

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT, AGM 9/10/17

Who was involved?

Una mostly dealt with the communications side of things. Committee members and other people outside the committee helped with gathering residents' names and contact details, and delivering some leaflets, at various times.

What did we set out to do?

To maintain, and improve upon, the good communication we have with our members. Using our website, email, posters in shops, and occasional print outs.

What did we do?

- We updated, and added to, the contact details of our members. New members' details were collected by Lynam's when they paid their €20 subscription. Teresa also knocked on a few doors whenever any information was missing or unclear.
- We have 261 paid up members for 2017 (households). Last year we had 210. That's out of approximately 380 households within our area, including the apartments. 265 email addresses, 279 mobile phone numbers
- We added relevant posts and information to the website over the year.
- We have sent out 23 emails to members through our Google Group since the start of the year.
- Occasionally we did some leaflet drops to members who don't have email. The Neighbourhood Friendly Initiative has more info on this.
- We designed, printed, put up posters in the local shops before any events or clean up days.
- At Christmas we printed a short but fascinating memoir very kindly written by one of our members on Larchfield Road, Mr. Joe Fahy. These were available at the Christmas get-together in December. There were also copies in Lynam's, and they were also delivered to members who don't have email. [You can still find it on the website](#). We would love to get more memoirs, photos, articles on local history etc. by the way.
- We sent out some NW text alerts through our online community alert system.
- For those on Facebook, there is a Goatstown Facebook page, which was set up by Susan Kennedy. So, although it's not an official Roebuck Residents' Association's FB page, it's a great place to find out about the various Goatstown goings on.

What's the plan?

- To continue on with the website and the Google Group as we believe they're both working well.
- To add to residents' information, and to correct it where necessary, as we get it.
- At last year's AGM we asked for help to print and deliver print-outs to residents who are not on email, and that night a few volunteers came forward. What developed on from that was an idea to set up a Neighbourhood Friendly Initiative for the more elderly residents. It's still early days, but so far it seems to be very much appreciated. However it really needs some more helpers to keep it going.
- We are also keen to say that we take data protection very seriously and do not release members' contact information to anyone.