

Skerries Community Association

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Skerries Community Association & Committees: Our 2020/21 Report



Skerries is our town – let's shape its future together!

SCA Annual General Meeting 2021: **See who we are and what we have done:** Attend our Online AGM on Mon 4 October 2021 from 8 p.m. (Zoom call)

Register for the AGM on our Eventbrite page, <u>skerriesca.eventbrite.com</u> to receive the link in time for the meeting.

If you're not a member yet, you can join the <u>Skerries Community Association online</u>. All Skerries Residents welcome!

Some of this year's highlights - see inside for details about these, and more!



The **Community Centre** is the flagship and powerhouse of the Skerries Community Association. For a second year, the management team have managed to keep things going under ever-changing conditions, prudently managing budgets, keeping all staff employed, and making sure that our centre is ready to spring into action as soon as regulations allow.



In **Cycling** news, the East Coast trail edges closer to Skerries: **Skerries Cycling Initiative** took part in the **public consultation** on route options – the results are expected before the end of the year. We are especially interested in suggestions how the trail will be navigating the town! Skerries Cycling Initiative held its first cycle festival in August – see inside e.g. for more on the Trishaw.



Great progress was made by **Sustainable Skerries** on the Biodiversity / Pollinator Plan. Apart from various events and submissions to Fingal County Council, there was also the first Sustainable Skerries Food Festival, a collection of crisp packets, and more. See inside!



The newest committee of the SCA, **Skerries Sustainable Energy Community Initiative** is always open for new interested members. Currently, they are preparing an Energy Masterplan so that Skerries can move towards cleaner, smarter energy for homes, transport, premises...



Despite the restrictions, **Skerries Tidy Towns** managed to keep our town looking fresh and well-kept through its Adopt-A-Patch volunteers and regular work parties. They also cooperated with businesses, schools, and other committees. See inside for this, and much more!



Chairperson's Report: A few words from the SCA chair

Dear fellow Skerries residents,

Welcome to the 2021 edition of the SCA Report! You may read this online on our website / in our email newsletter, in a printed copy that you picked up in the library or a supermarket maybe, or in your copy of Skerries News, the local fortnightly magazine which is one of the town's treasured institutions. Wherever you are reading this it is your chance to catch up with what is happening in the Skerries Community Centre and the SCA committees.

A welcome to Skerries – and some thoughts about our future.

Over the last couple of years, many new families and individuals have moved to new and existing homes between Barnageeragh and Ballygossan, and to lots of places in between. **Welcome to our community!**

A Look Back & An Invitation to Join Us

Well, it has been another 'different' year, and it's once more amazing how much was happening in our town. The energy and commitment of the people who drive the work of the committees cannot be praised enough. Why do they do it? Because one day, they decided that they wanted to be actively involved in their town. There are many different ways to do that, from coaching in sporting organisations, being active in parent teacher organisations, in church groups, in hobby-focused clubs... This report focuses on the Skerries Community Association and its many committees only, and if you have some time and energy to spare, we would love you to join us! There is so much more the SCA and its committees could do with a few more people. Come to the AGM, find out what's happening and join us!

The Board of Directors is the focal point which brings together the activities of all the SCA committees. There is space around this table – recently, some of our long-standing directors have decided to make room for new blood. Getting elected/co-opted to the Board is open to any resident of Skerries willing to learn a bit about corporate governance and the business relationship between the board, its committees and the relevant funding and regulatory agencies. Some directors are also members of committees and form an essential link between the board and these committees. Directors can focus on areas of interest and / or expertise, such as planning, social media, financial oversight of the committees etc.

Joining the board of SCA is not just a way to bring experience into this forum and "give something back" but is also a way to learn how a not- for- profit company organisation operates in today's regulated environment. The SCA is a politics free zone but at the same time provides a useful way for people to learn about local policy issues while they are also contributing to shaping their community. It has lots to offer to a wide spectrum of ages. Think about giving it a shot!

The Future and Skerries

As Skerries grows, we can see that the future will bring fresh opportunities and challenges for infrastructure, amenities, and our environment. With the societal and economic changes arising from climate change and events like Covid-19, the Skerries community should be proactive in shaping its future.

How should we go about this? It's always easy to say what we don't want, but do we need to put more thought into formulating a vision of what we do want?

- How can we build on the changes in living and working which have come in response to the Covid pandemic?
- How should we adapt locally to climate change?
- How do we, the residents of this town, coordinate our thoughts and views to influence the decision makers so
 that our views are reflected in the next county development plan, which will be in place for the years 2024-2030?

