

PLAYGROUND REPORT, AGM 9/10/17

Who was involved?

Una, Susan, and Gianfranco from the Roebuck Residents, and 6 other people from the Taney area.

What did we set out to do?

To get a playground built within walking distance.

What did we do?

- The campaign kicked off in the summer of 2016. We set up a website, a Facebook page, and started a word of mouth campaign to ask supportive residents to send emails to all local councillors.
- The Dundrum ward councillors voted in favour of a playground in the area in October of last year, and the budget was allocated at the end of 2016. The Parks Department was also in favour of a playground in the area.
- Although a playground on the green in Taney was highlighted in the Goatstown Local Area Plan as being a Specific Local Objective, the Parks Dept initially thought that Rosemount field was a better location. However after a public consultation for Rosemount the Council decided that due to problems around moving the football pitches, a better location would be the green in Taney. So a public consultation for Taney took place in March and April of this year.
- The results of the public consultation showed that there is a good majority of local Taney residents in favour of the playground in Taney.
- This week the Parks Department have notified us that the playground is definitely going ahead. They will be sending out the tender tomorrow (Tuesday 10th Oct), and hopefully it'll be in place by the end of the year. You can read the email from the Council on our website.
- We would like to take this opportunity to thank our local Green Party Councillor Karen Furlong, who has been the driving force behind it at council level.