

Adopt a Patch and Litter Kit Registration Form



A Message from the HSE: To protect yourself and others from coronavirus (COVID-19), think about how the virus is spread.

Coronavirus is spread in sneeze or cough droplets. To infect you, it has to get from an infected person's nose or mouth into your eyes, nose or mouth. This can be direct or indirect (on hands, objects, surfaces). Keep this in mind. It will help you remember all the things you need to do to protect yourself and others from the virus.

Be responsible, be safe - Proper hand washing, respiratory hygiene and social distancing are more important than ever. Further information on protecting yourself and others from COVID-19 is available at <https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/coronavirus/protect-yourself-and-others.html>

Fingal County Council provides materials for communities or individuals to help keep areas litter-free.

We are asking that habitats are left intact – please do not clear away ivy, brambles, leaves, undergrowth or ‘weeds’ - these are our native pollen-rich wild plants and our species depend on these to survive.

Nature is in crisis and we have a role to play in its survival. You can enhance the area without clearing away wild plants. Please do not spray weed killer as pesticides persist in the environment for some time.

Please **complete this form, take a photo of it and email it** as an attachment to environment@fingal.ie

Are you intending to Adopt a Patch? Yes No

Adopt a Patch Individual or Group Name:
Number of members:

Area/ location to be maintained:

Contact name*:

Email address*:

Phone number*:

What litter kit do you require? (This is subject to availability)

No. of pickers Pairs of gloves No. of High Vis

Rolls of White Litter Bags

Name of Community Centre if applicable:

Do you consent to the above personal information to be retained by Fingal County Council Environment Department for the purposes of contacting you from time to time regarding litter clean-ups and environmental awareness?

Delete as appropriate: Yes / No

All litter collected is to be left for collection at existing Fingal County Council litter bins or please make arrangements with the Fingal Operations area to pick up the bags.

Bags can only be collected from public roads and estates taken in charge – i.e. not private housing estates.

The email addresses are as follows:

Howth-Malahide – howmaloparea@fingal.ie

Balbriggan-Swords area: balswooparea@fingal.ie

Castleknock-Mulhuddart area: casmuloparea@fingal.ie

- **Paint** – email dave@rediscoverycentre.ie directly for a supply of free recycled exterior paint for community estate areas

In your ‘Adopt a Patch’ please retain any existing habitats such as ivy and wild flowers for use by pollinating insects.

Important actions include the following: -

1. **Less mowing** – Let native wild flowers bloom for the bees and insects, let an area grow long
2. **Less Spraying** of weedkiller/ pesticides/ herbicides. Earth- friendly vinegar solution is effective.
3. **Plant more pollen-rich flowers** – as recommended by the National Biodiversity Data Centre: One-page leaflet on pollen-rich flowers to plant.
http://pollinators.ie/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/AIPP-Garden-Plants_A5-Flyer-PRINT.pdf

For the adopt a patch there is litter picking kit available at these locations listed below:

1. **Mulhuddart Community Centre**, Church Rd, Buzzardstown, Dublin 15, D15 R2VF, Phone: (01) 821 5120
2. **Mountview Youth and Community Centre**, Lohunda Downs, Coolmine, Dublin 15, (01) 821 8665
3. **Donabate Portrane Community & Leisure Centre**, 3 Portrane Rd, Ballalease North, Donabate, Co. Dublin, K36 FY26 Phone: (01) 843 4546
4. **Baldoyle Community Hall**, Main St, Baldoyle, Dublin 13, Phone: 087 230 1894
5. **Flemington Community Centre**, Hamlet Ln, Balbriggan, (01) 841 5070
6. **Our Balbriggan Main Office**, Georges Square, Balbriggan, email: ourbalbriggan@fingal.ie

Thank you for taking a pro-active role to improve your community.

I commit to working to reducing litter in a nature-sensitive way

Signature: _____

Visit www.pollinators.ie for more details

You could take before and after photos of your patch. If you are posting on social media please use our hashtag #Communities4Environment and on twitter you can include the handle @FingalCommunity

Thank you for making this positive contribution to your community.