These are ongoing questions, and we need to maintain a town-wide discussion around them, involving all parts of our community. Come to our AGM to get a feel for what is happening, join our email newsletter to keep in touch and (even though I am repeating myself) consider joining our Board of Directors!



Hoping to see you soon,

Michael McKenna (outgoing chairperson)

Michael McKenna has lived in Skerries since 2000 and joined Skerries Cycling Initiative in 2011. In 2014 he became a director of the Skerries Community Association, where he served as company secretary from 2016 -2018. He has been chairperson of the SCA since September 2018 and with his three-year term now coming to an end hopes to continue staying involved in the community.

Skerries Community Centre

The past year brought many challenges in the operation and provision of service. Due to Covid restrictions, the manager and staff had to make ongoing adjustments to timetables with the stop and start situation to ensure that Covid protocols were adhered to.

On behalf of the Management Committee of Skerries Community Centre I want to thank our manager Sharon and all the staff in how they managed the protocols, so all our user groups and individuals were protected in a safe environment.

We were pleased to be able to retain our staff in employment with the help of government wage subsidies. The maintenance staff carried out extensive upgrading, maintenance, and repairs to the centre and old school. The maintenance supervisor arranged access to the old school for Meals on Wheels service and ensured the security of the building was maintained.

The parties leasing the gym area were no longer able to sustain the business and the lease was terminated. The board acknowledged that small community gyms were no longer a viable proposition and took the decision to divide the area into two separate rooms. Area one has a fully furnished kitchen and meeting room, this now provides both the tennis and hockey clubs with facilities in the absence of either having a club house. Area two will facilitate a range of uses including dance, yoga, and tai-chi.

Finance: Over the year the board worked to a predicted budget. Considering the ongoing closures of all the facilities the monthly financial reports up to and including June 2021 have reflected a healthy position supported in the main by the Covid wage subsidy and ECCE payments.

Now that the overall restrictions are easing the manager is engaging with all previous user groups and new interested parties to set up a plan towards being fully operational in September, Covid permitting.

Separate of ongoing maintenance and improvements the major task to be attended to is the upgrading of the All-Weather Pitch and the surrounds. Engagement with F.C.C. has being ongoing over the last year. A grant to meet the cost has been sanctioned and Kevin Halfpenny F.C.C and Alan Lewis consultant are in the final stages of planning, we are just awaiting a commencement date.

The Community Centre is 40 years in operation next year and it is intended to have a day of celebration in recognition of this, planning is at an early stage and the Management Committee of the Centre and the S.C.A. will continue to liaise and formulate a programme of events for an agreed date. Finally, I want to thank the members of the board for their work and commitment over the past year in supporting myself and the staff in every way possible to ensure the best and continued service to the community.

Shay Fanning (Chair of Skerries Community Centre).

Skerries Tidy Towns Committee

We encourage adherence to the An Taisce Vision: "To continually improve the quality of life and well - being on Earth for present and future generations"



We have kept Tidy Towns on the road for the past 15 months although our activities were curtailed to adhere to government restrictions. Our Adopt a Patch members were busy looking after their spaces.

We continue to increase the number of areas adopted. We also played a very active role in the Skerries Covid Community Response Group.

So, what else did we do for the past year?

- Our committee meetings were held on Zoom.
- Our door-to-door collection went online. A word of thanks here to all who donated. It enables us to continue our work for the town.
- Our work parties continued weekly albeit socially distanced.
- We removed graffiti, washed bins, planted flowers, washed signs etc.
- We painted the railings around the Mill Pond
- We placed window boxes on public buildings and freestanding containers in Floraville Park; these are "adopted" by volunteers who look after them for the season.
- An anchor, recovered from the harbour, was installed at the Dublin Road entrance to the town.
- We organized children from St Patricks Junior School to plant the area inside the gates of SuperValu with pollinator friendly plants.
- Transition year students worked with Tidy Towns this year, taking on litter routes in the town and completing a survey of students in Skerries Community College regarding their knowledge of the work of Tidy Towns.
- The Railway Station and old signal box were painted at our instigation
- The area around the pump on Pump Lane was renovated at our request and a local resident now decorates the pump seasonally.

