Executive of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Frank Curran. Thanks to the exceptional contribution by

these businesses to achieve their individual accreditation, FACE has applied for Foxrock village to be acknowledged as the first 'Age-Friendly' village in the county – this status is pending.

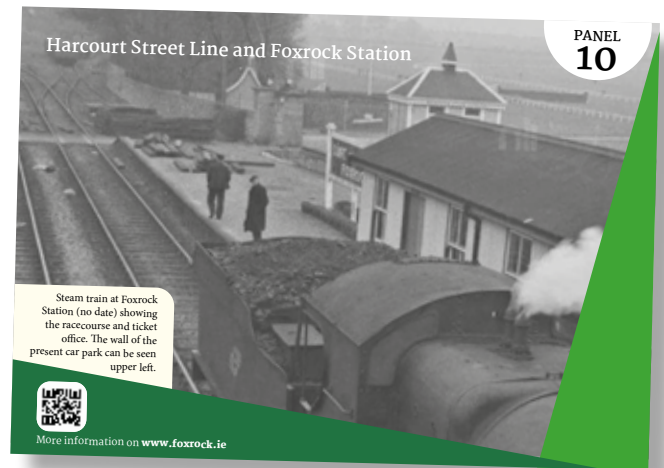
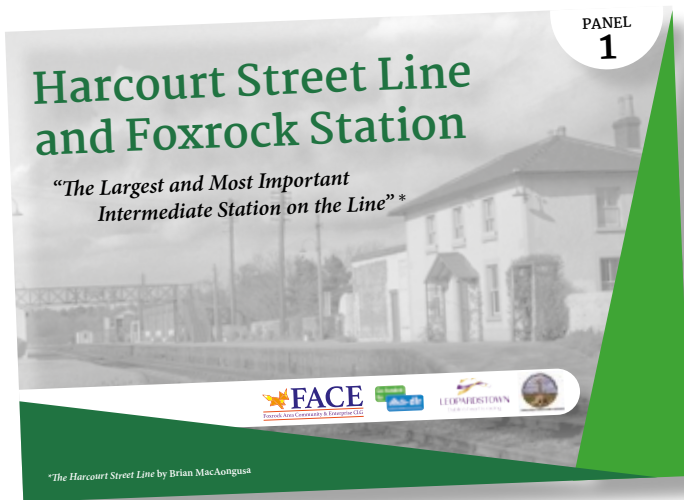
The approved businesses include Brighton Road Bistro, Cassini Boutique, Fagan Motors, Grumps, Hunters Estate Agent, Kerb, Pure Pharmacy, Sherry Fitzgerald, Texaco-Centra, The Gables, The Scarlet Heifer, Thomas's of Foxrock, and Toner Solicitors.

The project was supported by the installation by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council of two Age-Friendly car spaces for older people who wish to park



outside shops in the village rather than the car park. Whilst there is no enforcement in relation to these spaces, it is appreciated that residents are leaving them free for use by those who benefit from this accessibility to the village retailers.

Harcourt Street Line and Foxrock Village

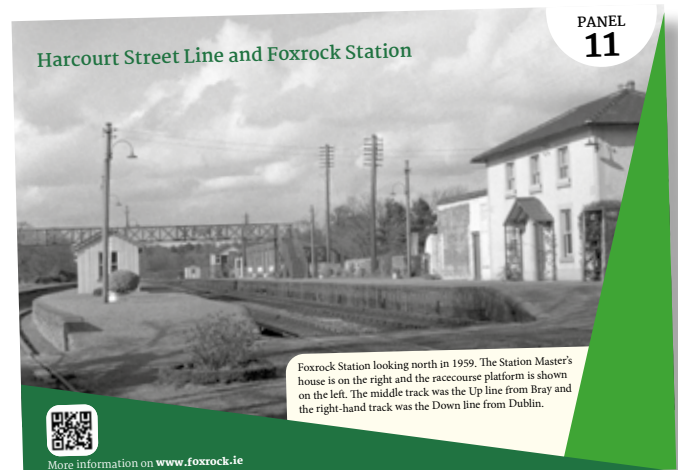


Hopefully, everyone has viewed the sixteen panels illustrating the history of the Harcourt Street Line and Foxrock Station which were installed in the village car park in August.

This heritage project was

created by FACE working closely with the Foxrock Local History Club and the Railway Preservation Society of Ireland.

The project was supported with funding from Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Leopardstown Racecourse.



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**please email facefoxrock@gmail.com confirming you have made payment so we can identify it on bank statement - thank you.*

Cheque Payment:

Please send cheque made payable to **FACE** with details of your email, name and address to:
The Treasurer, FACE, 6 Kilteragh Drive, Foxrock, Dublin 18. D18 H2PO

Sincere thanks to those who have already paid!



Defibrillator Location

Don't forget that there is a defibrillator on the outside of the Sherry Fitzgerald building in the village (beside the traffic lights). If it is needed in the event of someone collapsing don't worry about using it as the machine will tell you exactly what to do.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Cabinteely Garda Station

Tel: 01-6665400

Gas Networks Ireland

Tel: 1850-205050 (If you smell gas)

Foxrock Church

Tel: 01-2893492 (Parish Office)

Tullow Church

Tel: 01-2893154 (The Rectory)

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

Tel: 01-2054700 (01-6778844 after hours)

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