

Who was involved?

Una and Gianfranco were the two committee members mostly involved in the planning side of things. The various issues were then discussed with the rest of the committee. Barry Kilcline was involved in an advisory capacity.

What did we set out to do?

To keep an eye on planning issues in the area. In particular to ensure that any large scale building work being planned does not impact in a negative way on the community.

What did we do?

The IGB:

- We attempted to find out who owns the IGB site and what their intentions are. We heard that a company called Park Developments now owns the site. This has not been confirmed by them. We sent them a registered letter in January asking for confirmation but got no reply.
- We see on the Companies Registration Office website that a company called "GOATSTOWN CEMETERY PARK LIMITED" was created in Sep 2015. With the same registered address as Park Developments. We have heard nothing else about this site since.

OLG The Grove:

- We lodged two letters of observation in regards to the last planning application at The Grove development beside Our Lady's Grove School. These letters were in relation to the shortcut entrance-way on Friarsland Avenue, and in relation to pedestrian safety through the development. We proposed to the council that this entrance-way be ungated, and open to pedestrian and cyclist access at all times. You can read both these letters on our website.
- We met with Liam Durkan on two separate occasions in relation to these observations. We also met with the site manager on another occasion.
- The council has determined in our favour and the entrance-way will be ungated.

OLG Phase 2:

- We met with Mark Johnston of WK Nowlans. WK Nowlans are the planning consultants employed by the Religious of Jesus and Mary in relation to the sale of the lands at OLG. The second site at the back will be going up for sale shortly. They plan to sell this site with full planning permission already granted, in order to maximise the sale price.
- Mark Johnston showed us three possible versions of plans for this site back in June. None of these were the final plans, and we do not have copies of them.
- We have since been in email contact with him, and are encouraging him to engage with us in relation to the plans, and to have an information evening, or a detailed leaflet drop, to inform residents what is going on. He has expressed some willingness to do this, we are waiting for him to get back to us.