- Skerries was awarded a Transition Town grant. Working with FCC and Skerries Chamber of Tourism we are developing a walking trail with associated signage which will inform visitors of the town's past and what can be seen in the town today.
- The Men's Shed continues to be of great assistance to us. Amongst other things, they painted all the seats along the South Strand and on Red Island.
- We liaised with Fingal County Council regarding the redesign of the central island on the Balbriggan Road and the triangle at Hoar Rock.
- We have been working with refill Ireland, to have the businesses in Skerries register for the Tap Map to prevent the need for single use plastic water bottles. Many of the coffee shops already fill bottles with tap water at no cost. We ordered keep bottles with the Tidy Towns logo and local shops sold them on a not-forprofit basis. The bottles keep water cool or can be used for hot drinks
- The cafés in the town have switched to compostable take away cups and lids. They support Skerries Tidy Towns Conscious Cup campaign. Coffee shops give a discount when keep cups are used.
- We joined the Sick of Plastic Campaign
- We are part of the Shop and Drop campaign which encourages residents to leave unwanted packaging behind when they shop. All our local supermarkets have bins behind checkouts for unwanted packaging. We have requested that the supermarkets in the town have loose fruit and vegetables.
- We work closely with Sustainable Skerries on Biodiversity Projects.
- Skerries Beeside the sea is on the way: We are working with a FCC nominated ecologist to develop wildlife corridors within the town.

Tidy Towns offers endless opportunities for the community to become involved. If you wish to make a difference in the community where you live, why not join us.

- facebook.com/SkerriesTidyTowns
- Mary Conway: Tidy Towns.

Skerries Town Twinning Association

Skerries Town Twinning has developed a new website <u>www.skerriestwinning.ie</u> which went live in June. We hope this website proves to be a useful source of information about our activities. We also launched a new initiative to encourage people in Skerries to keep in touch with our friends in Guichen while at the same time improving their knowledge of French. Similarly, our French friends were delighted to have contact with their Skerries friends and improve their command of English.

The "language buddies" scheme operates in pairs and enables people to set their own pace, decide what they want to talk about and do it whenever and however suits them best. It has been a big hit and those taking part are delighted with the initiative. We also produced a number of seasonal newsletters in English and French which provided information about our heritage and culture as well as updates on the impact of Covid-19 on daily lives. Skerries Town Twinning also set up a link between Skerries chess club and Srem (Poland) chess club to enable the clubs to play chess matches on-line.

New people to Skerries may be interested to know that we have been officially twinned with the Canton of Guichen in Brittany (near Rennes) since 1994. Twinning is about friendship between people of different cultural backgrounds. It is non- commercial and is based on mutual respect, tolerance, sharing and giving. People stay in the homes of host families and get a taste of what it's really like to live in another country and experience a different culture, lifestyle, cuisine etc. If you are interested in hearing more about town twinning, or would like to get involved please contact us on skerriestwinning@gmail.com

> Brendan Friel, Chairperson Skerries Town Twinning Association

Skerries Cycling Initiative

Without doubt the big issue in relation to cycling and walking in Skerries will be how the greenway will integrate into the town's layout. Fingal County Council's public consultation on the route options received over 500 submissions, many from Skerries residents expressing diverse views on how greenway cyclists and walkers should navigate the town. For Skerries residents the devil is clearly in the detail of how this is to be done!

Waiting for the preferred route to be determined (announcement of this expected in the Autumn) and for construction of the greenway should not distract from efforts to make the town more walking and cycling friendly for the people who live, work and go school here.

The online survey carried out by the Skerries Cycling Initiative earlier this year showed that people wanted safer cycling infrastructure, traffic calming, along with better maintained footpaths with less cars parked on them.

In <u>our submission to Fingal on the Greenway</u> we sought a mobility plan for Skerries which would encourage increased cycling and walking, and less congestion. This planning process should be working in tandem with the greenway designs for the town.

To contribute to the circular economy and reduce waste SCI will be piloting a community bike workshop later this year in which we hope to share bike repair and maintenance skills with those eager to learn how to repair a puncture, fix the brakes and replace a worn-out chain etc.

On Sunday 22 August we organised, supported by Fingal County Council, our first Bike Festival. It began on Sunday morning with two fun cycles (5km and 25km).

After lunch the courtyard of Skerries Mills became a hive of activity with a display of Cycling Without Age trishaw, bike checks, bikes-on-show, and a Slow Bicycle Race.

Finally there was an entertaining and inspiring presentation by Dermot Higgins on his trip by bike around the globe, using as his only visual aid a composite flag of all the countries he crossed.

