



Dear Residents,

We wanted to write and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. It's been a year like no other, but it has been so encouraging to see the signs of neighbours looking after one another, friendships deepening, and a re-discovery of what our own area has to offer. We haven't had the usual opportunities to come together for a Street Party or Carol Singing, but connections have been made in other ways, and hopefully 2021 will bring with it opportunities to come together in person once again.

The Committee has seen its own changes in recent months. We wish to thank Cormac O'Sullivan for all of his hard work and care for the Shandon area; the dedication and energy that he brought to the role has not gone unappreciated. A special thanks also goes to Barry Scallan, Evelyn Conroy and Ré Dubhthaigh, for everything they have brought to the Committee during their time. All of these people have brought their own skills and ideas as to how to make Shandon a better place for all, and they will be sorely missed.

The Committee has nominated, on an interim basis, Tommy Cahill as Chairperson and Sarah Buchanan as Secretary. We are hoping that the New Year brings with it the opportunity for an AGM, and we'd be asking you to consider whether you would be interested in joining us in the Committee at that time.

As we've been restricted in our activities, we have held meetings by Zoom. Our efforts in recent weeks have gone into producing a BusConnects submission to represent Shandon Residents Association, as well as a constitution for the Committee to work to, ensuring we are led by aims that will serve our community.

This Christmas, we would like to encourage creativity by awarding a prize to the house on each of our streets that has the most festive outdoor decorations. Halloween saw some amazing efforts, and Christmas appears to be bringing out that good will once again!

Should you wish to get in touch with us, please do. The best way to reach us is by emailing shandonresidentsassociation1@gmail.com.

We wish you a restful and fun-filled time.

Shandon Residents Association Committee

