 **‘Adopt a Patch’ Registration Form**

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

**Further information on protecting yourself and others from COVID-19 is available at** [**https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/coronavirus/protect-yourself-and-others.html**](https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/coronavirus/protect-yourself-and-others.html)

**Existing Biodiversity**

Biodiversity is in crisis and we have a role to play in restoring it. You can enhance the area without clearing away wild plants. Please do not spray weed killer on Adopt a Patch areas.

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

**The Adopt a Patch scheme addresses litter and there is no commitment for people to plant flowers or bulbs etc.**

1. **Register for the Adopt a Patch:**

Please complete **page 1** (this page) of this form and email it as an attachment to environment@fingal.ie or post it to: Fingal County Council, Environment & Climate Action Department, County Hall, Main Street Swords, Co. Dublin.

Adopt a Patch Individual or Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No. of members: \_\_\_\_

Area/ location to be maintained: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact name(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **GDPR and Confidentiality:**

I agree to having the information on this form retained by Fingal County Council for the purposes of the Adopt a Patch Scheme and I understand that the information will not be shared with any other parties. **Yes / No** (please indicate)

1. **Agreements**

**I understand and acknowledge that the above named are not protected or insured under any liability or indemnification by filling out this form. This form is a statement of intent and not a legally binding document. Yes / No** (please indicate)

1. **Please engage with local neighbours** (and landowners if applicable) to gain a participatory approach to tackling litter in the area.

**I/We have consulted with neighbours before making any changes such as planting flowers, shrubs, bulbs or installing and flowerboxes or pollinator areas, rockeries etc. and agreement was reached. Yes / No** (please indicate)

The following materials may be available (subject to availability) to Adopt a Patch participants.

* Litter pickers
* Bags for litter are available from your local Tidy Towns
* Paint for community spaces – ask your local hub Community Centre listed below

Your local **Tidy Towns groups have litter pickers and rolls of bags available.**