Join us and make cycling safer and more fun for everyone! Like <u>Skerries Cycling Initiative</u> on Facebook. Contact us to subscribe to the SCI newsletter or to join Skerries Cycling Initiative email : <u>cycling@skerriesca.com</u>

Michael McKenna: Secretary, Skerries Cycling Initiative

Sustainable Skerries

Biodiversity: Our Biodiversity and Pollinator Plan has advanced significantly. The online presentation and consultation were very encouraging - so much appetite for pollinator-friendly planting in Skerries! There is now a wildflower meadow at Skerries Educate Together. We are cooperating with Tidy Towns to ensure our bumbling friends, the bumblebees, have as many places to land on as possible. And there was a very well-received online workshop on pollinator-friendly gardening with Aoife Munn.

Energy: Sustainable Skerries gave birth to a new SCA Committee in the past year, the Skerries Sustainable Energy Committee Initiative, S-SECI. We hosted a public Zoom meeting and were bowled over with the ideas and support by the public. More about S-SECI in their own segment here!

Sustainability and our Future. We are engaging as much as possible with Fingal County Council to ensure that Skerries is moving towards the most sustainable town it can be. We organised a public meeting with the SCA, Tidy Towns etc around the **draft Fingal Tree Strategy** and then worked out a detailed submission, together with our friends from Tidy Towns. We engaged with the first phase of the current review process of the **Fingal Development Plan**, hosted a very well-attended and engaging online consultation meeting, and drafted our own submission. Waste and Material Reduction / Circular Economy: Even our Repair Café went online, and those participating were able to learn how to bring their clothes back to new life rather than chuck them out. We are also now collecting crisp packets in SuperValu and Eurospar. Part of the Terracycle initiative, those wrappers will be sorted, cleaned, and extruded into plastic pellets to make new recycled products. Thank you to all those who have contributed to the collections - there are certainly a lot of crisps being eaten in Skerries!

Sustainability in our everyday lives often comes down to our habits of shopping. We have put together some **local sustainable shopping ideas** - check out <u>SustainableSkerries.com/Shopping</u>. Help us grow this list by letting us know of any local sustainable businesses that don't yet feature!

Food: Is it possible to run a Sustainable Skerries Food Festival when the country is still in lockdown? The answer is: Yes, it is! We ran a two-day hybrid festival in late April, complete with online workshops covering food gardening, foraging, and cookery, a panel discussion which allowed us to get to know some of the people who supply our local food, plus a real-life Food Trail. Plans are already being made for the 2022 edition!

You can say that for a lockdown year, we were pretty active! There are more details about all the different things we were doing on our website, SustainableSkerries.com

And don't miss out on what we're going to do next! Get involved! Go to our website, SustainableSkerries.com, and subscribe to our email newsletter. Like our Facebook page. Follow us on Instagram. Join our Facebook Food Gardening Group. Join our WhatsApp Pollinators group. Maybe join us? Committee meetings are once a month, normally on a Thursday night. Send us an email to <u>sustskerries@gmail.com</u> and we'll take it from there!

- SustainableSkerries.com
- facebook.com/sustainableskerries
- SustSkerries@gmail.com
- Sabine McKenna: Chair, Sustainable Skerries

Skerries Sustainable Energy Community Initiative At the end of 2020, a new committee under the Skerries Community Association was formed as a spin-off from the Sustainable Skerries committee - Skerries Sustainable Energy Community Initiative (S-SECI). The committee was formed to integrate with the SEAI Energy Communities Program.

The Vision for a Sustainable Energy Skerries:

• Use less energy

- Energy efficiency is the cheapest and most straightforward way for a community to become more sustainable. Most communities have buildings with old or outdated insulation, lighting or heating systems.
- Use clean energy
- Switching from fossil fuels to renewables is the next step where possible. This can be by way of renewable heating systems, changing energy suppliers, or generating energy.
- Use smart energy
- Technology gives us more control over how we heat homes, drive cars, or light buildings. Where suitable, communities can use these technologies to complement their other actions.

Following the incorporation of the committee, an online public meeting was held in February 2021 to capture ideas and feedback from interested parties. The meeting was well attended by the public and local politicians, and many valuable points were raised, such as:

- Interest in collective house retrofitting programmes for estates/areas of the community to maximise savings and efficiencies
- PV panels for generating electricity, microgrid opportunities, heat pumps and upgrading the BER rating of buildings, even relatively newer ones
- Using local businesses and trades for retrofitting/upgrades
- Ensuring that sustainable energy projects are accessible through community and state funding, the idea of a "cascade" fund to start projects and reduce the cost outlay for the individual. Link in and partner with surrounding areas for further funding options
- Promoting more sustainable transport like e-cycles, better theft protection at the railway station for bicycles, infrastructure for electric car charging for locals and tourists, car sharing, the Fingal Community Car service and maybe a shuttle bus for people to travel around the area.

