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Croke Park Community Cúl Camp

Over 250 local children will participate in our annual community Cúl Camp which takes place from July 11th-15th in Clonliffe College. The camp is especially subsidised by Croke Park for local children and costs only €10 per child. This price also includes a healthy lunch each day and a tour of Croke Park Stadium. Last year, the children also enjoyed two special visits from Dublin GAA stars Diarmuid Connolly (pictured right) and Dotsy O'Callaghan during the week so you never know who might stop by this year for a special coaching session!



Croke Park Community Fund

Established in 2009, the Croke Park Community Fund has now allocated over €700,000 in support to local groups based within 1.5km of the stadium. The final closing date for applications to the fund for this year is Friday, 2nd September.

The committee will be considering applications from local groups for community events and local projects commencing in November. The application form is available directly from Croke Park Stadium or it can be downloaded from crokepark.ie/community

Contact Julianne Savage if you'd like to discuss any idea you have for funding or if you need assistance completing the application form: jsavage@crokepark.ie or phone Julianne on 01 865 8607.

Project Completion Dates:	Deadline for Applications:
November - January 2017	Friday, 2nd September 2016

The Croke Park Community Fund was the proud sponsor of all the young people's events at the recent Five Lamps Arts Festival. Photographed below are children meeting the cast from 'Mary Mary Viking Storyteller'.



Date for your Diary

Community Meeting

The second community meeting of 2016 will take place in Croke Park Stadium on Thursday, 21st July 2016. The meeting is open to all those interested in attending who live in the stadium's 1.5km community area and will be chaired by Noeline Blackwell who is the independent chairperson for the process of building a new long-term accord between local residents and Croke Park Stadium.

Date: Thursday, July 21st 2016
Time: 7pm
Location: Celtic Suite, Level 5, Cusack Stand, Croke Park (Entrance via St. Joseph's Avenue)

Latest Community Updates

The very latest community information for the upcoming concert by Beyoncé and all other stadium events is available on crokepark.ie/community. Community news, exclusive local resident offers and match day updates are also emailed to local residents. Email jsavage@crokepark.ie if you would like to register your email address to receive these community updates during the year.

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Beyoncé | Saturday July 9th 2016

Pre-Concert Works

Pre-concert works commence on Sunday, 3rd July 2016 from 6pm-10pm*. Works are scheduled between 8am - 10pm* from Monday, 4th July until Friday, 8th July and between 8am-5pm* on Saturday, 9th 2016.

*Concert works timings will be agreed by Dublin City Council.

Concert Day Timings

Garda Cordon*	2pm
Pit Open*	4pm
Doors Open*	5pm
Concert finished by	11pm

*Timings may be subject to change by promoter/An Garda Síochána

Local Residents' Ticket Draw for Beyoncé

The local residents' ticket draw for Beyoncé took place on Friday, 10th June 2016 and was observed by an independent auditor. One hundred pairs of complimentary tickets are allocated to the community per stadium concert. Residents who won pairs of tickets for the concert were contacted by post by Monday, 20th June. The list of local resident ticket winners for this year's Bruce Springsteen concerts is on the Croke Park website. The list of ticket winners for Beyoncé will be published online after the concert.

Community Team

The Croke Park Community Officer and members of the Croke Park Community Team will be on duty on Saturday, 9th July to assist local residents and monitor concert day activity in the Croke Park community area.

Community Hotline

Freephone 1800 303 593 is Croke Park's community hotline number for local residents. You can use it to request assistance from the stadium's community team or to report any issue directly to the stadium during the concert. An email address is also available to local residents to use to contact the stadium: community@crokepark.ie

Garda Cordon

The Garda cordon will be in place earlier on Saturday, 9th July to enhance parking control and local resident access. The 2016 local resident parking pass for households within the Garda cordon is available from the Garda Station on Fitzgibbon Street: telephone 01 666 8400. Please bring proof of identity and proof of residency with you to the station to collect your pass.

Local Residents Requiring Special Assistance

Local residents who require special assistance for themselves, family or friends gaining access through the Garda cordon on Saturday, 9th July are advised to contact the Croke Park Community Officer Julianne Savage in advance on 01 8658607 or jsavage@crokepark.ie.

Public Transport/Parking Plans

A full public transport & car parking information campaign targeting concert patrons is currently ongoing. Special car parking offers from car parks nearest the stadium are available to concert patrons and additional Dublin Bus, LUAS, Irish Rail & Bus Éireann public transport initiatives to and from the concert have been organised. Gardaí & Dublin Street Park Services will be enforcing parking legislation throughout the community area on Saturday, 9th July and there will be specific coach & bus parking areas on the Alfie Byrne Road in operation.

Noise Control

To ensure concert noise emissions are kept within Dublin City Council (DCC) guidelines, the following measures are in place:

- Sound levels will be agreed with DCC's Environmental Health Officer
- The Production Manager and Sound Control Engineer for the concert will be instructed to control sound emission levels to keep them within these agreed limits
- The testing of the concert sound systems and the artist's sound check will be agreed with DCC's Environmental Health Officer with due consideration for local residents
- In addition to the measures, sound levels will be checked during the event by sound meters and a suitably qualified noise consultant will be appointed to monitor noise levels and liaise between DCC and the Concert Promoter, MCD.

PA Test & Concert Sound Checks

An audio test of the PA system is scheduled to be conducted on Friday, 8th July 2016. The exact timing for this test is still to be confirmed. The artist's sound check for the concert will be carried out on Saturday, 9th July 2016. The exact timing for this sound check is still to be confirmed.

Overnight Queueing/Camping

Overnight queueing or camping for the concert will not be tolerated. Stadium stewards will be on duty on streets close to the stadium from 7pm on Friday, July 8th to deter overnight queueing/camping in the community area.

Pyrotechnics

Pyrotechnics will be used during the main concert performance on the evening of Saturday, 9th July 2016.

Concert Clean Up

Additional community litter teams from the stadium will be active during the concert & will work to remove concert litter from gardens within the Garda cordon.

Use of Garda Helicopter

The Garda Helicopter will be used on the evening of Saturday, 9th July 2016. It will only be used as required by the Gardaí and with minimum time spent in operation.

Floodlights

Floodlights will remain on until patrons have cleared the stadium on the concert night. Subsequent to clearing the stadium, only lights necessary to provide safe working conditions will be in operation. All floodlights will be switched off at 1am on the night of the show.

Garda Cordon Extended After Concerts

At the end of the concert, the Garda cordon will be extended to facilitate the safe exit of concert patrons. No vehicles will be permitted to access the Garda cordon during this exit period in order to ensure the safety of pedestrians and vehicles alike. These closures will be implemented for the shortest time necessary. As a guideline this extended cordon will be in place for approximately one hour after the concert ends at 11pm. Barriers will also be erected at the following locations closing the following streets:

- Lower Drumcondra Road / Whitworth Road
- Lower Drumcondra Road / Richmond Road/ Botanic Avenue
- Ballybough Road / Luke Kelly Bridge
- Ballybough Road / North Strand Road
- Summerhill / North Circular Road

The above restrictions will result in the closure of Lower Drumcondra Road from Whitworth Road to Botanic Avenue and the closure of Ballybough Road from Fairview to Summerhill.

Post-Concert Works

There will be stadium works after the concert on Saturday, 9th July, which will finish at 1am*. Post-concert works will take place from Sunday, 10th July until Saturday, 16th July 2016. Works are scheduled between 8am -10pm* daily.

*Concert works timings will be agreed by Dublin City Council