**For the Adopt a Patch there are litter pickers available at the 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. **Ongar Community Centre** 15 Ongar Distributor Road, Ongar Village, Dublin 15, D15 VR72  email info@ongarcc.ie   [Phone](https://eur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Fsearch%3Frlz%3D1C1GCEA_enIE880IE880%26q%3Dongar%2Bcommunity%2Bcentre%2Bphone%26ludocid%3D6891523616731353123%26sa%3DX%26ved%3D2ahUKEwjj0Za3nej-AhWZaMAKHcgmBosQ6BN6BAhFEAI&data=05%7C01%7CWebContent%40fingal.ie%7C9c48ee0a1c0d48f37d5808db509573f6%7C72dcfc23757145948154afe2c0bdea98%7C0%7C0%7C638192375050678383%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=A59JBiH54XPwQY%2BC5IfOQMAqt%2BeiAfZn5ll0bx%2FHHIE%3D&reserved=0):[(01) 826 0366](https://eur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Dongar%2Bcommunity%2Bcentre%26rlz%3D1C1GCEA_enIE880IE880%26oq%3Dongar%2Bcommunity%2Bcentre%26aqs%3Dchrome..69i57j46i175i199i512j0i512j0i22i30.4393j0j15%26sourceid%3Dchrome%26ie%3DUTF-8%23&data=05%7C01%7CWebContent%40fingal.ie%7C9c48ee0a1c0d48f37d5808db509573f6%7C72dcfc23757145948154afe2c0bdea98%7C0%7C0%7C638192375050678383%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=H46ARPGdRCWN%2BNxRpI1oacATX279W2GxkOJ56nCnI9U%3D&reserved=0)
4. **Donabate Portrane Community & Leisure Centre**, 3 Portrane Rd, Ballalease North, Donabate, Co. Dublin, K36 FY26 Phone: (01) 843 4546
5. **Baldoyle Community Hall**, Main St, Baldoyle, Dublin 13, Phone: (01) 8395338
6. **Flemington Community Centre**, Hamlet Ln, Balbriggan, (01) 841 5070
7. **Our Balbriggan Main Office**, Georges Square, Balbriggan, email: ourbalbriggan@fingal.ie
8. **Applewood Community Centre**, Castleview Lawn / Bunbury Gate Road, Swords, Co. Dublin, Phone: 353 (01) 807 9582, Email:  info@applewoodcc.ie
9. **Holywell Community Centre,** Holywell Ave, Holywell, Swords, Co. Dublin, [(01) 897 1010](https://eur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Fsearch%3Fgs_ssp%3DeJzj4tVP1zc0TDYuLqs0yisyYLRSMagwsTAzNzQwTbM0sDA0TTRIszKoMLS0MLJMMrUwTk2zMEwx8ZLMyM-pLE_NyVFIzs_NLc3LLKlUSE7NKylKBQCM7BiJ%26q%3Dholywell%2Bcommunity%2Bcentre%26rlz%3D1C1GCEA_enIE880IE880%26oq%3Dholywell%2Bcommun%26aqs%3Dchrome.1.0i355i512j46i175i199i512j69i57j46i175i199i512j46i512j0i512l5.8091j0j15%26sourceid%3Dchrome%26ie%3DUTF-8%23&data=05%7C01%7CBernie.Kelly%40fingal.ie%7C7c7d2472892e4490855608db3f3fcb21%7C72dcfc23757145948154afe2c0bdea98%7C0%7C0%7C638173315449325685%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=MOgd%2BZXA3QFrW0e4Crrqg5sPnEL6qEBE1ybpktrHdAQ%3D&reserved=0)
10. **Rivervalley Community Centre**, River Valley Rd, River Valley, Swords, Co. Dublin, K67 T6T7, [(01) 840 9018](https://eur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Drivervalley%2Bcommunity%2Bcentre%26rlz%3D1C1GCEA_enIE880IE880%26ei%3DJTo9ZLeUCJbNgQbhrq7QDw%26ved%3D0ahUKEwj3uuSD9LD-AhWWZsAKHWGXC_oQ4dUDCA8%26uact%3D5%26oq%3Drivervalley%2Bcommunity%2Bcentre%26gs_lcp%3DCgxnd3Mtd2l6LXNlcnAQAzIOCC4QgAQQxwEQrwEQ6gQyAggmMgIIJjIZCC4QgAQQxwEQrwEQ6gQQ3AQQ3gQQ4AQYAToKCAAQRxDWBBCwAzoQCC4QigUQxwEQrwEQsAMQQzoGCAAQBxAeOgcIABANEIAEOggIABAIEAcQHjoICAAQCBAeEA1KBAhBGABQ5A9YiCRg8itoAXABeACAAW6IAfkFkgEEMTAuMZgBAKABAcgBCcABAdoBBggBEAEYFA%26sclient%3Dgws-wiz-serp%23&data=05%7C01%7CBernie.Kelly%40fingal.ie%7C7c7d2472892e4490855608db3f3fcb21%7C72dcfc23757145948154afe2c0bdea98%7C0%7C0%7C638173315449325685%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=f8yU5eXTPB6Jhh1P4tviiOu%2FGId0UNw2j09ReNEfjOY%3D&reserved=0)

**In your ‘Adopt a Patch’ please retain any existing habitats such as ivy and wildflowers for pollinating insects.**

Important actions include the following: -

1. **Less mowing**
2. **Less Spraying** of weed killer/ pesticides/ herbicides. (Pollinator friendly vinegar or garlic-based solutions are available online and in shops).
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>

Visit [www.pollinators.ie](http://www.pollinators.ie) for more details

You could take before and after photos of your area and promote your effort locally.

**Thank you** for making this positive contribution to your community.

See <https://www.fingal.ie/adopt-patch> for further details

This initiative is run by the Environment Department in partnership with Operations Department of Fingal County Council.