

CARRIGALINE NEWS

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€1 MILLION YOUTH CENTRE OPENS



I recently had the honour of officially opening the new €1m Carrigaline Lions Club Youth Centre. This architecturally designed building will provide state of the art facilities for the young people of Carrigaline and will be managed by the Carrigaline & District Lions Club.

This is an absolutely incredible building and it will provide a safe, secure environment for our young people. I would like to congratulate everyone involved in this project. From start to finish this has been a community effort.

FUNDING FOR N28 CORK TO RINGASKIDDY ROAD

Government announced funding for the N28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Road as part of the Capital Project Plan. Cork was a clear winner receiving more than €650m for projects throughout the City & County. It is crucial that investment in our infrastructure is given priority in Cork so we can continue to grow economic opportunities and jobs. For people living in Carrigaline the funding announced for major road projects, including the N28, will come as very welcome news. This announcement is evidence of this Government's

determination to build the necessary infrastructure in Cork – making it a significant alternative to Dublin for economic growth and job creation.

Projects such as the N28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Road were overlooked during the boom times, but they are now being prioritised by this Government. The scale of the funding announced is a reflection of the ambition for growth and investment in the Cork area.



CARRIGALINE UNVEILED AS CORK'S FIRST SIRO-POWERED TOWN

It is great news that Carrigaline has been selected as the first town in Munster to be connected to SIRO's 100% fibre optic broadband network. This development will help attract investment, boost competitiveness and encourage entrepreneurs to set up online businesses. SIRO will have a transformative effect on Carrigaline by giving our young people better online learning opportunities, enabling more flexible working condi-

tions for residents and better services in homes. This development compliments the Government's own plans to deliver fibre broadband to more than 1,000 rural communities as part of the National Broadband Plan.



NEW PRIMARY CARE CENTRE FOR CARRIGALINE

This Government has always prioritised primary care as the future model of health provision in Ireland. I welcome the announcement by the HSE that it has entered into a lease for the provision of a 2000sqm Primary Care Centre at Estuary Business Park, Kilnagleary, Carrigaline. Primary Care services provide health and social care services outside of the hospital setting. The new facility will provide accommodation for the Primary Care

Team and network services including public health nursing, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech & language therapy, podiatry, dental and home support. It is expected that there will also be space for 5 General Practitioners. A Planning application has already been lodged and construction is expected to begin in early 2016 with a provisional opening scheduled for spring 2017.

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GAELCHOLÁISTE CHARRAIG UÍ LEIGHIN



I was delighted to pay the students and teachers of Gaelcholáiste Charraig Uí Leighin a visit at the start of September. The first year students are being housed in the newly renovated Waterpark House, which is the temporary home for the new Gaelcholáiste whilst the planning and construction of the permanent €19 million campus is ongoing. This is an important milestone for students and their parents, but also for the greater Carrigaline community.

NEW 30KM/H SPEED LIMIT FOR CARRIGALINE HOUSING ESTATES

- Waterpark Estate Carrigaline
- Owenabue Heights and Glenwood Estates
- Shamrock Lawn in Douglas



A reduced speed limit of 30 km/hr has been introduced in 6 housing estates across Carrigaline. The housing estates have been chosen to participate in a pilot programme by Cork County Council due to the number of schools located in the vicinity of the estates.

Once all speed limit signs have been installed in the estates, gardaí will have responsibility for enforcing the new limits. I fully support this initiative and I believe that it will improve safety for children within these estates.

THE GOOD FISH COMPANY OPENS SEAFOOD CENTRE

I recently opened The Good Fish Company Seafood Centre in Carrigaline. The new centre includes a seafood retail store and a large production facility. It is fantastic to see that the scheme is

now driving the expansion of the Irish seafood processing industry. I believe that we can look forward to seeing continued growth within the seafood processing sector.



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