

## Work on Louth Heritage Wall complete

It was announced last week that conservation works have been completed on Drogheda's town wall, which have been ongoing since 2017. It was a project that was commissioned by the Heritage Office of Louth County Council, and funded by the Community Monuments Fund. Featherbed Lane is beside Laurence's Gate and behind the order of Malta training centre. However, the top of the wall will remain

wrapped for the next few months to let the traditional lime mortar 'cure' - dry - as slowly as possible. Local Sinn Féin Cllr, Joanna Byrne said, "It's great to see these conservation works completed and although the top of the wall has to remain wrapped for a couple of months still to let the lime mortar set, these works will form a great addition to the whole public realm area around St. Laurence's Gate."

### NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

The Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage ("the Minister") hereby gives notice that he has determined an application dated 08 July 2020 for a Foreshore Licence under Section 3 of the Foreshore Act, 1933 to Drogheda Port Company Ltd, Harbourville, Mornington Road, Drogheda, County Meath for maintenance dredging at commercial estuary of the River Boyne and seaward approaches, County Louth.

The full Notice of Determination which was published on the Iris Oifigiúil website on 10 December 2021 can be viewed at <http://www.irisofiúil.ie/>

All documentation in regard to the application including the Notice of Determination can be viewed on the website of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage at <https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/38923-drogheda-port-company-dredging-of-river-boyne/?referrer=http://www.gov.ie/en/publication/a2f98-drogheda-port-company-dredging-of-river-boyne/>. This material may also be inspected free of charge by appointment at the following office of the Department:

Foreshore Section  
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage  
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### REVIEW PROCEDURE

An application for leave to apply for judicial review shall be made within three months from the date when grounds for the application first arose under Section 21(1) of the Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011. The time limit for such a review commences from the Date of Publication of the full Notice of Determination. Further information on the review mechanism can be obtained on the Citizens Information Board website: [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie)

Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage  
Dated this 10th day of December 2021

## Drogheda and District return for their annual Christmas 5k

The Drogheda and District Christmas 5K returns this Sunday, December 19, with an in-person event.

Events and Marketing Coordinator, Jenny Gregory said, "We were apprehensive because we didn't know if the numbers were there. We are absolutely delighted with the response."

Registration opened in November, with numbers pouring in immediately. Currently, they have over 600 registrants with no sign in numbers slowing down.

Sticking to what they know, the route remains the same as previous years with locals knowing it as the Christmas 5k route.

"We considered changing it up but with all the constant changes going on we decided to keep it the same."

The starting and finishing line are in the Lourdes Stadium, with runners running out to Brookville, along the Ballymakenny road, looping back around.

The route is manned with the help of stewards



from the club and the support of the local Gardaí.

"We take great pride in organising our races and we have a great energy. We have great craic coming up with ideas and different plugs for the social media pages."

This year there will be prizes for fancy dress costumes, with plenty of additional giveaways and prizes.

"Drogheda and District AC always pride themselves with our events run with safety always being our number one priority. We were very disappointed the last two years we had to cancel events."

Turning some events virtual, the group were overwhelmed with the support from the public as practically all of attendees deferred their registrations to support them.

"We would like to thank all the hard work of the Drogheda Christmas 5k for the hard work and commitment and to all our sponsors past and present who we owe so much gratitude," said Jenny.

# Sponsor a Chemo Pack just in time for Christmas

BY NIAMH MCGOVERN

During the day, Anna Pang works in the motor tax department in the Council in Dundalk, and in the evenings she spends her time raising money and assembling Chemo Packs for cancer patients.

For the last four years Anna has been part of a team of three, however for her fifth year carrying out the project, it is just her and her mother.

With four products in the packages which are sensitive inclusive for those undergoing chemo, Anna puts a chemo friendly deodorant containing no aluminium and is recommended by oncologists, a soothing mouth gel helping with mouth ulcers and sores. A lip balm comes is included a chemo patients are prone to dry lips. The last product is a soothing soap which helps with dry skin all over.

A small gift is added into the bag, that usually being a game to take the patients minds off their treatment, or socks to keep their feet warm.

Children from churches and preschools get involved by drawing a picture for patients and is added into the bags.

Anna got the idea to run this almost five years ago when she saw nurses in the UK putting similar packages together.

"I thought, that's a lovely idea, let's jump on board with that," Anna said, explaining she wanted to get involved as everyone is affected in some



Anna Pang delivering the Chemo Packs to the Oncology Department at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital.

way by cancer.

"The people themselves, who are suffering, who are going through it, don't actually get anything out of it, so in one way this is something that they get."

To sponsor a care package for a Chemo patient costs just €22, with the majority of sponsors coming in around November and December, right before Christmas. She is hoping to have all packages finished by December 17, providing sufficient time for delivery.

This year Anna has managed to assemble 35 packs, raising nearly €800 for the cause. With the spare money she buys deodorants in bulk and gives them to the hospital to give out to patients.

Along with a donation to Anna's mission, requests can be made to ensure packages go to certain individuals.

Keeping to the Louth area, She provides the packages

to the Lourdes Oncology Unit, The Gary Kelly Cancer Support Centre and The Cara Cancer Support in Dundalk.

Feedback regarding the packages has been amazing, the receivers have said they are amazing and when they receive the pack it brightens their day, which encourages Anna to keep doing it every year.

Financial Director, Ann Tracey, at the Gary Kelly Cancer Support Centre said, "Anna is a superb lady always considering others. Her gift bags are a delight to receive at this time of year."

"Even through the pandemic Anna and friends gifted many bags to the clients of the charity. The bags are full of practical, quality items with a few treats as well. We are thankful and appreciative of Anna's consideration towards the centres clients, it makes a difference."

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