A submission was made as input to the Energy and Infrastructure section of Fingal County Council Development Plan 2024-2029. Further work will be carried out on this when the County Council releases their first draft of the Development Plan in 2022.

The current work of the SSECI Committee is to commission the undertaking of an Energy Master Plan which will map the potential in Skerries for sustainable and energy efficiency projects. As part of the SEAI Energy Communities program, funding is available to hire an Energy Auditor who will complete the Energy Master Plan for the area and give the committee a roadmap for projects.

With the view towards having the Energy Master Plan carried out and selecting viable projects to work on in the

community, it is a very exciting time for people interested in sustainable and energy efficiency in Skerries. We welcome any interested parties to contact the Committee as we are looking for further members to be part of the journey towards Skerries as a true sustainable energy community.

For further information, please email the SSECI chairman Michael Mullan-Jensen on <u>skerries.seci@gmail.com</u>.

Age Friendly Skerries Committee "Age Friendly Environments are better places in which to grow, live work and play" WHO Sept 28th, 2020

In 2014, Skerries received its Age Friendly town charter. Since then much work has been done to ensure the voice of older people in Skerries is heard. The Skerries Age Friendly committee is supported by Fingal County Council's Age Friendly County Programme Coordinator. The Committee has collaborated with statutory and statefunded agencies to ensure the success of the many initiatives rolled out over the last few years.

Skerries Age Friendly committee is most proud of its recent initiatives including:

- Skerries Age Friendly Town Information Directory
- Skerries Age Friendly Community Car Scheme
- Acorn Smart Technology 'Staying Connected' initiative

Skerries Age Friendly: Information Directory. The directory was collated by members of the Skerries Age Friendly committee and was published with the support of Fingal County Council. Since then, information directories have been rolled out in 10 towns across Fingal.

The Age Friendly Community Car Scheme is a collaborative initiative supported by Fingal County Council, GoCar and Flexibus-Locallink and Skerries community volunteer drivers. Unfortunately, Covid-19 has meant that the committee has had to cut short its new community car scheme but is very hopeful that the service will be up and running again sometime soon.

Acorn Smart Technology 'Staying Connected' Initiative' The COVID-19 Pandemic forced all of us to rethink how we live our lives. It has also required us to find new ways to support others in our community, especially our older people, to stay connected to their families, friends and service providers.

While Covid-19 meant the Skerries Age Friendly committee could not continue with the community transport initiative, it didn't deter the group from finding new ways to support vulnerable older people in the town. The committee decided to look at smart technology as a way of keeping our older residents in touch with family and friends. The

committee was delighted with the support they received from Skerries Community Association, Fingal County Council, Skerries Rugby Club, SuperValu and Sonica and especially with the support from the smaller businesses and private individuals in the town.

The money raised enabled Skerries Age Friendly to purchase 27 Acorn Smart technology devices and these devices were distributed by the HSE Dublin North Integrated Care Team to people in nursing homes in Rush, Lusk and Loughshinny. The devices are also being used by some Skerries and Lusk Day Care clients. We would like to thank everyone who supported us with this initiative. We are continuing to work with them on the use of the tablets.

Skerries Age Friendly hopes to continue its work as soon as we are allowed. If you would like to hear more about the initiative or would like to get involved, please don't hesitate to call 0863977118.

> Mary Conway: Age Friendly Committee

Skerries Autism Friendly Town.

With over 200 people present on the night, Skerries Autism Friendly Town, was launched on 12th November 2019 in Scoil Realt Na Mara. Under the framework of AslAm, our project is centred around building Awareness of Autism in Skerries, through Educating the community so that those with Autism can be Empowered to play an Inclusive part in their town.

Some of our other goals/achievements 2020/21:

- **Support:** We want to be a support for the autistic community in Skerries and to really listen to the everyday challenges they face. We are asking for autistic adults within the wider community to reach out to our committee and speak with us.
- Social media: We are very active on our social media pages on Facebook, Instagram and twitter, the goal being to provide education & awareness on all things autism related. There is a mine of information, webinars and courses out there offering support and advice and our social media officer Gillian Dunne does amazing work in collating and bringing this information to the fore. Please give our social media pages a like and share.
- Sports clubs Inclusivity for autistic children in sport is something we want to implement in the town. Our sports and disability liaison officer David Daly has been reaching out to many of the clubs in Skerries, with the goal of running inclusive sports and activities.
- Sensory Garden- One of our big goals is to bring a sensory garden to Skerries. A sensory garden is an environment designed with the purpose of stimulating

the senses, through the use of plants and materials that stimulate sight, smell, touch and sound.

- Sensory trails Another goal is the creation of a sensory trail, which is a way of engaging the senses, through a series of experiences along a particular route. We believe that Skerries has the scope to set up a route of this nature.
- **Zoom Magic** In the height of lockdown in February, we were delighted to be able to host an autism friendly virtual 'Alakazam Magic Show' with the very talented Carl Campbell. It was very well received with a great uptake and an enjoyable experience for all involved.

We at the Skerries Autism Friendly Towns Committee are thankful to all the volunteers and advocates who are helping to contribute towards our town becoming Autism Friendly. Our role as the committee, is to help create awareness and understanding within the local community, particularly for those with little or no knowledge of autism. This initiative is being run by AsIAm. For any people or support groups who are advocating on matters separate to this project, AsIAm's advocacy team are always happy to hear from you and help you with your queries. Learn more about AsIAm's advocacy work at <u>AsIAm.ie/Advocacy</u>

Skerries Autism Friendly Town

Skerries Neighbourhoods Network

Are you in a local WhatsApp or Facebook group?

Then make sure your group is part of the Skerries Community Association's network of neighbourhoods / resident's associations and street groups, for information sharing and consultation at a truly local level.

Would you like to set up a neighbourhood group or residents' association? Then look at our web page to get some ideas on how to get started.

SkerriesCA.com/Neighbour

Can We Revive Skerries CoderDojo?

For three fun-filled years, there was an active CoderDojo in Skerries. Once a month, youngsters brought laptops and a parent to the Community Centre for an afternoon of coding fund in groups of three different levels. Volunteers shared their skills and knowledge.

Skerries CoderDojo is a committee of the Skerries Community Association, albeit currently dormant. If parents and IT professionals are interested in resurrecting it, they should send an email to <u>chair@skerriesca.com</u> or – even better – attend the AGM! A previous chair of Skerries CoderDojo is happy to help those interested to get started.

NOTICE OF THE SCA AGM TO MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of The Skerries Community Association CLG (SCA) will be held online via Zoom on Monday the 4th of October 2021 at 8 pm to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company, that is to say: -

1. To confirm the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting

- 2. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Financial Statements for year ended 31 Dec. 2020
- 3. To elect Directors to the Board of Skerries Community Association CLG
- 4. To elect Members to Skerries Community Centre Board of Management
- 5. To reappoint Dempsey Mullen as Auditors and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration
- 6. To transact any other business proper to an Annual General Meeting of the Company.

Dated this the 17 September 2021, by order of the Board, Secretary.

NOTE 1. No person other than a Director of the Company retiring at the meeting shall, unless recommended by the Directors, be eligible for election to the office of Director at any general meeting unless, not less than three (i.e. 29 September 2021) nor more than 21 days (i.e. 10 September 2021) before the date appointed for the meeting, there has been left at the registered office notice in writing, signed by a member duly gualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which notice is given, of his/her intention to propose such a person for election, and also Notice in writing signed by that person of his/her willingness to be elected. [A Nomination Form is provided below].

NOTE 2. The names of candidates who have consented to stand for election to the Board of Management of the Community Centre, together with the names of their proposers and seconders, shall be given in writing to the Secretary, and shall be posted on the Community Centre Notice Board at least three days prior (by 29 September 2021) to the holding of the Annual General Meeting. [See Nomination Form hereunder].

NOTE 3. Copies of the Directors' Report and Financial Statements will be available to members at the Community Centre and at www.Skerriesca.com at least seven days prior to the holding of the Annual General Meeting.

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Nomination Form

For election to the Board of Directors of SCA CLG or to the Board of Management of Skerries Community Centre [please underline the Board for which you are nominating]

I wish to nominate ______ for election to the Board of:

Skerries Community Association CLG OR Skerries Community Centre Board of

Management (<u>underline</u> one)

Printed name and signature of Proposer: ______

I consent to my nomination for election

Signature of nominee _____ Date: _____

NB: Please return signed Nomination Form to the Community Centre by 29 September 2021.